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Tender

Feasibility Assessment for Creation of Natural Wetland on Land Adjacent to Stodmarsh NNR

Natural England

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Scope

Reference

FACNW

Description

The key deliverables for this contract will be:

Scope of Works:

1. Introduction

This specification sets out the requirements for a Feasibility Study to assess the potential for wetland restoration on a 37 hectare site located immediately west of the Stodmarsh National Nature Reserve (NNR), Kent. The study will evaluate ecological, hydrological, engineering, economic, and land management feasibility, providing a clear evidence base and suite of options for project progression.

2. Objectives of the Feasibility Study

The principal objectives are to:

1. Determine the ecological and hydrological feasibility of wetland creation or enhancement on the site.
2. Develop and assess a range of viable restoration options.
3. Identify risks, constraints, opportunities, and likely biodiversity and ecosystem service outcomes.
4. Establish options for the transition of the site from existing land use to restored wetland, in collaboration with the landowner.
5. Propose long term management models and governance approaches.
6. Provide costs, funding routes, and a clear roadmap for implementation.

Deliverables will be required by 31th March 2026. This work will inform a government priority and there will be limited ability to negotiate or extend timescales. However, we understand that this may be a quick turnaround, if you believe it is not possible to complete all deliverables by the aforementioned deadline then please provide a detailed timetable of what you believe can be completed before and after the deadline has passed. Monthly meetings for the length of the project are likely to be required

Total value (estimated)

- £40,000 excluding VAT
- £48,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 27 February 2026 to 31 March 2026
- 1 month, 2 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 45262640 - Environmental improvement works
- 90700000 - Environmental services

Contract locations

- UKJ - South East (England)

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

19 February 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

23 February 2026, 5:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

To apply for this opportunity you must submit your quotation meeting the requirements detailed in the Request for Quotation (RFQ) attached.

Your response must be sent to rupert.hammond@naturalengland.org.uk by 17:00 on 23rd February 2026.

If you have any clarification questions linked to this opportunity or the procurement process please submit these via email by 17:00 on 19th February 2026 to rupert.hammond@naturalengland.org.uk. Please note that, unless commercially sensitive, both the question and the response will be circulated to all tenderers.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

No

Award criteria

See RFQ

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Documents

Associated tender documents

[NE-Request for Quote -Wetland Restoration on Land Adjacent to Stodmarsh NNR.docx](#)

RFQ

[Stodmarsh Wetland Restoration Order Form NE Standard Goods Services Terms and Conditions.docx](#)

Order Form

[NE_Commercial Response basic temp.docx](#)

Commercial Response

Contracting authority

Natural England

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