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Planning

Mechanised Ground Operations

Forestry and Land Scotland

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0399f8

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Mechanised Ground Operations

Reference number

FLS-0036-C

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS) have a requirement to undertake Ground Preparation and Mechanised Establishment Operations (“the Service”) on various sites following the completion of harvesting operations and on woodland creation sites where ground needs to be prepared for forest establishment. The Service will prepare the sites so that they are in optimal condition for replanting.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

3 March 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

PIN to Suppliers

Upcoming Tender FLS-0036-C

Thank you for your interest in working with FLS. I would like to provide some information on an upcoming tender process for Mechanised Ground Preparation.

FLS intend to run an open tender process for these services, which will cover a majority of the same types of requirements as were tendered for in C0203, published by FLS last year. Please note that the new tender will not include the South of Scotland (Dumfries & Borders, and Galloway), which was successfully tendered under C0203.

FLS have recognised and acknowledged several issues that occurred with last year's tender process. We have taken on board feedback from the market and have proceeded to make appropriate changes to several areas of the process, including the lotting structure and evaluation criteria in order to improve the tender process, as well as the overall experience of submitting a bid.

We are planning to work to the following timeline, so please check your inbox and PCS account regularly to ensure that you don't miss out on any opportunities. The project will be titled "Mechanised Ground Operations," and the reference is FLS-0036-C. (Please note that FLS are unable to issue individual notification that the tender is live. This will be advertised only on the PCS portal).

Publication Late February / early March 2023

Tender Deadline April 2023

Tender Award Results May 2023

Contract Start Date 1st August 2023

Current Contracts

For the suppliers currently working under the agreements, where there is a business need, FLS shall be extending the current agreements to provide contract coverage until the tendering process has been completed.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=720057.

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