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Tender

tNCEA Access Permissions 23/24

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F01: Prior information notice

Call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs

Buyer's address

https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome

I.3) Communication

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

https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

C16092

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The intent of this notice is to notify industry an open competition for 'tNCEA Access Permissions'. The competition shall commence 1st March 2023 and shall close 3rd April 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

An element of the NCEA programme is the England Ecosystem Survey (EES) which is a new method of collecting environmental data. The aim of the EES is to get a true understanding of the condition of England's terrestrial environment, and to do this we need to identify landowners and land users, and secure land access permission to carry out surveys on their land. The surveys, which will be conducted under a separate contracting method to this contract, will collect data relating to habitats, vegetation, peat

and landscape as well as soil and water biota eDNA and support Natural England's earth observation programme.

The requirement is split in to two parts:

Part 1 – 2024 Access Permission Contact and Request Process

- Contact and responses for 2024 (940 monads with up to 6 1ha squares within each).
- Gaining access permission for England Ecosystem Survey 2024.
- Expected to be completed by October 2023

Part 2 – 2023 Response and Acknowledgement Process

- Responding to survey participants from 2023
- Will commence October 2023 and will focus on contacting landowners who gave permission for survey in 2023 and thanking them for their participation

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Start date

1 June 2023

End date

31 March 2024

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

3 April 2023

Local time

10:00am

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

English

IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures

1 June 2023

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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