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## **Deer & Other Wildlife Management Services**

Forestry and Land Scotland

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-002496

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02f371

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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Buyer's address

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Deer & Other Wildlife Management Services

Reference number

CO224

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Forestry & Land Scotland (FLS) undertakes deer and other wildlife management on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to protect tree crop and designated sites from the adverse impacts of grazing/browsing herbivores. This protection increases the volume and quality of timber brought to market, enables woodland creation and protects and enhances biodiversity through habitat protection.

The aim of this contract is to procure deer and other wildlife management services. These services will assist FLS in reducing and maintaining deer and other wildlife at sustainable densities across the SNFL through culling in a humane, safe and cost effective manner.

These services are to be delivered in conjunction with the culling duties of FLS Wildlife Staff.

Carcasses of deer and some other animals are sold into the human food chain and therefore the lardering of carcasses must be undertaken in accordance with Scottish Quality Wild Venison Assurance Scheme (SQWVAS) standards.

The scope of this contract is primarily for deer culling. The culling of feral pig, feral goat and feral sheep is required on an opportunistic basis only. FLS reserves the right to deliver or procure a targeted feral pig, feral goat and/or feral sheep cull.

Culling must be by centre fire rifle. Shotguns are not permitted.

The contract term is five years commencing 1st May 2022 with an additional optional one year extension available at the discretion of FLS.

Regulation 72(1): FLS may modify the Contract, irrespective of the monetary value of those modifications, within the scope permitted under Regulation 72(1)(a) of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 should Operational reasons require it. Actual requirements can vary due to changes in:

Deer ingress;

Significant weather patterns impacting deer density;

Forest block acquisition or disposal within the lot boundary;

Taking responsibility for an FLS Staff block;

Any disease or tree health issue;

A change in Scottish Government or FLS strategies;

Scottish Governments response to the Deer Working Group and any associated changes to published best practice and legislation;

Any collaborative culling agreement;

Receipt of additional funding;

Standards associated with the preparation of carcasses and sale of bi- products to meet FLS business need;

NatureScot legislative, regulatory or collaborative requirements;

Scottish Governments response to COVID-19.

Question Scoring Methodology for Technical Criteria:

0 - Unacceptable - Nil or inadequate response. Fails to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirement.

25 - Poor - Response is partially relevant and poor. The response addresses some elements of the requirement but contains insufficient/limited detail or explanation to demonstrate how the requirement will be fulfilled.

50 - Acceptable - Response is relevant and acceptable. The response addresses a broad understanding of the requirement but may lack details on how the requirement will be fulfilled in certain areas.

75 - Good - Response is relevant and good. The response is sufficiently detailed to demonstrate a good understanding and provides details on how the requirements will be fulfilled.

100 - Excellent - Response is completely relevant and excellent overall. The response is comprehensive, unambiguous and demonstrates a thorough understanding of the requirement and provides details of how the requirement will be met in full.

Any Bidder that receives a score of zero or one for one or more Technical Question will be excluded from the tender.

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.6) Original notice reference**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-030796](#)

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## **Section VII. Changes**

### **VII.1) Information to be changed or added**

#### **VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice**

Section number

IV.2.2

Place of text to be modified

Time limit

Instead of

Date

28 January 2022

Local time

5:00pm

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31 January 2022

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IV.2.7

Place of text to be modified

Conditions for opening of tenders

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## **VII.2) Other additional information**

Tender submission deadline extended due to exceptional extenuating circumstances.