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Contract

Steep Ground Rhododendron ponticum control on steep ground sites requiring roped access

Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-059c81

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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=AA28363

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

SCIO

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Steep Ground Rhododendron ponticum control on steep ground sites requiring roped access

Reference number

ACT / 027a

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Rhododendron ponticum control on steep ground sites requiring roped access

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £145,540

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute

Main site or place of performance

North Knapdale, near Tayvallich

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A quality contractor is sought to delivery effective removal of Rhododendron ponticum from steep ground sites which require roped access to undertake the work safely. We are looking for high standard of health and safety management and high quality control of Rhododendron ponticum.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality information provided in procurement documents /
Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

ACT 027/RF

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 November 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Highland Access Ltd

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £145,540

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

All information is contained within the Statement of Requirements and appendices.
Questions can be directed through the PCS portal.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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