

- (i) This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial items prepared in accordance with the format in subpart 12.6 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation; quotes are being requested and a written solicitation will not be issued.
- (ii) This solicitation is issued as a for Quote (RFQ).
- (iii) The solicitation document and incorporated provisions and clauses are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular 2023-01.
- (iv) This procurement is set aside 100% for SMALL BUSINESS. The NAICS code is 115310 and the Small Business Size Standard is \$20.5M. PSC: F006

**(v) Payment Terms NET 30 Days**

**(vi) Schedule of Items/Price Schedule**

*Schedule of Items*

*Project Description: SERAL FORESTRY PHASE II*

*Vendor Name:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Vendor UEI:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of Offeror/Contractor* \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Item</i>	<i>Supplies/Services</i>	<i>Qty</i>	<i>Unit of Issue</i>	<i>Unit Price</i>	<i>Total Price</i>
0001	<i>Unit Layout</i>	56	<i>Units</i>	\$	\$
0002	<i>Unit Boundary Designation</i>	45.4	<i>Miles</i>	\$	\$
0003	<i>Area Determination</i>	80.2	<i>Miles</i>	\$	\$
0004	<i>Opening Center Tress Designation</i>	620	<i>Trees</i>	\$	\$
0005	<i>Cruise Design &amp; Plan</i>	2	<i>Jobs</i>	\$	\$
0006	<i>Timber Cruising</i>	3,001	<i>Acres</i>	\$	\$
0007	<i>Hazard Tree Mark &amp; Cruise</i>	14.9	<i>Miles</i>	\$	\$

**(vii) Description of Requirement (including a list of any attachments)**

The purpose of this contract is to secure services for unit layout, unit boundary designation, area determination, opening center tree designation, cruise design and plan, and timber cruising on **the Stanislaus National Forest**. The Contractor shall furnish all labor, equipment, supervision, transportation, supplies, materials, services, and any incidentals necessary to perform the work in accordance with the attached specifications.

The Contractor must be a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) by the State of California or shall employ the services of a State of California Registered Professional Forester to supervise

this task. The RPF shall certify that all completed fieldwork and documentation meets contract specifications. \*See attached SOW for all attachments.

**(viii) Date(s) and Place(s) of Delivery and Acceptance/Location**

*Mi-Wok Ranger District, and occurs in portions of various sections in:*

*T2N R16E, T3N R16E, T3N R17E, & T4N R17E; MDBM.*

*Start: May 1, 2023*

*Time: 180 calendar days (with a 4 person crew)*

**(ix) Representations and Certifications (complete highlighted items in this section and return with your offer)**

**VENDOR NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VENDOR UEI:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(x) 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEC 2022) (DEVIATION 2017-1)**

**(xi) 52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders– Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEC 2022) (DEVIATION 2017-1, DEVIATION APR 2020, DEVIATION DEC 2022)**

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

(1) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(2) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(3) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(4) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (Nov 2015)

(5) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(6) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (19 U.S.C. 3805note)).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions

of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

*[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]*

- (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (June 2020), with Alternate I (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 4655).
- (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C. 3509)).
- (3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)
- (4) 52.203-17, Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights and Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights (Jun 2020) **(DEVIATION 2017-1)**
- (5) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jun 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
- (6) [Reserved].
- (7) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- (8) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- (9) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Nov 2021) (31 U.S.C. 6101note).
- (10) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Oct 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
- (11) [Reserved].
- (12) (i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C.657a).
- (13) (i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- (14) [Reserved]
- (15) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) (15 U.S.C.644).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-6.
- (16) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-7.
- (17) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).**(DEVIATION DEC 2022)**
- (18) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.
  - (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.
  - (iv) Alternate III (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9.
  - (v) Alternate IV (Sep 2021) of 52.219-9.
- (19) (i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
  - (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-13

- (20) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C.637s)  
[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]
  - By the end of the base term of the contract and then by the end of each subsequent option period; or
  - By the end of the performance period for each order issued under the contract.
- (21) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages-Subcontracting Plan (Sep 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- (22) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- (23) (i) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
  - (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-28.
- (24) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- (25) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- (26) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- (27) 52.219-33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (Sep 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17)).
- (28) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (Jun 2003) (E.O.11755).
- (29) 52.222-19, Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Dec 2022) (E.O.13126).
- (30) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
- (31) (i) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2016) (E.O.11246).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Feb 1999) of 52.222-26.
- (32) (i) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-35.
- (33) (i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C.793).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-36.
- (34) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (35) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- (36) (i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter78 and E.O. 13627).
- (37) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial products or commercial services as prescribed in FAR 22.1803.)
- (38) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

- (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- (39) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (40) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (41) (i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2015) of 52.223-13.
- (42) (i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-14.
- (43) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (May 2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
- (44) (i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (Oct 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16.
- (45) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (Jun 2020) (E.O. 13513).
- (46) 52.223-20, Aerosols (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (47) 52.223-21, Foams (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (48) (i) 52.224-3 Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3.
- (49)(i) 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies (Oct 2022) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2022) of 52.225-1
- (50) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (DEC 2022) (19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C. 4001 note, 19 U.S.C. chapter 29 (sections 4501-4732), Public Law. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).
  - (ii) Alternate I [Reserved]
  - (iii) Alternate II (Dec 2022) of 52.225-3.
  - (iv) Alternate III (Jan 2021) of 52.225-3.
  - (v) Alternate IV (Oct 2022) of 52.225-3.
- (51) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (Dec 2022) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
- (52) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (FEB 2021) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- (53) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).
- (54) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

- (55) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- (56) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (Feb 2021).
- (57) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C.4505, 10 U.S.C.3805).
- (58) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C.4505, 10 U.S.C.3805).
- (59) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (Oct 2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (60) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C.3332).
- (61) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (May 2014) (31 U.S.C.3332).
- (62) 52.232-40, Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Nov 2021) **(DEVIATION APR 2020)** (31 U.S.C.3332).
- (63) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- (64) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Jan 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
- (65) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
  - (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.
  - (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2021) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

In compliance with the Service Contract Labor Standards statute and the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (29 CFR Part 4), this clause identifies the classes of service employees expected to be employed under the contract and states the wages and fringe benefits payable to each if they were employed by the contracting agency subject to the provisions of [5 U.S.C.5341](#) or [5 332](#).

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Employee Class	Monetary Wage/Fringe Benefits
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Employee Class	Monetary Wage/Fringe Benefits
_____	_____/_____
_____	_____/_____

- (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Aug 2018) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).
- (8) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- (9) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792).

(d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the

Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e) (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1), in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C. 3509).

(ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(iii) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(iv) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(v) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C.637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR 19.702(a) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).

(vii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2015) (E.O.11246).

(viii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C.4212).

(ix) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C.793).

(x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C.4212).

(xi) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.

(xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xiii) (A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O 13627).

(B) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of 52.222-50(22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O 13627).

(xiv) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xv) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022) (E.O. 12989).

(xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).

(xviii) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).

(xix) (A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(B) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3.

(xx) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).

(xxi) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

(xxii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C.2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

(2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial products and commercial services a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

**(xii) Additional Requirements/Terms and Conditions:**

**Clauses:**

**52.203-3 Gratuities (APR 1984)**

**52.203-16 Preventing Personal Conflicts of Interest (JUN 2020)**

**52.204-4 Printed or Copied Double-Sided on Postconsumer Fiber Content Paper (MAY 2011)**

**52.204-13 System for Award Management Maintenance (OCT 2018)**

**52.204-21 Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems (NOV 2021)**

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

“Covered contractor information system” means an information system that is owned or operated by a contractor that processes, stores, or transmits Federal contract information.

“Federal contract information” means information, not intended for public release, that is provided by or generated for the Government under a contract to develop or deliver a product or service to the Government, but not including information provided by the Government to the public (such as on public websites) or simple transactional information, such as necessary to process payments.

“Information” means any communication or representation of knowledge such as facts, data, or opinions, in any medium or form, including textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic, narrative, or audiovisual (Committee on National Security Systems Instruction (CNSSI) 4009).

“Information system” means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information ([44 U.S.C. 3502](#)).

“Safeguarding” means measures or controls that are prescribed to protect information systems.

(b) Safeguarding requirements and procedures.

(1) The Contractor shall apply the following basic safeguarding requirements and procedures to protect covered contractor information systems. Requirements and procedures for basic safeguarding of covered contractor information systems shall include, at a minimum, the following security controls:

(i) Limit information system access to authorized users, processes acting on behalf of authorized users, or devices (including other information systems).

(ii) Limit information system access to the types of transactions and functions that authorized users are permitted to execute.

(iii) Verify and control/limit connections to and use of external information systems.

(iv) Control information posted or processed on publicly accessible information systems.

(v) Identify information system users, processes acting on behalf of users, or devices.

(vi) Authenticate (or verify) the identities of those users, processes, or devices, as a prerequisite to allowing access to organizational information systems.

(vii) Sanitize or destroy information system media containing Federal Contract Information before disposal or release for reuse.

(viii) Limit physical access to organizational information systems, equipment, and the respective operating environments to authorized individuals.

(ix) Escort visitors and monitor visitor activity; maintain audit logs of physical access; and control and manage physical access devices.

(x) Monitor, control, and protect organizational communications (i.e., information transmitted or received by organizational information systems) at the external boundaries and key internal boundaries of the information systems.

(xi) Implement subnetworks for publicly accessible system components that are physically or logically separated from internal networks.

(xii) Identify, report, and correct information and information system flaws in a timely manner.

(xiii) Provide protection from malicious code at appropriate locations within organizational information systems.

(xiv) Update malicious code protection mechanisms when new releases are available.

(xv) Perform periodic scans of the information system and real-time scans of files from external sources as files are downloaded, opened, or executed.

(2) Other requirements. This clause does not relieve the Contractor of any other specific safeguarding requirements specified by Federal agencies and departments relating to covered contractor information systems generally or other Federal safeguarding requirements for controlled unclassified information (CUI) as established by Executive Order 13556.

(c) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract (including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial products or commercial services, other than commercially available off-the-shelf items), in which the subcontractor may have Federal contract information residing in or transiting through its information system.

**52.223-2 Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts (SEP 2013)**

**52.228-5 Insurance-Work on a Government Installation**

**52.237-2 Protection of Government Buildings, Equipment, and Vegetation (APR 1984)**

**52.242-15 Stop-Work Order (AUG 1989)**

**52.242-17 Government Delay of Work (APR 1984)**

**52.245-9 Use and Charges (APR 2012)**

**52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (FEB 1998)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Clauses:

<https://www.acquisition.gov/browse/index/far> (FAR clauses begin with 52)

Department of Agriculture Acquisition Regulation (AGAR) Clauses:

<https://www.acquisition.gov/agar> (AGAR clauses begin with 452)

FAR and AGAR Deviations to clauses may be viewed at: [Policies & Regulations | USDA](#)

**52.252-6 Authorized Deviations in Clauses (NOV 2020)**

(a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of “(DEVIATION)” after the date of the clause.

(b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Agriculture Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 4) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of “(DEVIATION)” after the name of the regulation.

**452.204-70 Modification for Contract Closeout (DEVIATION JUL 2022)**

Upon contract closeout for contracts utilizing Simplified Acquisition Procedures (SAP) according to FAR 13:

(a) If unobligated funds in the amount of \$1000 or less remain on the contract, the Contracting Officer (CO) shall issue a unilateral modification for deobligation. The contractor will receive a copy of the modification but will not be required to provide a signature. The CO shall immediately proceed with contract closeout upon completion of the period of performance, receipt and acceptance of supplies or services, and final payment.

(b) If unobligated funds of more than \$1000 remain on the contract, the CO shall issue a bilateral modification for deobligation. The contractor will receive a copy of the modification and will be required to provide a signature. (The CO may also request a Release of Claims be completed by the contractor, although not required for contract and orders using SAP procedures.) If the bilateral modification and Release of Claims are not returned to the CO within 60 days, the CO shall release the modification as unilateral and proceed with contract closeout upon completion of the period of performance, receipt and acceptance of supplies or services, and final payment.

**452.211-74 Period of Performance (FEB 1988)**

The period of performance of this contract is from 1 May 2023 through 31 Oct 2023.

**452.228-71 Insurance Coverage (NOV 1996)**

Pursuant to FAR clause 52.228-5, Insurance-Work on a Government Installation, the Contractor will be required to present evidence to show, as a minimum, the amounts of insurance coverage indicated below:

(a) Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability. The Contractor is required to comply with applicable Federal and State workers' compensation and occupational disease statutes. If occupational diseases are not compensable under those statutes, they shall be covered under the employer's liability section of the insurance policy, except when contract operations are so commingled with a Contractor's commercial operations that it would not be practical to require this coverage. Employer's liability coverage of at least \$100,000 shall be required, except in States with exclusive or monopolistic funds that do not permit worker's compensation to be written by private carriers.

(b) General Liability. (1) The Contractor shall have bodily injury liability coverage written on a comprehensive form of policy of at least \$500,000 per occurrence. (2) The Contractor shall have property damage liability insurance shall be required in the amount of \$1,000,000.

(c) Automobile Liability. The Contractor shall have automobile liability insurance written on a comprehensive form of policy. The policy shall provide for bodily injury and property damage liability covering the operation of all automobiles used in connection with performing the contract. Policies covering automobiles operated in the United States shall provide coverage of at least \$200,000 per person and 500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and \$20,000 per occurrence for property damage or loss.

(d) Aircraft Public and Passenger Liability. When aircraft are used in connection with performing the contract, the Contractor shall have aircraft public and passenger liability insurance. Coverage shall be at least \$200,000 per person and \$500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, other than passenger injury. Coverage for passenger injury shall be at least \$200,000 multiplied by the number of seats or passengers, whichever is greater.

**452.237-74 Key Personnel (FEB 1988)**

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:

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(b) During the first ninety (90) days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) below. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.

(c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete resumes for the proposed substitutes, and any additional information requested by the Contracting Officer. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within 15 calendar days after receipt of all required information of the decision on substitutions. The contract will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

**Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Employees**

(a) The contractor shall comply with the personal identity verification (PIV) policies and procedures established by the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Directives 4620-002 series.

(b) Should the results of the PIV process require the exclusion of a contractor's employee; the Contracting Officer will notify the contractor in writing.

(c) The contractor must appoint a representative to manage compliance with the PIV policies established by the USDA Directives 4620-002 series and to maintain a list of employees eligible for a USDA LincPass required for performance of the work.

(d) The responsibility of maintaining a sufficient workforce remains with the contractor. Contractor employees may be barred by the Government from performance of work should they be found ineligible or to have lost eligibility for a USDA LincPass. Failure to maintain a sufficient workforce of employees eligible for a USDA LincPass may be grounds for termination of the contract.

(e) The contractor shall insert this clause in all subcontracts when the subcontractor is required to have routine unaccompanied physical access to a Federally-controlled facility and/or routine unaccompanied access to a Federally-controlled information system.

(f) The PIV Sponsor for this contract is a designated program point of contact, which in most cases is the COR, unless otherwise specified in this contract. The PIV Sponsor will be available to receive contractor identity information from \* (hours and days) to \* (hours and days) at \* (office address for registration). The Government will notify the contractor if there is a change in the PIV Sponsor, the office address, or the office hours for registration; however, it is the contractor's responsibility to meet all aspects of paragraphs (c), (d), and (e).

## **Employment of Eligible Workers**

### **1. General**

This contract is subject to the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act (MSPA), 29 United States Code (U.S.C) 1801-1872, and to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) regulations implementing MSPA 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 500. MSPA eliminates activities detrimental to migrant and seasonal agricultural workers, requires registration of Farm Labor Contractors, and ensures necessary protection for the workers. Information regarding MSPA can be found at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/mspa/index.htm>.

If workers are hired under the H-2B program, (8 CFR Section 274A provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) for the admission of nonimmigrants to the U.S. to perform temporary labor or services) a Temporary Employment Certification issued by the Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC) in the Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration is required. For further information on the requirements of the H-2B program, visit OFLC's website at <http://www.foreignlaborcert.doleta.gov/> or Wage and Hour's website at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/immigration/H2BFinalRule/index.htm>.

Compliance with MSPA and the INA is a material condition of this contract. If the contractor employs any unauthorized worker(s) during the performance of this contract that violates section 274A of the INA, the Government may terminate the contract, in addition to other remedies or penalties prescribed by law.

2. Definitions

1. H-2B worker: as used in this part means a nonimmigrant holding a visa authorizing the individual to legally work in the US to perform temporary labor or services. A worker with an H-2B visa (H-2B worker) may also be considered a migrant agricultural worker under MSPA depending on the type and nature of work performed.
2. Migrant Agricultural Worker and Seasonal Agricultural Worker: as used in this part means individuals employed for agricultural (including forestry) work on a seasonal or temporary basis.
  - A worker, moving from one seasonal activity to another, is employed on a seasonal basis even though the worker may continue to be employed during a major portion of the year.
  - An overnight absence from the migrant workers permanent place of residence is required.
  - Members of the contractor's immediate family are not considered migrant or seasonal workers. Immediate family includes:
    1. Spouse
    2. Children, stepchildren, or foster children
    3. Parents, stepparents, or foster parents, or
    4. Brothers and sisters
3. Farm Labor Contractor (FLC). As used in this part means a person including an individual, partnership, association, joint stock company or a corporation, who, for any money or other valuable consideration, paid or promised to be paid, performs any recruiting, soliciting, hiring, employing, furnishing, or transporting of any migrant or seasonal agricultural worker.

3. Registration Requirements

1. Any contractor providing or hiring H-2B nonimmigrants for work under this contract shall provide a copy of their Temporary Employment Certificate. General information about the H-2B program can be found on Fact Sheet # 78 at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/whdfs78.htm>. Contractors can apply for the certificate through the US DOL Employment

& Training Administration's on line iCERT Visa Portal System at <https://icert.doleta.gov/> or by paper application.

2. Any contractor who meets the definition in (2.c.) above providing or hiring migrant or seasonal workers to perform agricultural or manual forestry work shall first obtain a Federal DOL Farm Labor Contractor Certificate of Registration ([http://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/fts\\_wh530.htm](http://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/fts_wh530.htm)). The contractor shall carry the certificate at all times while engaged in contract performance and shall display it upon request. Any of the contractor's employees who perform any one or more of the activities defined as an FLC in paragraph (2.c.) must have their own FLC Employee Certificate. General information about MSPA can be found on Fact Sheet #49 at DOL Wage and Hour Divisions webpage <http://www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/whdfs49.htm>.

#### 4. Certifications

The Contractor shall provide applicable H-2B Temporary Employment Certificate and/or Farm Labor Contractor Certificate as part of their representations, certifications, and acknowledgements. Subcontractor(s) meeting the definitions above shall follow the same requirements as the Prime Contractor. It is the Prime Contractor's responsibility to ensure the Subcontractor's information is provided to the Contracting Officer.

#### 5. Worker Protections

##### 1. Worker Information Posters

- A contractor who uses the H-2B program to meet its temporary employment needs must post and maintain the H-2B poster (WH-1505) in a conspicuous location accessible to workers at the job site.
- The contractor shall display and maintain the MSPA poster (WH-1376) on the job site in a conspicuous location accessible to workers during the contract performance period.

##### 2. Personal protective equipment

- 29 CFR 1910 Subpart I, OSHA's General Industry personal protective equipment (PPE) standard contains the general requirements for the provision of personal protective equipment and requires employers to perform a hazard assessment to select appropriate PPE for hazards that are present or likely to be present in the workplace. OSHA requires that many categories of personal protective equipment meet or be equivalent to standards developed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

- Before a worker begins operating equipment, the contractor shall train the workers on the safe operation and use of the equipment
- The contractor shall provide the appropriate personal protective equipment for the work required to be performed in the contract, wherever necessary by reason of hazards or processes encountered that may cause injury or impairment in the function of any part of the body. Except for foot protection, all PPE must be provided by the employer at no cost to the employee. Includes:
  1. Head Protection
  2. Hearing Protection
  3. Eye/Face Protection
  4. Leg Protection
  5. Foot Protection
  6. Hand Protection
- PPE must be sanitary and in reliable condition. Do not use defective or damaged PPE. PPE must be inspected prior to use on each work shift to ensure it is in serviceable condition.
- A checklist of applicable PPE guidelines typical for the work performed under this contract is provided. This does not relieve the contractor of the responsibility of performing a risk assessment or providing the necessary PPE for their operations.

#### Reference

<https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/personalprotectiveequipment/index.html>  
<https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/personalprotectiveequipment/index.html> or OSHA 3151-12R 2003 Personnel Protective Equipment Booklet. The booklet can be found at <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/osha3151.pdf>.

#### Manual Logging and Forestry Related activities:

[https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/logging/manual/logger/personal\\_equipment.html](https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/logging/manual/logger/personal_equipment.html)

#### General Machine and Vehicles Logging and Forestry Related activities:

<https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/logging/mechanical/machines.html>

### 3. Field Sanitation.

OSHA established minimum standards for field sanitation in covered agricultural settings. Refer to Fact Sheet # 51 Field Sanitation Standards under the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

6. Employment Requirements

Fact Sheets with relevant information may be found at <http://www.dol.gov/WHD/fact-sheets-index.htm>.

1. Contractors employing workers in forestry related work are required to comply with wage and payroll standards and recordkeeping requirements. Refer to Fact Sheet #63: Application of Federal Labor Laws to Reforestation found on the DOL Wage and Hour Division webpage.
2. Contractor Employee List. Contractors are required to maintain and provide upon request an active list of all employees performing work on the job site under this contract. The Employee List will identify employees by full name (aliases), supervisory duties if applicable, and appropriate labor Occupation Code for work performed under the Service Contract Act Wage Rates applicable to this contract. If Subcontractors are utilized, all tiers of subcontractor(s) are responsible for providing the same information for their employees to the Prime for submittal to the Contracting Officer.

7. Transportation

1. The contractor shall be registered to transport employees, unless employees provide their own transportation or carpool by their own arrangement in one of their own vehicles. Authorization for each vehicle that will be used to transport employees must appear on the contractor's certificate. If the contractor directs or requests employees to carpool, the registration requirement is applicable. Any driver, who transports workers for a fee or at the direction of the contractor, shall be registered as an FLC or an FLC employee.
2. See Fact Sheet #50: Transportation under the MSPA, for more information about the vehicle safety standards, driver's licensing requirements, and vehicle insurance requirements. Note that separate transportation requirements may apply if there are H-2B workers.

8. Housing

1. The authorization to furnish housing, other than commercial lodging certified by a health authority or other appropriate agency, must appear on the contractor's certificate. Contractors should contact their local Wage and Hour Division of the DOL for further information on the requirements of the Act.

2. Camping Requirements. The Forest Service (FS) has various camping opportunities. Check with local FS unit for camping requirements, camping permits may be required. Verify local fire restriction policies. If camps will be used to house workers subject to MSPA, they are also subject to the temporary labor camp standards at 29 CFR 1910.142. The Forest Service reserves the right to terminate a camping permit at any time. These requirements are in addition to those contained in or provided for under any other applicable contract clause. Any violation of these conditions constitutes a breach of contract and may result in revocation of camping approval.
  - Every structure used as shelter must provide protection from the elements. Where adequate heat is not provided, make other arrangements to protect workers from the cold. Cut firewood only after a District Firewood Permit is obtained.
  - The campsite must not encroach beyond the boundaries designated by the Forest Service. The campsite location must minimize impacts on streams, lakes, and other bodies of water. Camping is not permitted within developed recreational sites or along primary recreational roads.
  - The campsite must have a clean appearance at all times. Upon abandonment of any campsite, or termination, revocation, or cancellation of camping privileges, the contractor shall remove, within 10 calendar days, all structures and improvements except those owned by the United States, and shall restore the site, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing or in the camping permit. Structures or improvements the contractor fails to remove within the 10 calendar day period becomes the property of the United States, however, the contractor remains liable for the cost of the removal and restoration of the site.
  - Unless otherwise designated by the CO, the use of the area is not exclusive and may be granted to other permittees, contractors, or recreating public. Disorderly conduct is not permitted.
  - Damaging or removing any natural feature or other property of the Forest Service is prohibited.
  - Servicing of equipment in the campsite is not permissible unless the campsite is within the project area.
  - Provide sanitary facilities for storing food. Provide ice chests or coolers, with ice supply made from potable water, and replenish as necessary. Provide sufficient storage for perishable food items.

- Provide an adequate and convenient potable water supply in each camp for drinking and cooking purposes.
- Provide adequate toilet facilities and toilet paper for the capacity of the camp. Service and maintain facilities in a sanitary condition.
- Collect, store, and dispose of garbage in a manner to discourage rodent access, minimize attraction of flies, and prevent scattering by wind
- Maintain basic first aid supplies available, which must be under the charge of a person trained to administer first aid.

The basic supplies must include:

- Gauze pads (at least 4x4 inches)
  - Two large gauze pads (at least 8x10 inches)
  - Box adhesive bandages (such as band-aids)
  - One package of gauze roller bandage (at least 2-inches in width)
  - Two triangular bandages
  - Scissors
  - At least one blanket
  - Tweezers
  - Adhesive tape
  - Medical gloves, (latex or non-latex equivalent), and
  - Resuscitation device such as resuscitation bag, airway, or pocket mask.
- Wash laundry in such a way that washing and rinsing will not pollute lakes, streams, or other flowing water.
  - Dispose waste water away from living and eating areas and in such a way that minimizes pollution to lakes, streams, and other flowing water.
  - The contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent and suppress forest fires. Do not dispose of material by burning in open fires during the closed season established by law or regulation without the written permission from the Forest Service.

- If authorized to have an open fire, the Contractor shall comply with the following fire regulations:
  1. A shovel, axe or Pulaski, a 10-quart pail, which is full of water for immediate use, and a fire extinguisher with an Underwriters Laboratory (UL) rating of at least 1:A 10:BC is required.
  2. All fire rings or outside fireplaces must be approved by the Forest Service representative. The area must be cleared down to mineral soil for a distance of one foot outside of the ring or fireplace, and it must not have any overhanging material. Fire rings must be dismantled and material disposed prior to leaving the site.
  3. All generators and other internal combustion engines must be equipped with Forest Service approved spark arrestors and/or factory designed muffler and exhaust system in good working order. They will be located in a cleared area with the same requirements as in described in the previous paragraph.
  4. All fuel must be stored in UL approved flammable storage containers and be located at least 50 feet from any open flame or other source of ignition.

**Provisions:**

**52.204-7 System for Award Management (OCT 2018)**

**52.204-16 Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting (AUG 2020)**

**52.207-6 Solicitations and Offers from Small Business Concerns and Small Business Teaming Arrangements or Joint Ventures (Multiple Award Contracts) (DEC 2022)**

**52.252-1 Incorporate Provisions by Reference**

## **52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) (Provision)**

### **Addenda to provision 52.212-1:**

#### ***E.2 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS (ADDENDA):***

Each Offeror shall submit only one quote which addresses all Government requirements outlined in this solicitation. Offerors shall submit their quotes with a cover letter, **by 13 Mar 2023, 3:00PM MT**. Electronic quotes will only be accepted. Late submissions, modifications and withdrawals will be handled as described in provision 52.212-1 “Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Items.”

- Telegraphic offers (submitted by telegram or mailgram) will not be accepted.
- Facsimile offers will not be accepted.
- E-mail offers to [ernest.hernandez@usda.gov](mailto:ernest.hernandez@usda.gov) will be accepted only when an email confirmation from the contract specialist has been received. Documents must be submitted in either PDF or Microsoft Office 2010 compatible format. The offeror is responsible for ensuring that the contract specialist has received the offer before the deadline for receipt of offers, and the government will not be responsible for delays or failures of either the contractor’s e-mail system or the Government’s e-mail system. It is the offerors responsibility to ensure that the submitted quote is complete and prepared in the format as identified below in the “submittal instructions.”

**System for Award Management (SAM):** As stated in 52.212-1(k), prospective awardees are required to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database. Offerors are encouraged to go to the SAM database at <https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM> and start the registration process as soon as possible to avoid possible delays should the contractor be selected as a prospective awardee.

**Amendments to this Solicitation:** Any amendments to this solicitation will be posted on SAM.gov

**Format of Quote:** In order to be considered for selection, the Offeror must submit a complete response to this solicitation using the sequence and format instructions provided. Quotes shall **NOT** contain classified data. **NO ZIPPED FILES** are permitted.

Offerors should review this entire solicitation before submitting a quote to ensure that their quotes meet all requirements.

**Vendor Point of Contract:** Submit the name of the individual who can answer questions about the offeror to include First and Last names, Telephone number, and email address.

**Submittal Instructions:** Submit the following file(s) either electronically in accordance with the instructions above. The Government is not responsible for identifying inconsistencies between the two and may rely on either version at its discretion. **If an Offeror has an alternative price/cost schedule that better meets the solicitation requirements they are encouraged to submit their alternative price/cost schedule.**

1. General Information and Price/Cost Schedule:

- Completed/signed copies of section (vi) in “Schedule of Items” above.
- Completed Price/Cost Schedule. The price quote shall be submitted in Section (vi) “Price/Cost Schedule.” Any alternative to the schedule should be included.

**Questions:** All questions must be in writing & emailed to [ernest.hernandez@usda.gov](mailto:ernest.hernandez@usda.gov). All questions must be received no later than **3:00PM (MT) on Friday, Feb 17th, 2023**. The Government reserves the right to not answer questions not meeting this timeline if doing so would result in an amendment requiring an extension of the solicitation and to extend would not be in the best interest of the Government. All responses to questions will be incorporated into a written amendment posted on SAM.gov.

(END OF ADDENDA)

**52.212-2 Evaluation – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021)  
(Provision)**

**EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ADDENDA)**

Award will be made on the basis of Comparative Analysis. COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS EVALUATION: All “acceptable” quotes are compared to each other to determine which is, “most advantageous to the Government.”

The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. This is a competitive solicitation what will be evaluated and awarded using the comparative evaluation procedures in accordance with FAR 13.106-2(b)(3). The contract will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose offer best meets the government’s needs.

Offerors submitted in response to this solicitation will be evaluated for acceptability against requirements identified in this RFQ. Once one offeror is found to meet the government’s needs, it will be compared side by side to the remaining offerors in a uniform and fair manner, with the “best” one being chosen. The Contracting Officer has the discretion to accept an offeror other

than the lowest price that provides additional benefit to the government which the Contracting Officer can document and describe.

The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

- Factor 1: Technical Capability – The government will evaluate the offer, on a pass/fail basis, to determine if the offeror met the technical skills to support their ability in performing the services scripted in the Statement of Work (SOW). The offeror shall also provide the following items to properly evaluate technical capability:
  - Provide a copy of your general contractor state license and copies of any manufacturer's training.
  - Key Qualified Personnel Resumes.
  - Registered Professional Forester License (you or your subcontractor)
- Factor 2: Past Performance– Submit Relevant past performance confirming that your company has performed similar requirements in the past. The contractor does not have any negative records found on Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS) and Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information (FAPIIS). Offeror will receive a neutral rating if no past performance information is found.
- Factor 3: Price
  - Price – The Government will evaluate offers for award based on the total cost (base plus option years) to determine the cost is fair and reasonable.

A Technical Evaluation Team will evaluate the technical capability and past performance factors using an evaluation plan developed to assure that requirements are fully considered in the quote. The Contracting Officer will determine the prices proposed are fair and reasonable. The Government anticipates adequate price competition and intends to award without discussions with respective offerors. However; the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if deemed it's in the best interest. In accordance with the Technical Team's Evaluation.

(END OF ADDENDA)

#### **52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (NOV 2021) (Provision)**

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212-3,

Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products or Commercial Services. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204-26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212-3.

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) Prohibition. (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) Procedures. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

(d) Representation. The Offeror represents that—

(1) It  will,  will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It  does,  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(e) Disclosures. (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

**52.209-7 Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (OCT 2018) )(Provision)**

(a)*Definitions.* As used in this provision—

Administrative proceeding” means a non-judicial process that is adjudicatory in nature in order to make a determination of fault or liability (*e.g.*, Securities and Exchange

Commission Administrative Proceedings, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings). This includes administrative proceedings at the Federal and State level but only in connection with performance of a Federal contract or grant. It does not include agency actions such as contract audits, site visits, corrective plans, or inspection of deliverables.

Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000” means—

(1) The total value of all current, active contracts and grants, including all priced options; and

(2) The total value of all current, active orders including all priced options under indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity, 8(a), or requirements contracts (including task and delivery and multiple-award Schedules).

“Principal” means an officer, director, owner, partner, or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (*e.g.*, general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions).

(b) The offeror  has  does not have current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000.

(c) If the offeror checked “has” in paragraph (b) of this provision, the offeror represents, by submission of this offer, that the information it has entered in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) is current, accurate, and complete as of the date of submission of this offer with regard to the following information:

(1) Whether the offeror, and/or any of its principals, has or has not, within the last five years, in connection with the award to or performance by the offeror of a Federal contract or grant, been the subject of a proceeding, at the Federal or State level that resulted in any of the following dispositions:

(i) In a criminal proceeding, a conviction.

(ii) In a civil proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in the payment of a monetary fine, penalty, reimbursement, restitution, or damages of \$5,000 or more.

(iii) In an administrative proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in—

(A) The payment of a monetary fine or penalty of \$5,000 or more; or

(B) The payment of a reimbursement, restitution, or damages in excess of \$100,000.

(iv) In a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding, a disposition of the matter by consent or compromise with an acknowledgment of fault by the Contractor if the proceeding could have led to any of the outcomes specified in paragraphs (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(ii), or (c)(1)(iii) of this provision.

(2) If the offeror has been involved in the last five years in any of the occurrences listed in (c)(1) of this provision, whether the offeror has provided the requested information with regard to each occurrence.

(d) The offeror shall post the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) through (c)(1)(iv) of this provision in FAPIIS as required through maintaining an active registration in the System for Award Management, which can be accessed via <https://www.sam.gov>. See 52.204-7.

**52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEC 2022) (DEVIATION DEC 2022) (Provision)**

*[If Offeror Representations and Certifications are not complete in SAM the offeror shall submit a completed copy of the provision at 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products and Commercial Services, with your offer. The full provision is available from <http://www.acquisition.gov/far/>.*

*If Offeror Representations and Certifications are complete in SAM, the offeror shall complete the following:]*

(b)(1) *Annual Representations and Certifications.* Any changes provided by the Offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM.

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through <http://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing SAM information, the Offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR [52.212-3](#), Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products and Commercial Services, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this solicitation), at the time this offer is submitted and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR [4.1201](#)), except for paragraphs                     .

*[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any. Write "None" if there are no changes needed to your online reps and certs. Offerors that are representing as joint ventures should submit their socio-economic status in the space provided above until such time that SAM.gov has been updated to include the joint venture representations contained within provision 52.212-3 paragraph (c).*

*These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.*

*Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]*

### **Employment of Eligible Workers - Workforce Certification (Provision)**

Contractors are required to provide certification under this solicitation in compliance with the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Workers Protection Act (MSPA) and Farm Labor Contractor (FLC) Certificate of Registration requirements describing the workforce they will utilize to fulfill the contract requirements under this solicitation and any resulting contract. If the Contractor will supply workers under the H-2B Program, the Contractor is required to provide a copy of the Temporary Employment Certificate issued by DOL.

Subcontractors are bound by the same requirements for licenses and permits under this contract. If a Prime Contractor identifies a Subcontractor as part of their workforce to accomplish the work under this solicitation, the Prime Contractor shall submit the Subcontractor's signed certification with their response to the solicitation.

H-2B Workers: (<http://www.foreignlaborcert.doleta.gov/>)

Company certifies it will not be utilizing H2B Workers under any resulting contract of this solicitation.

Company will be utilizing H2B Workers (under any resulting contract of this solicitation. Provide a copy of Temporary Employment Certificate.) MSPA Workers: (<http://www.dol.gov/whd/mspa/>)

Company certifies it will not be utilizing MSPA workers under any resulting contract of this solicitation.

Certifies has valid FLC certificate of registration. (Attach a copy of current certification.) Authorization includes:

Transporting workers

Driving

Housing workers

Company has applied for a Certificate of Registration on \_\_\_\_\_.

Contractors not currently having obtained a certificate (for each partner, if partnership) will be requested to furnish proof of having obtained a Certificate of Registration prior to award of contract. If the contractor does not provide the required Certificate in a reasonable timeframe, the contractor will not be eligible for

the contract award. Partnerships must furnish proof of registration of their assumed business name, if any, with the State of registration.

State of \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Information about licensing requirements and procedures may be obtained from the following:

I, on behalf of said Company, certify to the above responses.

<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
<b>PRINTED NAME:</b>	<b>TITLE:</b>

**List of Documents, Exhibits, and Other Attachments**

<b>Attachment #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b># of Pages</b>
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<b>2</b>	<b>Wage Determination No.:2015-5665 Rev No: 21</b>	<b>14</b>