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## **Peatlands Surveys 2021**

Natural Resources Wales

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKL - WALES

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://naturalresourceswales.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0110](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0110)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Peatlands Surveys 2021

Reference number

85350

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

- 79311000 - Survey services

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

Services

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

This requirement facilitates delivery of peatland restoration NRW work areas. The requirement comprises various surveys of forestry and peatlands and our requirements are broken down into three distinct topics

1. Afforested Peat surveys of Forest stands on Deep peat and assessment of restoration potential base on specification in Lot 1
2. Hydrological survey and conceptual understanding of all peatland types (not only those on afforested land). Specification Lot 2
3. Vegetation/peat condition surveys of all peatland types (not only those on afforested land). Specification Lot 3

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Afforested Peat surveys of Forest stands on Deep peat and assessment of restoration potential base

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 71355000 - Surveying services
- 90722000 - Environmental rehabilitation
- 90711400 - Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) services other than for construction
- 45262640 - Environmental improvement works
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK43 - Devon CC

Main site or place of performance

Across the whole of Wales

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The purpose of this contract is to provide an assessment of peat bodies within the afforested estate across Wales in order to identify priority areas for restoration to open peatland habitat. This contract will exclude some forest blocks currently subject to the preparation of Forest Resource Plans or covered by other activities such as windfarm Habitat Management Plans. Forest blocks selected for survey are listed in Annex 1. The survey will focus on “Deep Peaty Soils” according to the definition of Vanguelova et al (2012).

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: demonstration of ability / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The purpose of this contract is to provide an assessment of peat bodies within the afforested estate across Wales in order to identify priority areas for restoration to open peatland habitat. This contract will exclude some forest blocks currently subject to the preparation of Forest Resource Plans or covered by other activities such as windfarm Habitat Management Plans.

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Peatland Hydrology Surveys

Lot No

2

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79311000 - Survey services
- 90722000 - Environmental rehabilitation
- 90711400 - Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) services other than for construction
- 45262640 - Environmental improvement works
- 71351900 - Geology, oceanography and hydrology services

- 71351920 - Oceanography and hydrology services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Across the whole of Wales

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Natural Resources Wales is responsible for developing and implementing Wales's first National Peatlands Action Programme (NPAP). The purpose of this programme is to restore peatland ecosystems across Wales, with a focus in the first five years of the programme on six priority action themes.

The programme (and NRW more widely) has a range of hydrological assessment and monitoring requirements for peatland and related terrestrial wetland ecosystems. This specification identifies and characterises the main categories of work required under this lot

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Demonstration of ability / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The programme has a range of hydrological assessment and monitoring requirements for peatland and related terrestrial wetland ecosystems. The main characteristics of the work are defined as follows:

- Baseline assessments of peatland site hydrology
- Site investigations, instrumentation, and monitoring of key hydrological metrics.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Vegetation surveys

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79311000 - Survey services
- 90722000 - Environmental rehabilitation
- 90711400 - Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) services other than for construction
- 45262640 - Environmental improvement works

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Across the whole of Wales

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Vegetation/peat condition surveys of all peatland types (not only those on afforested land).

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: demonstration of ability / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The programme has a range of vegetation survey and assessment requirements, both in terms of pre-restoration site assessments and post restoration monitoring. The main characterises of the work required under this lot are as follows:

- Mapping and characterising the vegetation cover of sites
- Collection of baseline vegetation data from plots
- Condition assessment



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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

As per the specifications with the documentation which will be listed on etenderwales

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 9

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

48 month contract

#### **IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>

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All suppliers must register with sell to wales to gain access to the documentation

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

#### **IV.2) Administrative information**

##### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

29 March 2021

Local time

11:00am

##### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English, Welsh

##### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

29 March 2021

Local time

11:00am

Place

Online

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Senior procurement adviser at NRW

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/COMPLETING THE ITT.

1. Tenderers should register on the eTendering portal  
<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>
2. Once registered, suppliers must express their interest as follows:
  - a. Login to the etendering portal.
  - b. Select ITT\_85350
  - c. Select ITT's Open to all suppliers
  - d. Access the listing relating to the contract ITT: itt\_85350 and view details.
  - e. Click on 'Express Interest' button in the 'Actions' box on the left hand side of the page.
3. Once you have expressed your interest, the ITT will move to 'My ITTs', where you can download and where you can construct your reply as instructed.
4. For any support in submitting your expression of interest, please contact the eTendering helpdesk on 08003684852 or at [help@bravosolution.co.uk](mailto:help@bravosolution.co.uk)

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NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at  
[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\\_switch.aspx?ID=108465](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=108465)

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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