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Notice to Consultants

2023 Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) Request for Qualifications

Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) intends to select an Environmental Service Consultant and negotiate agreements for KRD projects and services.

The Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) issues this Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) for a qualified environmental services consulting firm or multiple firms with significant experience in environmental contamination assessment and remediation to provide the Services on an “as-needed” basis. The KRD shall contract with the selected firm(s) to provide the Services pursuant to agreed-upon fixed rates and itemized cost schedules.

The KRD reserves the right to amend terms of this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to circulate various Addenda, or to withdraw the RFP at any time, regardless of how much time and effort vendors have spent on their responses.

Project Description

The purpose of this advertisement is to obtain environmental contamination and remediation services that may include, but shall not be limited to, Phase I Site Assessments, Phase II Site Assessments, Quality Assurance Project Plan preparation, Health and Safety Plan preparation, various Cleanup and Remediation Planning and Resources Risk Assessments.

The successful firm(s) shall conduct all environmental assessments for the Services according to the specifications below:

The successful firm(s) shall conduct all environmental assessments to evaluate a property site to identify whether petroleum products or other hazardous materials have been released on or off a property site, to determine if there exists a threat of release, and to identify contaminated media and human or environmental populations that may be at risk from said release.

Reliance on the Phase I environmental assessment shall be given to the KRD and any entity designated by the KRD. The successful firm(s) shall conduct a visual inspection of the property site.

The successful firm(s) shall provide all services for the completion of Phase I and Phase II environmental assessments including, but not limited to, historical data, records and title searches, property site reconnaissance, interviews, subsurface exploration, and

chemical testing, as appropriate for the property site as determined by the relevant governmental agency.

The professional capabilities of consultants must include Professional Registration in the State of Washington and a demonstrable expertise in one or more of the disciplines necessary to accomplish the services. In addition, the consultant must be registered as a company licensed to perform “environmental services” in the State of Washington.

Consistent with performance based contracting methodologies, the State Administrative and Accounting Manual (SAAM) and the KRD policy, the KRD may choose to employ a “second tier” competitive process that will be employed prior to execution of a task order. Individual tasks will be negotiated as stand-alone assignments terminating when the task budget is exhausted, or the task time frame has expired.

Evaluation Criteria

Pursuant to state and federal regulations, a qualifications-based selection process will be used to select prime consultants. The following information and criteria will be used to evaluate and rank responses:

1. Qualifications of Firm;
2. Qualifications of Proposed Project Manager(s);
3. Firm’s Technical Expertise; and
4. References/past performances.

Sub-consultants may be added to agreements, subsequent to the award, per the terms and conditions of the master contract with the prime consultant.

Criteria Definitions for 2023 On – Call Annual Roster can be found on the KRD website at www.kittitasreclamationdistrict.org/RFQ.

NOTE: It is imperative that the consultant reviews the definitions of the scoring criteria. We have included requirements and/or limitations for the information that is being requested.

Submittal Process

Consultants are invited to submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) at their own cost. The KRD assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by any respondent to this solicitation. The submittal should be submitted as separate Adobe Reader compatible (pdf) files and formatted as follows:

Your SOQ must be broken into two (2) separate packets. Your SOQ “Packet A” must consist of:

- Your responses to scoring Criteria 1 through 3; and
- Packet “A” is limited to 30 sheets, not including the front and back cover.

Your SOQ “Packet B” must consist of:

- Your letter of transmittal;
- Your response to scoring criteria 4;
- Your Consultant Information forms; and
- Packet “B” has no page number limitations.

The SOQ shall meet the following requirements or may be deemed non-responsive and will not be eligible for consideration of this work:

- Title of the RFQ and your firm clearly identified on the cover of the submittal Packets “A” and “B”, and the letter of transmittal;
- SOQ broken into “Packet A” and “Packet B” (two (2) separate documents) as indicated above;
- Responsive to all evaluation criteria;
- Meeting page limitations and font size requirements; and
- Meeting submittal deadline submission date and time.

Faxed submittals will not be accepted. Submittals must be submitted by email to the following email address no later than 2:00 pm PST on Friday, August 4, 2023.

Submittal email address: kevin@krdistrict.org

Note: Submitters may want to consider setting your email to automatically receive a “Delivery/Read Receipt” for confirmation purposes, as the KRD will not respond with notification of receipt.

Multiple emails are acceptable due to file size limitations of 10mb per email.

Public Records

Any information contained in the response that is proprietary or confidential must be clearly designated. Marking of the entire submission as proprietary or confidential may be rejected as non-responsive.

To the extent consistent with chapter 42.56 RCW, the Public Disclosure Act, the KRD shall maintain the confidentiality of Consultant’s information marked confidential or proprietary. If a request is made to view Consultant’s proprietary information, the KRD will notify Consultant of the request and of the date that the records will be released to the requester unless Consultant obtains a court order enjoining that disclosure. If Consultant fails to obtain the court order enjoining disclosure, the KRD will release the requested information on the date specified.

The KRD’s sole responsibility shall be limited to maintaining the above data in a secure area and to notify Consultant of any request(s) for disclosure for so long as the KRD retains Consultant’s information in KRD’s records per state law. Failure to so label such materials or failure to timely respond after notice of request for public disclosure has been given shall be deemed a waiver by consultant of any claim that such materials are exempt from disclosure. The KRD reserves the

right, if it deems action to be in the best interest of the KRD, to reject any and all submittals or to waive any irregularities or informalities therein. Any incomplete, false or misleading information provided by or through the Consultant shall be grounds for non-consideration. If submittals are rejected, the KRD further reserves the right to investigate and negotiate with the next ranked Consultant in order of ranking or to reject all Consultants and re-solicit for additional firms.

Cost plus percentage of construction cost contracts will not be allowed.

Federal equal opportunity and affirmative action requirements will apply to the selection process and conduct of each project. Minority-and-women-owned firms are encouraged to submit statements of qualifications. The KRD is an equal opportunity employer.

Any questions regarding this solicitation or this submittal process should be directed to the Kittitas Reclamation District Assistant Manager Kevin Eslinger 509-925-6158 or kevin@krdistrict.org.

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Submittal Due Date: Last Email time stamp 2:00 PM on Friday, August 4, 2023.