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Tender

Mineral Consultancy Framework

Forestry Commission

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Scope

Reference

FCCN004346

Description

Forestry England have explored and managed mineral operations on the nations forest since it was established and wish to continue to develop commercial mineral opportunities across the estate. This must be undertaken in reasonable balance with wider objectives including the production of timber and the interests of conservation and the environment. In promoting the multiple benefits of forestry, we also seek to take careful account of the needs and wishes of stakeholders, including local communities.

This framework covers the whole of England. We currently have more than 40 sites in England, made up of a combination of operational sites worked by Tenants, sites worked under leasehold reservation by Landlords, sites used for landfill and 23 in house quarries.

As an increasingly specialised industry, we recognise the need to procure competent professional counsel to aid us in the successful management of these sites.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £280,000 excluding VAT
- £336,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 June 2026 to 14 June 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

Justification for not using lots

The requirement could have been separated into Lots based on specialist service, however following preliminary market engagement the interested companies were able to provide all services. Not separating the requirement into lots will lead to greater consistency of services received and mitigate against unnecessary duplication of work.

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

Framework prices are the rates submitted at tender, and will be fixed for the first 2 years of the framework. Work will be awarded directly to the framework supplier without reopening competition.

Award method when using the framework

Without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

27 March 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

7 April 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://app.panacea-software.com/ForestryCommission/eRFX-Suppliers/Open.aspx?requirementId=0fe40ba3-1fb9-4325-bea9-7daf8f7098d5>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

22 May 2026

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 February 2030

Award criteria

| Name | Type | Weighting |
|--|-------------|------------------|
| Pricing | Price | 35% |
| Expertise and Capability of Individuals | Quality | 20% |
| Expertise and Capability of the Quality Firm | | 15% |
| Framework Management | Quality | 10% |
| Sustainability and Social Value | Quality | 10% |
| Resource and Capacity | Quality | 5% |
| Administrative Management and Business Improvement | Quality | 5% |

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Forestry Commission

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLRM-7846-HGLG

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government