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Tender

## **DAERA - Forest Service - Ground Preparation Services**

CPD - Supplies and Services Division

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-014448

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02bfe3

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

CPD - Supplies and Services Division

303 Airport Road West

BELFAST

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#### **Contact**

SSDAdmin.CPDfinance-ni.gov.uk

#### **Email**

[SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

DAERA - Forest Service - Ground Preparation Services

Reference number

3511411

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77200000 - Forestry services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots  
8

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation including Mounding, Brash raking, Draining, Fire Breaks and Silt Traps (Down and Armagh)

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £40,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation including Mounding, Brash raking, Draining, Fire Breaks and Silt Traps (L/Derry and Antrim)

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £620,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union

funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation including Mounding, Brash raking, Draining, Fire Breaks and Silt Traps (West Fermanagh)

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £320,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation including Mounding, Brash raking, Draining, Fire Breaks and Silt Traps (East Fermanagh and Tyrone)

Lot No

4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £220,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Mulching (Down and Armagh)

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £50,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

**II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title**

Mulching (L/Derry and Antrim)

Lot No

6

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £50,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Mulching (West Fermanagh)

Lot No

7

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining

sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £50,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Mulching (East Fermanagh and Tyrone)

Lot No

8

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry
- 77211300 - Tree-clearing services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Forest Service wishes to appoint a list of Contractors to carry out a range of ground preparation services on post clear fell and burnt sites including the following: • Draining sites • Fire breaks • Mulching of woody growth • Maintenance of Silt traps, preparation of sites which require the use of Mats and associated works. The Contract will be subdivided into 8 Lots. The Forest Service aims to appoint a maximum of 8 Contractors per Lot.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £150,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for one further period of two years

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

## **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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

28 July 2021

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 26 October 2021

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

28 July 2021

Local time

3:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Dependent on whether extension periods are offered.

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The successful Contractor's performance on this Contract will be managed as per the specification and regularly monitored (see.. Procurement Guidance Note 01/12 - Contract Management - Procedures and Principles). Contractors not delivering on contract.. requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory.. levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory.. levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their.. performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional.. misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and this Contract may be terminated. A central register.. of such Notices for supplies and services contracts will be maintained and published on the CPD website. Any contractor in receipt of a.. Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance will be required to declare this in future tender submissions for a period of three years from the.. date of issue of the Notice. It may also result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by.. Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Any challenges are dealt with by the High Court Commercial Division to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulations.

UK

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Any challenges are dealt with by the High Court Commercial Division to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulations.

UK

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (AS AMENDED). and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision.