



April 4, 2022

Sonoma County Water Agency Supplement to Request for Statements of Qualifications

Deadline for Submission
2:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 6, 2022

RE: SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 TO REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR AS-NEEDED FIELD OPERATIONS ASSISTANCE SERVICES

This Supplement forms a part of and modifies the Request for Statements of Qualifications dated March 16, 2022.

Modified text is indicated as follows: Double-underline designates text to be inserted; ~~strikeout~~ designates text to be deleted.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Modify Paragraph 1.1, as follows:

- a. Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) invites Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) from firms interested in providing field operations assistance services. A list of qualified firms will be developed and used over the next three years for ~~maintenance work at various Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement Project sites~~ future projects including, but not limited to, the Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement Project.

2. PASS/FAIL REQUIREMENTS

2.1. Delete Section 2 in its entirety.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1. Modify Paragraph 3.3, as follows:

- a. Sonoma Water and the U.S Army Corps of Engineers have been constructing the Project elements throughout Dry Creek every year (except 2015) between 2012 and 2021. These existing habitat features are subject to high-flow events and other processes, such as the growth of invasive plant species. Ongoing and routine maintenance activities, such as sediment removal, erosion repair, planting of natives, removal of non-natives is required to maintain the intended habitat function of the Project elements. Sonoma Water requires assistance for maintenance services supporting the existing Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement Project sites, which currently cover approximately 3.5 miles along the Dry Creek Corridor, and which help support habitat for endangered salmonid species in Dry Creek. These services depend on each season's high-flow events and may include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Vegetation trimming
 - ii. Tree-limbing
 - iii. Debris removal
 - iv. Sediment removal
 - v. Erosion Control/Bank Stabilization:
 - a) Construct willow walls, bank repairs willow brush mattresses, erosion-control fabric, hydroseed, and biologs
 - b) Native plant installation, including weed tarp and browser covers
 - c) Invasive plant and tree removal
 - d) Hauling, chipping, and disposal of vegetation on Sonoma Water-designated sites
 - e) Herbicide application
 - f) Providing tools and other supplies necessary to perform the work, including, but not limited to, any equipment necessary to isolate the work area from any active creek flow.

4. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

4.1. Delete Section 4 in its entirety.

5. PREVAILING WAGES

5.1. No changes.

6. LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDER PREFERENCE

6.1. No changes.

7. **LIVING WAGE**

7.1. Modify Paragraph 7.2, as follows:

- a. The Living Wage Ordinance can be found at [Living-Wage-Ordinance](#).

8. **SUBMITTAL OF SOQS**

8.1. Modify Paragraph 8.2.a-i, as follows:

- a. A table of contents and page numbers.
- b. Legal name of company, how organized (non-profit, LLC, etc.), and where company is incorporated. Not required for individuals.
- ~~c. Evidence of minimum qualifications (see Section 4 above).~~
- d. Evidence of registration with the Department of Industrial Relations, if applicable (see Section 5 above).
- e. A statement of similar work previously performed, including at least three references with name of organization, contact person, and telephone number. Include a description of experience working in aquatic areas and isolating work areas from active creek flows.
- f. A statement of qualifications and a list of leadership team personnel to be assigned to the work, including a resume for each, listing education, experience, and expertise in this kind of work.
- g. A rate schedule that lists hourly rates of personnel to be assigned to the work and expense costs.
- h. Any proposed exceptions to the indemnification, insurance, or other standard terms of the sample agreement. Please make comments as specific as possible; reference to exceptions or negotiated terms included in prior agreements is not acceptable. Exceptions not explicitly stated in the SOQ will not be considered during negotiations. Please note that proposing significant changes to standard terms may result in a lower evaluation score. If standard terms are acceptable, include the statement "No exception to standard terms."
- i. Completed Declaration of Local Business for Services, if applicable.

8.2. Modify Paragraph 8.2.f, as follows:

- a. A statement of qualifications and a list of leadership team personnel to be assigned to the work, including a resume for each, listing education, experience, and expertise in this kind of work.

8.3. Modify Paragraph 8.4, as follows, to update link:

- a. In addition, submit SOQs to the County of Sonoma Purchasing Department via the Supplier Portal by the deadline for submission and in accordance with Attachment 3 (Supplier Portal Registration Guide). Sonoma County Supplier Portal Frequently Asked Questions can be found at [FAQsFAQs](#).

9. EVALUATION

9.1. No changes.

10. CONTACTS

10.1. No changes.

11. QUESTION(S)/ANSWER(S)

Sonoma Water responses to questions are for the purposes of interpretation and clarification of the Request for Statements of Qualifications and shall not be construed as changing, superseding, or contradicting any express term in the Request for Statements of Qualifications. Questions received are listed below.

1. Question: Approximately how many acres of land would be treated each year?

Answer: Answered in this Supplement, above.

2. Question: Do responses need to include resumes for any staff member potentially assigned to the project, or only those resumes for the leadership team?

Answer: Answered in this Supplement, above.

Sincerely,

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Attachment 1

PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS

No changes.

Attachment 2

DECLARATION OF LOCAL BUSINESS FOR SERVICES

No changes.

Attachment 3



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SONOMA

Supplier Portal Registration Guide

No changes.