

Seed Sol. No.
12970223R0001

Project Name
Seed 1082953

Project Zone
Zone 1

Task Order Award No.
To Be Determined (TBD)

Instructions:

This is a seed project for the subject IDIQ that may represent a potential task order. All offerors competing under the subject solicitation number responding to the project zone specified herein will receive this document and must respond to be considered for award. The offeror providing the Government the best value offer will receive the award in accordance with section M of the parent solicitation terms. To ensure that the Government is receiving the most competitive pricing for the work, please ensure that you are evaluating the work and providing your best offers for award consideration.

- 1- Review all RFP documents. In response to this solicitation, complete and return the following:
 - a. **Task Order RFP Form.** Complete the proposal response form, items A through H.
 - b. **Price Schedule of Items.** Using the Excel provided spreadsheet, complete highlighted items E9-13, E18-23, B32-36, and E32-35. Total costs will populate automatically.
- 2- Site Visit - A site visit is highly encouraged but not required. Contractors are invited to visit the map locations but must coordinate and obtain approval from the project Contracting Officer Representative (COR) (or Government Technical Monitor if COR is unavailable) at least 24 hours prior to visit date. Contact information is under item 5 herein.
- 3- Offers Due: Email documents to Christopher Jordan at christopher.jordan@usda.gov on or before 14 April 2023 no later than 1000 PT. Contractors are encouraged to verify and confirm that the Contract Specialist has received the offer.
- 4- Basis of Award: The Government will award this task order to the contractor providing the best value to the Government in terms of schedule and price.
 - Responsiveness: All items required under instruction item 1 have been fully completed and included as a part of your proposal.
 - Technical Approach: Demonstrate an understanding of the work required and respond to the needs of the requirement. The Government will consider: 1) any information that indicates the extent to which the site for this project was visited; 2) the results concluded from the site visit; 3) the resources (personnel and equipment) planned for use on the project and their availability – the Contractor should a-document any given concurrent obligations and b- include any subcontractors and their experience and capabilities; 4 plan of work including major tasks and timelines
 - Price
- 5- Points of Contacts:
Contract Specialist (CS) – Christopher Jordan, christopher.jordan2@usda.gov
Contracting Officer Representative (COR) – Jeffrey Lees, jeffrey.lees@usda.gov
Government Technical Monitor (GTM) – Jacob Biar, jacob.biar@usda.gov
Contracting Officer (CO) – Klenise Wallace, klenise.wallace@usda.gov

B. Schedule of Items:

****For the purpose of this solicitation, please input pricing on the Excel provided schedule of items.****

C. Statement of Work

Summary/Description of Task Order Work: To fulfill the requirements of this task order, the contractor shall complete the tasks listed below. The requirement for this task order is to purchase and install the materials needed to repair and replace the rangeland fencing that was damaged in the Beckwourth Fires, and removal of old materials being replaced. This task order comprises of approximately 32.2 miles of fencing on seven (7) allotments on the Plumas National Forest.

Scope of Work: The contractor shall be responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all work or services rendered. Errors and/or deficiencies resulting from the performance shall be corrected at no additional cost to the United States Forest Service (USFS). If the contractor determines that that information is provided by the USFS is inaccurate, it is incumbent upon the contractor to notify the USFS immediately. Should the inaccuracy necessitate a change in scope, or level of effort, such change shall be formalized with a bilateral modification to this task order.

Specifications: Much of the range fencing was installed prior to implementation of forest wide/multiple use specifications. New construction should meet these current specifications. The FS understands they may not be what you would use on your own ranches, but they meet the multiple use obligations we are required to consider on USFS administered land. Mending and other repairs that do not constitute full replacement may be done in kind to match what is existing.

Allotment Boundary four strand:

4th or Bottom Wire: 16-18 inches (from the ground), Smooth
3rd Wire: 22–24 inches (6 inches from bottom wire and 6” from second wire), Barbed
2nd Wire: 28-30 inches (12 inches from top wire), Barbed
1st or Top Wire: 40-42 inches, Barbed or smooth

Pasture three strand:

3rd or Bottom Wire: 16-18 inches, Smooth
2nd Wire: 26–30 inches (12 inches from top and 12 inches from bottom wires), Barbed
1st or Top Wire: 38-42 inches, Barbed or smooth
Other notes:
When building fence on slopes 30% or greater: drop top wire down to 38–40 inches.
Hollow steel posts require caps.

T-posts:

- Heavy-duty t-posts will be installed every 18 feet.
- A minimum 5 ½ inch post will be used.

Stays:

- Split or rough sawn wood stays shall be used. 2 stays will be evenly spaced between each steel post or figure four. Stays will be attached to the fence using 1 ¾ inch galvanized staples.
- Wire stays are also acceptable in-lieu of wooden stays.

Support Structures or Braces:

- A support structure will be installed every 200 feet (Fences, page 40)
- Support structure options are as follows
 - H-Braces (Fences, page 41) either treated wood posts or metal posts will be used in the construction of H-Braces and corner braces

Gates:

- The locations of the gates will be flagged by the USFS. Gates shall be 10-14 feet wide and constructed with 4 strands of barbed wire. The bottom wire on the gate will be at 16 inches above ground with the next two spaced 8 inches apart and the top wire spaced at 10 inches. Ends of the gate shall be attached to trees or H-braces

Project Location: See the map at exhibit A for this task order.

Period of Performance: The contract period is **180 calendar days** after the Notice to Proceed effective date. The anticipated period of performance is award (on or about May 15, 2023 through October 15, 2023. * The Government’s desired start date of work is on or before **June 1, 2023**.

All work must be completed by **October 15, 2023**.

**CO may include additional time at the end of the performance period to allow adequate time for Government inspection and acceptance, contractor submission of final and invoice and preparation for administrative closeout actions to include receipt of final invoice and release of claims. The date provided is the date the contractor is expected to have all work completed.*

D. Specifications: The specifications identified in the SOW are taken directly from “A Landowner’s Guide to Wildlife Friendly Fences: How to Build with Wildlife in Mind”. Future task orders may reference other USFS specifications.

E. Attachments:

- A1. Schedule of Items (Excel)
- A2. Wage Determination
- A3. A Landowner's Guide to Wildlife Friendly Fences: How to Build with Wildlife in Mind
- A4. Subcontractor Approval Form

Special Considerations:

Bonding: There ☒ **is** / is not a bonding requirement for this contract. *If bonding is required, bids requiring a bond, refer to FAR 28.101-2. Bids are required to have payment bonds 20% of the bid price. If awarded, the performance and payment bonds are 100% of the award amount. This information is also in accordance with FAR 52.228-1.*

Wage Determinations: The applicable Wage Determination (WD) for this work: WD #: CA20230007, Dated January 13, 2023.

Government Furnished Property: None.

Work Hours: Work hours are from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday through Friday. Weekend equipment work is not allowed at any time during the work.

Camping: Camping in the forest will be available. This will need to be approved with the COR and GTM in order to coordinate all applicable camping permits. All applicable forest rules and regulations will need to be adhered to. All equipment will need to be identified prior to beginning any work in order ensure that the equipment is allowed in the forest.

Protection of Resources: Contractor shall thoroughly clean all equipment prior to delivery to the project sites to remove weeds, mud, grease and oil buildup from the tires, wheels, tracks, engines, and engine compartments, and other surfaces. Spills of petroleum products and other hazardous substances shall be reported, contained, and removed in accordance with all applicable rules, regulations, and laws.

Task Order Magnitude. It is anticipated that the range price of this contract will be:

Between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000.

Fences to Rebuild
Task Order 1 Fences

0 0.5 2 Miles

Various forest and district offices of the Pacific Southwest Region

Contractor Name	Date
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D. Sustainable Procurement Program.

As required by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 ([7 U.S.C. 8102\(c\)\(3\)](#)), this solicitation/contract requires the use of Bio based products to the extent that such products are reasonably available, meet agency or relevant industry performance standards are reasonably priced.

Bio based products, within categories of products listed by the United States Department of Agriculture in 7 CFR part 3201, subpart B) to be used or delivered in the performance of the contract. Any other than bio based products that are not purchased by the offeror as a direct result of this contract, will comply with the applicable specifications or other contractual requirements. Information about this requirement and these products are available at <http://sftool.gov/green-products/1/construction-materials>.

Sustainable Products Statement of Intent (Check Only One)

☐ There are **no expectations or intent** of utilizing bio-based products for this requirement at this time. The contractor certifies that it understands that the government requires the use of Bio based products to the extent reasonably available. Should any product be required throughout the duration of this contract, the Contractor will provide the government an updated form listing the products used that are in compliance with the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The contractor also certifies that failure to comply with the requirements should product be required may result in penalties.

☐ The Contractor proposes **utilizing non-designated** products. The following justification is provided for use of those items identified as non-designated products.

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☐ The following **bio based products will be utilized** for this requirement. The listing below contains all recycled-content products, bio based products, environmentally preferable products and services, and non-ozone depleting substances to be acquired, used, and installed in the performance of this contract.

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By submitting this information with the proposal, I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.

(Initial)

Contractor Name	Date
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E. Schedule of Work. Provide a schedule that clearly demonstrates how offeror will complete all required task items within the Government’s anticipated period. If work is expected to exceed Government’s anticipated performance end date or the start of work will exceed 15 calendar days, explain. If additional space is needed, the Government will permit **up to 1** additional page in response to the work plan. Space has been provided herein.
Complete the Government provided Progress Schedule contained herein. Prepare and provide a tentative but practicable schedule showing a timeline for the work being accomplished.

Item of Work	CONTRACT TIME																				
	Compute Time Per Square as follows $\frac{Total\ Time\ (\quad)days}{30} = (\quad)$ days per square.																				
% Completion	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100										
Days Contract Time	0	()		()		()		()		()											
INSTRUCTIONS CONTRACTOR 1. Complete CONTRACT TIME block above to determine days per square. 2. Insert contract days in brackets at 20%, 40%, etc. 3. Show line through each square for work planned. Please do not block in solid. 4. Submit ONE Copy to the Contracting Officer (CO) Representative (COR) and CO. COR 1. Approve schedule to submit to CO with comments. 2. Chart actual progress against proposed progress. 3. Advise CO when progress falls behind. 4. Distribute as follows: Original to CO; Copies to Contractor; COR; Forest		SUBMITTED BY:					REVIEWED AND APPROVED:														
		Contractor (Company) Name					COR Name														
		Contractor Rep Name					Contracting Officer Name														
		Contractor Rep Digital Signature/Date					Contracting Officer Digital signature/Date														

Comments:

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F. Past Performance/Experience. Provide the information and

(a) CONTRACT NO.	(b) CONTRACT AMOUNT	(c) NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NO. OF OWNER/PERSON TO CONTACT FOR PROJECT INFORMATION	(d) NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NO. OF BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT AGENCY INVOLVED

G. Key Personnel. This tells the Government who the Government contacts are authorized to speak to from the offerors company.**Key Personnel**

Contract Manager Overwrite Here	Phone Overwrite Here	Email Overwrite Here
Project Foreman Overwrite Here	Phone Overwrite Here	Email Overwrite Here
Reserved Overwrite Here	Phone Overwrite Here	Email Overwrite Here

Designated Representative

This delegation extends authority to take any action necessary with respect to the execution of work, including acknowledging receipt of Notice to Proceed, Suspend and Resume Work Orders, and Notices of Noncompliance. The items check below indicates additional authority authorized by this delegation:

- ☐ Sign progress payment estimates and invoices.
- ☐ Sign contract modifications.
- ☐ Sign final payment estimate and invoice and contract release.
- ☐ Execute contract termination settlement agreement.
- ☐ Full authority in all contractual matters.

Name	Title
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H. Subcontractor Approval. Applicability – Contractor ☐ **will** / ☐ **will not** utilize subcontracted support for this project. If applicable, please complete this section for each subcontractor being used to support this project.

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APPROVAL IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO SUBCONTRACT WORK ON ABOVE REFERENCED CONTRACT.

SUBCONTRACTOR DETAILS

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME:

SUBCONTRACTOR TAX ID:

SUBCONTRACTOR UEI SAM (if applicable):

SUBCONTRACTOR ADDRESS:

WORK DETAILS

TYPE OF WORK TO BE SUBCONTRACTED:

% OF WORK TO BE SUBCONTRACTED:

CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE TITLE	CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE	DATE
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STOP. BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY USDA FOREST SERVICE CONTRACTING OFFICER ONLY.

APPROVER NAME/TITLE	APPROVER DIGITAL SIGNATURE
FName LName, Contracting Officer	