

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND  
PURCHASING DIVISION  
400 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ROOM 148  
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-4665**



**REQUEST FOR QUOTATION NO. Q-962  
MOWING AND GROUND COVER MAINTENANCE AT  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES**

**Due Date: 03/17/21, Time: 3:15 P.M.**

**Pre-Bid Conference: 02/17/21, Time: 1:00 P.M.**

**[bid@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:bid@baltimorecountymd.gov)**

**DAYLE DEEMER, STAFF BUYER  
PHONE: 410-887-2495**

**Amendments to solicitations often occur prior to bid opening and sometimes within as little as 48 hours prior to bid opening. It is the potential vendor's responsibility to frequently visit the Purchasing web site ([www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing)) to obtain amendments once they have downloaded a solicitation.**

**BIDDER CHECK LIST**

- Have you signed your bid?
- Have you signed the Procurement Affidavit?
- Have you filled out all applicable forms?
- Have you returned the original? (and required duplicate copies when required?)
- Have you signed and returned amendments?
- Have you included the bid bond, if required?
- Have you completed, signed and included all required MBE/WBE forms and documents? (if applicable)

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# **BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**

## **General Instructions for Solicitations**

### **1. Instructions, Forms and Specifications**

1.1 All bids/proposals are to be submitted on and in accordance with the forms provided by the Purchasing Division. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope/carton or electronically as specified in the General Conditions. All bids must be clearly identified with the SOLICITATION NUMBER and the DUE DATE and TIME for mailed and/or hand-delivered submittals and SOLICITATION NUMBER for electronic submittals. Bid times are either Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Time, whichever prevails. Late bids will not be considered.

1.2 Responses to Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals shall be accompanied by an executed Procurement Affidavit, as provided by the Purchasing Division. This does not apply to Requests for Quotations.

1.3 Amendments to solicitations often occur prior to bid opening and sometimes within hours prior to bid opening. All bidders are responsible for frequently visiting the Purchasing web site to obtain amendments once they have downloaded a solicitation.

1.4 Additional information or clarification of any of the instructions or information contained herein may be obtained from the Purchasing Division. The County assumes no responsibility for oral instructions or suggestions. All official correspondence in regard to this solicitation must be directed to, and will be issued by, the Purchasing Division.

1.5 Bidders finding any discrepancy in or omission from the specifications, in doubt as to meaning, or asserting that the specifications are discriminatory, shall notify the Purchasing Division in writing at once, but in no case later than five (5) business days prior to the scheduled opening of bids. Exceptions stated do not obligate the County to change the specifications. The Purchasing Division will notify all bidders in writing, by amendment duly issued, of any substantive revisions to specifications or instructions.

1.6 Unless a written exception detailing non-conformance to specifications is noted on the bid, any part number, product number, catalog number, etc., noted on the bid will be considered in full compliance with the specifications.

1.7 Submission of a bid in response to this solicitation evidences the bidder's acceptance of these General Instructions and the terms and conditions of the

solicitation. Submission of a bid evidences bidder's representation and warranty that the person submitting the bid response is authorized to act for and bind the contractor.

1.8 All original and duplicate bids/proposals and other attachments, related documents and correspondence, including all follow-up documents and correspondence, shall be typed or written in English. All prices/percentages and/or other monetary figures shall be in United States dollars.

1.9 Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals should be accompanied by an electronic version (Compact Disc) of the bid proposal in PDF format. It shall be the bidder's responsibility to verify that the electronic version is complete. The electronic version of the non-successful proposal response will be the only version retained by Baltimore County. The Compact Disc must be labeled with the bid number, the bid title, and the bidder's name submitting the response. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. This does not apply to Requests for Quotation.

1.10 Issuing Officer: The sole point of contact for the County for purposes of this solicitation is the Buyer, listed on the cover page; questions regarding any aspect of the competitive process must be directed to the Buyer, in writing.

### **2. Award of Solicitations**

2.1 Any award pursuant to Requests for Quotation and Requests for Bid is made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder following the public opening of bids under Section 10-2-406 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended.

2.2 Awards on Requests for Quotations and Requests for Bid will be made within sixty (60) days after bid opening unless otherwise indicated in this solicitation. No bidder will be allowed to withdraw a bid during that period.

2.3 The successful bidder may be required to give security or bond, as stated in the bid document, for performance of the contract.

2.4 When there is a conflict between the unit price or percentage and the extension, the unit price or percentage will prevail as the amount of the bid.

2.5 Cash discounts will be considered in determining awards. However, cash discount offers must allow not less than 30 days to be considered in bid evaluation. A

bid offering a cash discount in a period of less than 30 days will be evaluated as a bid without a discount offer; however, should that bidder obtain award by consideration of the gross price, the County shall make every effort to obtain the discount. The County will not accept any payment terms with a period of less than 30 days.

2.6 Invoices against resulting order(s) must be submitted, in duplicate, to the Office of Budget and Finance, Disbursements Section, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204-4665. Invoices must show the vendor's Federal Tax Identification Number or Social Security Number, as appropriate, and order number and line number(s) that correspond with resulting order(s).

2.7 The County will not pay interest charges or other penalties for invoice payments.

2.8 Prices quoted shall be exclusive of all non-applicable Federal and Maryland State taxes. Tax exemption certificate will be furnished if required.

2.9 The County reserves the right to consider making payments via electronic funds transfers (EFT) on contracts for which this payment vehicle may be appropriate.

### **3. Reservations**

3.1 The County reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, any and all bids received, and to make a whole award, multiple awards, a partial award, or no award, to best serve the public interest.

3.2 The County may waive formalities in bids as the interests of the County may require.

3.3 The County reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities by approximately twenty (20) percent to be purchased at the prices bid.

3.4 The County reserves the right to award solicitations or place orders on a lump sum or individual item basis, or in such combination as to best serve the public interest.

3.5 The County may waive minor differences, irregularities, and technicalities in the specifications, provided they neither violate the specifications intent, materially affect the operation for which the items or services are being purchased, nor increase estimated maintenance and repair costs to the County.

3.6 At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, the Contractor shall make available to and permit inspection and photocopying, by the County, its employees or agents, of

all records, information and documentation of the Contractor related to the subject matter of this contract, including, but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits.

3.7 Notwithstanding any other terms or provisions of the contract, in the event the County is temporarily or permanently prevented, restricted or delayed in the performance of any or all of the duties and obligations imposed upon or assumed by it thereunder, by act of the General Assembly of Maryland or the Baltimore County Council, by a court of competent jurisdiction or by administrative delay not due to the fault of the County (and its members and agents) shall not be liable directly or indirectly for any claims caused to or suffered by the Contractor or any other person in connection with or as a result of such prevention, restriction or delay.

3.8 The County further reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of bidders to furnish the required services, and bidders shall furnish all such information for this purpose as the County may request. The County also reserves the right to reject the proposal of any bidder who is not currently in a position to perform the contract, or who has previously failed to perform similar contracts properly, or in a manner acceptable to the County, all of which shall be in the County's sole discretion.

### **4. Delivery**

4.1 Bidders shall guarantee delivery of materials in accordance with the delivery schedule stated in specifications. All items shall be delivered F.O.B. Destination/Inside Delivery, unless otherwise indicated, with delivery costs and charges included in the bid price.

4.2 The County reserves the right to charge the Contractor or vendor for each day the materials, supplies, or services are not delivered in accordance with the delivery schedule. The sum established by the specifications may be invoked at the discretion of the Purchasing Agent, said sum to be considered not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages, and deducted from final payment, or otherwise, charged to the Contractor or vendor. This remedy is not exclusive but shall be in addition to all other rights and remedies available to the County. These liquidated damages shall be in addition to any and all actual damages incurred directly or indirectly by the County, its agents, assigns, and contractors.

4.3 All bidders and vendors are to ensure that packaging materials used for this requirement are not made of non-recyclable Styrofoam (Polystyrene). Additionally, any materials used in packing to cushion,

protect and ship are to be made of recycled, recyclable or biodegradable materials.

## 5. Competition

5.1 The name of any manufacturer, trade name, or vendor catalog number mentioned in the specifications is for the purpose of designating a standard of quality and type, and for no other purpose unless otherwise stated in the solicitation.

5.2 A bidder may offer a price on only one unit per line item. Even though two or more units may meet the specification, bidders must determine for themselves which to offer. Submission by a bidder of prices for more than one unit shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the bid for that specific item.

5.3 Bids which show omission, irregularity, alteration of forms or additions not called for, as well as conditional or unconditional unresponsive bids, or bids obviously unbalanced, may be rejected.

5.4 All bids must be accompanied by such descriptive literature as may be called for by the specifications or proposal.

5.5 If products to be provided to the County contain any substances that could be hazardous or injurious to a person's health, a material safety data sheet (MSDS) must be provided to the Purchasing Division. This applies also to any product used by a Contractor when providing a service to the County.

5.6 Specifications are based on County needs and uses, estimated costs of operations and maintenance, and other significant and/or limiting factors to meet County requirements, and to ensure consistency with County policies. Minimum specifications, and maximum specifications where included, are not established arbitrarily to limit competition or to exclude otherwise competitive bidders.

5.7 Unless multiple or alternate bids are requested in the solicitation, these bids may not be accepted. However, if a bidder clearly indicates a base bid, it shall be considered for award as though it were the only bid submitted by the bidder.

## 6. Terminations

6.1 Termination for Convenience: The County may terminate a contract, in whole or in part, without cause, by providing written notice thereof to the Contractor. In the event of termination, without cause, the County shall advise the Contractor in writing of the termination date and of work to be performed during the final days prior to

contract termination. The Contractor shall be paid for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice of termination. The Contractor will not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits, which have not been earned up to the date of termination. Payments to be provided on a lump sum basis shall be prorated by the County based on the services rendered or goods delivered up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice.

### 6.2 Termination for Default:

6.2.1 In addition to other available rights and remedies, the County shall have the right upon the happening of any default, without providing notice to the Contractor: 1) To terminate a contract immediately, in whole or in part; 2) To suspend the contractor's authority to receive any undisbursed funds; and/or 3) To proceed at any time or from time to time to protect and enforce all rights and remedies available to the County, by suit or any other appropriate proceedings, whether for specific performance or any covenant, term or condition set forth in the contract, or for damages or other relief, or proceed to take any action authorized or permitted under applicable law or regulations.

6.2.2 Upon termination of a contract for default, the County may elect to pay the Contractor for services provided or goods delivered up to the date of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the default, all as determined by the County in its sole discretion. If the damages exceed the undisbursed sums available for compensation, the County shall not be obligated to make any further disbursements hereunder.

6.3 Funding Out: If funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support contract continuation in any fiscal year, the County shall have the right to terminate the contract without prior notice to the Contractor and without any obligation or penalty.

## 7. Hold Harmless – Indemnification

7.1 The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney's fees and court costs which may be incurred or made against the County, its employees, agents or officials resulting from any act or omission committed in the performance of the duties imposed by and performed under the terms of the contract. The Contractor shall not be responsible for acts of gross negligence or willful misconduct committed by the County.

7.2 The Contractor shall also defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and

officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney's fees and court costs which may be made against the County, its employees, agents or officials by any third party arising from the alleged violation of any third party's trade secrets, proprietary information, trademark, copyright, patent rights, or intellectual property rights in connection with the contract.

7.3 Unless notified in writing by the County to the contrary, the Contractor shall provide defense for the County, its employees, agents and officials in accordance with this Article and in doing so the Contractor shall allow the County to participate in said defense of the County, its employees, agents and officials, to the extent and as may be required by the County and the Contractor shall cooperate with the County in all aspects in connection therewith. All filings, actions, settlements, and pleadings shall be provided to the County for comment and review prior to filing or entering thereof. No filing, action, settlement or pleading shall be filed or entered without the prior consent and approval of the County.

**8. Minority/Women's Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) and Small Business Notice:** Baltimore County is seeking Minority, Woman and Small Businesses to bid on current solicitations as a prime or subcontractor. In accordance with the **Executive Order 2017-003 dated July 27, 2017**, "an overall goal of 15% of the cumulative total of all discretionary dollars spent in a fiscal year of County procurements is to be awarded to and/or performed by MBE and WBE firms." Refer to the section entitled Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise Requirements (MBE/WBE) for the current required goal. MBE/WBE's and Small Businesses are encouraged to respond to this solicitation.

## 9. Authority

9.1 In case of disputes as to whether an item or service quoted or delivered meets specifications, the decision of the Purchasing Agent or authorized representative shall be final and binding on both parties. The Purchasing Agent may request the recommendation in writing of the head of the using agency, the Standards and Specifications Committee, or other objective sources.

9.2 Bidders desiring to appeal a decision of the Purchasing Division must deliver written protests to the Purchasing Division within 10 days of notification of award. The Purchasing Agent or designee will review the protested decision, examine any additional information provided by the bidder and respond in writing within 10 working days of receipt of written protests.

9.3 Instructions, Specifications, and Proposals are issued, and all bids, quotations, orders, and purchases are made pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Baltimore County Charter, and Article 10, Title 2 of the

Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended, and regulations and policies established or prescribed by the Purchasing Division.

**10. HIPAA:** The Contractor shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and shall execute a Business Associate Agreement as may be required by the County.

**11. Reports:** When required, reports prepared for Baltimore County should be printed on recycled and recyclable paper printed on both sides per Section 10-2-312 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended.

## 12. Terms of Contract

12.1 Any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation shall be by and between the successful bidder and the County, and shall contain and incorporate, but may not be limited to, all terms and conditions of the solicitation, any amendments or changes thereto. Submission of a bid in response to this solicitation evidences the Contractor's acceptance of the terms and conditions therein.

12.2 The provisions of the contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation shall be governed by the laws and regulations of Maryland and Baltimore County.

12.3 Any litigation arising out of or relating in any way to the contract or the performance thereunder shall be brought only in the courts of Maryland, and the Contractor hereby irrevocably consents to such jurisdiction. To the extent that the County is a party to any litigation arising out of or relating in any way to the contract or the performance thereunder, such an action shall be brought only in a court of competent jurisdiction in the courts of the State of Maryland.

**13. Severability:** If any provisions in the contract are declared by a court or other lawful authority to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason the remaining provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

**14. Counterparts:** The contract may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

**15. Survival:** The provisions of paragraphs 1.7 (Representations and Warranties), 4.2 (Damages), 7 (Indemnification), and 10 (HIPAA) shall survive delivery of commodities and/or performance of services.

**16. No Waiver, Etc.:** No failure or delay by the County to insist upon the strict performance of any term, condition or covenant of the contract, or to exercise any right, power, or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such term, condition, or covenant or of any such breach, or preclude the County from exercising any such right, power, or remedy at any later time or times.

**17. Maryland Registration / Qualification Requirements:**

17.1 Baltimore County verifies the company's status with SDAT and may require the successful bidder to submit a Good Standing Certificate (also known as a "Certificate of Status") issued by the Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation's ("SDAT") Charter Division, and the State of Organization.

17.2 For information on registering to do business in the State of Maryland or to download SDAT related forms visit the Maryland Department of State Department of Assessments & Taxation at <http://www.dat.state.maryland.gov/businesses/Pages/default.aspx>. If you need additional assistance call (410) 767-1184.

17.3 Baltimore County requires the successful bidder to be in "good standing" (also known as Certificate of Status) with the State in which it is organized, and in the State of Maryland, under certain circumstances. Baltimore County verifies the successful bidder's status with SDAT. Non-compliance to this section may result in a delay in contract award or rejection of a bid.

**18. Eligibility of Candidates for Employment:**

18.1 The E-Verify program is an internet-based employment verification system that allows employers to verify employee status against Federal Social Security and immigration databases.

18.2 Baltimore County encourages employers to utilize the E-verify program, or an equivalent system, as a means to help employers determine the eligibility of new hires.

**19. Warranty:**

19.1. Contractor warrants for one year from acceptance, or for such longer period otherwise expressly stated in the attached solicitation, all goods, services, and construction provided. This includes a warranty against any and all defects. The contractor must correct any and all defects in material and/or workmanship that may appear during the warranty period, even if discovered after the end of the warranty period, by repairing any such defect, (or replacing with

new items or new materials, if necessary), at no cost to the County and to the County's satisfaction.

19.2. Should a manufacturer's or service provider's warranty exceed the requirements stated above, that warranty will be the primary one used in the case of defect. Copies of manufacturer's or service provider's warranties must be provided upon request.

19.3. All warranties must be in effect from the date of acceptance by the County of the goods, services, or construction.

19.4. The contractor warrants that all work shall be accomplished in a workmanlike manner, and the contractor must observe and comply with all Federal, State, County and local laws, ordinances and regulations in providing the goods, and performing the services or construction.

**20. American Manufactured Goods Required for Public Works:**

20.1 The Contractor shall comply with Section 14-416 of the Maryland State Finance and Procurement Article which requires a contractor or subcontractor to use or supply American Manufactured goods in the performance of a contract for (a) constructing or maintaining a public work; or (b) buying or manufacturing machinery or equipment that is to be installed at a public work site, as the same may be amended from time to time.

20.2 This section does not apply: (a) if Baltimore County determines that: (i) the price of the American manufactured goods exceeds the price of a similar manufactured good that is not manufactured in the United States by an unreasonable amount; (ii) the item or a similar item is not manufactured or available for purchase in the United States in reasonably available quantities; (iii) the quality of the item or a similar item manufactured in the United States is substantially less than the quality of a comparably priced, similar, and available item that is not manufactured in the United States; or (iv) the procurement of a manufactured good would be inconsistent with the public interest; or (b) to emergency life safety and property safety goods.

20.3 The Contractor shall certify to Baltimore County whether the offered goods and/or services are provided in the United States.



## **First Source Hiring Agreement Overview**

### **What is First Source Hiring?**

Baltimore County's First Source Hiring Agreement requires that developers, contractors, and employers utilize good faith efforts toward employing economically disadvantaged Baltimore County residents in newly created positions on applicable projects. These efforts are supported by Baltimore County's workforce development system, a partnered network of business and economic development professionals, education and training providers, and human service agencies working together systematically to provide a ready supply of qualified workers to employers with hiring needs. The intent of First Source is to connect these individuals with new jobs that are generated by the County's investment in contracts or public works; or by business activity that requires approval by the County's Department of Economic and Workforce Development.

The goals of the First Source Hiring Agreement are to:

- Increase awareness of the resources, services and potential benefits available to help Baltimore County employers meet their workforce needs; and,
- Give economically disadvantaged individuals the first opportunity to apply for new jobs in Baltimore County.

### **Which businesses can participate in First Source Hiring?**

1. Businesses who have leases with the County or on County property; or,
2. Businesses with County contracts for goods, services, and grants in excess of \$100,000 which are projected to create new jobs/positions to fulfill contract terms

### **How can first source help your business?**

Baltimore County Department of Economic & Workforce Development's (DEWD's) Business Services Team can help coordinate recruitment services with our workforce partners in collaboration with our three Baltimore County Career Center locations to assist with finding pre-screened, qualified candidates.

Available services may include but are not limited to:

- Posting and promotion of employment opportunities through our network of service providers
- Access to diverse talent pools from within Baltimore County's workforce system
- Access to Baltimore County Career Centers for coordinated recruitment/interviewing activities
- Referral of pre-screened, qualified candidates for employer consideration
- Assistance with using the Maryland Workforce Exchange - a statewide job database and candidate matching platform
- Information on earning tax credits and other employer benefits for new hires (if applicable)
- Workforce and Business Services staff to assist you throughout your recruitment efforts



## I'd like to participate in First Source Hiring...Where do I start?

**Step #1:** Register your business with the [Maryland Workforce Exchange](#). This is an online database to track First Source Hiring job opportunities. As an employer, the Maryland Workforce Exchange can help you promote job openings, search for qualified candidates and share placement information.

**Step #2:** Businesses or non-profits who receive a non-construction or professional services contract from Baltimore County over \$100,000 are required to project the number of job openings they expect during the contract period. After registering your business with [Maryland Workforce Exchange](#), complete the **First Source Hiring Description Form** and email it to the Baltimore County Department of Economic and Workforce Development (DEWD) at [firstsourcehire@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:firstsourcehire@baltimorecountymd.gov) . If you have any questions about registering with MWE or completing the form, contact our office at 410-887-8000.

**Step #3:** Once you are registered in MWE and Baltimore County receives your **First Source Hiring Description Form** via email, you will be contacted by a member of the Business Development Team to assist with recruitment for your open positions.

### Helpful Tips:

Businesses that qualify are asked to post their openings with Baltimore County's First Source Hiring network of service providers, and offer the County the first opportunity to refer qualified candidates to those positions. While the agreement does not require an employer to hire a specific candidate, it does ask that employers make a good faith effort to hire referrals from the County's workforce development system. We ask that employers would report basic information for any new hires by entering the placement data in the Maryland Workforce Exchange, or by completing an Employment Verification and Employer Survey Form (see FORM 2 attached) or via email at the completion of your recruitment activities.

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Company Name

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Contact Name

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Company Address

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City, MD

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E-mail Address

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Telephone

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Acknowledgment Signature

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Date

**Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and Certification**  
**(Substitute for IRS Form W-9)**  
**COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF FORM**

**Baltimore County, Maryland**  
 Office of Budget and Finance  
 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148  
 Towson, Maryland 21204

Certification of TIN and business name are required for all successful bidders prior to issuing a contract or purchase order. Completion of **SIDE 1** of this form is necessary to meet IRS regulations. All MBE/WBE vendors should also complete **SIDE 2**. For questions, call 410-887-3587.

**SIDE 1**

<p>List your <b>legal business name</b> below, <b>as shown on your income tax return</b>. <b>Sole proprietors</b> should list their individual name as noted on your social security card. You may enter a business name on line 2. Other entities must list your business name as shown on Federal tax documents. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the business name line (2). For <b>limited liability companies</b> (LLC) that are owned by an individual, the owner's name must be listed in the Name line (1) and the business name can be listed on the business name line (2). For <b>limited liability companies</b> that are corporations, partnerships, etc., enter the business name on Name line (1).</p>													
1. Name (as shown on your income tax return)													
2. Business name, if different from above													
Address													
City	State	ZIP Code											
Remittance Address, if different from above													
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Contact Person	Title												
Phone Number ( ) - Ext:	Fax Number ( ) -												
E-mail address													
<b>Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)</b>													
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). Note, this is the TIN shown on your federal tax documents.	<table border="1"> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td><td>--</td><td></td><td></td><td>--</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> </table>				--			--					Social security
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<b>CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE EXEMPT FROM BACK-UP WITHHOLDING</b>													
<b>CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE TAX-EXEMPT, EXPLAIN:</b>													
<b>Filing Status (Ownership) (LLC is not acceptable)</b>													
Individual		Sole Proprietor											
Corporation		Partnership											
Other: (explain)													
<b>CERTIFICATION:</b>													
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:													
1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and													
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and													
3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).													
<b>Signature of U.S. Person</b>		<b>Date</b>											

**SIDE 2**

<b>MBE / WBE Certification</b>	
<p><b>Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)</b></p> <p>Certification #: _____</p> <p>Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____</p> <p>Pending: _____</p>	<p align="center"><b>City of Baltimore</b></p> <p>Certification #: _____</p> <p>Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____</p> <p>Pending: _____</p>

<b>Business Ownership (Check Only One)</b>				
G	Government Entity		O	Other: _____
H	Disabled		P	Non Profit
MA	Minority-owned, Not small business		W	Woman-owned, Small business
M	Minority-owned, Small business		WA	Woman-owned, Not small business
NS	Non-minority-owned, small business		X	Woman-owned, Minority, Small business
NL	Non-minority-owned, Large business		XA	Woman-owned, Minority, Not small business

<b>Type of Business/Organization</b>	
Association	Attorney
Government Entity	Educational Institution
Medical Service Provider	Non-profit Organization
Other: (explain)	Financial Institution

<b>Ethnicity of Ownership (Check Only One)</b>				
A	Asian American		I	American Indian/Alaskan Native
B	African American		N	Non-minority
H	Hispanic American		O	Other Ethnic Group: _____

<b>Incorporation</b>
<p>Incorporation State: _____ OR Date Business Started _____ / _____ / _____</p>

<b>Signature</b>		
<p>I certify that the information shown on this registration is true and correct. I will advise the Purchasing Division immediately, in writing, of any change affecting this data.</p>		
Signature:	Title:	Date:



**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**INSURANCE PROVISIONS**

**1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**1.1 Coverages Required:**

Unless otherwise required by the specifications or the contract, the Contractor/Vendor shall purchase and maintain the insurance coverages listed herein.

Insurance Companies must be acceptable to Baltimore County and have an A.M. Best Rating of A-, Class X or better.

**1.2 Verification of Insurance:**

Before starting work on the contract or prior to the execution of the Contract on those bid, the Contractor/Vendor shall provide Baltimore County, Maryland with verification of insurance coverage evidencing the required coverages.

**1.3 Baltimore County as Additional Insured:**

The coverage required, excluding Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability and Medical Malpractice Liability/Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Liability, must include **Baltimore County, Maryland** as an additional insured.

**1.4 Contractor's/Vendor's Responsibility:**

The providing of any insurance herein does not relieve the Contractor/Vendor of any of the responsibilities or obligations the Contractor/Vendor has assumed in the contract or for which the Contractor/Vendor may be liable by law or otherwise.

**1.5 Failure to Provide Insurance:**

Failure to provide and continue in force the required insurance shall be deemed a material breach of the contract.

**2. INSURANCE COVERAGES**

**2.1 General Liability Insurance**

**2.1.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:**

Personal Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability Combined Single Limit - \$500,000 each occurrence

2.1.2 Such insurance shall protect the Contractor/Vendor from claims which may arise out of, or result from, the Contractor's/Vendor's operations under the contract, whether such operations be by the Contractor/Vendor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor/Vendor or Subcontractor, or anyone for whose acts any of the above may be liable.

**2.1.3 Minimum Coverages to be Included:**

- (a) Independent Contractor's coverage;
- (b) Completed Operations and Products Liability coverage; and
- (c) Contractual Liability coverage.

**2.1.4 Damages not to be Excluded:**

Such insurance shall contain no exclusions applying to operations by the Contractor/Vendor or any Subcontractor in the performance of the Contract including but not limited to: (a) Collapse of, or structural injury to, any building or structure; (b) Damage to underground property; or (c) Damage arising out of blasting or explosion.

**2.2 Automobile Liability Insurance**

**2.2.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:**

Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability  
Combined Single Limit - \$500,000  
any one accident

**2.2.2 Minimum Coverages to be Included:**

Such insurance shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles.

**2.3 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance**

Such insurance must contain statutory coverage, including:

Employers' Liability insurance with limits of at least:

- Bodily Injury by Accident - \$500,000 each accident
- Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 policy limit
- Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each employee

**2.4 Other**

Such other insurance in form and amount as may be customary for the type of business being undertaken by the Contractor/Vendor.

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SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES**

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**1. SCOPE.**

- 1.1 It is the intention of these specifications that the vendor hereunder shall furnish and Baltimore County shall purchase minor mowing and environmental site feature clearing services covered by this agreement that the County may require during the period of time specified. The quantities shown are approximate and are for the purpose of bid evaluation. The County reserves the right to order such services as may be required during the said period and it also reserves the right not to order any services bid upon by the vendor if it is found that such services are not required by the County during the period covered by this agreement.
- 1.2 The work to be done under this Contract includes, but is not limited to, providing of all labor, materials, supervision, equipment, services, fuel, oil, incidentals, herbicides and insecticides, mobilization, demobilization and related items necessary to complete the work in accordance with these specifications.
- 1.3 All work shall conform to all applicable Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and Federal rules and regulations including but not limited to safety.
- 1.4 The Contractor shall have an English-speaking foreman or supervisor on the work site at all times to communicate with Baltimore County Agency representatives.
- 1.5 As noted above, mobilization and demobilization to each of the job sites shall be incidental in the performance of this work. No additional charges shall be paid for getting to the job site to perform the work.

**2. TERM OF CONTRACT.**

- 2.1 The term of the contract shall be for one (1) year beginning on or about April 15, 2021. The County reserves the right to renew this contract for one (1) additional one-year renewal options under the same terms and conditions. The County will automatically renew the contract on each option year unless notice is given to the Contractor that the contract is not renewed.
- 2.2 If price adjustments are requested pursuant to the terms of the contract, the Contractor must notify the Baltimore County Purchasing Division at least ninety (90) days prior to the current terms expiration date.
- 2.3 The Contractor must maintain the insurance coverages required by the County while the contract is in force, including automatic renewal terms, and shall provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County when required.

**3. PRE-BID CONFERENCE.**

- 3.1 A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via WEBEX. Please contact the Buyer, Dayle Deemer, via email at: [ddeemer@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:ddeemer@baltimorecountymd.gov) for the WebEx information. The purpose of the conference is to clarify any parts of the solicitation and answer questions, which may be pertinent to the request.

4. **QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES; ADDENDA.** Any inquiries relative to this bid should be directed to Ms. Dayle T. Deemer, the Buyer, at 410-887-2495 or [ddeemer@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:ddeemer@baltimorecountymd.gov).
- 4.1 Questions will be entertained at the conference. If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFQ, amendments will be posted on the web site at [www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing).
- 4.2 Offerors must acknowledge, in writing, receipt of all addenda in the text of their proposals. All official correspondence in regard to the specifications should be directed to and will be issued by the Purchasing Division. Offerors are cautioned that the County assumes no responsibility for oral explanations or interpretations of solicitation documents.
- 4.3 **The deadline for written questions pertaining to this solicitation is five (5) working days prior to the due date of proposals.**
5. **SITE VISIT.**
- 5.1 Site visits are mandatory to bid on this contract. The act of submitting a bid is to be considered acknowledgement by the bidder that they have visited the sites, taken field measurements and are familiar with the conditions and requirements affecting the work. Failure to do so will not relieve the successful bidder of his obligation to furnish all materials and labor necessary to carry out the provisions of the contract and to complete the work for the consideration set forth in this bid.
- 5.2 Site visits shall be by appointment only and coordinated with the Engineer or his designee, to set up a visit, please contact Mr. Cory Daviau at 410-887-2174 or e mail at: [cdaviau@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:cdaviau@baltimorecountymd.gov)
6. **METHOD OF AWARD.**
- 6.1 Award of this contract may be in whole or in part. The County reserves the right to make awards on an individual item basis, combination item basis, or lump sum basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County. In accordance with Sec. 10-2-406 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended, past performance of bidders in furnishing goods and services to Baltimore County will be considered in determining the award.
7. **PRICES.**
- 7.1 Prices quoted must remain firm for the period covered by this contract, unless price escalation is herein specified. Prices quoted shall include mobilization, fuel, equipment and operator to perform the task of mowing the site.
- 7.2 Prices quoted will include any and all charges and costs of operation. The price quoted is for each cutting for all areas specified herein. The bid is based on approximately ten (10) cuttings per mowing season.
8. **ESCALATION.**
- 8.1 All unit prices offered herein shall be firm against any increase for one (1) year from the effective date of the contract. Prior to commencement of subsequent renewal terms, the County may entertain a request for escalation in accordance with the current Consumer Price Index at the time of the request or up to a maximum 5% increase on the current pricing, whichever is lower.
- 8.2 For purposes of this section, "Consumer Price Index" shall mean the Consumer Price Index-All Urban Consumers-United States Average-All Items (CPI-U), as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

- 8.3 The County reserves the right to accept or reject the request for a price increase within fourteen (14) days. If the price increase is approved, the price will remain firm for # days from the date of the increase.

## **9. INSURANCE.**

- 9.1 The Contractor will be required to provide verification of insurance coverage to include Endorsement Page(s) for each carrier in accordance with the attached requirements. The Contractor will have fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of notice of intent to award in which to comply with this requirement, excluding County holidays and non-work days, if applicable.
- 9.2 The Insurer must maintain the insurance coverage required by the County while the contract is in force, including renewal terms, and shall provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County when required.
- 9.3 In the event the Contractor changes its insurance carrier, new verification of insurance coverage and Endorsement Page(s) must be provided to the County by the new insurance carrier within ten (10) days of the change of policy.

## **10. INVOICING PROCEDURE.**

- 10.1 The Contractor will submit an invoice to the County upon completion of the Landfill cutting cycle. This invoice shall indicate the dates, the site(s) mowed, the total cost and the delivery order number. Authorization to pay invoices will be given by the using agency prior to payment of invoices.
- 10.2 Invoices must be submitted to the Office of Budget and Finance, Disbursements Section, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, MD 21204 or e mail to: [disbursement@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:disbursement@baltimorecountymd.gov). Charges for late payment of invoices is prohibited.
- 10.3 In order to expedite invoice payment, the Contractor must notify the Engineering or his designee each time he/she mows any site or sites within the cluster. Payment will be based on records kept by the shop.

## **11. VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS.**

- 11.1 At the option of the County, bidders/offerors may be required to furnish evidence of sufficient financial responsibility to fulfill this contract, and evidence that they have, or can obtain the necessary equipment, manpower, and storage facility to ensure delivery within the parameters of this contract.
- 11.2 Bidders are required to provide with their bid at least three (3) references (names and contact persons and phone numbers) of similar sized and scoped contracts during the past three (3) years.
- 11.3 Prior to award of this contract, the County reserves the right to inspect the facilities of any bidder/offeror. The reputation of bidder regarding adequacy of their resources and facilities, and past records of their skillful performance of work of the type and magnitude required herein shall be considered when making the award.
- 11.4 Contractor must maintain an office in the Baltimore Metropolitan area. The Baltimore Metropolitan area is defined as but not limited to: Baltimore City and County, Washington D.C., Southern Pennsylvania, Prince Georges County, Montgomery County, Carroll County, Harford County, Howard County and Anne Arundel County.
- 11.5 A list of the name and type of equipment to be used must be included as part of the bid package and approved by the Bureau of Solid Waste Management prior to award of this contract.

- 11.6 Contractor to submit Safety Data Sheets for all herbicides and insecticides proposed to complete work as outlined within this specification during the course of contract work. Such chemicals cannot be used without written consent from the County.
- 11.7 If the Contractor chooses to use any chemicals in the execution of any portion of the contract, the Contractor must hold a Commercial Pesticide Applicator's license with the State of Maryland, Department of Agriculture and all work must be performed by or under the general supervision of a Certified Commercial Applicator in accordance with Maryland State law. A copy of the Contractor's license shall be submitted to the County with their bid.

## **12. SUBCONTRACTING.**

- 12.1 The Contractor cannot subcontract all or any portion of the work assigned under this agreement. All work must be performed by the Contractors' work forces. The only exception to this requirement is for work not within the trade contracted by this agreement (i.e. rigging services) or to achieve M/WBE sub-contracting goals or requirements if required. Where subcontracting is used, the Contractors must bind the sub-contractors by the same terms, conditions, responsibilities and obligations assumed by said Contractor to the County.

## **13. WORKMANSHIP AND INSPECTIONS.**

- 13.1 With regard to this contract, the Engineer, or his designated representative shall determine acceptability of all work and/or services performed. If the work and/or services are not acceptable, the Contractor will be called in to review and correct all problem areas without additional cost to the County. Upon notification by the Chief, or his designated representative, the Contractor will effect repairs to deficient work and/or services in accordance with a schedule jointly agreed upon.
- 13.2 The County reserves the right to make unannounced periodic inspections of the work in progress.
- 13.3 Permits, licenses, and taxes shall be the responsibility of the Contractor at no additional cost to the County.
- 13.4 Contractor shall provide a complete, workmanlike, well executed job in accordance with these specifications and all applicable national and local codes. Any additional code requirements requested by Baltimore County shall be noted within. In cases of conflict between requirements; that requirement which is in compliance with all applicable codes and which is also, in the opinion of Baltimore County, more advantageous to Baltimore County, shall govern.

## **14. WORK PERFORMANCE.**

- 14.1 It is conditioned that the Contractor complies in all respects with the terms, conditions, and obligations of the contract and his/her obligations thereunder including the specifications. In cases where delays are clearly not the Contractor's responsibility (such as scheduling inspections and the like), the Contractor is responsible for notify the Engineer or his authorized representative for explanation of procedures.
- 14.2 The Contractor is responsible to protect all existing and newly installed work, materials, equipment, improvements, utilities, structures, and vegetation at all times during the course of this contract. Any property or incidentals damaged during the course of this contract shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the County at its sole discretion.

## **15. WORK PROCEDURES.**

- 15.1 Work will be performed on a schedule defined by the Engineer or his designee. It is anticipated that the mowing season will begin about May 1<sup>st</sup> and end by November 1<sup>st</sup> for a total of ten (10)



mows per season. The Engineer reserves the right to alter this schedule depending upon climatic or budgetary conditions, performance evaluation of Contractor or any other such factors as may influence the project.

- 15.2 Contractor shall notify the Engineer within 24 hours of the completion of the mowing work at each landfill so the inspections may be made. Contact information will be provided to the successful contractor at time of contract award.
- 15.3 The County reserves the right to add or remove mowing areas from each facility at its sole discretion. If additional sites are added within the Landfill area during the term of the contract, the Contractor for that Landfill will be asked to quote on the additional property/properties. The County reserves the right to accept or reject the quote. Baltimore County may add additional properties up to 20% of the value of the original bid without having to re-bid the solicitation or requiring re-approval by Baltimore County Council.

## 16. **ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL PROCESS.**

- 16.1 The cost of preparing Bids is the responsibility of Bidders.
- 16.2 **To be considered, Bids shall be received by the bid closing date and time to the following e-mail address: [bid@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:bid@baltimorecountymd.gov). The Bid Number should be referenced in the Subject Line of the e-mail. Bids may not be submitted by any other means. Bids that are mailed or otherwise delivered to the Purchasing Division (including emails which indicate links to locations where the bid may be downloaded) and/or emails sent to any other Baltimore County email address will not be accepted.**
  - 16.2.1 **DO NOT CARBON COPY** (cc) the buyer on the bid submission.
- 16.3 Late Bids will not be considered. Bidders are strongly encouraged not to wait until the last minute to submit bids. The time stated on the auto-receipt (described below) will be definitive of the time of receipt. Bids received after the deadline will not be accepted. Bidders are advised that the County cannot receive email attachments greater in size than twenty-five (25) megabytes and this size limitation may be further reduced by requirements of the Bidder's email provider which are beyond the control of the County. Bidder should consider separating any large bid attachment into multiple parts and emailing each part separately. In such case, Bidder will note that each email is *1 of 2, 2 of 2*, etc. Multiple part bids will not be considered unless all parts are received by the bid closing date and time.
- 16.4 After submitting a Bid to [bid@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:bid@baltimorecountymd.gov), and upon successful receipt by the County thereof, Bidder will receive an auto-receipt email. This receipt is proof that the bid has been received by the Purchasing Division and should be retained for Bidder's records. In the case of a bid submitted in multiple parts as described in 16.3, an auto-receipt email will be generated for each part. The County has no obligation to consider any Bid for which an auto-receipt was not generated.
- 16.5 As with any system, power outages or technology problems may arise that are outside of the County's control and could affect your submission. The County will not be held accountable for such issues that may delay the transmission of any Bid.
- 16.6 The County reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in conjunction with Bids.

## 17. **UTILIZATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.**

- 17.1 Baltimore County's First Source Hiring Agreement requires that developers, contractors, and employers utilize good faith efforts toward employing economically disadvantaged Baltimore

County residents in newly created positions on applicable projects. These efforts are supported by Baltimore County's workforce development system, a partnered network of business and economic development professionals, education and training providers, and human service agencies working together systematically to provide a ready supply of qualified workers to employers with hiring needs.

The Contractor may use Baltimore County's Department of Economic and Workforce Development as a "First Source" for training and recruitment of employees. To utilize "First Source" the Contractor/vendor may notify the Department of Economic and Workforce Development of employment opportunities to present qualified candidates to the Contractor/vendor for consideration. The Contractor/vendor may use reasonable efforts to consider qualified Baltimore County residents who are either unemployed or under-employed for all available positions. For additional information call 410-887-8000 or visit:

<http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/economicdev/business/workforce/recruiting-retention.html>

## **18. MWB/WBE and/or ECONOMIC BENEFIT FACTOR.**

18.1 The Economic Benefit Factor is included to determine if there are any new jobs being created or provides social responsibility to Baltimore County (as first preference) and/or Maryland its constituents. Examples of economic benefits to be derived from a contract shall include any of, but not limited to, the following. For each factor identified below, identify the specific benefit and contractual commitments and provide a breakdown of expenditures in that category:

18.1.1 The number and types of jobs for Baltimore County and/or Maryland residents resulting from the Contract. Indicate job classifications, number of employees in each classification and aggregate payroll to which the Offeror has committed, including contractual commitments at both prime and, if applicable, subcontract levels. If no new positions or subcontracts are anticipated as a result of this Contract, so state explicitly;

- Placement or employment in High Growth Areas of Employment
- Retention and Average Earnings – Fiscal Performance
- Serving Veterans
- Strengthen Local Workforce Economy

18.1.2 Subcontract dollars committed to Baltimore County and/or Maryland minority-owned and women-owned businesses,

18.1.3 Other benefits to the Baltimore County and/or Maryland economy which the Offeror promises will result from awarding the Contract to the Offeror, including contractual commitments. Describe the benefit, its value to the Baltimore County and/or Maryland economy, and how it will result from, or because of the Contract award. Offerors may commit to benefits that are not directly attributable to the Contract, but for which the Contract award may serve as a catalyst or impetus, and

18.1.4 Provide your firm's policies with regards to the commitment to social responsibility. Submit examples. Include any examples in the Baltimore County vicinity.

## **19. MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REQUIREMENTS (MBE/WBE).** The resulting minority and women business participation requirement for this contract is **0%**.

19.1 Each Contractor must comply with all Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) participation requirements. Included with this solicitation package are copies of the County's MBE/WBE policy and provisions and M/WBE participation schedule forms. All MBE/WBE participation forms must be completed, executed, and **returned with the bid, proposal or qualifications** if a goal has been assigned. MBE/WBE participation forms are

available online at [www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe) or you may contact the buyer on the solicitation.

- 19.2 It is the intention of the contract that the Contractor complies with the required participation levels on a cumulative basis for the full term of this agreement. The successful Contractor shall estimate the participation level (for the full term of the contract) for each subcontractor and/or suppliers listed on the participation schedule.
- 19.3 The Prime shall make a genuine good faith effort to comply with the Baltimore County MBE/WBE minimum participation goal even if the Prime Contractor has the capability to complete the work with its own workforce. However, the percentage requirement may vary. The Prime shall make a good faith effort to obtain MBE/WBE subcontractor participation. The selected MBE/WBE subcontractor(s) must perform a commercially useful function when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. Certified Minority-owned or Certified Women-owned Prime may count their participation for up to 50% of the solicitation goal. Certified firms must make a good faith effort to obtain MBE/WBE subcontractor participation of the remaining portion of the goal. Example: 20% MBE/WBE participation goal. Certified Minority-owned or Certified Women-owned firm bidding as the prime may count for 10% of the goal provided they are self-performing the work. The remaining 10% must be subcontracted to a MDOT and/or City of Baltimore certified firm.
- 19.4 All primes and MBE/WBE sub-contractors are required to report monthly to the County through an online MBE/WBE Compliance Portal (PRISM). The portal can be found under *Compliance Reporting for Prime and Sub-Contractors* at [www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe). The prime must provide a contact person and contact information for the MBE/WBE compliance reporting. If the prime cannot submit his/her report on time, he/she will notify the County MBE/WBE office and request additional time to submit the report. Failure to report in a timely manner may result in a finding of noncompliance. The County in its sole discretion may require additional reports regarding MBE/WBE. Questions regarding the use of this system can be directed to the MBE Office at [mwbe@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:mwbe@baltimorecountymd.gov) or call 410-887-3407.

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**SPECIFICATIONS**

**1. SCOPE.**

- 1.1 It is the intention of these specifications that the vendor hereunder shall furnish and Baltimore County shall purchase minor mowing and Environmental Site Feature Clearance (ESF) services at areas within Baltimore County owned and operated solid waste management facilities covered by this agreement that the County may require during the period of time specified. The quantities shown are approximate and are for the purpose of bid evaluation. The County reserves the right to order such services as may be required during the said period and it also reserves the right not to order any services bid upon by the vendor if it is found that such services are not required by the County during the period covered by this agreement.
- 1.2 The work to be done under this Contract includes, but is not limited to, providing of all labor, materials, supervision, equipment, services, herbicides, insecticides, fuel, oil, incidentals, mobilization, demobilization and related items necessary to complete the work in accordance with these specifications and scope. All work shall conform to all applicable Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and Federal rules and regulations, including but not limited to safety.
- 1.3 The Contractor shall have an English-speaking foreman or supervisor on the work site at all times to communicate with Baltimore County Agency representatives.
- 1.4 As noted above, mobilization and demobilization to each of the job sites shall be incidental in the performance of this work. No additional charges will be paid.

**2. SITES.**

- 2.1 Parkton Sanitary Landfill (PSL) Leachate Lagoon – located within the closed landfill  
800 Stablers Church Road  
Parkton, MD 21120
- 2.2 Hernwood Sanitary Landfill (HSL) Leachate Treatment Compound – located within the closed landfill  
10900 Furman Lane  
Granite, MD 21163
- 2.3 Western Acceptance Facility (WAF) – active transfer station  
3310 Transway Road  
Halethorpe, MD 21227
- 2.4 Central Acceptance Facility (CAF) – active transfer station and single stream acceptance facility.  
201 West Warren Road  
Halethorpe, MD 21227
- 2.5 Eastern Sanitary Landfill (ESL) Solid Waste Management Facility – active landfill and two (2) active transfer stations  
6259 Days Cove Road  
White Marsh, MD 21162

### **3. WORK TIMES & SITE ACCESS.**

- 3.1 PSL: Work to be done between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, unless on a County observed holiday or otherwise approved in writing by the County. This is a closed, inactive landfill, which normally has a gate closed at its entrance. The Contractor will need to place their own lock in series with the other locks at the main gate and furnish the County with a copy of the key.
- 3.2 HSL: Work to be done between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, unless on a County-observed holiday or otherwise approved in writing by the County. This is a closed, inactive landfill, which normally has a gate closed at its entrance. The Contractor will need to place their own lock in series with the other locks at the main entrance gate and furnish the County with a copy of the key.
- 3.3 WAF: Work to be done between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, unless on a County-observed holiday or otherwise approved in writing by the County. This is an active transfer station and resident drop-off location open to the public at the hours specified above. The Contractor shall schedule and coordinate his work with the Facility Manager and be cognizant of the site traffic and activities. Site access is via Transway Road.
- 3.4 CAF: Work to be done between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday unless on a County observed holiday or otherwise approved in writing by the County. This is an active transfer station and single stream acceptance facility with resident drop-off location open to the public at the hours specified above. The Contractor shall schedule and coordinate his work with the Facility Manager and be cognizant of the site traffic and activities. Site access via Warren Road or Beaver Dam Road.
- 3.5 ESL: Work to be done between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, unless on a County-observed holiday or otherwise approved in writing by the County. This is an active landfill and solid waste management facility, open to the public at the hours specified above. The Contractor shall schedule and coordinate his work with the Facility Manager and be cognizant of the site traffic and activities. Site access is via Days Cove Road.
- 3.6 The Contractor shall only conduct work as specified within these specifications on any listed site if the ground and weather conditions are suitable, unless otherwise approved in writing by the County.

### **4. MOWING.**

- 4.1 Mowing is to be bid as a "per mow" price, except for ESL which is to be bid per acre. The pricing for mowing to be done under this Contract includes, but is not limited to, providing of all labor, materials, supervision, equipment, services, fuel, oil, incidentals, mobilization, demobilization and related items necessary.
- 4.2 Work is to be performed on a schedule as determined by an authorized County representative, to be determined prior to the start of work.
- 4.3 It is anticipated that the mowing season will begin in early May and end in November for a total of approximately ten (10) mowing events for each site.
- 4.4 The County reserves the right to alter this general schedule depending on weather or budgetary conditions, performance evaluation of Contractor or any other such factors as may influence the necessity of mowing.

- 4.5 Upon notification by the County, the Contractor shall respond to the site within five (5) business days to begin mowing; assuming suitable ground and weather conditions, unless otherwise approved by the County.
- 4.6 The Contractor shall complete and notify the County representative by e-mail or telephone of the completion of all assigned work within two (2) days of the start of work.
- 4.7 The finished mow height shall be no higher than five (5) inches and no lower than three (3) inches at all locations.
- 4.8 Equipment and methods shall be employed to ensure that all vegetation is cut rather than pushed flat by the equipment tires.
- 4.9 The cutting edge for all mowing equipment shall be sharpened prior to commencement of work each day.
- 4.10 Areas, methods, and extent of work to be reviewed by the County representative and the Contractor prior to the start of work.
- 4.11 Contractor shall remove any trash observed within mowing area on site prior to commencing mowing. Collected trash may be discarded free-of-charge at any County facility. Trash collection is incidental to this work. Vendor shall supply trash bags.

## **5. MOWING QUANTITIES.**

- 5.1 PSL: Mowing to include approximately one (0.39) acre as designated in Figure S-1.
- 5.2 HSL: Mowing work to include approximately one (0.63) acre as designated in Figure S-2.
- 5.3 WAF: Approximately one (0.87) acre require mowing as designated in Figure S-3.
- 5.4 CAF: Mowing to include approximately 2.576 acres as designated in Figure S-4.
- 5.5 ESL: ESF clearing shall be performed on an "as-needed" basis at the request of the County by utilizing Bid items 6-8. Mowing includes approximately 23 acres in total, separated into ten (10) mowing areas as designated in Figure S-5. Mowing for ESL is to be bid per acre. The ten mowing areas are not guaranteed to be awarded as part of this solicitation, rather, the County may elect to award only certain mowing areas out of those depicted in Figure S-5.

## **6. ENVIRONMENTAL SITE FEATURE CLEARING (ESF) CLEARING.**

- 6.1 For the purpose of this specification, an Environmental Site Feature (ESF) clearing includes site features utilized for environmental monitoring and pollution control. Site specific ESFs are outlined in these Specifications, Section 7.
- 6.2 ESF Clearing includes but is not limited to removal of light vegetation and fallen branches by manual labor and mechanical means, application of herbicide to control growth and improve access safety, and application of insecticide to improve access safety.
- 6.3 The ESF clearing activity to be conducted shall be identified and preauthorized by the County representative. The Contractor will be required to walk the site with the Engineer prior to work commencing, until he is familiar with the specific ESFs that are requested.
- 6.4 The Contractor is to report any defects in the fence line or cleared ESF to the County immediately.

- 6.5 It is the intention of this specification for ESF Clearing work only to be completed using a time and materials billing method utilizing lines items 6 and 7. Line 8 is to include the material mark-up in the extended cost. None of the other price sheet line items are subject to mark-up.
- 6.6 Chemical treatment or “trimming out” around ESFs with glyphosate is not permitted.
- 6.7 The Contractor shall provide all chemical treatments as outlined herein. All pesticides i.e. herbicides, fungicides or insecticides **MUST** be applied according to the manufacturer’s instructions.
- 6.8 If the Contractor chooses to use any chemicals in the execution of any portion of the contract, the Contractor must hold a Commercial Pesticide Applicator’s license with the State of Maryland, Department of Agriculture and all work must be performed by, or under the general supervision of, a Certified Commercial Applicator in accordance with Maryland State law. A copy of the Contractor’s license **MUST** be submitted with your bid.
- 6.9 The Contractor is to exercise caution to avoid overspray onto unspecified vegetation and any potential infiltration of the ESF of any authorized product. The frequency of maintenance shall be as directed by the County.

**7. ENVIRONMENTAL SITE FEATURE CLEARING QUANTITIES.**

- 7.1 The ESF as listed for each of the perspective sites may require clearing.
- 7.2 PSL ESFs include but are not limited to: interior and perimeter fence; cell hypalon down chutes, landfill gas vents; thirty-nine (39) landfill gas probes; landfill gas concrete pipe risers; landfill gas PVC pipe risers; fourteen (14) landfill gas solar powered blowers; and twenty-two (22) groundwater wells. Figure S-1 denotes known ESFs.
- 7.3 HSL ESFs include but are not limited to: perimeter fence; a riprap-filled landfill gas trench; model airplane structures on Cell 2; five (5) solar powered blowers; a salt barn; a leachate treatment compound; eleven (11) biobarrier wells; twenty-five (25) groundwater monitoring wells; twenty-eight (28) gas vents, seventeen (17) landfill gas monitoring perimeter probes; and twenty-eight (28) landfill gas monitoring cluster probes. Figure S-2 denotes known ESFs.
- 7.4 WAF: Known ESF is a property fence. Figure S-3 denotes known ESFs.
- 7.5 CAF: ESFs include but are not limited to: interior and perimeter fence; twenty seven (27) landfill gas vents; and five (5) landfill gas probes.
- 7.6 ESL: Known ESFs include but are not limited to: perimeter fence; downslope pipe inlet/outlet areas, cleanout pipe stick outs; fifty-eight (58) landfill gas probes; three (3) piezometers; two (2) supply wells; forty (40) MPX and FMW wells; and sixteen (16) groundwater monitoring wells (GMW) and one-hundred forth three (143) landfill gas extraction wells. Figure S-6 denotes known ESFs.

**8. SAFETY.**

- 8.1 All sites are active or closed solid waste facilities, with potential landfill gas (LFG), differential settlement, and obstructions/obstacles within the work areas. Some steep slope areas will be encountered and may present a safety hazard. It is essential that the Contractor is aware of all of the site features and cognizant of active traffic and site activities.

- 8.2 The Contactor is responsible for the protection of site features at each site covered under this specification while onsite conducting work throughout the term of the contract.
- 8.3 In the event of any damage to the sites, the Contractor is to contact the designated County representative for the site within one (1) hour. Failure to contact the County within one (1) hour may result in termination of the contract.
- 8.4 The Contractor shall NOT refuel or store fuel within fifty (50) feet of any groundwater well, landfill gas probe, drainage channel, or surface water. The Contractor shall IMMEDIATELY clean up any fuel spills to the satisfaction of the County at cost to the Contractor AND must notify the County representative within one (1) hour of the spills over one (1) gallon.



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PROPOSAL SIGNATURE COVER PAGE

**SUBMISSION OF A BID/PROPOSAL IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION EVIDENCES THE BIDDER'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREIN. THIS PAGE MUST BE PROPERLY SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL IN THE FIRM WHO REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS ACCEPTANCE OF ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR BID/ REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID/PROPOSAL MUST INITIAL ANY ALTERATIONS IN FIGURES ON THIS FORM IN INK.**

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip Code)

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

TAX ID NUMBER (FIN/SS#) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Is your company a certified Minority Business Enterprise?** Bidders must complete the applicable Minority Participation Affidavit attached.

**Is your firm in compliance** with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the employment of undocumented worker? If YES, check here \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE: A notice required to be delivered shall be deemed to have been received when such notice has been sent to the following address and individual:**

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Delivery shall be made within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after receipt of order.

Payment Terms: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash discounts for less than 30 days will not be considered in determining awards. However, should that bidder obtain award by consideration of the gross price, the County should make every effort to obtain the discount. The County will not accept payment terms with a period of less than (30) days.

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LINE NO.	COMMODITY /SERVICE DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT
1	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Parkton Sanitary Landfill Mowing, approximately .39 acres, per our specifications.	10	Per mow	\$ _____	\$ _____
2	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Hernwood Sanitary Landfill Mowing, approximately .63 acres, per our specifications.	10	Per mow	\$ _____	\$ _____
3	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Western Acceptance Facility Mowing, approximately .87 acres, per our specifications.	10	Per mow	\$ _____	\$ _____
4	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Central Acceptance Facility Mowing, approximately 2.57 acres, per our specifications.	10	Per mow	\$ _____	\$ _____
5	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Eastern Sanitary Landfill Mowing, approximately 23 acres, per our specifications.	10	Per Mow	\$ _____	\$ _____
6	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Labor, Skilled Laborer	40	Hour	\$ _____	\$ _____
7	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Labor, Unskilled Laborer	40	Hour	\$ _____	\$ _____
8	<b>COMMODITY CODE: 988-36</b> Material mark up. Invoice cost times multiplier to include overhead and profit. \$1,000 times your bid markup rate to get the extended amount. Example: 15% markup would be \$1000*1.15 = \$1,150.00).	\$1,000	Mult	\$1. _____	\$ _____

**GRAND TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**COMPANY NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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