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Hi Maureen,

Thank you for reaching out about our application.

Will the photos be of captive or wild reptiles? Photos will be of wild reptiles.

Can you use stock photos?

Photos chosen for this project will showcase the traits that are useful in identification, which may not be easily found in stock photos. However, I do think we can collaborate with museums, universities, wildlife agencies, as well as herping hobbyists, to find the shots of the reptiles we need. For some species, we may need to include more than one photo to highlight these traits.

One of the goals with this project is to support local photographers, herpetologists and researchers through paying them for their work. Hours, days and weeks go into finding some of the more rare species to photograph. They also have invested in equipment and years of practice that have led to the high quality photos we are looking for. I have reviewed my personal photos of Bay Area reptiles and will contribute photos for six of the 30 species at no cost to the project, which will reduce our budget ask for photos. I do believe we can make this project happen with a smaller budget for photographs, if need be.

Thank you for your consideration.

Warmly, Audra

