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Tender

Mechanised Ground Preparation Operations

Forestry and Land Scotland

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

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

Mechanised Ground Preparation Operations

Reference number

FLS-0036-C

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £22,819,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots
3

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Fife, West Calder

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - Central

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £574,440

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Aberfoyle & Crainlaraich

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - Central

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,060,635

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Glasgow

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - Central

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,909,614

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Cowal

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - Central

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,069,487

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Moray & Aberdeenshire West

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,473,548

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Tay

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,190,164

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Disc Scarification & Continuous Mounding - East Region

Lot No

8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the

volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £334,211

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Caithness, Lairg, Dornoch & Sutherland

Lot No

9

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,367,320

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Easter Ross & Strathgarve

Lot No

10

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,152,115

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Strathspey & Inverness

Lot No

11

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £533,212

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Glen Urquhart, Glen Affric & Loch Ness

Lot No

12

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £983,684

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Wester Ross & Skye

Lot No

13

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £405,756

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Disc Scarification & Continuous Mounding - North Region

Lot No

14

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - North

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £375,089

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lochaber North

Lot No

15

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,250,568

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lochaber South

Lot No

16

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,221,610

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Kintyre

Lot No

20

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,269,311

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Aberdeenshire

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,370,261

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Mull

Lot No

17

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £755,274

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

East & West Lorne

Lot No

18

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,192,652

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

East & West Loch Awe/Knapdale

Lot No

19

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region - West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Forestry & Land Scotland (THE PURCHASER) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,329,664

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please see attached SPD Statements at Annex B of the FLS-0036-C ITT document which is one of the document attachments making up the Tender Pack within PCS-Tender.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please see attached SPD Statements at Annex B of the FLS-0036-C ITT document which is one of the document attachments making up the Tender Pack within PCS-Tender.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Key performance Indicators are detailed in Schedule 1, Part B of the FLS-0036-C Long Form TandCs document which is one of the document attachments making up the Tender Pack within PCS-Tender.

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: [2023/S 000-002084](#)

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

Date

25 September 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

25 September 2023

Local time

1:00pm

Place

This will be done at a private residence with no public access

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Opening of tenders is through PCS-T by an FLS category Manager or Procurement Specialist, and a full audit trail is maintained

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Summer to Autumn 2028

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Scoring Methodology Technical:

0-Unacceptable-Nil or inadequate response. Fails to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirement.

25-Poor-Response is partially relevant and poor. The response addresses some elements of the requirement but contains insufficient/limited

detail or explanation to demonstrate how the requirement will be fulfilled.

50-Acceptable-Response is relevant and acceptable. The response addresses a broad understanding of the requirement but may lack details

on how the requirement will be fulfilled in certain areas.

75-Good-Response is relevant and good. The response is sufficiently detailed to demonstrate a good understanding and provides details on

how the requirements will be fulfilled.

100-Excellent-Response is completely relevant and excellent overall. The response is comprehensive, unambiguous and demonstrates a

thorough understanding of the requirement and provides details of how the requirement will be met in full.

Any bidder that receives a Fail for one or more Pass/Fail Technical Questions will be excluded from the tender.

Any Bidder that receives a score of Zero or One for any of the SCORED Technical Questions will be excluded from the tender:

Any Bidder that receives an Overall Technical Score below 50% out of 100% will be excluded from the tender.

Tenderers should note that although the maximum value of the contract in total has been estimated at 22,819,000 million GBP THE PURCHASER may modify the contracts, irrespective of the monetary value of those modifications, within the scope permitted under Regulation 72(1) of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, should Operational reasons require it.

Please refer to Section 4.18 of the FLS-0036-C ITT document which is one of the documents making up the tender pack within PCS-T for a full list of operational reasons for modification.

Scottish Government Supplier Journey: <https://www.supplierjourney.scot/>

Buyer Help and Guidance on PCS-Tender here:

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/web/buyerhelp.html>

Supplier Developer Programme <https://www.sdpScotland.co.uk/region/public-bodies-forestry-commission/>

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 24301. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include a sub-contract clause as part of community benefits (as per Section 25 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014) in this contract for the following reason:

The lotting structure is aimed to encourage SME participation, but as well as encouraging SMEs to bid directly we are also welcoming sub-contracting opportunities, albeit these may be fewer due to the reduced lot sizes.

The smaller lots are designed to encourage SME's many of whom do sub-contract. The subcontracting opportunities tend to be low value, and most suppliers already have long standing arrangements with local existing sub-contractors.

Therefore, we will not be including the Subcontractor Clause.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

THE PURCHASER is looking for a supplier who, in carrying out their obligations under this contract, will bring benefit to the local and broader Scottish community in compliance with THE PURCHASER Requirement. Therefore, delivery of Community Benefits is mandatory within this Contract.

Please see Award Criteria section of the FLS-0036-C ITT document which is one of the attachments making up the Tender pack within PCS-T for full details of the Community Benefit requirement.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Inverness Justice Centre

Longman Road

Inverness

IV1 1AH

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 , may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Court of Session

Parliament House, Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

Country

United Kingdom