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## **Soil & Slurry/Manure Analysis for the Catchment Sensitive Farming Project**

NATURAL ENGLAND (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F02: Contract notice

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**28 November 2024 - no time specified**

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

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

NATURAL ENGLAND (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street

London

SW1P 4DF

#### **Contact**

Alison Dyson

#### **Email**

[al.dyson@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:al.dyson@environment-agency.gov.uk)

## **Country**

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

## **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

## **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**

Soil & Slurry/Manure Analysis for the Catchment Sensitive Farming Project

Reference number

C26826

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

Services

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

This call-off contract is to deliver nutrient analysis for soil and organic manures as well as mineral analysis for livestock feeds and forage. This information will help provide farmers and the Catchment Sensitive Farming (CSF) Partnership with data and information required for soil nutrient management planning, soil improvement and livestock feed planning.

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

Value excluding VAT: £115,633

#### **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**

This call-off contract is to deliver nutrient analysis for soil and organic manures as well as mineral analysis for livestock feeds and forage. This information will help provide farmers and the Catchment Sensitive Farming (CSF) Partnership with data and information required for soil nutrient management planning, soil improvement and livestock feed planning. This will enable advisers contracted on behalf of CSF, and Natural England Catchment Sensitive Farming Officers (CSFO), to have the evidence to influence farmers of the benefits of soil testing, good soil nutrient management, and mineral analysis for feeds and forage. These results will be an advice and training tool for CSF to inspire farmers to undertake voluntary action to help improve water and air quality, where agriculture has been identified as part of the issue. The analysis will enable farmers to use crop and livestock nutrients more efficiently, improve soil organic matter and soil health to reduce the risk of nutrient and soil run-off and to improve business efficiency.

The CSF Partnership is delivered by Natural England, the Environment Agency, the Forestry Commission and is funded through Defra. The primary aim of the CSF partnership is to use voluntary, supportive means to reduce air and water pollution from agriculture in England to achieve Environmental Improvement Plan outcomes.

Natural England employ CSFOs throughout the country, and work with partner CSFOs, but some work is also contracted out through the Environmental Training Advice and Facilitation Framework (ETAFF) to employ advisers to undertake work on behalf of CSF. These advisers work for a number of different organisations, a list of which is available on request.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70%

Cost criterion - Name: commercial / Weighting: 30%

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

Start date

1 February 2025

End date

31 January 2027

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

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

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26 November 2024

Local time

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Date

28 November 2024

See the [change notice](#).

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 1 February 2025

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

26 November 2024

Local time

10:00am

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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

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