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Contract

## **Breeding Bird Surveys for six upland SSSIs in Yorkshire, Cumbria and County Durham**

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F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-015455

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0291d5

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Breeding Bird Surveys for six upland SSSIs in Yorkshire, Cumbria and County Durham

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

Services

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

The objective of this project is to survey all bird species potentially nesting in open moorland habitats within the six SSSIs and to estimate the numbers of each breeding species within the sites.

It is not necessary to survey for Merlin.

All open moorland habitats within the SSSIs will be surveyed (see Appendix D for maps showing the site boundaries). The survey method to be used is that devised by Brown and Shepherd (1993, Bird Study 40: 189-195) and is outlined later in this specification under the section entitled Brown and Shepherd (1993) method. This requires two visits over the total moorland area, with the first visit in early April to mid-May and the second in mid-May to late June. Surveys should be carried out by observers with experience of the

behaviour, calls and songs of upland birds. On each visit, the location and activities of all upland breeding birds (with the exception of Red Grouse, Meadow Pipit, Skylark and Carrion Crow) should be recorded using a GIS system (ARC compatible). Estimates of the numbers of breeding pairs are derived from both visit maps. The map for the first visit should include a total count for each 1km square of Red Grouse, Meadow Pipits, Skylarks and Carrion Crows.

#### **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: £113,689.26

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical ability and capacity to carry out the fieldwork /  
Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Availability to deliver the survey within the allotted timescale /  
Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Capability (including health & safety) / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: GDPR / Weighting: 5

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

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## **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**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-002670](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 April 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 11

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

TEP - The Environment Partnership

Warrington, Cheshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £113,689.26

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The Courts of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom