

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the State of Delaware, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from Engineering Consulting firms with experience in stream restoration design for Contract No. NAT11001-STR_DESIGN.

The selected firm(s) will provide stream restoration design, construction oversight and planning services for Public Works Construction Projects statewide. Scope and number of projects has yet to be determined. DNREC reserves the right to amend and/or reissue this request for LOI, to award contracts to one or more firms as determined to be in the best interest of the State and will retain the option to renew the contract annually for up to five (5) years.

Interested firms shall submit five (5) copies of their replies on or before 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2011 to Steve Williams, Division of Watershed Stewardship, Conservation Center, 2430 Old County Road, Newark, DE 19702. Applicant bears the risk of timely delivery. Any proposals received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Applicants should provide responses to the evaluation criteria in the order listed below. Applicant's submittal should use the same numbering format shown below and clearly indicate which sub-heading they are responding to in each area. Responses shall include:

1. **Experience and Reputation**
 - History of organization, general background, experience, reputation and years in business
2. **Expertise for This Type of Project**
 - Overall technical expertise for providing stream restoration design services. Please include at least three (3) references;
 - Performance reviews of the proposing contractor on previously awarded stream restoration design and oversight projects within the last 10 years
 - Project organization, staffing and use of subcontractors
3. **Capacity to Meet Requirements of the Contract**
 - Project team employees' specific experience
 - Ability to complete projects on time and within budget
 - Financial stability of firm (net worth) and most recent audited financial statement
 - Appropriate professional registration
4. **Demonstrated Ability**
 - Describe at least five (5) projects in detail and innovative approaches
 - Documented number of stream miles designed and constructed using geomorphological restoration techniques.
5. **Familiarity With Like Projects**
 - Delaware projects successfully completed
 - Other State projects successfully completed
 - Federal and other projects successfully completed
6. **Distribution of Work to Individuals and Firms**
 - Use of MBE, WBE, or SBE
 - Is the contractor MBE, WBE or SBE
7. **Questions of Interest**
 - Contractors should address the following questions:
 - a. Are there any civil judgments and/or criminal history of the proposing contractor's or subcontractor's principals?

- b.** Has firm ever been debarred or suspended by any governmental agency?
- c.** Has firm ever had any revocation or suspension of a license?
- d.** Has firm ever been engaged in any bankruptcy filings or proceedings?

The above criteria will be considered in selecting a firm to perform these services. Additional information and information about the selection process can be found at http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/swc/wa/Documents/Stream_Restoration_Process_and_Information.pdf The selection will be in accordance with 29 Del. C., Chapter 69, State Procurement Professional Services. The Professional Engineer for this work must be registered in the State of Delaware. Selected firms will be given notice of times and dates for scheduled interviews. Facsimile or electronic submittals will not be accepted.

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