

## SGL 037 Deer Trails Fern Spray Project 8/13/18

### GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### I. SCOPE OF WORK:

- A. The Pennsylvania Game Commission, Northcentral Region, requires broadcast herbicide treatment of ferns. Services shall include, but not be limited to, the furnishing of all labor, superintendence, tools and equipment for the treatment of understory vegetation on approximately 183 acres of State Game Lands 037. Detailed specifications are attached in the bid packet. ***All Purchase Orders require the contractor to provide the equipment, labor, insurance, and all miscellaneous expenses to complete the operation.***

Any questions concerning the technical aspects of this bid should be directed to:

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#### II. CONTRACT TASKS:

##### A. Project Location:

- a. State Game Lands 037 Richmond and Tioga Townships, Tioga County. The contractor will apply the designated herbicide mixture to approximately 183 acres with an appropriate machine as specified below and outlined on the attached map.
- b. Maps of the locations are included in the bid packet.

##### B. SITE INSPECTION AND ASSISTANCE:

The PGC will conduct a one-time-only guided tour of the work sites for prospective bidders on **September 17, 2018** beginning at 10:00 AM. The tour will start with a review of the site. We will meet at the Mansfield Sheetz along US Route 6. Contractors are permitted to visit the project site on any date on their own time to further inspect the site.

##### C. OPERATOR QUALIFICATIONS:

To bid on this project an Operator must be a Licensed Pesticide Applicator or firm that is currently licensed with the Commonwealth. Operator must also have the office, maintenance facilities, equipment, employees, qualified equipment operators and

mechanics, tools, equipment, and spare parts for the make and type of equipment indicated in these specifications.

### III. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

A. All work can be started June 1, 2019. Work must be completed by the termination date: **June 21th, 2018. No contract extensions will be approved.**

B. Herbicide Mixture for Application

1. Mixture and application

**Item 1:** Broadcast herbicide application of 2 ounces of Oust (*Sulfometuron Methyl*) per acre to control fern on 183 acres of SGL 037

This request is for **Machine Only** application. Acceptable machine described below. All chemicals must be used and applied in accordance with the label specifications for the application type specified.

2. **SPRAY EQUIPMENT** - All equipment to be used in or upon any spray equipment must meet all state and federal safety regulations. Spray equipment must be able to complete the project in adequate time. **Spray equipment must be capable of applying herbicide a minimum spray width of 40 feet from each side of the machine for a total of 80 feet and 15 feet in height in open conditions. Consecutive spray passes must obtain coverage of the vegetation to a height of 15 feet which will result in some double application in the zone where 2 passes overlap.** The spray rig must be capable of navigating the terrain and forest conditions specified in this contract. Most often this requires a rubber tired or tracked machine capable of traversing through and over downed trees and rocks. *The Commission reserves the right to reject any piece of equipment that in its opinion will not adequately complete the job.*

C. The contractor agrees to comply with all attachments.

D. As a further guarantee of faithful performance of the conditions set forth in this Contract, the Successful bidder hereby agrees to furnish the Commission with Cashiers or Treasurers Check, Letter of Credit, or Insurance Bond payable to the Pennsylvania Game Commission, in the amount of **\$1,000.00.**

E. Failure to comply with any of the terms or conditions of the Contract will result in cancellation of the agreement.

F. **The Pa Game Commission reserves the right to cancel the project if the ferns turn yellow/shut down before the contractor starts work.**

#### **IV. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

A. The contractor will provide Workmen's Compensation insurance sufficient to cover all of the employees of contractor working to fulfill this contract.

B. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, including bodily injury and property damage insurance, to protect the Commonwealth, and the contractor from claims arising out of the performance of the contract. The amount of Bodily Injury Insurance shall not be less than \$300,000.00 for injury to or death of persons per occurrence. The amount of Property Damage Insurance shall not be less than \$300,000.00 per occurrence.

**Such policies shall name the Commonwealth as an additional insured.** Prior to the commencement of work under this contract, the contractor must provide the Commonwealth with current Certificates of Insurance. These Certificates shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under the policy shall not be canceled or changed until at least thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the Commonwealth.

#### **V. HOLD HARMLESS:**

The contractor shall be responsible for and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Commonwealth from and against damages to property or injuries (including death) to any persons and other losses, damages, expenses, claims, demands, suits, and actions by any party against the Commonwealth in connection with the work performed by the contractor.

#### **VI. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY:**

The Contractor shall be responsible for any damage to Commonwealth property resulting from the improper use of equipment for this herbicide project. The Contractor will be given one (1) written warning that damage is becoming excessive and if the action continues damages will be assessed.

**PROPERTY INFRASTRUCTURE** - Contractor shall immediately repair, in a manner that meets with the approval of the Officer in Charge, any damage to administrative roads and other facilities, including access roads, resulting from their use for this operation, general wear and tear is accepted. Officer in Charge may notify the Contractor in writing to temporarily discontinue use of any of the above whenever, in their opinion, such action is necessary to prevent serious damage.

## VII. BID AWARD:

The bid shall be submitted on a dollars per acre basis by line item. Bids will be awarded on a **line item basis**. The Operator shall complete the **electronic invitation for bid** to be found at [www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us](http://www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us), for award of the bid.

Bids will be publicly opened on **Sept 27, 2018 at 2:00 PM.**, at the Pennsylvania Game Commission, 2001 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797. Failure to sign the IFB will be reason for rejection of the bid and bids received after the due date or due time will not be accepted.

The **per acre price** shall include the cost of herbicides, labor, insurance, and all miscellaneous expenses necessary for the completion of the tasks. Prices bid shall be in dollar and cents only.

The quantities herein are only estimates and may increase or decrease dependent upon the needs of the Commission. Operator shall be paid at the unit price bid for actual services performed.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to choose the bid that, in its sole opinion, best meet the needs of this project.

ALL VENDORS WHO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION MUST HAVE A VENDOR NUMBER ASSIGNED TO THEM IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PAYMENT FROM THE COMMONWEALTH.

Vendors may access the website [www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us](http://www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us) or phone (877) 435-7363 or (717) 346-2676 or email [ra-srmhelp@state.pa.us](mailto:ra-srmhelp@state.pa.us) for assistance to register as a new vendor or, if you are an existing vendor, to change a main or remit to address. This is a Dept. of General services (DGS) website so you need to contact them directly if you have any problems with the website.

## VIII. CONTRACT TERM:

The contract term shall commence upon contractor's receipt of the approved Purchase Order(s), receipt of performance bond, and proof of insurance. This also includes a notice to proceed, and terminate **June 21, 2019**. **The Pa Game Commission reserves the right to cancel the project if the ferns turn yellow/shut down before the contractor starts work.**

## IX. PAYMENT TERMS:

Payment shall be on a reimbursement basis for actual services performed. **Payment will be made on the basis determined by the Commission’s surveyed acreage treated.**

Only work successfully completed to the specifications will be paid for by the agency.

**Attachment #1 “JOB SPECIFICATIONS”**  
**Herbicide application**

			MACHINE ONLY	Chemical & Rates/Acre		Acceptable Treatment Period	notes / comments
				Sulfometuron Methyl	Non-ionic surfactant		
Region	Property	Project Name	Acres	<i>Oust (oz)</i>			
NC	SGL 037	Deer Trails	183	2.0	no	August 1-September 8	
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