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DATE: November 5, 2024

TO: Interested Firms

FROM: Breanna Pierce, Procurement Specialist

SUBJECT: Addendum 3 to Invitation for Bid 40608 – Orange Creek SJ29 – Pine Plantation Upland

Sandhill Groundcover Restoration and Habitat Enhancement

As a result of questions received from potential respondents, please be advised of the following changes to the subject Request for Proposal:

- 1. The time and date for the submittal of responses remains the same: <u>2:00 p.m., Friday, November 8,</u> 2024
- 2. **Question:** Has the property been burned?

Yes, it was last burned in January 2024 and plans to burn again in December 2024 after the first frost.

3. **Question:** Timeline as far as first herbicide treatment, when is it expected to take place, before or after the last burn?

If the District is able to burn, the herbicide treatment will take place after the burn, late winter early spring. It all depends on if a burn takes place or not.

4. **Question:** In theory there could be two events prior to planting?

It states in the bid packet, ATTACHMENT A – STATEMENT OF WORK, Section VI. Time Frame and Deliverables:

All pre-herbicide application work for this contract must be completed prior to planting work, allowing for planting success. All planting work shall be completed prior to the expiration of this contract and invoiced for planting once planting work is finished and reviewed by project manager. The Contractor shall invoice the District upon successful completion of the pre-herbicide work, delivery, planting of the grasses and approval by the District Project Manager (pre-herbicide/plants/installation cost- Table 1). The post treatment herbicide work can be billed on a monthly basis but shall not exceed the 3x amount per 6-month post herbicide treatment shown in Table 1. All work is to be completed and invoiced prior to **September 30, 2025**. All invoices shall be submitted to Accounts Payable at acctpay@sirwmd.com, once approved by District project manager.

5. **Question:** Will moving take place before the burn?

No, the District is hoping for a frost prior to a burn for best results and plan to burn in December 2024. If the burn does not take place an herbicide treatment will need to be conducted.

6. **Question:** For the initial herbicide treatment is a broadcast treatment acceptable?

Yes, a broadcast treatment is the same process the District used.

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7. **Question:** Has the project site been thinned; 3rd and 5th row? Could a skidder be driven between the rows?

This project site has been thinned and would allow for a skidder to be driven between the rows. However, the District plans to burn and if it does not take place the herbicide treatment is the next best option.

8. **Question:** Do you want pasture grasses treated too?

Yes. The District's method of spraying was used an ATV with a 30-gallon tank with an attached boom on the back with good even coverage.

9. **Question:** Do you want paster grasses treated too?

Yes. The District's method of spraying uses an ATV with a 30-gallon tank with an attached boom on the back with good even coverage.

10. **Question:** Are you trying to get the acreage planted?

Yes, the District would like to get the acreage planted and then spread the plants out. The entire area will be planted out.

11. **Question:** Onsite water sources has been a question in the past?

There are no wells on site, however, there is Orange Creek canal where a pump could be set up. Also, have a small well pump on the south side of the entrance road near a camp site that can be accessed if clean water is needed.

12. **Question:** You wanted this to be planted in the spring time?

It is ideal to have it planted in the spring but the window has been widened to allow for some flexibility with planting, treatment and weather conditions.

13. **Question:** What is the size on the plant plugs?

It depends on what is available and previous project sites tubelings and bare root plants were used.

14. **Question:** Are substitutes allowed on the bid submittal?

Substitutions are not allowed but in the event the supply is not available the substitution question needs to be directed to Breanna Pierce, Procurement Specialist so it can be placed in an addendum and broadcasted on all solicitation portals to keep bidding far.

15. **Question:** Post herbicide treatments, will ATVs be allowed?

Yes, ATVs are allowed for post herbicide treatments. This is the same method the District uses.

16. **Question:** If the District does not burn can the winning contractor mow?

Yes, the District would not be opposed to awarded contractor to mow the site. If mowed a herbicide treatment would still be needed. Mowing would not be a substitute to herbicide treatment.

NOTE: Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in your submittal.

If you have any questions regarding this addendum, contact Breanna Pierce at (386) 643-1168 or via email at bpierce@sjrwmd.com.