

Tiffany McGallian

From: Brianna Steinmetz <bsteinmetz@res.us>
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2019 11:59 AM
To: Charlie Sandberg; Tiffany McGallian; Noe Mendoza
Subject: City of Deer Park Tallow Tree Mitigation Project Questions

Hello Mr. Sandberg, Ms. McGallian, and Mr. Mendoza:

In accordance with the Scope and Proposal documents for the Tallow Mitigation Project, RES respectfully submits the following questions:

1. The Scope of Work/Bid Proposal document did not identify aerial spraying as one of the possible herbicide methods for the Tallow Mitigation Project. Since this method has high efficacy, could we utilize this methodology?
2. Could mulching/chipping of McCartney Rose/Yaupon along the park boundary/trail be proposed to increase site access as well as provide a line-of-site to the wetland for park attendees? This is currently an out-of-scope item, but could this be included as an additional task within our proposal?
3. During the pre-bid meeting, a question was asked regarding whether the City of Deer Park wanted all tallow removed from the wetland and the city stated that they would like them removed. In Section 3.1 of the Scope of Work/Bid Proposal it states that "treated trees will be left standing and allowed to decay as they stand." Could you please provide clarity on whether or not, Chinese tallow greater than 3 inch dbh should be left standing or whether they should be removed from the wetland?
 - a. Should the City of Deer Park want the tallow removed, is there a suitable location on the adjacent park for chipping tallow or will the proposer be responsible for the disposal of Chinese tallow?
4. Section 3.2 of the Scope of Work/Bid Proposal states "felled material should be manually removed by the contractor" for less than 2" dbh tallow. Similar to the above question, are there suitable stocking locations for this age class of Chinese tallow on the adjacent park, or will the proposer be responsible for the disposal of the tallow?
5. Can the City provide guidance for the proper post treatment methodology (remove from site or leave standing) Chinese tallow with a dbh between 2-3"?
6. Who is responsible for the identification of native species the City wishes to retain on-site?
7. Is there a payment structure that the City of Deer Park would like to follow? If so, can we propose alternative payment structures?

Your time and guidance is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

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From: Tiffany McGallian
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 3:47 PM
To: Kathy Holcomb
Cc: Charlie Sandberg; Jacob Zuniga
Subject: Tallow mitigation questions

Good afternoon,

Would you be able to upload these questions onto Civcast for the Tallow Mitigation project?

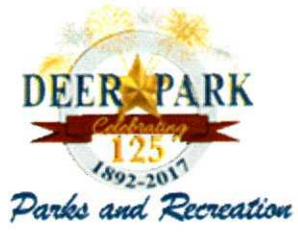
In accordance with the Scope and Proposal documents for the Tallow Mitigation Project, RES respectfully submits the following questions:

1. The Scope of Work/Bid Proposal document did not identify aerial spraying as one of the possible herbicide methods for the Tallow Mitigation Project. Since this method has high efficacy, could we utilize this methodology? **Due to the location of this property within our City limits, we do not recommend aerial spraying as a treatment method.**
2. Could mulching/chipping of McCartney Rose/Yaupon along the park boundary/trail be proposed to increase site access as well as provide a line-of-site to the wetland for park attendees? This is currently an out-of-scope item, but could this be included as an additional task within our proposal? **Yes.**
3. During the pre-bid meeting, a question was asked regarding whether the City of Deer Park wanted all tallow removed from the wetland and the city stated that they would like them removed. In Section 3.1 of the Scope of Work/Bid Proposal it states that "treated trees will be left standing and allowed to decay as they stand." Could you please provide clarity on whether or not, Chinese tallow greater than 3 inch dbh should be left standing or whether they should be removed from the wetland? **Removing all the tallow from the wetland could be included as an additional task.**
 - a. Should the City of Deer Park want the tallow removed, is there a suitable location on the adjacent park for chipping tallow or will the proposer be responsible for the disposal of Chinese tallow? **There is not a suitable location for chipping tallow. Contractor will be responsible for disposal.**
4. Section 3.2 of the Scope of Work/Bid Proposal states "felled material should be manually removed by the contractor" for less than 2" dbh tallow. Similar to the above question, are there suitable stocking locations for this age class of Chinese tallow on the adjacent park, or will the proposer be responsible for the disposal of the tallow? **There is not a suitable stocking location on the adjacent park therefore the contractor will be responsible for disposal of tallow.**
5. Can the City provide guidance for the proper post treatment methodology (remove from site or leave standing) Chinese tallow with a dbh between 2-3"? **Remove from site.**
6. Who is responsible for the identification of native species the City wishes to retain on-site? **Contractor will flag, City will verify.**
7. Is there a payment structure that the City of Deer Park would like to follow? If so, can we propose alternative payment structures? **The City of Deer Park pays invoices within 30 days upon receipt. The City of Deer Park will pay for work that is completed and approved via invoice. Potential bidders are welcome to propose alternative payment structures for consideration. Performance and/or payment bonds are necessary when applicable.**

Thanks,

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Sent: Friday, March 22, 2019 11:59 AM
To: Charlie Sandberg; Cristine Borowski
Cc: Tiffany McGallian; Adam Ballesteros; Brent Costlow; Gary Jackson
Subject: RE: Tallow Tree Mitigation Project

Charlie,

Our quote does not include the removal of all tallow stems under 3" dbh.

It is our understanding that the scope includes foliar treatment of seedling tallow (which is typically considered up to 4.4' height) and cut stump treatment with removal of cut material for other stems up to 2" dbh as stated on P-2 of the scope.

If the intention of the City is to remove all stems up to 3" dbh, we cannot do that for our submitted price.

Please let me know if you need additional clarification.

Regards,

Jeff Clark, M.S., PMP

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Subject: Tallow Tree Mitigation Project

Cristine/Jeff;

Good Afternoon;

Please respond to the following questions to assist the Department in making our decision in selection the contractor for the Tallow Tree Mitigation Project;

1. Can you provide an adequate Operational Plan for the Mitigation Project? If so, please submit a copy.
2. Does the cost provided include flagging native species?

3. Does the cost include removal of all Chinese Stems under 3" DBH?
4. Please provide three references similar projects within the past 5 years.
5. Please provide the MSDS sheet for the Herbicide intended to be used in the Tallow Mitigation.

Please provide a response by 5PM Friday, March 22, 2019.

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