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Planning

Resource Consumption footprint

The Environment Agency

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Resource Consumption footprint

Reference number

pqq_3347 - Resource Consumption footprint

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71621000 - Technical analysis or consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As the Environment Agency, our role is to create a better place for people and wildlife. As well as regulating and supporting businesses and organisations to protect and improve the environment and achieve sustainable growth, we ourselves need to act urgently to tackle our own negative impacts on the planet.

The Environment Agency (EA) has an ambitious sustainability strategy eMission2030 which addresses the 4 pillars of sustainability:

Responding to the climate emergency - net zero by 2030

Optimising our use of resources – moving from a linear to a circular business model

Delivering environmental net gain

Benefitting people and communities - social value

This brief focuses on b) resource optimisation and our goal to move from a linear to a circular economy model.

The latest evidence tells us that 1.7 Earths are needed to support our global demands. We want to live within our planetary boundaries and play our part in working to achieve United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (UN SDG) 12; “Responsible Production and Consumption”. To do this, we need to understand what the Environment Agency

currently uses in terms of resources, so that we can measure our progress.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 90700000 - Environmental services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

We are looking to calculate the resource consumption of our organisation. We would like to

set a baseline against which we can record and report reductions in this. The approach we

seek therefore needs to be repeatable on an annual basis and sensitive enough to record actual reductions in our consumption habits

The approach we seek must:

- a) Use independent thinking and impartial circular economy expertise
- b) Use current best practice thinking on measuring resource consumption including the pros / cons, and applicability to EA
- c) Develop a methodology for the EA taking into consideration the types of data we have available i.e. spend, waste etc..

- d) Set out views on metrics: volume, weight, scarcity, wider sustainability impacts, and how these would be used in any proposed methodology
- e) Produce a resource consumption footprint using our primary (actual) data sources where available, and advise on future data collection options
- f) Be sensitive enough to record actual changes Be repeatable on an annual basis to measure progress
- g) Follow recognised protocols and procedures in this area
- h) Create a hotspot map of where our key sustainability impacts sit in the form of 'materials' and 'products' consumed (by type, quantity & business unit), in order to prioritise our work

The approach we seek must not:

A) Calculate the resource consumption baseline as only a carbon measure. We want carbon included but are equally open to other measures

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 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