



St. Johns River Water Management District

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DATE: December 8, 2022

TO: Prospective Respondents

FROM: LaDonna Johnson, Associate Procurement Specialist

SUBJECT: Addendum #1 to Invitation for Bid, # 38315, Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Herbicide Application

As a result of inquiries, the following clarifications are provided for your information.

- Q1: Referencing Attachment A - Statement of Work; Annual Application of Herbicides via Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), IV. Task Identification, Materials and Application, G. "A District representative shall be present for all applications to ensure accurate performance. Such representation shall not transfer any liability to the District." What does "accurate performance" specifically involve?
- A1: Target species identification, Proper mixing of herbicides, calibration of equipment, weather/drift control, ability to provide directed spray via maps, shapefiles, KMZ files or coordinates
- Q2: Will the representative sign-off after each of VDCI's treatments for confirmation of accuracy?
- A2: No, representative will be there to answer treatment questions, ensure label directions are followed. Sign off occurs after post treatment inspection, review of treatment applicator shapefiles/polylines, and associated documentation.
- Q3: Referencing Attachment A - Statement of Work; Annual Application of Herbicides via Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), IV. Task Identification, Materials and Application, J. "For Aquatic applications, if 95% control is not achieved for any area of the project 30 days following completion of the initial treatment, one additional thorough retreatment of the area may be required and will be the responsibility of the Contractor at no cost to the contracting entities. Control is defined as treatment effective in preventing re-spout." : *"for woody species, and 95% reduction in plant biomass for aquatic species"* How does The Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District specifically define "95% control"?
- A3: 95 % area covered and treated. Calibration issues with the equipment, improper mixing of products, improper application, or not using any product according to the label are on the contractor.

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- Q4: Is the selected product and application rate designated by the district guaranteed to produce the desired results?
- A4: The District supplies all product and specifies rate, if applied correctly the desired result will be achieved. There may be instances of test work, or feasibility studies the contractor might be involved with. Expectations for these will be made known before treatment.
- Q5: Since a District Representative is required to be present for all applications, see section G., and the district standards for application accuracy are met, will the contractor be responsible if 95% efficacy is not achieved?
- A5: As mentioned above the contractor is responsible for the application of any product according to the label, including mixing, calibration, monitoring of weather, and ensuring proper operation of drone. Most of the time if a contractor cannot meet these standards, they are usually not invited back to do additional work.
- Q6: Referencing Attachment A - Statement of Work; Annual Application of Herbicides via Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), VI. Budget/Payment Schedule: Vector Disease Control International (VDCI) has an extensive amount of mosquito management and control experience, to include UAV Granular Larvicide and recent herbicide experience. Due to the wide variations of products and application rates we are confident in providing a daily rate but are not currently able to provide a cost per acre. Will VDCI's bid still be considered, with no bias, under these circumstances?
- A6: The daily rate is fine.

NOTE: The Bid Due Date remains 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum on the Bid Form provided in the bid package.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at ljohnson@sjrwmd.com.