

Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group

Request For Qualifications

Project Engineering Design, Permitting, and Management Services

BACKGROUND AND PROGRAM AREA

Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group (LCFEG) solicits interest from consultants who wish to be evaluated for inclusion on a pre-qualified list for engineering design, permitting, and project management services for salmon restoration and enhancement projects in SWWA.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

LCFEG works cooperatively with Federal, State and local governments, local landowners, tribes, and community groups to identify and implement salmon restoration and enhancement projects under the Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group (RFEG) Act of 1990 (RCW 77.95); the Salmon Recovery Act of 1998 (ESHB 2496) and the Salmon Recovery Funding Act of 1999 (RCW 77.85). LCFEG seeks the qualifications of consultants to assist on an as-needed basis to design, permit, and if needed provide construction management services for specified salmon restoration and enhancement projects.

CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

At a minimum, consultants responding to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) must be registered and licensed to conduct work in the State of Washington. Consultants must also have staff or sub-consultants with diverse professional expertise in a wide range of disciplines relevant to salmon restoration and enhancement projects. Engineering and environmental design of all types of salmon habitat, including but not limited to:

- Installation of in-stream structures such as logjams, boulder clusters and weirs
- Creation and/ or enhancement of off & side channel habitat including spawning channels
- Fish passage issues at road crossings and other man made barriers

Other relevant skill sets include:

- * Groundwater monitoring
- * Wetland delineation and assessment
- * Salmon and aquatic biology/ ecology
- * Riparian, wetland and aquatic vegetation
- * Fluvial Geomorphology
- * Geo technical analysis
- * Federal, state, and local permitting requirements
- * Project management/ construction oversight

Selected consultants may work on specific projects or assist LCFEG staff as-needed for a specified amount of time. The selected consultant(s) will be authorized to provide their services to LCFEG on an as-needed basis.

LCFEG is an Equal Opportunity employer. Minority and women owned businesses are encouraged to respond to this RFQ. The prospective consultant must also agree to provide equal opportunity in the administration of the contract, and its subcontracts or other agreements.

SCORING CRITERIA

Submittals will be evaluated based on the following focus areas:

1. Key personnel qualifications and demonstrated work experience in cited areas of expertise;
2. Consultants ability to respond to LCFEG schedules, ability to work with non-profit organizations and flexibility in terms of providing desired products at the least cost possible;
3. Key personnel's overall experience with salmon restoration project delivery

LCFEG is interested in working with design teams who demonstrate a history of delivering successful, on the ground restoration projects that persist over time.

SUBMITTALS

Consultants are invited to respond to this RFQ at their own cost. The submittal is limited to a total number of five (5) pages, which may be double sided, on 8.5" x 11" paper. If charts and/or graphs are utilized, text must be a readable size font with type size no smaller than 12 point.

The submittal must include:

- A letter of interest
- The consultant's notice of state business registration
- Indications of areas of expertise desired to be considered
- Responses to scoring Criteria 1 through 3
- Not more than three (3) references (non-profit references encouraged)

Materials submitted in response to this competitive procurement shall become the property of LCFEG and will not be returned. All questions regarding this request for qualifications shall be made via e-mail to info@lcfeg.org Responses to submitted questions shall be sent to all consultants submitting this package. All submittals received will remain confidential. Electronic submittals shall not be accepted. **Three (3) hard copies of the submittal packet must arrive at the following address :**

Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group
RE: RFP/RFQ
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Vancouver, WA 98683
E-mail: info@lcfeg.org

If dropping off, please call ahead.