



STATE OF WASHINGTON
Department of FISH AND WILDLIFE
SOLE SOURCE POSTING

June 20, 2024

1) A description of the purpose and scope of the contract: The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (AGENCY) contemplates awarding a sole source contract to Natural Systems Design, Inc. (NSD) to continue an existing feasibility study that has already been started from Skagit County for potential restoration on our DeBay Slough Wildlife Area Unit. Natural Systems Design (NSD) was hired in February of 2022 by Skagit County to complete the feasibility assessment for DeBay Slough Restoration. They completed the Site Assessment and Existing Conditions Analysis and held several public meetings to inform neighbors and interested parties about the project and gather information. NSD is familiar with the site, the stakeholders, and with the project and can complete the remaining tasks with the time and funding allocated in the grant award. Other alternative sources would push the project over budget and the project would not be completed in the time left in the grant. If we had to start completely over with a new company, completing the feasibility study would not be possible.

2) The criteria or rationale justifying the sole source contract: The purposed contractor already started and completed the Site Assessment and Existing Conditions Analysis and held several public meetings to inform neighbors and interested parties about the project and gather information. Because the proposed contractor has a unique knowledge and is familiar with the resources necessary to continue the feasibility study in a cost-effective manner in the amount of time for the funding allocated in the grant award.

3) The name of the prospective contractor: Natural Systems Design, Inc.

4) The projected contract value: \$58,130.88.

5) The period of performance, including options for extensions: 08/01/2024 to 12/31/2025; AGENCY may opt to extend the contract once for an additional year if required. AGENCY determines that this optional additional ONE YEAR EXTENSION would result in equal (and/or slightly higher) consideration being added to the total contract value.

6) A description of the process for providing vendor inquiries or responses to the posting agency, including timelines and requirements and a request for capability statements if a vendor believes they can provide the goods or services being procured under the sole source contract:

Capability statements should address the following state requirements:

The method of data acquisition used in the analysis;

The methods of data processing and data analysis for producing the analysis; and

How the offeror will update the current Tableau dashboard with new data generated by the analysis

Offerors contemplating the above requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements within five (5) working days of this announcement.

In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract. Offerors contemplating the above requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements by 12:00 p.m. PST on June 28, 2024. To submit capability statements or for questions, please contact:

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