

United Kingdom-Inverness: Forestry services

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
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Address of the buyer profile: https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA16345

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Other type: Charity

I.5. Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Timber Harvesting

II.1.2. Main CPV code

77200000 Forestry services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The works relate to forestry operations within RSPB's Dyke plantation and are shown on the associated maps. The work itself forms part of the 5 years "Flows to the Future" project which is being run by the Peatland Partnership.

The primary drivers of this work relate to the blocks forming part of the RSPB Forsinard flows nature reserve and to the need to:

- restore specific areas of open blanket bog and associated habitats from recent forestry on deep peat soils which will help government meet habitat restoration targets and deliver for Scotland's National Peatland Plan,
- protect the massive carbon store in the peat soils below the trees,
- mitigate climate change and improve long term water quality,
- remove damaging forest "edge effects" on birds and habitats of the adjacent EU designated Natura sites.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 600 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKM61 Caithness & Sutherland and Ross & Cromarty

Main site or place of performance: Forsinard

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The works form part of a continuing programme of targeted forest to bog restoration which has been carried out at Forsinard by RSPB since 1997 with the long term aim of restoring the blanket bogs of the flows back to their pre-1970 naturally treeless state. Areas of forestry within the flows which lie off deep peat soils and which are not exerting negative edge effects on the important habitat areas are likely to continue as woodlands. Areas which are damaging, such as those forming part of this application, need to be removed as soon as practical to minimise progressive damage to deep peat soils, natural vegetation, aquatic environments, roads networks and to maximise the speed of habitat and carbon store /sequestration recovery. There is a large area of even aged forestry in this area of the flows and phasing felling /age restructuring of it requires that some areas are felled ahead of maturity /windblow danger. Felling blocks such as these ahead of full rotation will provide timber to support new local processing facilities being developed and to even out the supply of timber and prevent future gluts.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Effective habitat restoration / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental impact and protection / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 600 000,00 GBP

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start: 01/09/2018 End: 28/02/2019

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information**Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1. Description**IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information**IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 25/07/2018 Local time: 12:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 25/07/2018 Local time: 12:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

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VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

15/06/2018