



OKEECHOBEE COUNTY

PARKS & RECREATION

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Request for Proposals

Okeechobee County Parks and Recreation Department is currently entertaining quotes for a turf maintenance & fire ant prevention program for the following locations (see attached maps & designated treatment areas):

<u>Facility Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Darrel Enfinger Sports Complex | 640 NW 27th Lane – Okeechobee |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fertilization program shall be for; four (4) Baseball Fields, one (1) Football field.➤ Fire Ant Treatment shall be applied for all ballfields and common areas located in-between fields. | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Okeechobee County Civic Center | 1750 HWY 98 North – Okeechobee |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Common area behind facility - <u>Fire Ant Treatment ONLY</u> | |

SCOPE OF WORK

Lawn Color and Density: Proper fertilization is expected each application to maintain consistent color and density of the playing fields and surrounding grounds. The fertilization program should be adjusted based off of use and condition of the fields and common grounds as well as temperature and seasonal issues such as drought stress or winter kill.

Weeds: Preventing broadleaf and grassy weeds should also be a primary objective. Weed control should cover, but not be limited to; chickweed, oxalis, toadflax, Florida pusley and black medic. Pre & post emergent must be scheduled accordingly. Technicians must communicate with county staff as to the recommended watering & mowing practices to ensure the best possible results.

Disease & Fungus: Dollar-spot and rust are often seen on under fertilized fields and grounds. Brown patch can also be seen on Bermuda grass, however – proper fertilization & communication of a proper watering schedule with maintenance staff can prevent all of these items.

Insects: Turf damaging insects shall be addressed as needed with each application in addition to the annual treatment of **TOPCHOICE** (or proven equivalent) fire ant prevention program. **TOPCHOICE** shall be applied to all ballfields and common grounds as indicated by the provided facility aerials.

Contractors & technicians must be licensed in both liquid and granular fertilization, weed and insect applications. Insurance and certifications will be required with submittals. Proposals must be itemized by location and the cost per application, having treatments scheduled (and pre-approved by staff) every 7-8 weeks along with an annual fire ant treatment and prevention plan (also itemized separately.)
Okeechobee County reserves the right to select all or a portion of the submitted proposals to best suit the county's needs.

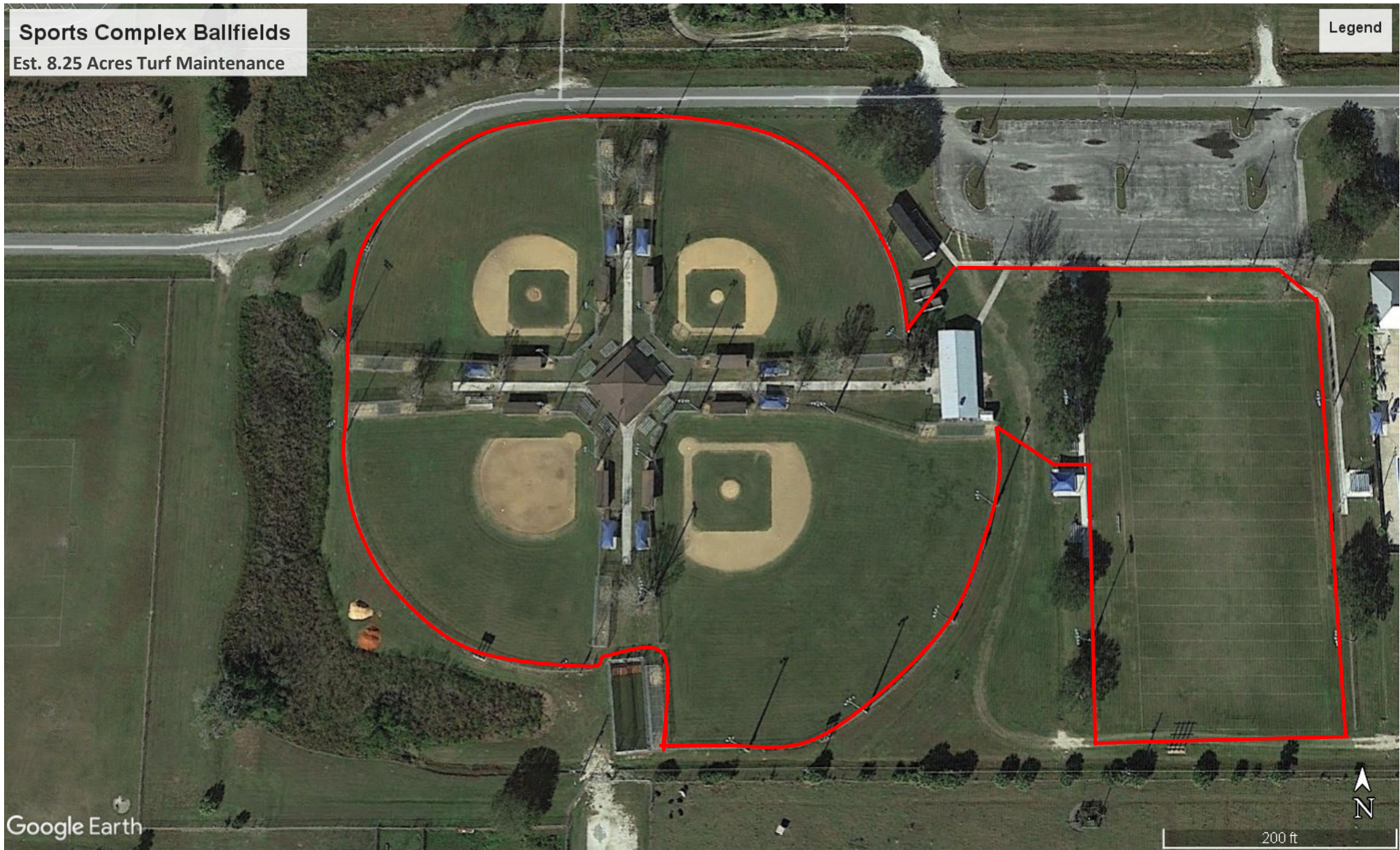
Please submit all proposals in writing to the Okeechobee County Parks and Recreation Department attn.;

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Sports Complex Ballfields

Est. 8.25 Acres Turf Maintenance

Legend



Google Earth

200 ft



Okeechobee County Civic Center
Fire Ant Treatment Area
1.5 Acres

Legend
Fire Ant Treatment Area

