ADVERTISEMENT

PROJECT NAME: LRDP Open Space Management Plan Project

RFQ NUMBER: FM170380

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Qualifications are hereby solicited from environmental consultants interested in providing biological survey services and assistance in habitat restoration planning for the preparation of a campus-wide Open Space Management Plan (OSMP).

The University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB or University) is requesting qualifications and proposals to assist UCSB in the preparation of a Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) Open Space Management Plan. The University of California, Santa Barbara is preparing a comprehensive Open Space Management Plan (OSMP) in accordance with the 2010 LRDP.

The UCSB 2010 Long Range Development Plan Policy OS-09 requires UCSB to prepare a LRDP Open Space Management Plan to address permanent preservation, restoration, and ecological connectivity of all Open Space lands on campus.

LRDP Policy OS-09 includes a requirement to include the restoration plans for North Campus Open Space Restoration (NCOS) area (former Ocean Meadows site) into the OSMP. The NCOS Restoration area is fully planned, permitted, and under construction. The University has all the required information in regards to this site. The information would be provided to the consultant solely for the purpose of adding it to the plan. No biological surveys, plan preparation, or reporting would be required for the NCOS area.

The OSMP would become an appendix in the University's LRDP and will include a vision and written plan for restoring and connecting all 340 acres of open space lands at the University. The OSMP will require certification by the Coastal Commission as an LRDP Amendment and once certified, the University is required to report annually to the Coastal Commission on its implementation status.

Restoration Goals and Opportunities

The OSMP will identify restoration goals and opportunities for restoration and enhancement of the open space habitats. The consultant would assist University staff in developing restoration goals and opportunities for restoration and enhancement of the open space habitats.

Open Space Management Plan

The OSMP will include a baseline assessment to inform restoration goals and opportunities for open space lands. The OSMP will include long-term tree management strategies to protect raptor habitat and/or monarch butterfly aggregations. Tree management strategies

include but are not limited to phased restoration ensuring there is no interim loss of available habitat serving the same habitat function, when the existing tree masses reach senescence or for any reason, including habitat management objectives, must be removed. The OSMP will include native tree replacement species and could be planted to gradually replace non-native habitats.

The OSMP will detail future Monitoring and Adaptive Management Provisions for the restoration projects and to use for reporting with the California Coastal Commission.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Consultant(s) with qualifications that include experience in providing similar services are encouraged to respond. A copy of the Request for Qualifications and associated documents will be available on the University's website at:

http://web.facilities.ucsb.edu/contracts/proposals/ (click the appropriate project button>>download the project documents) or call Greg Moore at (805) 893-3298 for assistance.

Three (3) hardcopy sets and one (1) digital copy (.pdf) of each consultant team's Proposal must be delivered to *UCSB by* 2:00 p.m. on *August 14, 2017* to the following address:

Attn: Greg Moore, Assoc. Director
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Affirmative Action Statement

Each candidate firm will be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy. Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons, regardless of race, religion, sex, color, ethnicity and national origin have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University.