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## **NW2702 Ecological Screening Support**

NORTHUMBRIAN WATER GROUP LIMITED

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKC14 - Durham CC

**Northumbrian Water Group Limited**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.nwl.co.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://s1.ariba.com/Sourcing/Main/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.nwl.co.uk>

**I.6) Main activity**

Water

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

NW2702 Ecological Screening Support

Reference number

NW2702

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

Services

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

The Northumbrian Water Conservation and Land Management Team currently undertake ecological screening of over six hundred projects each year. These projects range from minor connections, treatment work and pipeline refurbishments, through to mains renewal and major site upgrades.

As part of this screening work, we carry out designated site checks, protected species surveys, hedgerow surveys, regional data checks and ecological walkover surveys. Based on initial findings we may then need to prepare method statements or obtain Natural England license's affecting designated sites or protected species.

This workload is not split evenly throughout the year and consequently we experience periods of intense activity which can put a strain on the team as they try to assess projects in a timely manner. We are therefore seeking a schedule of agreed rates that would allow NWL to call upon qualified external support at busy times.

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

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

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

General Habitat survey, preliminary ecological appraisal, UKHab Survey

Lot No

1

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

- 79311000 - Survey services

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Ecological habitat surveys: including site visits to conduct general habitat surveys, preliminary ecological appraisals. Using UKHabs or Phase 1 methodology (depending on the purpose of the survey), the identification of priority habitats; important hedgerows; protected species; invasive species and recommendations for any further detailed surveys.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for up to a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

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

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

Habitat Regulation Assessments in accordance with CIEEM guidelines

Lot No

2

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Habitat Regulation Assessments: in accordance with CIEEM guidelines.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement

documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Natural England licence application: where impacts have been identified affecting designated sites or protected species.

Lot No

3

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

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Natural England licence application: where impacts have been identified affecting designated sites or protected species.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £350,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

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

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

Ecological impact assessments: for inclusion with planning documents.

Lot No

4

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Ecological impact assessments: for inclusion with planning documents.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Biodiversity net gain work including river morphological assessments

Lot No

5

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

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Biodiversity net gain work including river morphological assessments: including baseline assessments, recommendations for potential habitat enhancement and creation.

Production of documents for including with planning applications.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Specialist surveys: using appropriately qualified staff.

Lot No

6

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

- 79311000 - Survey services

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)

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

Specialist surveys: using appropriately qualified staff. Surveys could include bats;

badgers; reptiles; water voles; birds and amphibians, breeding birds, invertebrates, invasive species, arb assessments; plus ecological clerk of works. Staff should meet CIEEM key competency requirements for species surveys.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The length of the contract may be extended by negotiation with the supplier for a further 24 months.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

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

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

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Only suppliers who are suitably qualified with the relevant company certification and relevant experience will be considered.

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

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

Date

1 August 2024

Local time

11:00am

#### **IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

23 August 2024

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Please contact [andrea.rowell@nwl.co.uk](mailto:andrea.rowell@nwl.co.uk) to obtain access to the PQQ document on Ariba.

Please NOTE the PQQ closes on 9th August 2024 at 11.00am.

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

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

Northumbrian Water Limited

Durham

Country

United Kingdom