



Request for Bids

On-Call Services Contract: Native Plant Revegetation Contract

Objective

The Yakama Nation Upper Columbia Habitat Restoration Project (UCHRP) is seeking to issue an On-Call Services Contract to provide native plant restoration services throughout the region of performance which includes the Methow, Entiat and Wenatchee Subbasins (Figure 1). The UCHRP conducts fish habitat restoration work on private and public lands in coordination with Watershed Action Teams and project partners.

All UCHRP sponsored habitat restoration projects are based on professionally engineered restoration designs that typically require substantial vegetation and soil disturbance as well as hydrologic alterations to meet aquatic habitat restoration goals. Due to the effects of our projects we require the expertise of native plant restoration specialists who can design planting plans, provide all necessary materials, and perform soil bio-engineering, native vegetation installation, and noxious plant control. We are specifically interested in working with contractors that have the capacity to conduct all necessary activities throughout our region of performance, and who have a proven track record of conducting all three Phases: Planting Plan Development, Materials Supply, and Installation.

Contractors are requested to complete all of the proposal requirements listed in this bid packet. The Direct Costs list of materials is an attempt to simplify the invoicing process for us and our contractors. If there are items which you frequently use in native plant restoration contracts which are not listed please add rows to the bid sheet. Include additional descriptions of the material in the comments section if necessary. Items not found on the bid sheet will be purchased by the Yakama Nation from vendors which we have contracts with.

Scope of Work

Currently the UCHRP has upwards of 12 largescale projects planned for implementation during this contract period. It is anticipated that up to two Contractors may be awarded contracts to cover native vegetation services throughout the UCHRP region of performance. Contractors will be responsible for clearly documenting within their bid packets their ability to supply all the following services described in the following tasks and material in the bid sheets. This request for bids covers a two year contract period from Notice to Proceed through May 31, 2018.

Phase 1- Planting Plan Design

Task 1- Coordinate with UCHRP project managers, landowners, restoration engineers and construction crews.

Task 2- Design and produce native plant restoration plans: include site appropriate species list, planting techniques, noxious weed control countermeasures, irrigation system design (where necessary), browse protection and detailed cost estimates.

Task 3- Assist in producing language regarding native plant impacts and restoration for environmental permitting processes.

Task 4- Demonstrated proficient use of GIS software is preferred to aid in development of planting plan documents and presentation quality graphics.

Phase 2- Materials Supply

Task 5- When and where appropriate and possible, plan for and implement the salvage and maintenance of trees, shrubs, sedges, sod and/or soils from the area of potential impact for post construction installation.

Task 6- Collect and maintain native plant stock from representative sites near the area of performance to ensure adequate site appropriate stock is available for planting.

Task 7- Obtain and/or produce (locally adapted) native plant materials reasonably suitable for establishment and survival on each project site.

Task 8- Transport large quantities of live plant material to and from nurseries and project sites. As necessary for specific project objectives, procure and transport all necessary irrigation supplies, fencing materials, hog fuel mulch, soils and/or fill to project sites.

Phase 3- Installation

Task 9- Install vegetation elements and irrigation materials per engineering and native plant restoration plan specifications

Task 10- Use technical devices to efficiently get tree and shrub root depths down to ground water level. A hydraulic "stinger" attached to a tracked excavator is preferred and may be required for some projects. Alternative implements and techniques that meet the planting plan goals will be considered in lieu of a "stinger" if necessary

Task 11- Install browse protection and deer/ livestock fence construction as needed

Task 12- Conduct noxious weed abatement

Task 13- Provide watering, weeding and plant care services after installation

Task 14- Perform actions to reduce hazardous fuels at project sites

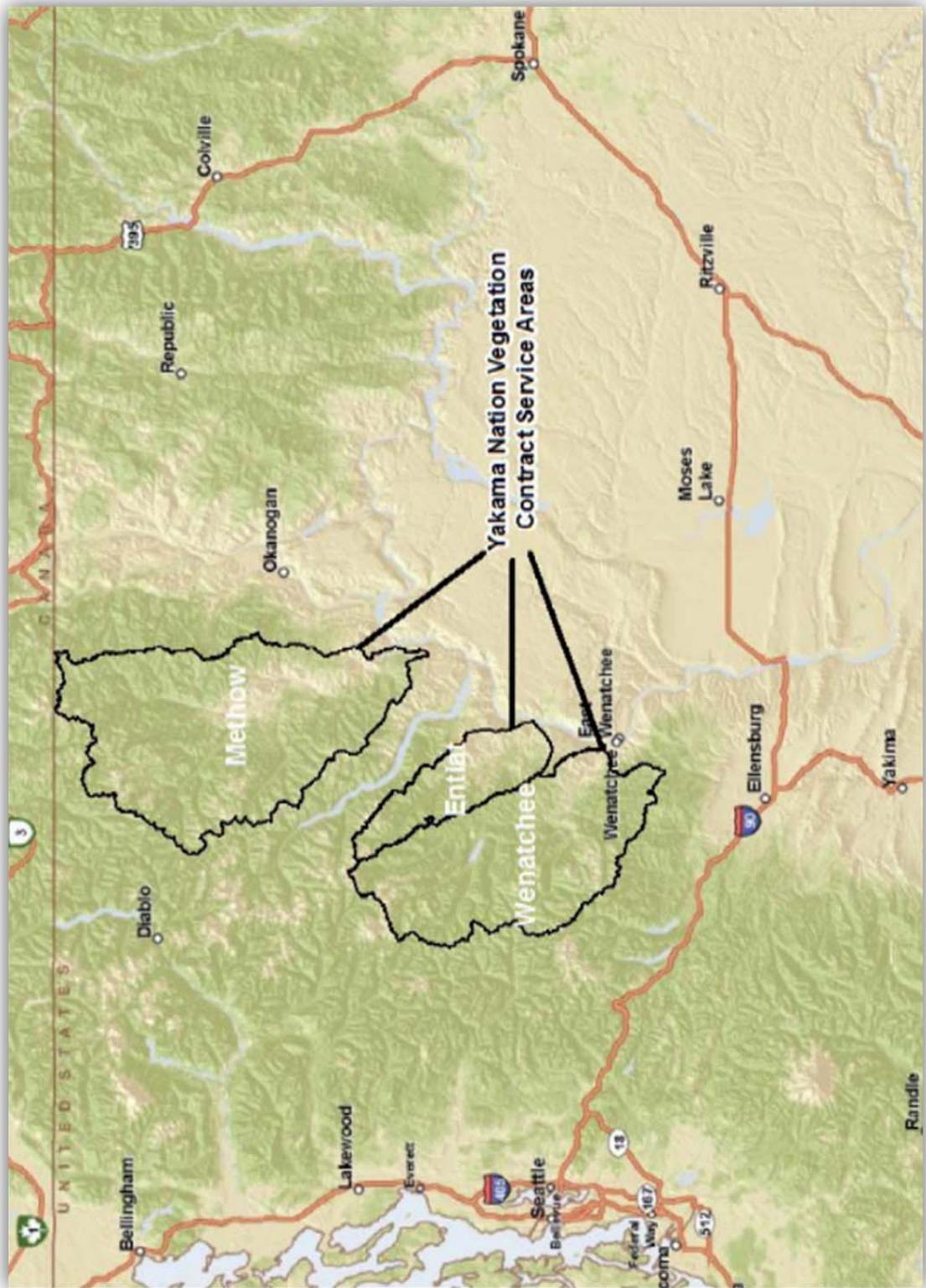


Figure 1. UCHRP Area of Performance

Bid Forms

The winning bidder will be selected on the competitiveness of rates provided for the following personnel and direct costs as associated with the work tasks previously described. The following tables must be filled out by each bidder and provided with proposal requirements and baseline qualifications to be considered complete and acceptable. Please note, each personnel type in Table 1 is not required to have a bid amount associated with it if the position is not present in your organization. All other Bid Tables must have a bid amount given for each item. Use the description column to provide specific details on recommended materials a necessary.

Davis-Bacon Requirements

Contractors will be required to comply with all provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended, including paying all labor at or above prevailing wages determined by the then current Department of Labor wage determination. The contractor shall maintain Certified Payroll documentation as required by the Davis-Bacon Act.

Bid Table 1

Personnel			
Title	Unit	Standard Rate	Overtime Rate
Project Manager	HR		
Administrative Assistant	HR		
Restoration Ecologist	HR		
Field Supervisor	HR		
Field Laborer	HR		
Herbicide/Pesticide Applicator (Include cost of chemicals)	HR		
Heavy Equipment Operator	HR		
GIS Specialist	HR		

Bid Table 2 – Mobilization will be the aggregate cost of vehicles required to accomplish transport of materials and personnel to the project site (one-way). Passenger vehicles and pick-up trucks less than 10,000 pounds GVW will be reimbursed for mileage at the GSA rate.

Direct Costs		
Installation		
Item	Unit	Bid (US \$)
Large Pick-up Trucks (>10,000 lbs GVW)	Per Hour Vehicle + Operator	
Semi-Truck and Trailer	Per Hour Vehicle + Operator	
Gooseneck Trailer	Per Hour Vehicle	
Dump Trailer	Per Hour Vehicle	

Bid Table 3 – Please list all heavy equipment for which you typically charge an hourly rate. Provide the hourly rate and the rate for changing the equipment’s hydraulic fluid to bio-degradable as applicable. Equipment not listed in this table will be considered incidental to the task.

Direct Costs				
Installation				
Equipment	Unit 1	Bid (US \$)	Unit 2	Bid (US \$)
	HR		Switch to bio-degradable hydraulic fluid	
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Bid Table 4

Use the blank cells at the bottom of this table or add additional rows, to list products commonly used in your revegetation projects. This is meant to be an exhaustive list of items commonly procured for and installed. Items not included will be purchased by the Yakama Nation project manager. Transport of Owner procured items will be the responsibility of the contractor at a vehicle hourly rate.

Direct Costs			
Materials Supply			
Item	Unit	Bid (US \$)	Assumption/Description
1 gallon potted native shrub	EA		
2 gallon potted native shrub	EA		
5 gallon potted native shrub	EA		
Deep rooted (or long) potted native shrub	EA		
1 gallon potted native tree	EA		
2 gallon potted native tree	EA		
5 gallon potted native tree	EA		
10 gallon potted native tree	EA		
20 gallon potted native tree	EA		
Deep rooted (or long) potted native tree	EA		
2" sedge plug	EA		
1 gallon sedge plug or pot	EA		
Wetland sod mat	Square Foot		
Fertilizer	Per Pound		

Wood Fiber Mulch (hydroseeder)	Per Bag		
Wood Fiber Mulch +Bonded Fiber Matrix	Per 50 lb. Bag		
Tacifier	Per 50 lb. Bag		
K-Line Irrigation	100 LF		
Individual Wire Cages, w/ 4 bamboo stakes	EA		
10' T-Post	EA		
7' T-Post	EA		
8' X 300' Hvy 700# break strength Fencing Plastic	EA		
Welded Wire Fencing 48"x100' 14 GA	EA		
Welded Wire Fencing 60"x100' 14 GA	EA		
Four Point Barb Wire	Per Roll		
Fence Stays	Per Package		
Railroad Tie	EA		
4"x 8' Green Treated Fence Posts	EA		
Fence Spikes	EA		
Hog Fuel Mulch	Cubic Yard		
Wire Backed Sediment Silt Fence	Per Foot		
Standard Sediment Silt Fence	Per Foot		

Top Soil	Cubic Yard		
5/8" minus Chipped Rock	Cubic Yard		
Beauty Bark	Cubic Yard		
Fill Dirt	Cubic Yard		
Pasture Seed Mix	Per pound		
Turf Seed Mix	Per Pound		
Forest Seed Mix	Per Pound		
Riparian Seed Mix	Per Pound		
Wetland Seed Mix	Per Pound		
Upland Seed Mix	Per Pound		
Heavy Duty Zip Ties, Suitable for Fencing	Per 500		
Fencing Staples	Per 500		
Grass Sod	Square Foot		

Contractors Obligations

The contractor shall furnish all supervision, labor, equipment and tools necessary to complete the work as outlined in the Scope of Work.

Anticipated Schedule

The Yakama Nation is seeking to have this work initiated promptly upon issuance of a Notice to Proceed. Planting plans for restoration projects planned for implementation during the summer 2016 have already been completed under a separate contract. The selected contractor should be prepared to perform project revegetation based on these planting plans. Alterations to the plans may be made at the YN representative's discretion.

Some watersheds within the area of performance experience significantly truncated work seasons annually due to snow accumulation and persistence. The YN project biologist should coordinate within the UCHRP to prioritize work based on seasonal constraints. The Contractor is expected to demonstrate consistent satisfactory progress and complete site revegetation actions in a timely manner. The Contractor shall communicate frequently with UCHRP staff regarding progress, timing, actions, and results.

Limitations

The Yakama Nation reserves the right to accept or reject any and all of the proposals received as a result of this request, or to cancel in part or entirely this request if it is in the best interest of the Yakama Nation to do so. This request does not commit the Yakama Nation to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal.

Proposal Requirements and Baseline Qualifications:

All contractors submitting bids for this project shall provide and/or demonstrate, at a minimum, the following:

- Please include a cover letter on Company Letterhead and a Statement of Qualifications that includes, but is not limited to:
 - The company name, DUNS number, and Federal Tax ID number.
 - The Contractor's experience in meeting Davis-Bacon Act requirements.
 - A description of the Contractor's experience working on federally or Yakama Nation funded habitat restoration or native plant revegetation projects. Please focus on projects that occurred on or near wetlands and riverine habitats. Please provide information on the project location and contact information regarding the project sponsor(s).
 - Identify the Contractor's staffing and sub-contractor networks to illustrate the company's ability to accomplish all tasks required for project revegetation needs: Planting Plan Design, Materials, and Installation.

- Provide a list of available equipment typically used to implement native plant restoration projects. Please detail whether the equipment contains biodegradable hydraulic fluid (a contracting requirement for YN fisheries).
- Please provide an example planting plan from a project developed within the past two years that demonstrates: planning, mapping, recommendations, techniques, equipment and materials.
- Completed bid sheets

Proposal Submittals:

Contractors seeking award of this contract must submit all required documentation, in hard copy form, by close of business (4:30 PM) on Wednesday, June 1, 2016. Proposals must be USPS, parcel service or hand delivered to the address below. Please verify on the Bid Sheets that prices are valid for at least 90 days.

Yakama Nation Fisheries

Attn: Jackie Olney (Revegetation Contract)

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401 Fort Road (if using a shipping service)

Toppenish, WA 98948

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