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SPECIFICATIONS
PSP BESO HORSE FARRIER SERVICES**

I-1. Statement of the Project.

A. Overview/Scope.

This is an Invitation for Bid for performing horse farrier services for the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), Bureau of Emergency and Special Operations (BESO) located in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

B. Specifications

Farrier Services to be performed at the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Special Emergency Operations, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

The following specifies the requirements associated with farrier work for horses:

- 1- As-needed services will be for an average of five (5) horses per week and necessary emergency calls.
- 2- Work is to be provided Wednesdays between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, unless otherwise arranged through the Mounted Unit Supervisor. Emergency repairs will be performed as needed at any time.
- 3- Four (4) new shoes with road cocks on medial and lateral sides of toe area and to both heels of the shoe as determined by the Mounted Unit Supervisor. Shoes will have rolled toes, beveled edges both top and bottom (boxed and safed), side or toe clips, shaped to relieve sole pressure and set according to Duckett's Dot Methodology. Shoes will be made and set to current design unless approved by the Mounted Unit Supervisor.
- 4- Resetting of shoes to be with road cocks to same specifications as new shoes.
- 5- Perform trim as necessary when shoes are not required due to injury or extended periods of rest.

6- In the event that corrective shoeing is needed, that service shall be provided by the vendor or veterinarian approved non-contracted personnel. This will include corrective shoeing materials such as flat pads, leather pads, acrylic hoof repair, basic shoe modifications, such as rock toe, square toe, egg bar shoes, straight bar shoes, extended or swelled heels. In the event multiple corrective services are needed, upon the approval of the Section Supervisor the service would be considered orthopedic and billed as such.

7- In the event that orthopedic shoeing is needed, that service shall be provided by the vendor or veterinarian approved non-contracted personnel. This will include orthopedic shoeing materials such as flat or degree frog pads, liquid pour with equi-pack or equivalent use of dental impression material, heart bar repair of quarter cracks.

8- Due to conformation, lameness or special circumstance it may be necessary to alter number three (3). This may be accomplished through mutual agreement by the vendor and the Mounted Unit Supervisor. The cost will remain as per contract.

9- There are presently 26 draft size horses included in the herd. There may be the possibility that the Department would be acquiring additional horses of this size.

A- Shoe size of the horse will determine which service will be charged.

1- A shoe size of three (3) and below shall be considered a Non-draft size.

2- A shoe size of four (4) to eight (8) shall be considered a Draft size.

a. Size four (4) and five (5) should be 10 mm or comparable in thickness.

b. Size six (6) to eight (8) should be 12 mm or comparable in thickness.

3- A shoe size larger than size eight (8) Kerckhaert draft shoe shall be considered Custom size.

B- All shoes whether stock or custom, nails, pads, etc and equipment will be furnished by the farrier.

10- A one (1) year contract is being requested with four (4) one (1) year extensions.

11- Vendor must have a minimum of ten (10) years farrier experience, included corrective shoeing. Farrier experience is defined as years in which being a farrier was the primary source of income. A farrier's apprenticeship is not to be included in the ten (10) years' experience.

12- Vendor must have a minimum of five (5) years farrier experience with draft horses.

13- Vendor must have an American Farrier's Association Certification for a minimum of five (5) years. This Certification must be current and Member # provided upon request.

14- Vendor must use cold shoeing and have five (5) years' experience in that method. Refer to Section 3 for hot forge work required prior to cold shoeing.

15- Vendor must submit a resume and references along with the submission of the bid.

C. Additional Conditions

The fully executed purchase order will be an estimate of scheduled and unscheduled services for an initial one year period. If service usage exceeds the original estimated amounts for the effective time period of the purchase order, the contracted vendor agrees to provide the additional units of service needed at the established contracted rates. PSP will only accept invoices and issue payments for actual services rendered.

I-2. Delivery/Service Location

Special Services Division, Tactical Mounted Section
Bureau of Emergency and Special Operations
171 East Hershey Park Drive
Hershey, PA 17033