

# **Wayne National Forest**

## **Mowing/Trimming of Recreation Sites**

### **STATEMENT OF WORK**

#### **Lake Vesuvius Recreation Sites**

The contractor shall furnish all labor, supervision, and supplies necessary for the mowing services in accordance with the technical specifications listed below. The mowing period (base and option years) is from April 1st to October 31st each year. The contractor must abide by OSHA standards for work performed. The contractor shall have suitable and adequate equipment and trained personnel to complete the work within specifications. There is NO site visit scheduled for this project. Interested parties are encouraged to utilize the maps in Attachment 3 to conduct their own site visit prior to submitting their bids. MOWING ACREAGES SHOWN ON THE MAPS ARE APPROXIMATE. EXISTING MOWED BOUNDARIES EVIDENT ON THE GROUND AT EACH SITE TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER MOWING LIMITS SHOWN ON THE MAPS. THE MAPS ARE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY.

The contractor will mow grass between a minimum height of 2" and a maximum height of 3.5" within the approved list of Wayne National Forest developed recreation areas, such as campgrounds, picnic areas, beach/swim areas, boat launches, and trailheads. Contractor will not be expected to move items that may be stored on the grass except for picnic tables (if not anchored).

Mowing of the sites shall be done with a suitable type rotary or flail mower. In addition, all grass around buildings, shelters, trees, shrubs, signs, bulletin boards, lamp posts, trash bins, grills, fire rings, landscape boulders, and other obstructions shall be trimmed with a string trimmer.

Contractor shall not exceed the maximum number of cuttings without written authority from the Contracting Officer (CO).

A neat appearance and reduced height of grasses and vegetation in the recreation areas and around buildings, shelters, trees, shrubs, signs, bulletin boards, lamp posts, trash bins, grills, fire rings, landscape boulders, and other obstructions. Grass shall be cut evenly, therefore Contractor will account for factors that may affect this such as wet grass or dull mower blades.

All areas will be mowed to the maximum extent possible as defined by barriers such as roads, streams, wooded areas, etc.

Sites may need rock, tree branch, and debris clean-up prior to mowing. This will be the responsibility of the mowing contractor.

Care is to be taken not to damage vehicles, camper trailers/RVs, tents, and other structures parked or located within the recreation areas.

Contractor will mow/trim/rake in a direction that prevents grass and debris from being blown onto vehicles, structures, pavement or waterbodies.

Contractor will utilize leaf blower to clear all parking areas, shelters, and sidewalks after mowing is conducted.

Camping spurs, parking areas, sidewalks and other access routes are to be cleaned of grass clippings after mowing/trimming.

Contractor shall provide traffic control signage and other traffic control devices and techniques if necessary to ensure the safety of individuals visiting the area.

All sites will be mowed to the schedule described below. Contract services shall not be performed on weekends or holidays.

All sites not mowed to the schedule or not mowed when requested to do so by the Forest Service may have deduction of monthly payments for that area and the work done by the Forest Service or another contractor.

The number of mowings for each site shown in the Schedule of Item is an estimated number, the actual number of mowings may vary from month to month as the growing season demands. Some months (during peak growing season) may need mowed more frequently than other months. The mowing schedule will be agreed upon, in advance, with the Forest Service Contracting Officer (CO) and Contracting Officer Representative (COR).

Contractor will only charge a single Unit Price at each location for each individual mowing, back to back mowings within the same week is not permitted. Each site mowing must be inclusive of cutting, trimming, raking, mulching, and removal of all debris of any kind in order to meet industry standards for landscaping best management practices.

Dates and times of mowing activities are at a contractor's discretion but must not interfere with use of the premises or cause any safety hazards to employees or the general public.

There is NO site visit scheduled for this project. Interested parties are encouraged to utilize the attached project map to conduct their own site visit prior to submitting their quotes.

### **Lake Vesuvius Roadsides**

The intent of this contract is to provide mowing services along both sides of the Forest Roads 1955 and 1957, which are primary access roads through the Lake Vesuvius Recreation Area. The mowing period (base and option years) is from April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> each year. The contractor will mow grass between a minimum height of 2" and a maximum height of 3.5". The contractor shall furnish all labor, supervision, and supplies necessary for the mowing services in accordance with the technical specifications listed below. The contractor must abide by OSHA standards for work performed. The contractor shall have suitable and adequate equipment and trained personnel to complete the work within specifications. There is NO site visit scheduled for this project. Interested parties are encouraged to utilize the maps in Attachment 3 to conduct their own site visit prior to submitting their quotes. MOWING ACREAGES AND MILEAGES SHOWN ON THE MAPS ARE APPROXIMATE. EXISTING MOWED BOUNDARIES EVIDENT ON THE GROUND AT EACH SITE TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER MOWING LIMITS SHOWN ON THE MAPS. THE MAPS ARE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY.

The Lake Vesuvius roadsides is approximately 3.22 miles that needs to be mowed and weed trimmed two times per year. The dam has moderate steep slopes. Tractors, brush mowers, weed trimmers with string and cutting blades will need to be utilized.

The primary objective is to keep Lake Vesuvius roadsides mowed, weed trimmed, and tree saplings cut at an interval of 4 times per season between April and October.

All work shall meet industry standards for groundskeeping best management practices.

(A) Avoid damage to trunks of standing trees.

(B) Utilize string trimmer around guardrail and other structures.