



**Indian River County Purchasing Division**

1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street

Vero Beach, FL 32960

Phone (772) 226-1416

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## **Invitation to Bid**

Project Name: **Natural Areas & Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing**

Bid #: 2019007

Bid Bond Required: No

Public Construction Bond Required: No

**Bid Opening Date: December 12, 2018**

**Bid Opening Time: 2:00 P.M.**

**All bids must be received by the Purchasing Division, 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, Florida 32960 prior to the date and time shown above. Late bids will be returned unopened.**

**PLEASE SUBMIT ONE MARKED ORIGINAL AND TWO COPIES OF YOUR BID.**

**Refer All Questions to:**

Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

Phone: (772) 226-1416

Email: [purchasing@ircgov.com](mailto:purchasing@ircgov.com)

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## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

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Notice is hereby given that the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners is calling for and requesting bids for the following:

**Bid # 2019007**  
**Natural Areas & Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing**

Detailed specifications are available at: [www.demandstar.com](http://www.demandstar.com) or by contacting the Purchasing Division at (772) 226-1416 or [purchasing@ircgov.com](mailto:purchasing@ircgov.com).

Deadline for receipt of bids has been set for **2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, December 12, 2018.** Only bids received on or before the time and date listed will be considered. Bids should be addressed to Purchasing Division, 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, Florida 32960. All bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at 2:00 PM. Bids submitted after 2:00 PM on the day specified above, will not be opened or considered.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids in whole or in part and to waive any technicality or irregularity.

**PURCHASING MANAGER**  
**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY**

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**Publish: For Publication in the Indian River Press Journal**

**Date: Monday, November 12, 2018**

**Please furnish Tear Sheet, Affidavit of Publication, and Invoice to:**

Indian River County  
Purchasing Division  
1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vero Beach, FL 32960

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### Statement of No Bid

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Should you elect not to bid, please complete and send this page by email ([purchasing@ircgov.com](mailto:purchasing@ircgov.com)), fax (772-770-5140) or by mail to Indian River County Purchasing, 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960.

Please select all of the following that apply. Our decision not to bid on the subject project was based on:

- Project is located too far from our base of operations
- Project value too low
- Project specifications unclear (please explain below)
- Material availability may be a challenge
- Our current schedule will not allow us to perform
- Unable to meet insurance requirements
- Other:
- Other:

General comments regarding the bid and/or plans and specifications:

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### Bidder Information Form

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Please return one copy of this form with your bid to assist us in learning more about where our solicitation opportunities are most often found.

Please tell us how you found out this Request for Qualifications was released/available:

- Indian River Press Journal (TCPalm)
- Demandstar/Onvia
- Email from Purchasing Division
- Indian River County Web Site
- Planroom (Please provide the name): \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

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## Instructions to Bidders

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### General Terms and Conditions

**Cone of Silence.** Potential bidders/respondents and their agents must not communicate in any way with the Board of Commissioners, County Administrator or any County staff other than Purchasing personnel in reference or relation to this solicitation. This restriction is effective from the time of bid advertisement until the Board of County Commissioners meets to authorize award. Such communication may result in disqualification.

**Sealed Bids and Envelope Markings:** All bids must be submitted in a sealed opaque envelope. The outside of the envelope must be clearly marked with the Sealed Bid #, Title of the Bid, Date of the Bid opening, and Time of the Bid Opening and name of firm submitting.

**Opening Location:** It will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to deliver personally or by mail or other delivery service, their bid to the office of the Indian River County Purchasing Division. Bids should be delivered to 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960, on or before the closing hour and date shown for receipt of bids. Bids received in person or by mail after the stated time and date will not be considered.

**Bid Submission:** All bids must be signed with the legal Firm name and by an Officer or employee having authority to bind the company or firm by his / her signature. Bids must be submitted on forms provided by Indian River County. **Bids not submitted on the attached form(s) shall be rejected.** Submittal of one marked original bid and one copy is required otherwise instructed.

**Withdrawal of Bids:** A bid may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed in the manner that a Bid must be executed and delivered to the place where Bids are to be submitted prior to the date and time of opening of bids. If, within 24 hours after Bids are opened, any bidder files a duly signed written notice with Owner and promptly thereafter demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of Owner that there was a material and substantial mistake in the preparation of its Bid, that bidder may withdraw its bid and bid security will be returned. Thereafter, if the work is rebid, that bidder may be disqualified from further bidding on the work.

**Delivery Requirements:** Delivery is "FOB Destination" unless delivery terms are specified otherwise in the specifications. If County agrees in writing to reimburse Seller for transportation costs, County shall have the right to designate the method of shipment. In either case, the title and all risk of loss of the goods shall remain with the Seller until the goods are received and accepted by the County. Rejected materials will be returned to Seller at the Seller's risk and expense.

**Price and Discount Requirements:** Quote net prices after deducting trade discounts. All discounts must be incorporated in the prices contained in the bid, and not shown separately. Invoices submitted must agree with the prices formally bid.

**Direct Purchase:** Indian River County reserves the option to purchase certain tangible materials necessary for the performance of the Contract, and thereby save the amount of the sales tax thereon by virtue of the Owner's status as a Tax Exempt Institution. For the purpose of these procedures, the Contractor will assign to the County any rights the Contractor may have under quotes, contracts or commitments received from the particular vendor or supplier for the materials described in the requisition. The invoiced amount of County Purchased Materials and applicable sales tax, had the purchases not been tax exempt, once finalized through the Owner's Purchase Order

and after confirmation of completed delivery and acceptance, will be deducted from the Contractor's Contract price via Change Order.

**Taxes:** Indian River County is exempt from any taxes imposed by State and / or Federal Government. Exemption Certificates, if required, are to be furnished by the successful bidder and will be filled out by the County.

**Delivery and Completion Dates:** Indicate delivery and completion dates. This may be a determining factor in the award of the bid. The County may, at its option, grant additional time for any delay or failure to perform hereunder if the delay will not adversely affect the best interests of the County and is due to causes beyond the control of the Bidder. Such grant must be in writing and made part of the resulting Agreement.

**Irrevocable Offer:** Bidder warrants by virtue of bidding that the prices quoted in this bid will remain firm and be considered an irrevocable offer for a period of sixty (60) days, during which time one or more of the bids received may be accepted by Indian River County.

**Assignment/Delegation:** No right, obligation or interest in an awarded Agreement may be assigned or delegated by the Bidder without prior written consent of the County, without prejudice to County's other rights and remedies.

**Consideration of Bids:** Verbal, emailed or faxed bids will not be considered.

**Affirmative Steps:** CONTRACTOR must take the following affirmative steps to ensure minority business, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms are used when possible:

1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.
2. Ensuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
5. Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

**Indemnification:** The successful Bidder shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County and its commissioners, officers, employees and agents, from any and all losses, damages, expenses (including reasonable attorneys fees) and other liabilities of any type whatsoever, arising out of or relating to any negligence, intentional tort, breach of contract, or breach of applicable law by the contractor (or vendor), or its employees, agents, subcontractors, or other persons or entities performing work under the contract.

**Public Access:** The Bidder shall allow public access to all documents and materials in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. If this project is federally-funded, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials shall not be used by the Bidder without specific FEMA pre-approval.

**Records/Audit:** The Bidder shall maintain books, records and documents pertinent to performance under this Invitation and any resulting Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied. The County and the Florida Office of the Inspector General shall have inspection and audit rights to such records for audit purposes during the term of the contract and for three years following the termination of

obligations hereunder. Records which relate to any litigation, appeals or settlements of claims arising from performance under this work or purchase shall be made available until a final disposition has been made of such litigation, appeals, or claims.

**Acceptance:** Receipt of an item shall not be an indication that the items are acceptable. Final acceptance and authorization of payment shall be given after a thorough inspection indicates that the item is delivered in accordance with the Bid Specifications. Suppliers are advised that in the event the delivered item does not meet specifications, payment will be withheld until such time the supplier takes necessary corrective action.

**Permits, Impact and Inspection Fees.** In accordance with Florida Statutes Section 218.80, the "Public Bid Disclosure Act", Indian River County as OWNER is obligated to disclose all license, permit, impact, or inspection fees that are payable to Indian River County in connection with the construction of the Work by the accepted bidder. All permit, impact, or inspection fees payable to Indian River County in connection with the work on this County project will be paid by Indian River County, with the exception of re-inspection fees. The Bidder shall not include ANY PERMIT, IMPACT, NOR INSPECTION FEES payable to **Indian River County** in the bid.

**Descriptive Information:** Descriptive literature including Specifications must accompany your bid. Manufacturer's name and model numbers are used herein solely for the purpose of establishing a standard of design, quality, and use of the merchandise required. Products of other manufacturers will be acceptable if they meet or exceed established standards with the exception of those items specified "NO SUBSTITUTION".

**Variations to Specifications:** For purposes of evaluation, *Bidder must indicate any variances from the specifications and / or conditions on the form provided with this Invitation to Bid.* Otherwise, it will be assumed that the product or service fully complies with the specifications. Items specifically described, as alternates shall be reviewed as an alternative bid to be considered by the County, in lieu of the primarily specified item(s). However, item(s) varying from the published specifications shall be considered substitutes, and the County reserves the right to consider or not to consider substitute bids. Substitutes shall be subject to disqualification if the County does not approve the substitution.

**Interpretations:** No oral interpretations will be made to any Bidder as to the meaning of the Specifications. Every request for such an interpretation shall be made in writing, addressed and forwarded to Indian River County ([purchasing@ircgov.com](mailto:purchasing@ircgov.com)) ten (10) or more days before the date fixed for opening of the bids. The County shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any County employee. Every interpretation made to bidder will be in the form of an Addendum to the specifications, which if issued, will be sent promptly as is practical to all persons to whom specifications have been issued. All such Addenda shall become part of the specifications. Further, it shall be the responsibility of each bidder, prior to submitting their bid, to contact Indian River County's Purchasing Division at (772) 226-1416 to determine if addenda were issued and to make such addenda a part of their bid.

**Default Provision:** In case of default by the Bidder, Indian River County may procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the Bidder responsible for excess costs incurred thereby, and may take such action, as it deems appropriate, including legal action for Damages or Specific Performance.

**Manufacturer's Certification:** Indian River County reserves the right to request from the Bidder a separate manufacturer's certification of all statements made in the bid.

**Signed Bid Considered an Offer:** This signed bid shall be considered an offer on the part of the Bidder. Indian River County Board of County Commissioners shall deem the offer accepted upon approval.

**Non-Collusion:** By signing and submitting the Bid Form, the Bidder certifies that,

- This bid has been arrived at by the Bidder independently and has been submitted without collusion, and without any agreement, understanding, or planned common course, or action with, any vendor of materials, supplies, equipment, or services described in the invitation to bid, designed to limit independent bidding or competition, and
- The contents of the bid have not been communicated by the Bidder or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or an agent of the bidder or its surety on any bond furnished with the bid, and will not be communicated to any such person prior to the official opening of the bid.
- No attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder to induce any other person(s) or firm(s) to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

**Public Entity Crimes:** Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 287.133(2)(a), all Bidders are hereby notified that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity (defined as the State of Florida, any of its departments or agencies, or any political subdivision); may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida Statutes Section 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO [currently \$35,000] for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. A "public entity crime" means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid, proposal, reply, or contract for goods or services, any lease for real property, or any contract for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.

**Suspension and Debarment:** Indian River County will not make award to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM). The bidder agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

**Scrutinized Companies Lists:** The bidder certifies that it and those related entities of respondent as defined by Florida law are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to s. 215.4725 of the Florida Statutes, and are not engaged in a boycott of Israel. In addition, if this agreement is for goods or services of one million dollars or more, Contractor certifies that it and those related entities of respondent as defined by Florida law are not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Section 215.473 of the Florida Statutes and are not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. The County may terminate this Contract if Company is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under section 287.135(5), Florida Statutes, been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined by section 287.135, Florida Statutes. County may terminate this Contract if Company, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, and parent companies, that exist for the purpose of making profit, is found to have

been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel as set forth in section 215.4725, Florida Statutes.

Accordingly, firms responding to this solicitation shall return with their response an executed copy of the attached "Certification Regarding Prohibition Against Contracting With Scrutinized Companies." Failure to return this executed form with submitted bid/proposal/statement of qualifications will result in the response being deemed non-responsive and eliminated from consideration.

**Non-Discrimination:** Indian River County will not knowingly do business with vendors or contractors who discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age and/or disability. Through the course of providing services to the County, Contractors shall affirmatively comply with all applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 and the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, as well as all other applicable regulations, guidelines and standards. Any person who believes their rights have been violated should report such discrimination to the County's Title VI/Nondiscrimination Coordinator through the office of the County Attorney.

**Local Preference:** Indian River County has no local ordinance or preferences, as described in Florida Statutes section 255.0991(2) in place, therefore no preference prohibited by that section will be considered in the acceptance, review or award of this bid.

**Energy Policy and Conservation Act** – The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

**Regulations:** It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to assure compliance with any OSHA, EPA and / or other Federal or State of Florida rules, regulations, or other requirements, as each may apply.

**Applicable Law and Venue:** The resulting Agreement and all rights and duties of the parties hereto shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, including but not limited to the provisions of the Florida Uniform Commercial Code Chapters 671-679 F.S., for any terms and conditions not specifically stated within. Venue for any lawsuit brought by either party against the other party or otherwise arising out of this Contract shall be in Indian River County, Florida, or, in the event of a federal jurisdiction, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

**Conflict of Interest:** Any entity submitting a bid or proposal or entering into a contract with the County shall disclose any relationship that may exist between the contracting entity and a County Commissioner or a County Employee. The relationship with a County Commissioner or a County Employee that must be disclosed is as follows: *father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, grandparent, or grandchild.* The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of the entity. The disclosure of relationships shall be a sworn statement made on a County approved form. Failure to submit the form may be cause for rejection of the bid or proposal.

**Cancellation:** It is the intention of Indian River County to purchase material and / or services from sources of supply that will provide prompt and convenient shipment and service. Any failure of the supplier to satisfy the requirements of the County shall be reason for termination of the award.

**Errors:** When an error is made in the bid extension of generating total bid prices or in any other process of completing the bid, the original unit prices submitted will govern. Carelessness in quoting prices, or in preparation of the bid otherwise, will not relieve the bidder from performance.

**Bid Rejection:** Failure to comply with all the above instructions *may* result in rejection of the bid.

**Bid Protest:** Any actual or prospective bidder or proposer who is aggrieved in connection with a competitive selection process may protest to the Purchasing Manager. The protest shall be submitted to the Purchasing Manager in writing within seven (7) calendar days after the bidder or proposer knows or should have known of the facts giving rise to the protest. If the protest is not resolved by mutual agreement, the Purchasing Manager shall promptly issue a decision in writing, after consulting the Department and the Office of the County Attorney.

**Co-Operative Purchasing:** It is the intent of the Invitation of Bid to secure goods or services to be used by Indian River County. However, by virtue of bidding, the bidder accepts the right of other Florida Governmental agencies to purchase from this bid. The successful bidder and the requesting Governmental agency, apart from Indian River County, shall handle any such purchases separately. Further, Indian River County assumes no liability for materials or services ordered by any other Governmental agency by virtue of this bid. *(Bidders that find this condition unsatisfactory should indicate this by showing exception on the Bid Form.)*

**Supplemental Information:** The County reserves the right to conduct such investigations as it deems necessary to assist in the evaluation of any Bid and to establish the responsibility, qualifications and financial ability of Bidders, proposed subcontractors, suppliers, and other relevant parties to perform and furnish the work. To demonstrate qualifications to perform the work, each Bidder must be prepared to submit, within 5 days of Owner's request, written evidence, such as financial data, previous experience, present commitments, and other such data as may be necessary to prove to the satisfaction of the Owner that the Bidder is qualified by experience to do the work and is prepared to complete the work within the stated time period. Failure to provide any requested information may result in the determination of the Bidder as non-responsible.

**Awards:** The County reserves the right to cancel the bid, reject any and all bids or waive any irregularity or technicality in bids received. When it is determined there is no competition to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder, evaluation of other bids is not required. Bidders are cautioned to make no assumptions unless their bid has been evaluated as being responsive. The County reserves the right to not make any award(s) under this bid.

**Termination by the County:** The County reserves the right to terminate a contract by giving thirty (30) days notice, in writing, of the intention to terminate, if at any time the contractor fails to abide by or fulfill any of the terms and conditions of the contract. The County also reserves the right to terminate this contract for convenience of the County and / or with or without cause.

**Compliance with Laws and Regulations:** Bidder agrees that they will comply with all Federal, State, and Local Laws and Regulations applicable to the production, sale, and delivery of the goods or the furnishing of any labor or services called for by the resulting Agreement, and any provisions required thereby to be included herein shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference. Noncompliance may be considered grounds for termination of contracts.

**Public Record Law:** Correspondence, materials, and documents received pursuant to this Invitation for Bid become public records subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Should the Bidder assert any exemptions to the requirements of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and related statutes, the burden of establishing such exemption, by the way of injunctive or other relief as provided by law, shall be upon the Bidder.

**Insurance:**

- Owners and Subcontractors Insurance:** The Contractor shall not commence work until they have obtained all the insurance required under this section, and until such insurance has been approved by the owner, nor shall the contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work until the subcontractor has obtained the insurance required for a contractor herein and such insurance has been approved unless the subcontractor’s work is covered by the protections afforded by the Contractor’s insurance.
- Worker’s Compensation Insurance:** The Contractor shall procure and maintain worker’s compensation insurance to the extent required by law for all their employees to be engaged in work under this contract. In case any employees are to be engaged in hazardous work under this contract and are not protected under the worker’s compensation statute, the Contractor shall provide adequate coverage for the protection of such employees.
- Public Liability Insurance:** The Contractor shall procure and maintain broad form commercial general liability insurance (including contractual coverage) and commercial automobile liability insurance in amounts not less than shown below. The owner shall be an additional named insured on this insurance on this insurance with respect to all claims arising out of the operations or work to be performed.

Commercial General (Public) Liability, other than Automobile  \$5,000,000.00 Combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage	<b>Commercial General</b> A. <b>Premises / Operations</b> B. <b>Independent Contractors</b> C. <b>Products / Completed Operations</b> D. <b>Personal Injury</b> E. <b>Contractual Liability</b> F. <b>Explosion, Collapse, and Underground Property Damage</b>
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Automobile  \$1,000,000.00 Combined single limit Bodily Injury and Damage Liability	A. <b>Owner Leased Automobiles</b> B. <b>Non-Owned Automobiles</b> C. <b>Hired Automobiles</b> D. <b>Owned Automobiles</b>
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- Proof of Insurance:** The Contractor shall furnish the owner a certificate of insurance in a form acceptable to the owner for the insurance required. Such certificate or an endorsement provided by the contractor must state that the owner will be given thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation or material change in coverage. Copies of an endorsement-naming owner as Additional Insured must accompany the Certificate of Insurance.

Indian River County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part and waive all any technicality or irregularity.

**Note: Any and all special conditions attached hereto, which may vary from these General Conditions, shall have precedence.**

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End of General Terms and Conditions

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## Technical Specifications

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### Scope

Indian River County is requesting bids for heavy equipment with an operator provided. All mobilization charges are to be included in the lump sum hourly rate. All operators must have a minimum of 3-years' experience operating the machines that will be utilized. Current photographs of all machines must be included in bid package. Anticipated work to be provided includes trail mowing, selective clearing of small trees and shrubs, fenceline clearing, and mulching of exotics. The sole purpose and intent of this bid is to secure firm, fixed hourly rates and establish one or more term contracts for the rental of various heavy equipment with operators for Indian River County. The term of this award will be one year, with two optional one-year renewals available, subject to vendor acceptance, satisfactory performance and determination that renewal will be in the best interest of the County. Notification of intent to renew will be mailed sixty (60) calendar days in advance of expiration date of this award.

### COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The County shall:

1. Order services on an as needed basis. No minimum quantity of work is guaranteed.
2. Designate a County Project Supervisor, which shall have the responsibility to ensure compliance with contract requirements, such as, but not limited to, acceptance, inspection and delivery.
3. Reserve the right to require the removal of any of the successful bidder's employees from the project, if in the County's judgment, such removal is necessary to protect the County's interest.
4. Provide access to work area.
5. Inspect the service upon completion of work, unless prior arrangements are made with the successful bidder to ensure that the work is acceptable.

### SUCCESSFUL BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The successful bidder shall:

1. Company must have a minimum of five years' experience with tree and brush mowing business operations, with emphasis on removal of exotic/nuisance vegetation species mowing and mulching on environmentally sensitive lands.
2. Contractor must own all equipment required to fulfill the scope
3. Coordinate all activities with the County Project Supervisor.
4. Strictly adhere to on-site/start times without deviation.
5. Not substitute equipment without prior written approval from the designated County Project Supervisor.
6. Ensure their equipment operators are fully licensed and competent in the use of the assigned equipment. Successful bidder shall provide proof of operator's appropriate license and experience, if requested, by the County Project Supervisor. Failure to comply with any of these requirements is sufficient cause to terminate the contract.
7. If equipment fails it must be repaired or replaced within 24 hours.
8. Operators must have knowledge of native vs. non-native plant species.

### EQUIPMENT

#### Summary of Equipment required:

- 1) Hydraulic Excavator, Caterpillar Model 320D (or equivalent):
  - a. 50,000 lbs. minimum
  - b. 3-foot mower head

- c. minimum of 300 hp auxillary engine to power the mower head
- d. Capable of mulching trees 20" dbh
- e. Capable of reaching minimum of 32'
- 2) Track Type Whole Tree Chipper:
  - a. Track drum style whole tree chipper 26"
  - b. Must have 26-30" throat opening
  - c. Must have adjustable chip deflector
  - d. Compact – able to work in tight spaces
  - e. Produce micro-chip for quick decomposition
  - f. Remote control for safe operation
  - g. Width cannot exceed 143"
  - h. Height not to exceed 140"
  - i. Weight not to exceed 70,000lbs.
  - j. Minimum 500hp
- 3) Skid Steer Mower
  - a. Skid steer mower 110hp
  - b. Operating weight minimum 11,600lbs
  - c. Rubber tracked machine only Max 5 lbs GP
  - d. High flow machine minimum 40.0 gal/min
  - e. Hydraulic pressure max 4000 psi
  - f. High-flow model machine 40 gpm
  - g. Maximum mower head 72" preferred
- 4) Hydraulic Excavator 40,000 lbs minimum (minimum auxiliary power 175 HP with mower head)
  - a. Caterpillar Model 315/316 (or equivalent)
  - b. Auxiliary power (min 175 hp)
  - c. Minimum 3' mowing head with fixed teeth which can be sharpened
  - d. Capable of mulching trees 18" dbh
  - e. Capable of reaching minimum of 27'
  - f. Machine must be capable of attaching a root rake and thumb for tree take down/piling of material
  - g. Machine must be capable of attaching and operating (from machine) hydraulic stump grinder- min. 30" stump `grinder
- 5) Hydraulic Excavator 40,000 lbs minimum with Root Rake and Thumb only
  - a. Caterpillar Model 315/316 (or equivalent) with Root Rake and Thumb

The successful bidder shall be responsible for repairs and maintenance of its equipment while on County property. The equipment shall be operated by the successful bidder and kept in good working condition, including, but not limited to grease, oil, parts and fuel as necessary until successful bidder is notified of removal from County property. In the event of a machine failure all repairs must be completed within 24-hours, or replaced with an equivalent machine.

All equipment shall meet or exceed OSHA, ANSI and all additional state and federal safety requirements.

It shall be the successful bidder's responsibility to ensure that all equipment used shall be properly maintained. The County Project Supervisor shall have the right to inspect and request the removal of equipment that, in their opinion, is inoperable, unsafe, or improper for desired use in order to protect the operator, the public, and/or the job site.

Under no circumstances, shall any equipment belonging to the successful bidder be left on the job site for longer than the end of the project. The County will not be responsible for any equipment left on its premises.

**Information to Be Submitted:** Submit one marked original and two (2) copies. Submittals must include:

- a. Bid Form
- b. Drug Free Workplace Certification
- c. Affidavit of Compliance
- d. Sworn Statement Under Section 105.08 - Disclosure of Relationships Form
- e. Certification Regarding Lobbying
- f. Completed Bidder's Questionnaire
- g. Photographs of all equipment proposed to be used for this bid
- h. Proof of liability and Insurance
- i. Proof of state and local licensure to complete the work

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End of Technical Specifications

**Bid Form**

**Natural Areas & Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing**

Bid #: 2019007  
 Bid Opening Date and Time: 2:00 P.M. December, 2018  
 Bid Opening Location: Purchasing Division  
 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Vero Beach, FL 32960

The following addenda are hereby acknowledged:

Addendum Number	Date
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

In accordance with all terms, conditions, specifications, and requirements, the Bidder offers the following:

Item #	Description	Unit	Hourly Rate
1.	Hydraulic Excavator 50,000 lbs min. with operator minimum of 300 hp auxillary engine with mower head	HR	\$
2.	Track Type Whole Tree Chipper with operator	HR	\$
3.	Skid Steer Mower with operator	HR	\$
4.	Hydraulic Excavator, 40,000 lbs min. with operator minimum auxiliary power 175 HP with mower head	HR	\$
5.	Hydraulic Excavator 40,000 lbs minimum with operator and root rake & thumb only	HR	\$

Will your company extend these prices to other governmental agencies within the State of Florida? Yes  No

**The undersigned hereby certifies that they have read and understand the contents of this solicitation and agree to furnish at the prices shown any or all of the items above, subject to all instructions, conditions, specifications, and attachments hereto. Failure to have read all the provisions of this solicitation shall not be cause to alter any resulting contract or request additional compensation.**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Tax Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_ FEIN Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type / Printed)

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**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION**

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(Please include this form with your bid)

The undersigned vendor in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087 hereby certifies that \_\_\_\_\_ does:

(Name of Business)

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business’s policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee’s community by, any employee who is so convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of Section 287.087.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bidder's Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Affidavit of Compliance**

**(Please include this form with your bid. Failure to include will be interpreted as indication you take no exceptions.)**

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We DO NOT take exception to the Bid / Specifications.

We TAKE exception to the Bid / Specifications as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(Typed / Printed)

**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 105.08, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY CODE, ON DISCLOSURE OF RELATIONSHIPS**

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**

1. This sworn statement **MUST** be submitted with Bid, Proposal or Contract No. 2019007  
for Natural Areas & Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing

2. This sworn statement is submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of entity submitting Statement)

whose business address is:  
\_\_\_\_\_

and its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is \_\_\_\_\_

3. My name is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print name of individual signing)

and my relationship to the entity named above is \_\_\_\_\_

4. I understand that an “affiliate” as defined in Section 105.08, Indian River County Code, means:  
  
The term “affiliate” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of the entity.

5. I understand that the relationship with a County Commissioner or County employee that must be disclosed as follows:  
  
Father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, grandparent, or grandchild.

6. Based on information and belief, the statement, which I have marked below, is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. [Please indicate which statement applies.]

\_\_\_\_\_ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the

entity, have any relationships as defined in section 105.08, Indian River County Code, with any County Commissioner or County employee.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents, who are active in management of the entity have the following relationships with a County Commissioner or County employee:

Name of Affiliate or entity	Name of County Commissioner or employee	Relationship
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_, who is personally known to me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC

SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT: \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public, State at large  
My Commission Expires:

(Seal)

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTRACTING WITH SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES**

(This form MUST be submitted with your bid)

I hereby certify that neither the undersigned entity, nor any of its wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of such entities or business associations, that exists for the purpose of making profit have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to s. 215.4725 of the Florida Statutes, or are engaged in a boycott of Israel.

In addition, if this solicitation is for a contract for goods or services of one million dollars or more, I hereby certify that neither the undersigned entity, nor any of its wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of such entities or business associations, that exists for the purpose of making profit are on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to s. 215.473 of the Florida Statutes, or are engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria as defined in said statute.

I understand and agree that the County may immediately terminate any contract resulting from this solicitation upon written notice if the undersigned entity (or any of those related entities of respondent as defined above by Florida law) are found to have submitted a false certification or any of the following occur with respect to the company or a related entity: (i) it has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, or (ii) for any contract for goods or services of one million dollars or more, it has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or it is found to have been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Signature)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

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Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements  
(This form MUST be submitted with each bid)

The undersigned Contractor certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, \_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Bidders Questionnaire**

(This form must be included with your bid)

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- 1. How many years has your organization been in business? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Number of employees "ON THE JOB" each week? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Will you subcontract any part of this work? If so, give details: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

4. The following are named as (minimum) five (5) references - public entities, corporations or individuals for which you have performed similar work on environmentally sensitive lands:

- 1) Firm \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Firm \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Firm \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Firm \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Firm \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

5. List three (3) projects on environmentally sensitive lands that your organization has underway or has been awarded within the past year from this bid, including client name and contact information; the type of project; cost for services; the percent complete; and the scheduled completion date:

	Client Name	Client contact and phone	Type of project	Acreage	Cost for Services	% Complete	Scheduled Completion date
1.							
2.							
3.							

6. Have you ever failed to complete work awarded to you:  Yes  No  
 if so, where and why? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Provide a list of all equipment your firm OWNS and will utilize as part of the proposed work:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Description</u>

**Sample Agreement**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is by and between INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida organized and existing under the Laws of the State of Florida, (hereinafter called OWNER) and \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called CONTRACTOR). OWNER and CONTRACTOR, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1 - WORK**

CONTRACTOR shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Work is generally described as follows:

Natural Areas and Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing

**ARTICLE 2 - THE PROJECT**

The Project for which the Work under the Contract Documents may be the whole or only a part is generally described as follows:

Project Name: Natural Areas & Exotic Vegetation Management/Mowing  
Bid Number:  
Project Address: Multiple throughout the County

**ARTICLE 3 - CONTRACT TIMES**

3.01 *Time of the Essence*

- A. All time limits for Milestones, if any, Substantial Completion, and completion and readiness for final payment as stated in the specifications are of the essence of the Agreement.

3.02 *Days to Achieve Substantial Completion, Final Completion and Final Payment*

- A. The Work will be completed and ready for final payment on or before the date indicated on each individual work order.

**ARTICLE 4 - CONTRACT PRICE**

4.01 OWNER shall pay CONTRACTOR for completion of the Work an amount in current funds equal to the sum of the amounts determined pursuant to paragraph 4.01.A and summarized in paragraph 4.01.B, below:

- A. For all Work, at the prices stated in CONTRACTOR’s Bid, attached hereto as an exhibit.
- B. THE CONTRACT SUM subject to additions and deductions provided in the Contract Documents is the items of work multiplied by the verified number of hours it took to perform the work.

**ARTICLE 5 - PAYMENT PROCEDURES**

5.01 Method of Payment

Owner shall make only one payment for the entire amount of the contract when the work has been completed. Upon a determination of satisfactory completion, the COUNTY Project Manager will authorize payment to be made. All payments for services shall be made to the CONTRACTOR by the COUNTY in accordance with the Local Government Prompt Payment Act, as may be amended from time to time (Section 218.70, Florida Statutes, et seq.).

5.02 Acceptance of Final Payment as Release

The acceptance by the CONTRACTOR of final payment shall be and shall operate as a release to the OWNER from all claims and all liability to the CONTRACTOR other than claims in stated amounts as may be specifically excepted by the CONTRACTOR for all things done or furnished in connection with the work under this Agreement and for every act and neglect of the OWNER and others relating to or arising out of the work. Any payment, however, final or otherwise, shall not release the CONTRACTOR or its sureties from any obligations under this Agreement, the Invitation to Bid or the Public Construction Bond.

**ARTICLE 6 - INDEMNIFICATION**

6.01 CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the Division of Emergency Management (hereinafter referred to as the "Division"), the OWNER, and its officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the CONTRACTOR and persons employed or utilized by the CONTRACTOR in the performance of the Work.

**ARTICLE 7 - CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS**

7.01 In order to induce OWNER to enter into this Agreement CONTRACTOR makes the following representations:

- A. CONTRACTOR has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents and the other related data identified in the Invitation to Bid documents.
- B. CONTRACTOR has visited the Site and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- C. CONTRACTOR is familiar with and is satisfied as to all federal, state, and local Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- D. CONTRACTOR has obtained and carefully studied (or assumes responsibility for having done so) all additional or supplementary examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data concerning conditions (surface, subsurface, and Underground Facilities) at or contiguous to the Site which may affect cost, progress, or performance of the Work or which relate to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by

CONTRACTOR, including applying the specific means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, if any, expressly required by the Contract Documents to be employed by CONTRACTOR, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto.

- E. CONTRACTOR does not consider that any further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.
- F. CONTRACTOR is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by OWNER and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
- G. CONTRACTOR has correlated the information known to CONTRACTOR, information and observations obtained from visits to the Site, reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, and all additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data with the Contract Documents.
- H. CONTRACTOR has given OWNER written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that CONTRACTOR has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by OWNER is acceptable to CONTRACTOR.
- I. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.

## **ARTICLE 8 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

### 8.01 *Contents*

A. The Contract Documents consist of the following:

- (1) This Agreement (pages 1 to \_\_, inclusive);
- (2) Notice to Proceed
- (3) Certificate of Liability Insurance
- (5) Invitation to Bid 2019007
- (6) Addenda (numbers \_\_ to \_\_, inclusive);
- (7) CONTRACTOR'S Bid Form (pages \_\_ to \_\_, inclusive);
- (8) Bid Bond (pages \_\_ inclusive);
- (9) Bidders Questionnaire (pages \_\_ to \_\_, inclusive);
- (10) Drug Free Workplace Form (pages \_\_ to \_\_, inclusive)

- (11) Affidavit of Compliance (page \_\_);
- (12) Sworn Statement Under Section 105.08, Indian River County Code, on Disclosure of Relationships (pages \_\_ to \_\_, inclusive);
- (13) Certification Regarding Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies
- (14) Certification Regarding Lobbying
- (15) The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and are not attached hereto:
  - a) Written Amendments;
  - b) Work Change Directives;
  - c) Change Order(s).

**ARTICLE 9 - MISCELLANEOUS**

9.01 *Terms*

- A. Terms used in this Agreement will have the meanings indicated in the Invitation to Bid.

9.02 *Assignment of Contract*

- A. No assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Agreement will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound; and, specifically but without limitation, moneys that may become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.

9.03 *Successors and Assigns*

- A. OWNER and CONTRACTOR each binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other party hereto, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

9.04 *Severability*

- A. Any provision or part of the Contract Documents held to be void or unenforceable under any Law or Regulation shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon OWNER and CONTRACTOR, who agree that the Contract Documents shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.

9.05 *Venue*

A. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any lawsuit brought by either party against the other party or otherwise arising out of this Agreement shall be in Indian River County, Florida, or, in the event of a federal jurisdiction, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

9.06 *Public Records Compliance*

A. Indian River County is a public agency subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. The Contractor shall comply with Florida's Public Records Law. Specifically, the Contractor shall:

- (1) Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service.
- (2) Upon request from the County's Custodian of Public Records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law.
- (3) Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the County.
- (4) Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the County upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the Custodian of Public Records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.

**B. IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:**

**(772) 226-1424**  
[publicrecords@ircgov.com](mailto:publicrecords@ircgov.com)  
**Indian River County Office of the County Attorney**  
**1801 27<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Vero Beach, FL 32960**

- C. Failure of the Contractor to comply with these requirements shall be a material breach of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 10 – FEDERAL CLAUSES**

10.01 OWNER and CONTRACTOR will adhere to the following, as applicable to this work:

- A. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

(3) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(4) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(5) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(6) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(7) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor

as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**B. Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act:**

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The OWNER shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

**C. Clean Air Act:**

(1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

(2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the OWNER and understands and agrees that the OWNER will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

**D. Federal Water Pollution Control Act:**

(1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

(2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to the OWNER and understands and agrees that the OWNER will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Division, State, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

E. **Energy Policy and Conservation Act** – The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

F. **Suspension and Debarment**

(1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Indian River County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Indian River County, the Division, the State of Florida, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

G. **Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment** (31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)—Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

H. **Access to Records** The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

(1) The contractor agrees to provide the Division, State of Florida, Indian River County, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

- I. **DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags:** The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.
- J. **Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders:** This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract only. The contractor will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
- K. **No Obligation by Federal Government:** The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- L. **Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts:** The contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.
- M. **AFFIRMATIVE STEPS:** CONTRACTOR shall take the following affirmative steps to ensure minority business, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms are used when possible:
  - (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.
  - (2) Ensuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
  - (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
  - (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.
  - (5) Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

**Article 11: TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

- A. The occurrence of any of the following shall constitute a default by CONTRACTOR and shall provide the OWNER with a right to terminate this Contract in accordance with this Article, in addition to pursuing any other remedies which the OWNER may have under this Contract or under law:
  - (1) if in the OWNER's opinion CONTRACTOR is improperly performing work or violating any provision(s) of the Contract Documents;
  - (2) if CONTRACTOR neglects or refuses to correct defective work or replace defective parts or equipment, as directed by the Engineer pursuant to an inspection;
  - (3) if in the OWNER's opinion CONTRACTOR's work is being unnecessarily delayed and will not be finished within the prescribed time;
  - (4) if CONTRACTOR assigns this Contract or any money accruing thereon or approved thereon; or

(5) if CONTRACTOR abandons the work, is adjudged bankrupt, or if he makes a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed for CONTRACTOR or for any of his property.

B. OWNER shall, before terminating the Contract for any of the foregoing reasons, notify CONTRACTOR in writing of the grounds for termination and provide CONTRACTOR with ten (10) calendar days to cure the default to the reasonable satisfaction of the OWNER.

C. If the CONTRACTOR fails to correct or cure within the time provided in the preceding Sub-Article B, OWNER may terminate this Contract by notifying CONTRACTOR in writing. Upon receiving such notification, CONTRACTOR shall immediately cease all work hereunder and shall forfeit any further right to possess or occupy the site or any materials thereon; provided, however, that the OWNER may authorize CONTRACTOR to restore any work sites.

D. The CONTRACTOR shall be liable for:

- (1) any new cost incurred by the OWNER in soliciting bids or proposals for and letting a new contract; and
- (2) the difference between the cost of completing the new contract and the cost of completing this Contract;
- (3) any court costs and attorney's fees associated with any lawsuit undertaken by OWNER to enforce its rights herein.

E. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: OWNER may at any time and for any reason terminate CONTRACTOR's services and work for OWNER's convenience. Upon receipt of notice of such termination CONTRACTOR shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue the work and immediately cease ordering of any materials, labor, equipment, facilities, or supplies in connection with the performance of this Contract. Upon such termination Contractor shall be entitled to payment only as follows:

- (1) the actual cost of the work completed in conformity with this Contract and the specifications; plus,
- (2) such other costs actually incurred by CONTRACTOR as are permitted by the prime contract and approved by the OWNER.

Contractor shall not be entitled to any other claim for compensation or damages against the County in the event of such termination.

F. TERMINATION IN REGARDS TO F.S. 287.135: CONTRACTOR certifies that it and those related entities of respondent as defined by Florida law are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to s. 215.4725 of the Florida Statutes, and are not engaged in a boycott of Israel. In addition, if this agreement is for goods or services of one million dollars or more, CONTRACTOR certifies that it and those related entities of respondent as defined above by Florida law are not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Section 215.473 of the Florida Statutes and are not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

OWNER may terminate this Contract if CONTRACTOR is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under section 287.135(5), Florida Statutes, been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities

in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined by section 287.135, Florida Statutes.

OWNER may terminate this Contract if CONTRACTOR, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, and parent companies, that exist for the purpose of making profit, is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel as set forth in section 215.4725, Florida Statutes.

