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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

REGULATORY SUPPORT SERVICES

Faro Mine Remediation Project (FMRP)
Faro Mine Complex, Yukon Territory

Amendment No. 006 is raised to:

- A. Provide answers to questions received (Q22 – Q30);
 - B. Amend Annex A – Statement of Work;
 - 1. Section 4.2 Team Composition
 - 2. Appendix 1. Essential Qualifications for Key Team Members
 - C. Amend Annex B – Basis of Payment; and
 - 1. Table B1 Names of resources required at Annex A – Statement of Work, Appendix 1
 - D. Amend Annex H – Financial Evaluation
 - 1. Section 1.2 Table A – Labour Rates – Initial Contract Period
 - 2. Section 1.3 Table B – Labour Rates – Option Periods
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A. ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED (Q22 – Q30)

Question 22: Our internal Senior Consultants would typically have a team of people working under their direction. This offers junior and mid-level career staff an opportunity to develop as professionals and work on interesting projects. Ultimately this also reduces the cost to the government for the work.

- a. Is it possible for the Senior Consultant's team could be included in the project budget?
- b. If not, are you expecting that the Senior Consultant's hourly rate and number of hours will reflect the support of junior staff and administrators?

Answer 22:

- a. Please see the amendment to Annex B – Basis of Payment below. Two support roles for the Key Team Members (Junior Consultant and Administration) have been added to address this question.
- b. No.



Question 23: Please provide as much clarification as possible for the scoring of R3 – Disciplines – Additional Resource Capacity.

- a. Is each additional resource (a through k listed in Annex G, Section 1.3.3) weighted evenly in the scoring?
- b. Would insufficient information for any of the eleven named resources result in a zero score for R3?
- c. Would insufficient information for any of the named resources result in a reduced score for R3? Are each of the requirements for the named resources scored similarly? If so, what percentage of the score is allotted to each of the requirements in Annex K?
- d. Does each of the named additional resources need to meet the minimum requirements listed for Senior Consultant (currently 10 years of experience and a graduate or post-graduate degree or 15 years experience and bachelors degree)? Will the resource score zero if they do not meet these requirements? If not, are there minimum requirements for the additional resources?

Answer 23:

- a. Yes, additional resource (a through k listed in Annex G, Section 1.3.3) will be weighted evenly in the scoring.
- b. The purpose of this requirement is to assess the ability of the bidder to provide the additional resources that Canada anticipates might be needed. Failure to provide either a named resource or a plan to provide the resource would demonstrate that the bidder would be unable to meet the requirement, and therefore would receive a lower score.
- c. Yes, insufficient information would result in a reduced score. Yes, each of the requirements of the named resources are scored similarly, i.e. they will be weighted evenly in the scoring as per the response to 23.a.
- d. Yes, for the purposes of bid evaluation, the Bidder must demonstrate capacity to provide additional resources at the Senior Consultant level, so each of the additional resources are required to meet the minimum qualifications listed for the Senior Consultant; however, the resource requirement when a TA is issued may be at a lower level.

Question 24: With the timing of this opportunity closing shortly after year end, would PSPC consider an additional two-week extension to April 25th?

Answer 24: The solicitation was extended in Amendment 005, and is now set to close on April 29, 2022 at 2:00 PDT.



Question 25: Appendix 1: Section PSPC has requested four key team member resumes and associated billing rates in the RFP. Additionally, PSPC has requested named additional resources for certain disciplines in the RFP. Our understanding is that these named roles and resources are based on the potential requirements for the project and to assist in evaluating multiple bids in a fair and consistent fashion. It is not our understanding that these are the only staff who will be permitted to perform work on the project. A major multi-disciplinary project such as the FMRP often requires more staff in these and other technical areas; and at other supporting levels such as juniors and administrative staff who may not meet the minimum qualification for the Consultant role. Please clarify the process for how the consultant will be able to add additional resources outside of those named and at different staff levels as the work requires.

Answer 25: Please see the amendment to Annex B – Basis of Payment below. Two support roles for the Key Team Members (Junior Consultant/technician and Administration) have been added. These support roles will be evaluated as part of the financial bid, but will not have essential qualifications to be evaluated as part of the technical bid. As per B6 of Annex B – Basis of Payment, the addition of a resource to fulfill a scientific specialization for a specific TA may be added at Canada's discretion on a TA by TA basis.

Question 26: Section 4.3: The RFP indicates that proposed qualified resources in the field of biology must be Registered Professional Biologists (RP Bio), but it does not indicate which Canadian jurisdiction(s) would be acceptable registering bodies as it does in other cases. The use of the acronym "RPBio" in the RFP is specific to British Columbia and is not the term used in other jurisdictions. Please confirm that professional biologist status in other Canadian jurisdictions will suffice for specialists in this area.

Answer 26: Professional Biologists registered in other Canadian jurisdictions would be acceptable.

Question 27: Is it possible to add a project manager (and/or assistant project manager), contract manager, and HSE manager to the project budget? If not, please clarify how the roles associated with Health and Safety, Contract Reviews, and Project Management (non-scientific) should be included in the project budget? What is the process for qualifying roles for personnel who are not credentialed as scientists (such as engineers, assistant project managers)?

Answer 27: Proposed personnel for each TA must correspond to one of the six (6) categories that are outlined in the Basis of Payment at Annex B. As per B6 of Annex B, if a scientific specialization is proposed for a specific TA, it may be added at the discretion of Canada. It is anticipated that project management duties will be performed by the Team Lead and Principle Consultant for the work..

Question 28: Can you provide a range as to the anticipated size (dollar amount) of the task authorizations associated with this project? Do you anticipate multiple task authorizations to be negotiated throughout the project? If so, please provide a range as to the number of task authorizations you anticipate will be negotiated during the project.

Answer 28: The overall level of effort is anticipated to be \$750K to \$1M per year. Yes, it is anticipated that multiple task authorizations will be issued during the Contract. The number of task authorizations is anticipated to range from 1 to 5 per year depending on requirements; however, the number and duration of TAs over the duration of the Contract will be at Canada's discretion.



Question 29: Q&A #10 in RFP Amendment 002 indicates that “PSPC will evaluate corporate experience...over a 10 year period”. Could PSPC clarify if that 10 year period is the past 10 years from the date of closing of this RFP (i.e., April 2012-April 2022) or if experience that is older than 10 years will be considered for evaluation?

Answer 29: The 10 years of experience does not need to be consecutive; experience that is older than 10 years will be considered if it is submitted as part of the ten year total.

Question 30: In relation to R1 Achievement on Projects on page 57 of the RFP, PSPC requests “At least one (1) firm work summary should demonstrate experience supporting a project through regulatory approvals of Fisheries Act authorisations and water licences North of 60”. If a firm presents a project North of 60 that include Fisheries Act authorisations but not water licences or vice versa, will PSPC evaluate that project or is that project considered non-responsive?

Answer 30: The requirement is that the Bidder is to demonstrate experience in both FAA and water licence processes. Projects that do not demonstrate this experience will receive a lower score.

B. AMEND ANNEX A – STATEMENT OF WORK

B.1 Amend Section 4.2 Team Composition

DELETE 4.2 in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

4.2 Team Composition

.1 The consultant's team will consist of six categories to provide the required services outlined in Section 4.4. The qualifications of the Key Team Members are outlined in Appendix 1, excluding the support roles of Junior Consultant/Technician and Administration, where no essential qualifications will be required. However, the following are general roles and responsibilities of each team member within the contractor's team:

a. Team Lead:

- i. Provides specialized advice on technical items;
- ii. Provides specialized review on scope and technical deliverables;
- iii. Liaison with PSPC Project Manager to provide specialized and regulatory technical advice; and
- iv. Liaison with Contracting Authority and Departmental Representative for program updates.

b. Principal Consultant:

- i. Manages program of work and Contract with Task Authorizations;
- ii. Coordinates all work;
- iii. Provides senior technical review;
- iv. Manages corporate resources;
- v. Provides specialized review on scope and technical deliverables; and
- vi. Provides specialized advice on technical items.



c. Senior Consultant:

- i. Provides senior guidance and direction to projects;
- ii. Responsible for scope, schedule, cost and quality of project; and
- iii. Manages intermediate personnel.

d. Consultant:

- i. Manages specific tasks within project;
- ii. Performs technical work;
- iii. Responsible for delivering scope within schedule, ensuring cost and quality; requirements are met;
- iv. Coordinates internal and external resources; and
- v. Manages juniors, as required.

e. Junior Consultant / Technician

- i. Performs specific tasks;
- ii. Performs technical work;
- iii. Responsible for delivering scope within schedule ensuring cost and quality requirements are met;
- iv. Conducts primary / technical research;
- v. Analyses data;
- vi. Inputs to assessments;
- vii. Contributes to reports and presentations; and
- viii. Assists other team members.

f. Administration

- i. Performs administrative tasks.

B.2 Amend Appendix 1. Essential Qualifications for Key Team Members

ADD Junior Consultant / Technician & Administration to Appendix 1 as follows:

Role	Essential Qualifications
Junior Consultant / Technician	Support role to the Key Team Members, no essential qualifications are required.
Administration	Support role to the Key Team Members, no essential qualifications are required.



C. AMEND ANNEX B – BASIS OF PAYMENT

C.1 Amend B1 Names of resources required at Annex A – Statement of Work, Appendix 1

DELETE Table B1 in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

Resource Categories	Maximum Number of Proposed Resources	Name of Qualified Resource
Team Lead	1	<i>(to be inserted at Contract award)</i>
Principal Consultant	1	<i>(to be inserted at Contract award)</i>
Senior Consultant	1	<i>(to be inserted at Contract award)</i>
Consultant	1	<i>(to be inserted at Contract award)</i>
Junior Consultant / Technician	N/A	N/A
Administration	N/A	N/A



D. AMEND ANNEX H – FINANCIAL EVALUATION

D.1 Amend Section 1.2, Table A – Labour Rates – Initial Contract Period

DELETE Table A in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

Firm Hourly Labour Rates		YEAR 1		SUBTOTAL OF YEAR 1	YEAR 2		SUBTOTAL OF YEAR 2	YEAR 3		SUBTOTAL OF YEAR 3
Line	Role	Firm Hourly Rate (CAD)	Anticipated # of hours per year	YEAR 1 Hourly Rate x Anticipated # of hours per year	Firm Hourly Rate (CAD)	Anticipated # of hours per year	YEAR 2 Hourly Rate x Anticipated # of hours per year	Firm Hourly Rate (CAD)	Anticipated # of hours per year	YEAR 3 Hourly Rate x Anticipated # of hours per year
A.1	Team Lead	\$	120	\$	\$	120	\$	\$	120	\$
A.2	Principal Consultant	\$	1000	\$	\$	1000	\$	\$	1000	\$
A.3	Senior Consultant	\$	1100	\$	\$	1100	\$	\$	1100	\$
A.4	Consultant	\$	1800	\$	\$	1800	\$	\$	1800	\$
A.5	Junior Consultant / Technician	\$	2000	\$	\$	2000	\$	\$	2000	\$
A.6	Administration	\$	200	\$	\$	200	\$	\$	200	\$
TOTAL SUM (excluding taxes)		TOTAL OF YEAR 1		A	TOTAL OF YEAR 2		B	TOTAL OF YEAR 3		C

Note 1: The anticipated number of hours per year are for evaluation purposes only. The quantities identified are for evaluation purposes only and must not be interpreted by the Bidder as an exhaustive list of the labour hours that may be required.

D.2 Amend Section 1.3, Table B – Labour Rates – Option Periods

DELETE Table B in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

Firm Hourly Labour Rates		OPTIONAL YEAR 1		SUBTOTAL OF OPTIONAL YEAR 1	OPTIONAL YEAR 2		SUBTOTAL OF OPTIONAL YEAR 2
Line	Role	Firm Hourly Rate (CAD)	Anticipated # of hours per year	Hourly Rate x Anticipated # of hours per year	Firm Hourly Rate (CAD)	Anticipated # of hours per year	Hourly Rate x Anticipated # of hours per year
B.1	Team Lead	\$	120	\$	\$	120	\$
B.2	Principal Consultant	\$	1000	\$	\$	1000	\$
B.3	Senior Consultant	\$	1100	\$	\$	1100	\$
B.4	Consultant	\$	1800	\$	\$	1800	\$
B.5	Junior Consultant / Technician	\$	2000	\$	\$	2000	\$
B.6	Administration	\$	200	\$	\$	200	\$
TOTAL SUM (excluding taxes)				TOTAL OF OPTIONAL YEAR 1:	TOTAL OF OPTIONAL YEAR 2		E
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Note 1: The anticipated number of hours per year are for evaluation purposes only. The quantities identified are for evaluation purposes only and must not be interpreted by the Bidder as an exhaustive list of the labour hours that may be required.

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