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Planning

Specialist Peatland Restoration

Forestry and Land Scotland

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Specialist Peatland Restoration

Reference number

FLS-0013-C

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

There are extensive areas of deep peat on Scotland's Forests and Land, including many which are afforested.

Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS) are currently exploring all potential options and opportunities for procuring services to deliver specialist peatland restoration operations over the next 4 years and our intention is to commence a tender exercise, which is likely to result in a series of contract awards. It is anticipated that the new tender will be published later in the year of 2022 with contracts awarded around April 2023.

In order to best inform the FLS approach to the future procurement of these services, it is essential that FLS understand the size, scope, capacity and future aspirations of the marketplace. FLS are therefore looking to both existing and potential suppliers to provide valuable insight into the services you can offer, your capacity, preferred work locations, preferred pricing mechanisms and more.

The information you can provide is vital to our considerations as to how FLS move forward in delivering these requirements and develop a strategic approach to delivery of these services.

PLEASE NOTE: This PIN is for information gathering purposes only and is NOT a call for competition. A response to this PIN shall not constitute any form of contract.

There is no requirement to have read or replied to this notice and the attached questionnaire, suppliers will be entitled to submit their tender without any disadvantage.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

All Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

FLS's peatland restoration programme is continually increasing in scale. To date, we have undertaken restoration work on 8,552 hectares of degraded peatland habitat, at the rate of approximately 1,000 hectares of restoration per annum.

By 2027 onwards we expect to be restoring at least 3,000 hectares annually, thereby reducing carbon emissions, capturing additional carbon and restoring valuable priority habitats that support priority species in the process.

All of this means at this exciting time for FLS, opportunities available to work with FLS in delivering peatland restoration at scale are greater than they have ever been.

FLS is intending to commence a tender exercise later in this year (2022) which is likely to result in a series of awards, which is anticipated around April 2023.

II.2.14) Additional information

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The structure of this tender and how it might be divided into Lots will be guided by our Market Research and data analysis.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

17 November 2022

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

A Supplier Engagement Questionnaire is attached as an additional document, FLS encourage all interested suppliers to respond to the attached by 23rd August 2022.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=701206.

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