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DATE: June 11, 2019

ADDENDUM NO.: 1

BID NO.: FWC 18/19-120

BID TITLE: FWC 18/19-120 - TIMBER SALE ADMIN BOX-R WMA

UPDATE: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

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 18/19-120, "TIMBER SALE ADMIN BOX-R WMA".

All responses to the subject solicitation must be received no later than 3:30 PM (ET) on Monday, June 17, 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,

Cody Massa

FWC Procurement Manager

BEGIN ADDENDUM

QUESTION #1

Since the bid that The Forestry Company (TFC) submitted for this same project in May 2019 was deemed unacceptable by FWC due to being "too high", what is the maximum percentage or "not to exceed" that FWC will accept for these services?

ANSWER#1

The Commission will review and evaluate received Bids and determine if they are acceptable.

QUESTION #2

Can you please identify all differences in the May 2019 invitation to bid (FWC 18/19-87) and the June 2019 invitation to bid FWC 18/19-120?

ANSWER#2

There are no differences from FWC 18/19-87. FWC rebid the solicitation due to not receiving more than two responsive bids.

QUESTION#3

Page 8 of 58 – PERFORMANCE BOND – Please clarify exactly who "contractor" is referring to. Is it the logging contractors/timbers buyers who will be buying the timber OR the contractor handling the timber sale administration (contractor bidding on this ITB) providing the bonds?

ANSWER#3

The Logging Contractor with whom the Timber Sale Administrator contracts the harvesting of the timber will provide the Performance Bond to the Timber Sale Administrator. Also, please explain "ContractContract. "ContractContract" is the contract between the Timber Company and the Timber Sale Administrator.

QUESTION #4

Do the questions/answers for the previous bid for this same project (18/19-87) hold true for this bid 18/19-120? See below

Can FWC provide the "stands list", pages 19 & 20 of 58, in excel format? The list in a

"workable" form would aide greatly in bid preparation. If bidding contractors have this

list in excel format prior to bid due date, they can use it to provide a better bid price

ANSWER#4

That information is unavailable in that format at this time. It can be provided after Bid Opening.

QUESTION#5

Are all sales operator select and require no take or leave tree marking? If there is some leave/take marking required, what's the percentage to be marked of total acres?

ANSWER #5

There will be no marking required. Thins will either be a 3rd row thin or a thin to 30 square feet of basal area

QUESTION#6

Can RX burn history and/or scheduled burning of these stands be provided? Do the majority of these stand boundaries have maintained firebreaks?

ANSWER#6

FWC will provide all available burn history data to the selected vendor. Some stands are delineated by roads, firebreaks, wetlands streams, etc. The vast majority of stands are easily delineated by either physical features or tree age.

QUESTION#7

Since all of these stands were inventoried in 2018, the sales will be per ton sales (not lump sum) and they are all operator select, is cruising these stands necessary/required?

ANSWER#7

Timber cruising is addressed in the ITB as seen below. Inventory data from 2018 should be sufficient as long as the data is still applicable. FWC will rely on the expertise of the selected vendor to make that determination, but as stands age and are thinned cruising will probably become necessary.

Timber Sale Planning and Marketing – The Contractor shall be responsible for marketing and conducting all aspects of sale of timber within the designated management unit. Tasks will include: delineation and inventory of sale blocks, designation of products to be sold, completion and provision of timber cruise and stumpage appraisal of planned sale(s), and preparation and execution of contract for each timber sale. The Contractor shall secure at least three valid bids for each timber sale and, upon review and approval by the Project Manager, enter into a sales contract with the timber buyer on behalf of FWC.

END ADDENDUM