



Infrastructure and Asset Management

Request for Qualifications for Cabarrus County Infrastructure and Asset Management

August 29th, 2022

Project Description

Cabarrus County Infrastructure and Asset Management (IAM) is soliciting responses from qualified forest management consulting services firms for the purpose of a timber sale from a Cabarrus County owned property. The following services are known to be required of the selected firm:

- product classification
- volume estimations
- mapping
- bid advertisements
- evaluation of bids
- consulting with County attorney in relation to the forester contract and deed
- monitoring of the timber harvest
- mapping (the County has recently completed surveys for the property in question)

Qualification Package Evaluation Criteria

Qualifications packages will be evaluated on the firm's ability to meet the requirements of this RFQ. Special emphasis will be placed on the proposed team's experience and qualifications.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Firm(s) and individual experience with projects of similar scope for local government
- Firm(s) and individual experience with projects of similar scope in terms of size of parcel(s)
- Qualifications, certifications, abilities, availability, and geographic location of the key individuals

SOQ Requirements

Firms that are interested in providing the requested services to Cabarrus County are invited to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ), in electronic format only, to Kyle Bilafer at kdbilafer@cabarruscounty.us

Each firm is solely responsible for the timely delivery of its SOQ. All SOQs must be delivered by 3:00 pm local time on September 22nd, 2022. No qualification packages will be accepted after this deadline. Firms accept all risk of late delivery regardless of fault.



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The SOQ package should be no more than **15** pages in length.

Please identify a contact person for questions during the RFQ process and provide contact information including telephone number, email, and postal address.

Terms and Conditions

The following terms and conditions apply to this RFQ:

1. All responses shall become the property of the County.
2. Due care and diligence has been exercised in the preparation of this RFQ and all information contained herein is believed to be substantially correct. However, the responsibility for determining the full extent of the services rests solely with those making responses. Neither the County nor its representatives shall be responsible for any error or omission in this response, nor for the failure on the part of the respondents to determine the full extent of their exposures.
3. The County reserves the right to select the vendor from the responses received; to waive any or all informalities and/or irregularities; to re-advertise with either an identical or revised scope, or to cancel any requirement in its entirety; or to reject any or all proposals received.
4. A response to this RFQ does not constitute a formal bid; therefore, the County retains the right to contact any/all proposing vendors after submittal in order to obtain supplemental information and/or clarification in either oral or written form. Furthermore, an explicit provision of this RFQ is that any oral communication made is not binding on the County's proposal process.
5. The County will not be liable for, nor pay for any costs incurred by responding vendors relating to the preparation of any proposal for this RFQ.
6. Acceptance will be defined as the County selecting you as our provider of service for the intent of negotiating a contract for services.
7. It is the intent of the County that after the successful Vendor has been selected, the County and the selected vendor will enter into contract negotiations containing all terms and conditions of the proposed service. Any acceptance of a proposal is contingent upon the execution of a written contract and the County shall not be contractually bound to any bidder prior to the execution of such written contractual agreement. The contents of the bid submitted shall become part of the contractual obligation and incorporated by reference into the ensuing contract. The contract with a successful vendor may include penalties for non-performance and failure to meet the proposal implementation schedule. Any vendor agreeing to do business with the County must first be validated as a vendor by The County's third party vendor platform which is Payment Works.