



St. Johns River Water Management District

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NOTICE OF INTENDED DECISION

DATE: March 18, 2024
TO: All Respondents
FROM: Breanna Pierce, Procurement Specialist
SUBJECT: Notice of Intended Decision

As a result of Invitation for Bids, 39405, Supply and Place Sod on L74N and L74W Levees, staff will recommend to the District's Governing Board at the regular Governing Board meeting to be held in Palatka on April 9, 2024, that the award be made as follows:

Recommend award of bid to the lowest responsive and responsible Respondent, **Natures Keeper, Inc.** in the not-to-exceed amount of \$150,800.

Attached please find the Bid Tabulation (Attachment 1) and a document entitled "Notice of Rights" (Attachment 2), which describes certain rights you may have in regard to the awarding of this Invitation for Bids. 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 bpierce@sjrwmd.com or 386-643-1168

Enclosures

Attachment 1 — Bid Tabulation
Attachment 2 — Notice of Rights

ATTACHMENT 1 — BID TABULATION
FOR SUPPLY AND PLACE SOD ON L74N AND L74W LEVELS

Respondent	Supply & Place Sod 280,000 SF (L74N)	Supply & Place Sod 280,000 SF (L74N)	Supply & Place Sod 240,000 SF (L74W)	Supply & Place Sod 240,000 SF (L74W)	Total Bid Cost
	Unit Price		Unit Price		
Natures Keeper, Inc.	\$0.29	\$81,200	\$0.29	\$69,600	\$150,800
DDS Enterprises, LLC	\$0.355	\$99,400	\$0.355	\$85,200	\$184,600
* Unlimited Turf, LLC	\$0.24	\$67,200	\$0.24	\$57,600	\$124,800
* Landscape Customs	\$0.70	\$196,000	\$0.70	\$168,000	\$364,000

*Non-responsive

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 sjrwm.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.