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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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Proposal to: Fisheries and Oceans Canada

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods and services listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

Proposition aux : Pêches et Océans Canada

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux appendices ci-jointes, les biens et les services énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

Title – Sujet Atlantic Salmon Enumeration Activities - Counting Fence – Kenamu River		Date April 3, 2017
Solicitation No. – N° de l'invitation F5211-170025C - counting fence		
Client Reference No. - No. de référence du client F6088-170001		
Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin At / à : 14:00 ADT(Atlantic Daylight Time) On / le : April 18, 2017		
F.O.B. – F.A.B Destination	GST – TPS See herein — Voir ci-inclus	Duty – Droits See herein — Voir ci-inclus
Destination of Goods and Services – Destinations des biens et services See herein — Voir ci-inclus		
Instructions See herein — Voir ci-inclus		
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Delivery Required – Livraison exigée See herein — Voir ci-inclus	Delivery Offered – Livraison proposée	
Vendor Name, Address and Representative – Nom du vendeur, adresse et représentant du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur:		
Telephone No. – No. de téléphone	Facsimile No. – No. de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor (type or print) – Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
Signature	Date	



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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Security Requirements

There is no security requirement associated with this bid solicitation

1.2 Statement of Work

The Work to be performed is detailed under Annex A of the resulting contract clauses.

1.3 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

1.4 Procurement Ombudsman

The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO) was established by the Government of Canada to provide an independent avenue for suppliers to raise complaints regarding the award of contracts under \$25,000 for goods and under \$100,000 for services. You have the option of raising issues or concerns regarding the solicitation, or the award resulting from it, with the OPO by contacting them by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at opo-boa@opo-boa.gc.ca. You can also obtain more information on the OPO services available to you at their website at www.opo-boa.gc.ca.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual* (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Revision to Departmental Name: As this solicitation is issued by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), any reference to Public Works and Government Services Canada or PWGSC or its Minister contained in any term, condition or clause of this solicitation, including any individual SACC clauses incorporated by reference, will be interpreted as reference to DFO or its Minister.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The 2003 (2015-07-03) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

Section 01 – Integrity Provisions – Bid of 2003 referenced above is amended as follows:

Delete section 01 in its entirety.

Section 02 – Procurement Business Number – of 2003 referenced above is amended as follows:

Delete section 02 in its entirety.

2.2 Submission of Bids



Bids must be submitted only to Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to DFO will not be accepted.

2.3 Former Public Servant

Contracts awarded to former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny, and reflect fairness in the spending of public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts awarded to FPSs, bidders must provide the information required below before contract award. If the answer to the questions and, as applicable the information required have not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply with Canada's request and meet the requirement within the prescribed time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

Definitions

For the purposes of this clause, "former public servant" is any former member of a department as defined in the Financial Administration Act, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A former public servant may be:

an individual;

an individual who has incorporated;

a partnership made of former public servants; or

a sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the size of the Public Service. The lump sum payment period does not include the period of severance pay, which is measured in a like manner.

"pension" means a pension or annual allowance paid under the Public Service Superannuation Act (PSSA), R.S., 1985, c. P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act, R.S., 1985, c. S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the Canadian Forces Superannuation Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-17, the Defence Services Pension Continuation Act, 1970, c. D-3, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act, 1970, c. R-10, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act, R.S., 1985, c. R-11, the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act, R.S. 1985, c. M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the Canada Pension Plan Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-8.

Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension? **Yes () No ()**

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information, for all FPSs in receipt of a pension, as applicable:
name of former public servant;

date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

By providing this information, Bidders agree that the successful Bidder's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2 and the Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts.

Work Force Adjustment Directive

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive? **Yes () No ()**

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

name of former public servant;

conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;

date of termination of employment;



amount of lump sum payment;
rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force adjustment program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fees that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including Applicable Taxes.

Signature

Date

2.4 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than 5 calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

2.5 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force **in the province or territory where the goods and/or services are to be rendered.**

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the bidders.



PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separately bound/saved sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (one hard copy **OR** one soft copy in PDF format)

Section II: Financial Bid (one hard copy **OR** one soft copy in PDF format)

Section III: Certifications (one hard copy **OR** one soft copy in PDF format)

Please note that DFO prefers receipt of proposals in soft copy to the email address identified on page one of the solicitation. Emails must not exceed 8 MB (if over the limit Bidders are asked to send additional numbered emails)

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the soft copy and the hard copy, the wording of the hard copy will have priority over the wording of the soft copy.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process [Policy on Green Procurement](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html) (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders should:

use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and containing minimum 30% recycled content; and

use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment. The total amount of Applicable Taxes must be shown separately.

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications required under Part 5.



PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

Please see Annex D for details

4.1.1.2 Point Rated Technical Criteria

Please see Annex D for details

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

SACC Manual Clause [A0220T \(2014-06-26\)](#), Evaluation of Price (*Bid*)

4.2 Basis of Selection

4.2.1 Basis of Selection - Multiple Items

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the highest combined rated criteria points and price points shall be selected as the bidder providing best value and will be recommended for award of a contract.



PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must provide the required certifications and associated information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default in carrying out any of its obligations under the Contract, if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority may render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Certifications Required with the Bid

5.1.1 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

The certifications listed below should be completed and submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and to provide the certifications within the time frame provided will render the bid non-responsive.

5.1.1.1 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](http://www.labour.gc.ca/eng/standards_equity/eq/emp/fcp/list/inelig.shtml)" list (http://www.labour.gc.ca/eng/standards_equity/eq/emp/fcp/list/inelig.shtml) available from [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\) - Labour's](#) website.

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "[FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid](#)" list at the time of contract award.

5.1.2 Certifications Required with the Bid

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications with their bid.

5.1.2.1 Insurance

The Contractor must forward to the Contracting Authority, a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the insurance coverage and confirming that the insurance policy complying with the requirements is in force.

5.1.2.2 Contractor's Representative

The Contractor's Representative for the Contract is:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-mail: _____

5.1.2.3 Supplementary Contractor Information



Pursuant to paragraph 221 (1)(d) of the Income Tax Act, payments made by departments and agencies under applicable services contracts (including contracts involving a mix of goods and services) must be reported on a T4-A supplementary slip.

To enable the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to comply with this requirement, the Contractor hereby agrees to provide the following information which it certifies to be correct, complete, and fully discloses the identification of this Contractor:

a) The legal name of the entity or individual, as applicable (the name associated with the Social Insurance Number (SIN) or Business Number (BN), as well as the address and the postal code:

b) The status of the contractor (individual, unincorporated business, corporation or partnership:

c) For individuals and unincorporated businesses, the contractor's SIN and, if applicable, the BN, or if applicable, the Goods and Services Tax (GST)/Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) number:

d) For corporations, the BN, or if this is not available, the GST/HST number. If there is no BN or GST/HST number, the T2 Corporation Tax number must be shown:

The following certification signed by the contractor or an authorized officer:

"I certify that I have examined the information provided above and that it is correct and complete"

Signature

Print Name of Signatory



PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

6.1 Security Requirements

6.1.1 There is no security requirement applicable to this Contract.

6.2 Statement of Work

The Contractor must perform the Work in accordance with the Statement of Work at Annex "A".

6.3 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the [Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

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6.3.1 General Conditions

2010C (2015-09-03), General Conditions - Services (Medium Complexity) apply to and form part of the Contract.

Section 27 – Integrity Provisions – Contract of 2010C referenced above is amended as follows:

Delete section 27 in its entirety.

6.4 Term of Contract

6.4.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is from approximately May 1, 2017 through to March 31, 2018

6.4.2 Option to Extend the Contract

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to two (2) additional one (1) year period(s) under the same conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in the Basis of Payment.

Canada may exercise this option at any time by sending a written notice to the Contractor at least 15 calendar days before the expiry date of the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority, and will be evidenced for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

6.5 Authorities

6.5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:



Name: Kimberly Walker
Title: Senior Contracting Officer
Department: Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Directorate: Materiel and Procurement Services
Address: 301 Bishop Drive, Fredericton, NB E3C 2M6
E-mail address: DFOtenders-soumissionsMPO@dfo-mpo.gc.ca

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

6.5.2 Project Authority

The Project Authority for the Contract is **(name to be provided at contract award)**

Name: _____
Title: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____

Telephone : ____-____-_____
Facsimile: ____-____-_____
E-mail address: _____

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority, however the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

6.5.3 Contractor's Representative (name to be provided at contract award)

Name: _____
Title: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____

Telephone : ____-____-_____
Facsimile: ____-____-_____
E-mail address: _____

6.6 Proactive Disclosure of Contracts with Former Public Servants

By providing information on its status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a [Public Service Superannuation Act](#) (PSSA) pension, the Contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports, in accordance with [Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2](#) of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada.

6.7 Payment

6.7.1 Basis of Payment



6.7.1.1 In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price of \$ _____ (*insert amount at contract award*) and Applicable Taxes are extra.

6.7.1.2 All prices and amounts of money in the Contract are exclusive of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST), whichever is applicable, unless otherwise indicated. GST or HST, to the extent applicable, will be incorporated into all invoices and progress claims for goods supplied or work performed and will be paid by Her Majesty. The Contractor agrees to remit to Canada Revenue Agency any GST or HST paid or due.

6.7.1.3 Any payment by Her Majesty under this contract is subject to there being an appropriation for the fiscal year in which the payment is to be made.

6.7.2 Limitation of Expenditure

Canada's total liability to the Contractor under the Contract must not exceed \$ _____. Customs duties are _____ (*insert "included", "excluded" or "subject to exemption"*) and Applicable Taxes are extra. No increase in the total liability of Canada or in the price of the Work resulting from any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, will be authorized or paid to the Contractor unless these design changes, modifications or interpretations have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work. The Contractor must not perform any work or provide any service that would result in Canada's total liability being exceeded before obtaining the written approval of the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority in writing as to the adequacy of this sum:

when it is 75 percent committed, or

four (4) months before the contract expiry date, or

as soon as the Contractor considers that the contract funds provided are inadequate for the completion of the Work,

whichever comes first.

If the notification is for inadequate contract funds, the Contractor must provide to the Contracting Authority a written estimate for the additional funds required. Provision of such information by the Contractor does not increase Canada's liability.

Invoicing Instructions

Payments will be made provided that:

6.8.1.1 The invoice(s) must be emailed to DFO Accounts Payable, at the email address indicated below:

Email: DFOinvoicing-MPOfacturation@DFO-MPO.GC.CA

6.8.1.2 The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.

6.9 Certifications

6.9.1 Compliance

The continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid and the ongoing cooperation in providing associated information are conditions of the Contract. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification, fails to provide the associated information, or if it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.



6.10 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in **the province or territory where the goods and/or services are to be rendered.**

6.11 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- a. the Articles of Agreement;
- b. the general conditions 2010C (2015-09-03), General Conditions - Services (Medium Complexity);
- c. Annex A, Statement of Work;
- d. Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- e. Annex C, Insurance Conditions;
- f. Annex D, Evaluation Criteria – Kenamu River

6.12 Procurement Ombudsman

6.12.1 The Contractor confirms that it has read the Code of Conduct for Procurement and agrees to be bound by its terms.

6.12.2 The office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO) was established by the Government of Canada to provide an independent avenue for suppliers to raise complaints regarding the award of contracts under \$25,000.00 for Goods and under \$100,000.00 for Services. You have the option of raising issues or concerns regarding the solicitation, or the award resulting from it,. With the OPO by contacting them by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at opo-boa@opo-boa.gc.ca. You can also obtain more information on OPO services available to you on their website at www.opo-boa.gc.ca.

6.12.3 For further information, the Contractor may refer to the following PWGSC site:

<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/cndt-cndct/contexte-context-eng.html>

6.13 Insurance – Specific Requirements G1001C (insert date)

The Contractor must comply with the insurance requirements specified in Annex “C”. The Contractor must maintain the required insurance coverage for the duration of the Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements does not release the Contractor from or reduce its liability under the Contract.

The Contractor is responsible for deciding if additional insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the Contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any additional insurance coverage is at the Contractor's expense, and for its own benefit and protection.

The Contractor must forward to the Contracting Authority within ten (10) days after the date of award of the Contract, a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the insurance coverage and confirming that the insurance policy complying with the requirements is in force. For Canadian-based Contractors, coverage must be placed with an Insurer licensed to carry out business in Canada, however, for Foreign-based Contractors; coverage must be placed with an Insurer with an A.M. Best Rating no less than “A-”. The Contractor must, if requested by the Contracting Authority, forward to Canada a certified true copy of all applicable insurance policies.



ANNEX "A" STATEMENT OF WORK

Title

Atlantic Salmon Enumeration Activities - Counting Fence

Contracting Period

The period of the Contract is from approximately May 1, 2017 through to March 31, 2018 with the option to renew the contract for two (2) additional one year periods at the sole discretion of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)

Option periods if exercised will be April 1, 2018 through to March 31, 2019 and April 1, 2019 through to March 31, 2020.

Project work will take place during the spring and summer of 2017 and each option year if exercised.

Objective

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) has a requirement to conduct smolt and/or adult Atlantic Salmon enumeration activities (see Appendix A: location map). This will involve the installation, operation and removal of a counting fence as well as associated scientific sampling activities.

Background

DFO is responsible for providing scientific advice regarding the status of Atlantic Salmon stocks within the Newfoundland and Labrador (NL) Region to aid in the management and conservation of these stocks. Currently, information on the status of Atlantic Salmon is collected through the use of monitoring facilities, such as counting fences and fishways on various rivers located throughout the region. This information is then used to infer the overall trends in abundance of Atlantic Salmon stocks within NL.

Requirements

Depending on environmental conditions, these activities will occur from mid-April/early May through August on a daily basis. However, it should be noted that in some years for some facilities there may be a time period between the smolt and adult activities where no operations are required. An operational schedule will be agreed upon at the start of the contracting period between the contractor and the Scientific Authority. Contractor must be willing to provide services during various hours, if required.

DFO will conduct on-site visits during smolt and adult salmon counting activities and will provide guidance and advice on project implementation.

Tasks

1. Assist DFO with the installation of a salmon counting fence by building piers, platforms and other structures associated with counting fence construction. Install wires and cables if required for securing fence during high flows.
2. Assist DFO with the installation and operation of video fish counting systems, if applicable. Notify the Scientific Authority immediately if problems occur.
3. During low water or high water discharge events, it may be necessary to adjust the location and height of the video fish counting system.
4. Where applicable, two contractor personnel must review all digitally recorded fish movements (tapes or computer files) for enumeration purposes.
5. Check counting fence daily for gaps where fish may pass through and remove any accumulated debris. Major gaps or issues should be reported immediately to the Scientific Authority.



6. Check counting traps on an hourly basis during each shift. Identify all fish as to species and for Atlantic Salmon distinguish by size whether they are small (<63 cm) or large (≥63 cm). Record the total number of fish per species per check on appropriate forms and then record a daily total for each species.
7. Record water level and water temperatures at fence site at 0800, 1600, and 2000 hours or as required each day.
8. Check forecast for high rain events and possible flooding conditions.
9. During flood conditions, maintain close vigilance of water conditions (i.e., water levels and flow rate) and stability of the counting fence to ensure that no injury occurs to fish in the trap and prevent (or at least reduce) possible damage to the facility itself.
 - a. Safety of individuals is the first priority, but every effort should be made to prevent mortality of fish and damage or loss of facility.
 - b. If possible, alert Scientific Authority of the potential problem and seek direction.
 - c. Install screens on top of the conduit if necessary.
 - d. Ensure fence is kept free of debris. Accumulation of debris on the fence could interfere with normal water flow resulting in unnecessary strain on the fence and/or erosion of substrate beneath the fence, increasing the chances of washout.
 - e. Remove every second conduit if water levels are rising continually. This will effectively lower the amount of pressure on the facility and decrease chances of washout. If deemed necessary, this should be accomplished prior to working conditions becoming unsafe.
 - f. Remove all conduit if necessary (To be done by contractor but preferably in consultation with DFO).
 - g. Ensure safety lines are installed for workers.
 - h. Release fish without enumeration if large numbers of injuries or mortalities appear imminent. An estimate of the number of fish released in this manner should be provided.
 - i. Report any loss or failure of equipment to the Scientific Authority immediately.
10. Record any incidents of severe water quality change (turbidity, color, etc.) and report to the Scientific Authority.
11. Record any incidents of poaching, including fish loss and mortality and report to the Scientific Authority and the local Fisheries Officer.
12. Record any incidents of vandalism and report to the Scientific Authority, and if warranted, to the local RCMP detachment.
13. Note and record the incidence of Atlantic Salmon with net marks. Indicate the number of fish checked each day and the number with net marks (small and large).
14. Note and record the number of injured or diseased fish. Notify the Scientific Authority immediately if this number exceeds 5% of any daily count.
15. Note and record all fish tags. Record the tag type, colour and all information printed on the tag. This procedure must be conducted with care to avoid injuring the fish.
16. Maintain a daily log including all information requested above as well as any information pertaining to counting fence operations. This should be done in addition to completing the



- required data forms. This log must be submitted to the Scientific Authority at the end of the field season.
17. Maintain cabins, storage areas, and surrounding grounds in a respectable condition. No garbage is to be left around work sites at any time and all garbage is to be removed from the sites at least twice a week.
 18. Contractor may also be required to interview recreational anglers within the watershed regarding their fishing activities and catch information. This may involve collecting biological data on numbers of salmon caught, lengths, weights, sex, maturity, scale samples, fin clips, etc.
 19. Contractor personnel must be willing to be trained and perform other field related scientific duties, such as fish tagging and/or electrofishing.
 20. Inform the public of general counting fence operations (this would be in the form of answering questions from the general public as they come across the operations).
 21. Remove counting fence and all related materials from water at end of season and store at the site for the winter.
 22. Obtain biological characteristic data (e.g. lengths, scale samples, fin clips) on Atlantic Salmon entering the trap in the counting fence as specified by the Scientific Authority. DFO will brief contractor staff on these procedures and provide detailed instructions. These instructions will include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Measure the length of the fish in centimeters (cm) to one decimal place (e.g., 50.4 cm). It is the distance from the tip of the snout to the fork in the tail (i.e., fork length). A proper measuring board will be provided by DFO.
 - b. Collect scale samples from an area above the lateral line, just back of the dorsal fin preferably on the left hand side of the fish. Using a clean knife remove the mucus from the sample area by rubbing the knife in a head-to-tail direction. Clean the mucus from the knife and remove scales from the fish by scraping the knife in a tail-to-head direction. Try to remove approximately 20-25 scales and place them between paper before storing the sample in the envelope provided. Ensure scale envelope is labelled with all pertinent information.
 - c. Collect fin clips (1 cm x 2 cm) from the adipose fin, and quickly place in a vial containing 95% ethanol. Tissue in vial should not exceed 25% of volume and each vial should be labeled with an identification number (ID). Since, the salmon may also be sampled for scales, use the same specimen number on the vial as on the scale envelope for that salmon. Record the location, date, and ID on the log sheet provided. If samples are being stored, ethanol will need to be replaced after 2 weeks.
 - d. Optimal time for collecting biological characteristics data is early morning or late evening when water temperatures are < 18°C. Also avoid sampling under low water conditions.
 - e. Sample fish in the trap, if possible and minimize the amount of time fish spend out of water to reduce stress and prevent injury. Never handle a fish with dry hands; wet cotton gloves should be used or at a very minimum ensure hands are wet. Darkened conditions (i.e., simply holding an outstretched hand slightly over a fish's eyes) tend to alleviate stress and subdue certain species.

Deliverables and Acceptance Criteria



Bi-weekly progress reports, data logs and completed data forms will be mailed or hand delivered to the following Scientific Authority:

Name to be provided at contract award

The data collected will be in accordance with that specified on the data collection forms supplied. Each Monday morning contractor personnel must call DFO St. John's at (709) 772-4553 and provide daily counts of small and large salmon for the previous week (Monday-Sunday). This is extremely important as these numbers are used to compile a comparative report that is posted to DFO's web site each Tuesday for public viewing.

Constraints

1. During installation, operation and/or removal of the counting fence staff will be required to work in moving water for extended periods using chest waders.
2. Contractor personnel must be physically fit to perform laborious duties often under adverse weather and water level conditions.
3. Contractor is responsible for ensuring all contractor personnel have their own chest waders, hip waders, rain gear, warm clothing, life jackets, etc.
4. All contractor personnel are to wear approved lifejackets when working in and around the water.
5. Contractor personnel are to exercise due diligence and caution when working around counting fences, particularly during periods of high water.
6. Only contractor personnel or DFO employees are permitted to stay at DFO facilities overnight.
7. Contractor personnel working at counting fence sites who wish to stay in the accommodations overnight are required to provide their own meals.
8. Contractor personnel will be responsible for providing their own vehicle transportation to and from work sites. Contractor personnel who are using boats must possess valid permits and or licenses to do so.
9. The Contractor must comply with all safety standards prescribed by law and also the safety and health program requirements and specifications of DFO.
10. The Contractor is responsible for Workers Compensation and a Letter of Good Standing, which must be forwarded to the Contract Authority either by facsimile or by mail within two weeks of acceptance of this Contract.

Support Provided by Canada

DFO will assist in the installation of the counting fence and make site visits as required during operations.

Contractor personnel may use DFO facilities and equipment.

Only counting fence construction materials, video fish counting systems and scientific equipment will be supplied to the contractor.

Equipment for transport by boat, where applicable will be provided by DFO.

Timeframe, Level of Effort and Delivery Dates:

Kenamu River

The contractor is to provide one supervisor and two assistants during overlapping periods for a maximum of 1320 hours total. The requirement will be for an average of approximately 40 hours per week based on a 7 day workweek which may vary as determined by the project authority. Specific hours of work will be determined by the project authority after contract award.



1. One supervisor for a period of 11 weeks, 7 days per week for a total of 440 hours.
2. Two assistants for a period of 11 weeks, 7 days per week for a total of 880 hours.

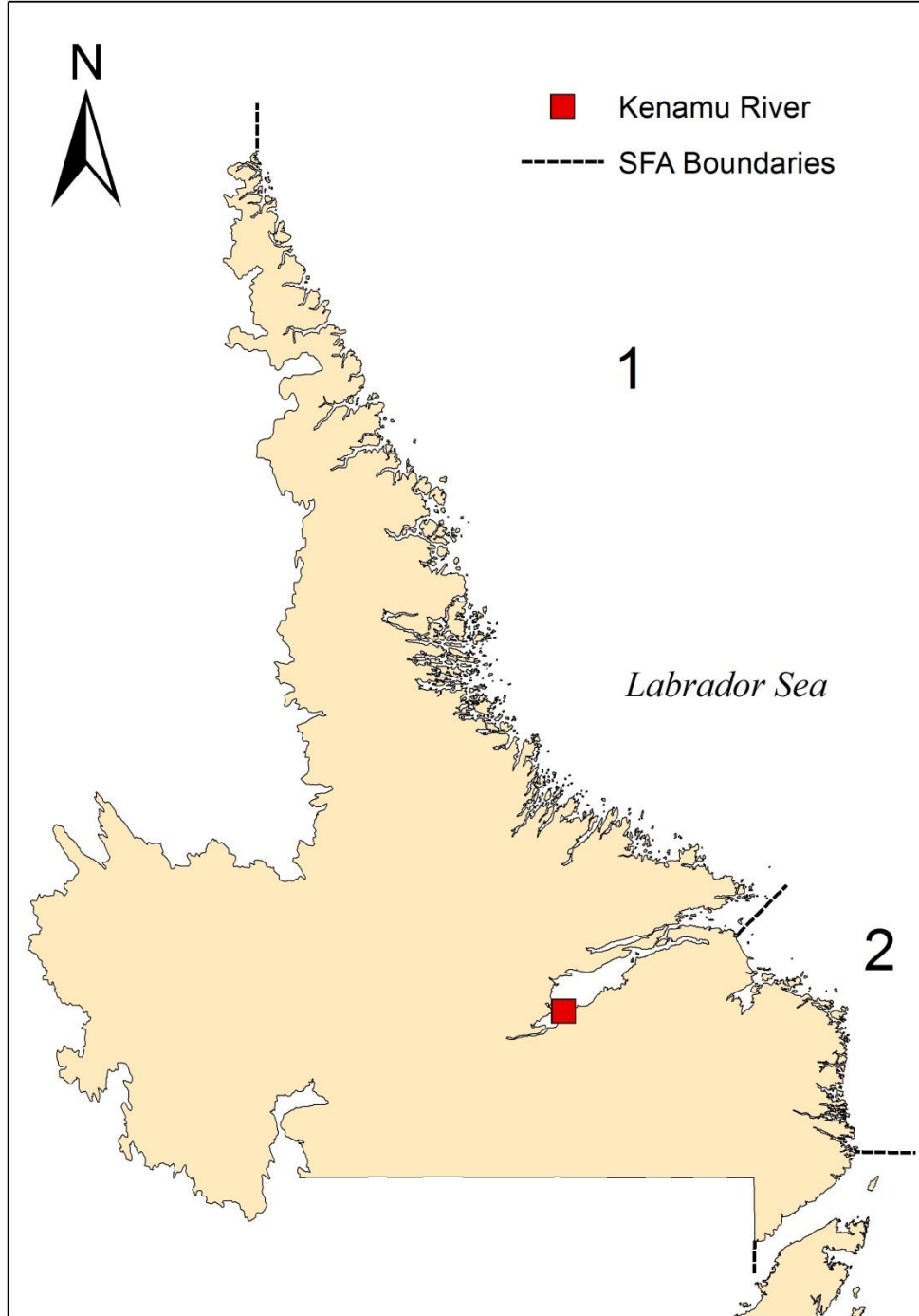
Bi-weekly progress reports, data logs and completed data forms will be mailed or hand delivered to the following Scientific Authority:

Name to be provided upon contract award



Appendix A

Location of counting facility on Kenamu River



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Kilometers



ANNEX "B" BASIS OF PAYMENT

For the provision of all professional services, including all associated costs necessary to carry out the required work excluding taxes

Please provide price per hour for the following. Prices do not include tax which will be treated separately in the contract.

Initial Contract Year - from approximately May 1, 2017 through to March 31, 2018

Kenamu River

Resources	All inclusive Hourly rate 2017*	Total hours required	Total bid price (excluding taxes)
One Supervisor		440	
Two Assistants		880	
1 st Option Period - from April 1, 2018 through to March 31, 2019			
Resources	All inclusive Hourly rate 2018*	Total hours required	Total bid price (excluding taxes)
One Supervisor		440	
Two Assistants		880	
2 nd Option Period - from April 1, 2019 through to March 31, 2020			
Resources	All inclusive Hourly rate 2019*	Total hours required	Total bid price (excluding taxes)
One Supervisor		440	
Two Assistants		880	

Total bid price for **Kenamu River** - _____



1st Option Period - from April 1, 2018 through to March 31, 2019

2nd Option Period - from April 1, 2019 through to March 31, 2020

Total Bid price (Initial Contract Year 2017 + 1st Option Year 2018 + 2nd Option Year 2019)

\$ _____

Total bid price for each year (last columns) is calculated as follows: Hourly rate X Total hours required.

*All inclusive hourly rates include wages, mandatory employment-related costs (MERC), administrative costs, travel-related costs, field clothing, safety devices, flotation devices, etc.

**Total hours required will be determined by the project authority up to a maximum of the hours as stated. Only hours actually worked will be paid under the contract.

Requirement will be for an average of approximately 40 hours per week based on a 7 day workweek which may vary as determined by the project authority. Specific hours of work will be determined by the project authority after contract award.



ANNEX “C” – INSURANCE CONDITIONS

The Contractor shall, at the Contractor's own expense, provide and maintain insurance as indicated hereunder:

1. Definitions

1.1. “Contract” means “Purchase Order”.

1.2. “Buyer” means those departmental organizations or persons who have been given the responsibility for the contracting process within the Department.

2. Indemnification

The issuance coverage required by the provisions of these Insurance Conditions shall in no way limit the Contractor's responsibility under the indemnification section of the General Conditions of the contract. Any additional coverage the Contractor may deem necessary to fulfill obligations under the indemnity section shall be at the Contractor's own discretion and expense.

3. Period of Insurance

The insurance coverage shall be in effect from the date of contract award and shall be maintained until the contract work is completed.

4. Proof of Insurance

Within fourteen (14) days after acceptance of the Contractor's tender, the Contractor shall deposit with the Buyer, a Certificate of Insurance or certified true copies of all contracts of insurance maintained by the Contractor pursuant to the requirements of these Insurance Conditions.

5. Notification

Each insurance policy shall contain a provision that thirty (30) days prior written notice shall be given to Her Majesty in the event of any material change in, cancellation of, or expiration of coverage.

6. Insured

Each insurance policy shall insure the Contractor, and shall include as an Additional Named Insured, Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

7. Payment of deductible

The amount of the deductible, if any, shall be borne by the Contractor.

8. Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance

8.1. The Contractor shall, concurrently with the execution of this contract, place and maintain at all times during the execution of the work covered by this contract, sufficient public liability and property damage insurance against personal injury and loss or damage to the property so as to fully cover the Contractor's liability to any firm, person, association, or corporation, resulting from or attributable to the execution of the work.

The Minimum Acceptable Amount is \$1,000,000.00.

8.2. The policy shall be issued with a deductible amount of not more than \$500.00 per occurrence applying to property damage claims only.



9. Third party liability for vehicles and equipment owned, leased, used or operated by the Contractor

The Contractor shall provide an endorsement to the public liability and property damage insurance policy to include third party liability insurance for vehicles and equipment owned, leased, used or operated by the Contractor.

Minimum acceptable amount is \$1,000,000.00.

10. Tenants Legal Liability Insurance (where applicable)

The Contractor shall provide an endorsement to the public liability and property damage insurance policy to provide coverage for premises under the Contractor's care, custody and control in a **minimum amount of \$500,000.00.**



ANNEX "D" EVALUATION CRITERIA

RATED REQUIREMENTS:

It is imperative that these criteria be addressed in sufficient depth in the proposal to fully describe the Bidder's response and to permit the Evaluation Team to rate the proposals.

Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Score	Cross-Reference to Proposal
<p>R1 - An indication of an understanding of the requirement and objectives of the project Excellent –10 pts Demonstrated understanding of <u>all</u> project requirements and objectives. Good –7 pts Demonstrated understanding of <u>most</u> project requirements and objectives. Acceptable –5 pts Demonstrated understanding of <u>many</u> project requirements and objectives. Incomplete or limited –2 pts Demonstrated understanding of a <u>few</u> project requirements and objectives. Unsatisfactory –0 pts Did <u>not</u> demonstrate an understanding of any project requirements or objectives.</p>	/10	
<p>R2 - A summary of the intended approach to be used to carry out the proposed work. Excellent –25 pts Summary outlines <u>all</u> necessary elements of the proposed approach. Good – 20 pts Summary outlines <u>most</u> of the necessary elements of the proposed approach. Acceptable–15 pts Summary outlines <u>many</u> of the necessary elements of the proposed approach. Incomplete or limited – 10 pts Summary outlines <u>few</u> of the necessary elements of the proposed approach. Unsatisfactory – 0 pts Summary did <u>not</u> outline any of the necessary elements of the proposed approach.</p>	/25	
<p>R3 - An indication of previous projects successfully completed by the organization. This should include a listing of the projects, a brief description/summary of each, and when the project was carried out. 5 points for each project up to a maximum of 25</p>	/25	
TOTAL	60	

Knowledge and Understanding - For the Criterion Above

Unsatisfactory: No details provided. No approach and/or methodology and/or understanding was proposed.

Incomplete or limited explanation of how it will meet this requirement. The approach and/or



methodology and/or understanding lack structure and coherence. Very few details are provided and some elements were not clearly addressed; major deficiencies exist with the objective and expected outcomes of this requirement. The bidder does not demonstrate the minimum capability to meet any of the elements of the requirement.

Acceptable and adequate explanation of how it will meet this requirement. The approach and/or methodology and/or understanding is structured and coherent; although most of the major necessary details are provided, there are several minor deficiencies with the objective and expected outcomes of this requirement. Some minor elements were not clearly addressed. The bidder demonstrates the minimum acceptable capability to meet most elements.

Good explanation of how it will meet this requirement. The approach and/or methodology and/or understanding is structured and coherent and most of the necessary details are provided; minor deficiencies exist with the objective and expected outcomes of this requirement. The bidder demonstrates the capability to adequately meet all elements of the requirement.

Excellent and in-depth and specific explanation on how it will meet this requirement. The approach and/or methodology and/or understanding is structured, coherent, and all necessary details are provided. No deficiencies exist. The bidder demonstrates an understanding of the objective and expected outcomes of this requirement. The bidder demonstrates the capability to fully meet all elements of the requirement.

Bid submissions that do not contain the above-mentioned documentation will be considered incomplete and non-responsive.

PRICE:

Cost Evaluation (total maximum of 40 points)

Of those proposals determined to be technically responsive, the lowest cost proposal will be awarded the maximum number of points assigned for cost (40 points). The points for cost for the remaining technically responsive proposals will be allocated on a pro-rata basis.

BASIS OF SELECTION:

The compliant bidder with the highest combined rated criteria points and price points shall be selected as the bidder providing best value.