

Susan Whidden

From: Susan Whidden
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2019 3:38 PM
To: 'JacquelineSessa@deltek.com'
Subject: Glades County RFP 2019-02 Glades Business Park Wetland Enhancement
Attachments: RFP 2019-02 (2nd Attempt).pdf; RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS REGARDING RFP II.docx;
RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS REGARDING RFP.docx

Good afternoon,

It is great to hear our ads are being seen. Thank you for your inquiry on this RFP and please see the attached. If you have any questions please reach out to the County Manager, Mr. Martin Murphy at the email contact you previously used. We look forward to your response to the RFP. Thank you again and have a great day.

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From: Susan Whidden
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 3:12 PM
To: 'Istephens@aquaticweedcontrol.net'; 'David Quinlan'; 'Kathryn Taylor'; 'DBek'; 'summerallenviromental@gmail.com'; 'info@aquaticsystems.com'; 'aquaticconsulting@gmail.com'
Cc: 'John Curtis'; Martin Murphy
Subject: RE: Glades County RFP 2019-02

Good afternoon all,

Another question came in regarding RFP 2019-02, please see below for the question and the answer. Thank you.

Question: Further to the Response to Questions RFP #2019-02 and in brief, suffice it to say that we have installed millions of littorals across the State of Florida over the past 25 years and have never been asked/required to produce a FDACS Nursery Certificate or FDEP Harvesting Permit for littorals.

Answer: Based on further discussions with our engineer on this project, we have decided to waive the FDACS Nursery certificate and FDEP Harvesting Permit requirements. A formal notice will be distributed shortly. I look forward to receiving your proposal. Please contact me with any questions.

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Glades County Manager
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Cc: 'John Curtis' <JOC@johnsoneng.com>; Martin Murphy <MMurphy@MYGLADES.COM>
Subject: Glades County RFP 2019-02

Good afternoon ladies and Gentleman,

Question on Glades County RFP 2019-02 Business Park Wetland Enhancement project. Attached you will find the questions and answers prepared for all that have received the bid. Thank you and have a great day.

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From: David Bek <dbek@ecotechenviro.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:31 AM
To: Martin Murphy
Cc: Susan Whidden
Subject: RE: Glades County Request for Proposal 2019-02 Wetlands Enhancement

Dear Mr. Murphy:

We are in receipt of RFP #2019-02, Wetland Enhancement, thank you.

We have a few questions for regarding the above-referenced RFP;

- During the January 30, 2019 site assessment, the County's environmental consultant advised the reduction of the biomass via mechanical (bush-hogging) means subsequent to the herbicide application(s) may be an option. We in attendance agreed that would help with the survivorship of the planted materials. Has the County decided that this is no longer the desired methodology?
- Could you please clarify "nuisance" vegetation? We noted high populations of dog fennel (*Eupatorium capillifolium*) and rag-weed (*Ambrosia artemisiifolia*) which could be considered a nuisance in a wetland system. Exotic vegetation is clearly defined by the current Florida Exotic Pest Plan Council (FLEPPC), however nuisance vegetation is somewhat subjective.
- Will the County require copies of applicable permits & licensing with the bidder's submittal? Specifically, a Nursery Certificate (FDACS) for the nursery-grown materials, permits for FEDP approved harvesting sites and certifications of applicators applying the herbicides.
- Will the County provide or allow vehicular access to the enhancement areas?

Thank you in advance for your response,

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RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS REGARDING RFP #2019-02, WETLAND ENHANCEMENT, GLADES COUNTY, FL

April 23, 2019

1. During the January 30, 2019 site assessment, the County's environmental consultant advised the reduction of the biomass via mechanical (bush-hogging) means subsequent to the herbicide application(s) may be an option. We in attendance agreed that would help the survivorship of the planted materials. Has the County decided that this is no longer the desired methodology?
 - A one-time bush hogging treatment to reduce nuisance and exotic biomass BEFORE plant installation and the upcoming rainy season is acceptable. If a one-time mechanized treatment is proposed, a follow-up herbicide event should also be conducted before plant installation (also prior to the rainy season). Once the plants are installed, the plan is to conduct manual herbicide applications to treat exotic and nuisance vegetation at a frequency where mechanized treatments are no longer required.
2. Could you please clarify "nuisance" vegetation? We noted high populations of dog fennel (*Eupatorium capillifolium*) and rag-weed (*Ambrosia artemisiifolia*) which could be considered a nuisance in a wetland system. Exotic vegetation is clearly defined by the current Florida Exotic Pest Plan Council (FLEPPC), however nuisance vegetation is somewhat subjective.
 - Agreed that nuisance vegetation is subjective. For this RFP, dog fennel and ragweed are considered nuisance plants, as they are nearly always considered nuisance by SFWMD compliance staff, particularly in a wetland system.
3. Will the County require copies of applicable permits & licensing with the bidder's submittal?
 - The selected contractor should possess the appropriate valid pesticide applicator certification and licensing from the FDACS.
4. Specifically, a Nursery Certificate (FDACS) for the nursery-grown materials, permits for FEDP approved harvesting sites and certifications of applicators applying the herbicides.
 - The selected contractor should obtain a Nursery Certificate (FDACS) and/or permit for FDEP harvesting site for the plant materials.
5. Will the County provide or allow vehicular access to the enhancement areas?
 - The County will allow vehicular access within the conservation areas only for a one-time mechanical treatment, if desired, to reduce existing nuisance/exotic biomass prior to planting. After the one-time mechanical treatment event, vehicular access should be prohibited within the conservation areas unless later authorized by Glades County in writing.

emailed out to all on 4/23/19
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From: Susan Whidden
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Cc: 'John Curtis'; Martin Murphy
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Good afternoon all,

Glades County is sending RFP 2019-02 Wetlands Enhancement for responses due no later than 3:00 PM on May 8, 2019. If you have any questions concerning this RFP please direct them to Glades County Manager Martin Murphy at MMurphy@myglades.com. Thank you and we look forward to hearing back from each of you.

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FGCU has a Wetlands
Research team. Left a vm
for them to call incase
they new of other companies.

Susan Whidden

From: Telly Smith <Telly@appliedaquaticmgmt.com>
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 10:52 AM
To: Susan Whidden
Subject: Re: Glades County RFP 2019-02 Wetlands Enhancement

Good morning Susan,

Applied Aquatic Management did not submit a proposal for this project due to the fact that we feel Echotech Environmental is better suited for this project. I will forward this email to David Bek with Echotech.

Telly R. Smith
Project Manager
Applied Aquatic Management, Inc.
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On Apr 19, 2019, at 9:44 AM, Susan Whidden <SWhidden@MYGLADES.COM> wrote:

Good morning Mr. Smith,

I am reaching out on behalf of Glades County. Glades sent out an RFP for wetlands enhancement and we did not receive a response from Applied Aquatics or their sister partner EchoTech. Glades County would like to know if there was a particular reason we did not receive a response to better enhance our RFP process in the future. Your kind response would greatly be appreciated.

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Pat Summerall of Summerall Environmental called Glades County and spoke to Susan Whidden administrative assistant for the County Manager and let her know that his computer crashed and that he was unable to turn in a bid for RFP 2019-02 due to his computer being at Geek Squad for repairs and regrets not being able to submit.

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From: DBek <dbek@ecotechenviro.net>
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 11:42 AM
To: Susan Whidden
Cc: Telly@appliedaquaticmgmt.com
Subject: Fwd: Glades County RFP 2019-02 Wetlands Enhancement

Dear Ms. Whidden:

In regards to the above, EcoTech was not given sufficient time to provide a proposal.

EcoTech would appreciate the opportunity to provide the County a fair, reasonable and comprehensive proposal on future projects. But given the short notice, we could not provide such a proposal for this project.

Sincerely,

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Date: April 19, 2019 at 9:44:08 AM EDT
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From: David Quinlan <david@woodsandwetlands.com>
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To: Susan Whidden
Subject: RFP 2019-02

Susan:

Just for good order's sake writing to advise that we will not be able to meet the time deadline for the bid submission re the above referenced but appreciate being invited to participate in this RFP solicitation and ask that you keep us in mind for future opportunities. Thank you

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