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DATE: MAY 23, 2019

ADDENDUM NO.: 1

BID NO.: FWC 18/19-106

BID TITLE: PHYSICAL ABILITIES TEST FOR PRESCRIBED BURNERS

UPDATE: RESPONSE TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The enclosed addendum has been issued for consideration in the preparation of your response to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) Solicitation No. FWC 18/19-106, "Physical Abilities Test for Prescribed Burners".

All responses to the subject solicitation must be received no later than 10:00 AM (EST) on Friday, June 7, 2019.

A response received after the exact time specified will not be considered. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes (F.S.), or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Written notices, formal requests and proceedings must conform with the requirements set forth in Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Protests must be filed with the Purchasing Office, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 2590 Executive Center Circle, Suite 100, Tallahassee, Florida 32301 within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), F.S. and Chapter 28-110, F.A.C.

Sincerely,

Alisha Morgan,

FWC Procurement Manager

BEGIN ADDENDUM

QUESTION #1

Are all Prescribed Burners who are employed by FWC certified?

ANSWER #1

No. Burn Managers must be certified, but not all of the crew members are.

QUESTION #2

Who certifies Prescribed Burners and are they trained specifically by FWC?

ANSWER #2

We go through the Florida Certified Burn Managers Course administered by the Florida Forest Service, and then complete their certification process.

QUESTION #3

How many Prescribed Burners are employed by FWC?

ANSWER #3

We have approximately 175-200 burners in FWC.

QUESTION #4

Does FWC employ non-certified Prescribed Burners?

ANSWER #4

Yes, only Burn Managers must be certified.

QUESTION #5

It appears that Prescribed Burn line crews have consistent membership and if so, does the crew membership remain the same for all burns or do crews vary dependent on the nature of the burn?

ANSWER #5

Crews vary depending on personnel availability and complexity of the burn.

QUESTION #6

Are the five different jobs (line crew member, engine operator, AID, etc.) always part of any crew when they conduct a burn?

ANSWER #6

No.

QUESTION #7

As noted there appear to be five distinct jobs with apparently five different physical aspects. Do all Prescribed Burners do all tasks or are there specific designations, resulting in essentially different job classifications?

ANSWER #7

Many burners serve multiple functions on burns but, for example, most aren't certified for aerial ignition or dozer/plow operation.

QUESTION #8

Is there a current fit-for-duty or physical capability test in use for Prescribed Burners?

ANSWER #8

No.

QUESTION #9

How many distinct regions within the State of Florida are managed by FWC Prescribed Burners?

ANSWER #9

We have five administrative regions across the State. Each region has multiple Wildlife Management Areas.

END ADDENDUM