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Planning

Forest Management and Invasive Vegetation Control

Forestry and Land Scotland

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-032949

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Forestry and Land Scotland

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://forestryandland.gov.scot>

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

Forest Management and Invasive Vegetation Control

Reference number

C0209

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

A non-mandatory session for bidders has been arranged for Thursday 14 April 2022 at 14:00 to 15:30 BST.

see this page for more details

<https://www.sdpscotland.co.uk/events/talking-tenders-with-forestry-and-land-scotland-1308/>

Forest Management Operations:

Management of the planting programme including the maintenance operations required to establish sites, excluding fencing, deer management and ground preparation. Rapid restocking can minimise weed growth (and hence herbicide use) and loss of nutrients and sediment from sites and may be needed to help improve forest structure.

North – 5 Lots, from 900,000 to 2.4m

East – 3 Lots, from 1.55m to 1.79m

Central – 3 Lots, from 1.35m to 2.92m

West – 4 Lots, from 1.5m to 1.58m

South – 8 Lots, from 740,000 to 1.65m

(values over 4 years, GBP)

Invasive Vegetation Control:

Management of all types of vegetation (woody or herbaceous) that is deemed an invasive species on the designated or conservation site which are outside of the establishment

operations. Woody species include all tree species and shrubs such as Hemlock, Rhododendron and Gaultheria. Herbaceous species include all specified noxious weeds such as Japanese knotweed and shall include other species such as Gunnera, Balsam and Hypericum. Control of all Invasive vegetation will require a variety of techniques, including stem injection, cutting and spraying to ensure that the plants are controlled to an effective level.

There is no mulching or similar operation which require excavators or heavy plant machinery under these Contracts.

North – 1 Lots, 2.53m

East – 1 Lots, 890,000

Central – 2 Lots, 2.45m and 5.43m

West – 2 Lots, both 4m

South – 1 Lots, 650,000

(values over 5 years, GBP)

- If a Bidder is awarded multiple Contracts, they will be required to deliver the Services simultaneously across all of the Contracts awarded to them. You should only bid for Lots that you are willing to enter into Contract.

- For Lots 1 to 23 (FM): A Bidder may bid for and be awarded up to six of the 23 Lots. Bids for Lots exceeding this limit will be rejected and not evaluated.

- For Lots 24 to 30 (IVC), A Bidder may bid for and be awarded up to four of the seven Lots. Bids for Lots exceeding this limit will be rejected and not evaluated.

- Therefore you may bid for a maximum of 10 Lots subject to the above.

- Where a Bidder exceeds the limits set above, FLS will ask (through message in PCS-Tender) the Bidder to select which are to be removed, if no response is received within five working days, the Lots listed by their highest Lot reference number shall be removed, ie, if Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are bid for, then FLS shall exclude Lots 7 and 8.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £56,260,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

30 Lots;

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II.2.14) Additional information

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

11 April 2022

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

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The Tender documents will be made available soon, a PCS notice will provide details to access on PCS-Tender.

A copy of the presentation and a recording of the session will be made available soon after the 14th April.

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