



# St. Johns River Water Management District

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## **NOTICE OF INTENDED DECISION**

DATE: April 19, 2023  
TO: All Respondents  
FROM: Wendy L. Cox, Procurement Director  
SUBJECT: Notice of Intended Decision

As a result of the Request for Proposals 38510 – Annual Independent Financial Auditing Services, staff will recommend to the District's Governing Board at its scheduled meeting on May 9, 2023, that the following ranked shortlist be approved, and authorize negotiations to begin with the top-ranked firm:

1. James Moore & Co.
2. Carr Riggs & Ingram
3. Cherry Bekaert LLP

Attached please find the Proposal Ranking (Attachment 1) and a document entitled “Notice of Rights” (Attachment 2), which describes certain rights you may have regarding the award of this contract. You should pay close attention to the time limitations specified in the Notice of Rights.

If you have any questions or comments based on the above recommendation, please contact me at [wcox@sjrwm.com](mailto:wcox@sjrwm.com) or at 386-329-4118.

Enclosures

Attachment 1 — Proposal Ranking  
Attachment 2 — Notice of Rights

**ATTACHMENT 1 — PROPOSAL RANKING****Annual Independent Financial Auditing Services**

	<b>RESPONDENT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
1	James Moore & Co.	27.60
2	Carr Riggs & Ingram	24.15
3	Cherry Bekaert LLP	23.55
4	Purvis Gray & Co.	23.40
5	Mauldin & Jenkins LLC	22.20

**ATTACHMENT 2 — NOTICE OF RIGHTS**

Pursuant to §120.57(3), Fla. Stat., and Rule 28-110.003, Fla. Admin. Code, any person adversely affected by a District decision or intended decision to award a contract, or to reject all bids, proposals, or qualifications, must file a written Notice of Protest within 72 hours after posting of the decision or intended decision.

Pursuant to §120.57(3), Fla. Stat., and Rule 28-110.004, Fla. Admin. Code, the protester must also file with the District Clerk a Formal Written Protest within ten days after the date the Notice of Protest is filed with the District. The Formal Written Protest must state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based. Pursuant to §287.042(2)(c), Fla. Stat., any person who files an action protesting the decision or intended decision must post with the District Clerk at the time of filing the formal written protest a bond, cashier's check, or money order made payable to the St. Johns River Water Management District in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the District's estimated contract amount.

No additional time will be added for mailing. All filings must comply with Rule 28-106.104, Fla. Admin. Code, and must be addressed to and received by the District Clerk at the District Headquarters in Palatka, Florida within the prescribed time periods. The District will not accept as filed any electronically transmitted facsimile pleadings, petitions, Notice of Protest or other documents.

The District's acceptance of pleadings, petitions, Notice of Protest, Formal Written Protest, or other documents filed by email is subject to certain conditions set forth in the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation (issued pursuant to Rule 28-101.001, Florida Administrative Code), which is available for viewing at [sjrwmd.com](http://sjrwmd.com). These conditions include, but are not limited to, the document being in the form of a PDF or TIFF file and being capable of being stored and printed by the District.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in §120.57(3), Fla. Stat., or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond will constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Fla. Stat. Mediation under §120.573, Fla. Stat., is not available.