



LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES  
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**DATE:** October 2, 2017  
**MEMO TO:** Carol Calabresa, Chair  
Planning Committee  
**FROM:** James L. Anderson  
Director of Natural Resources

**Agenda Item#** 8.5

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding Contracts for the Woody Invasive Plant Clearing – Winter 2017 at Multiple Forest Preserves.

**STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED:** Conservation

**FINANCIAL DATA:** These items were approved as part of the adopted FY2017/2018 Capital Improvement Plan: in the following amounts:

| <u>Preserve (Project)</u>                                | <u>Budgeted</u> | <u>Estimate</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Account</u>        |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Cuba Marsh   | \$ 120,844.00   | \$ 58,250.00    | \$ 83,310.00  | 35304100-803200-64104 |
| Ethel's Woods  | \$ 117,000.00   | \$ 117,000.00   | \$ 91,225.20  | 20104100-803200-60004 |
| Fourth Lake  | \$ 45,000.00    | \$ 40,000.00    | \$ 44,800.00  | 20102400-413000-63709 |
| Grant Woods  | \$ 256,040.00   | \$ 96,000.00    | \$ 103,680.00 | 20104100-803200-60604 |
| Lakewood-Schreiber Lake                                  | \$ 50,000.00    | \$ 50,000.00    | \$ 38,874.00  | 35304100-803200-61005 |
| Van Patten Woods   | \$ 92,000.00    | \$ 92,000.00    | \$ 88,847.40  | 20104100-803200-60004 |
| Wadsworth Savanna  | \$ 103,000.00   | \$ 103,000.00   | \$ 91,003.50  | 20104100-803200-60004 |
| Woodland Habitat Restoration<br>Phase 3 Clearing Project | \$ 257,840.00   | \$ 200,000.00   | \$ 224,028.00 | 35304100-803200-65004 |

**BACKGROUND:** Invasive plant management is the most time-consuming task faced by District crews, and is a significant challenge to habitat conservation. Management of invasive plants is necessary to improve and conserve habitat quality and species diversity on District properties throughout Lake County. The District conducts removal of invasive woody species as part of a Land Management Program to restore and enhance woodlands, savannas, prairies and wetlands to increase the health, diversity, and sustainability of flora and wildlife populations and to restore or enhance ecosystem services.

The District bid out multiple clearing projects, each indicated as a separate preserve (Project) located throughout Lake County under one consolidated bid process. Each Project has its own Scope of Work and Specifications. Work includes all labor, equipment and materials to selectively remove invasive woody trees and shrubs and thin select native species, and includes disposal services and follow-up selective herbicide applications.

The project was advertised on August 3, 2017. Work is anticipated to begin December 15, 2017 and be completed by August 1, 2018. Following is a summary of the low bidder and low bid for each Project:

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|---|---------------|
| Cuba Marsh Forest Preserve: V3 Construction Group, Ltd., Woodridge, Illinois  | \$ 83,310.00  |
| Ethel's Woods Forest Preserve: Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois  | \$ 91,225.20  |
| Fourth Lake Forest Preserve: Cardno, Inc., Monee, Illinois  | \$ 44,800.00  |
| Grant Woods Forest Preserve: Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois  | \$ 103,680.00 |
| Lakewood Forest Preserve Schreiber Lake: Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, Schaumburg, Illinois   | \$ 38,874.00  |
| Van Patten Woods Forest Preserve: Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois   | \$ 88,847.40  |
| Wadsworth Savanna Forest Preserve: McGinty Bros., Inc., Long Grove, Illinois  | \$ 91,003.50  |
| Southern Des Plaines River Woodland Habitat Restoration Phase 3 Clearing Project: Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois | \$ 224,028.00 |

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** Executive Director, Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Purchasing Manager, Corporate Counsel



**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR WOODY INVASIVE PLANT  
CLEARING – WINTER 2017 AT MULTIPLE FOREST PRESERVES**

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The News Sun for sealed bids for the purchase of work necessary to complete a project entitled “Woody Invasive Plant Clearing – Winter 2017 at Multiple Forest Preserves” (the “Work”); and

**WHEREAS**, all sealed bids were received and opened by the District at its General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois on August 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.; and such bids are summarized on the exhibit attached hereto (the "Exhibit"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District’s staff, the Purchasing Manager, the Director of Natural Resources, and the Planning Committee, have reviewed the bids and recommend that the Board of Commissioners (i) find that each yellow highlighted bid listed on the Exhibit, (collectively, the "Low Bids") is a lowest responsible bid for each corresponding Project listed under the main heading "Forest Preserves (Projects)" of the Exhibit and (ii) award contracts for the Work to the following bidders (collectively the "Bidders) for the following Projects and in the following contract prices (collectively, the “Contract Prices”): (a) for Cuba Marsh Forest Preserve to V3 Construction Group, Ltd., Woodridge, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$83,310.00; (b) for Ethel's Woods Forest Preserve to Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$91,225.20; (c) for Fourth Lake Forest Preserve to Cardno, Inc., Monee, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$44,800.00; (d) for Grant Woods Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$103,680.00; (e) for Lakewood Forest Preserve Schreiber Lake to Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, Schaumburg, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$38,874.00; (f) for Van Patten Woods Forest Preserve to Integrated Lakes Management, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$88,847.40; (g) for Wadsworth Savanna Forest Preserve to McGinty Bros., Inc., Long Grove, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$91,003.50, and (h) for the Woodland Habitat Restoration Phase 3 Clearing Project to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$224,028.00 (the “Contracts”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that each Low Bid is the lowest responsible bid for each corresponding Project listed under the main heading "Forest Preserves (Projects)" of the Exhibit;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, **THAT**:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as a part of this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Acceptance of Bids. The Low Bids in the amounts listed on the Exhibit are hereby accepted and Contracts for the Work are hereby awarded to the Bidders.

Section 3: Execution of Contract. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contracts for the Work in the amounts of the Contract Prices.

Section 4: Payments. The Treasurer shall make payments under the Contracts only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contracts' terms.

Section 5: Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

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Ann B. Maine, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

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Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_

WOODY INVASIVE PLANT CLEARING – WINTER 2017 AT  
MULTIPLE FOREST PRESERVES  
BID 18002

EXHIBIT

|  |                                     | FOREST PRESERVES (PROJECTS)            |                                      |   |   |  |                                 |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------|--|--|
| BIDDER                                     | CUBA<br>MARSH<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE | ETHEL'S<br>WOODS<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE | FOURTH<br>LAKE<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE | GRANT<br>WOODS<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE<br>BASE BID ONLY | LAKEWOOD<br>FOREST PRESERVE<br>SCHREIBER LAKE | VAN PATTEN<br>WOODS<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE<br>BASE BID ONLY | WADSWORTH<br>FOREST<br>PRESERVE | WOODLAND<br>HABITAT<br>RESTORATION PH3<br>CLEARING PROJECT<br>INCLUDES BID<br>ALTERNATES 1 & 2 |  |
| APPLIED ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, INC.          | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | \$110,649.22  | \$46,591.62                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| CARDNO, INC.                               | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | \$44,800.00                          | \$115,200.00  | \$54,720.00                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| CLEAN CUT TREE SERVICE, INC.               | \$96,350.00                         | \$176,000.00                           | \$60,800.00                          | \$103,680.00  | \$60,192.00                                   | \$107,820.00   | \$94,695.00                     | \$224,028.00   |  |
| ENCAP, INC.                                | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | \$168,192.00  | \$68,134.00                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| HOMER ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC                   | \$92,600.00                         | \$182,000.00                           | \$70,288.00                          | \$132,480.00  | \$56,012.00                                   | \$113,680.00   | NO BID                          | \$342,812.00   |  |
| INTEGRATED LAKES MANAGEMENT, INC.          | \$107,212.11                        | \$91,225.20                            | \$45,673.92                          | \$111,191.84  | \$46,749.96                                   | \$88,847.40  | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| JH LANDWORKS                               | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | NO BID  | \$39,877.20                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| KINNUCAN TREE EXPERTS AND<br>LANDSCAPE CO. | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | \$83,400.00                          | NO BID  | \$96,474.00                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | \$635,954.04   |  |
| MAJESTIC OAKS NURSERY LLC                  | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | NO BID  | NO BID  | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| MCGINTY BROS., INC.                        | \$173,535.00                        | \$178,800.00                           | \$69,664.00                          | \$127,296.00  | \$73,333.92                                   | \$144,414.00   | \$91,003.50                     | NO BID   |  |
| NATIVE RESTORATION SERVICES                | NO BID                              | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | NO BID  | \$51,744.09                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| TALLGRASS RESTORATION, LLC                 | NO BID                              | \$187,600.00                           | \$88,960.00                          | \$122,496.00  | \$38,874.00                                   | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |
| V3 CONSTRUCTION GROUP, LTD.                | \$83,310.00                         | NO BID                                 | NO BID                               | \$122,112.00  | NO BID  | NO BID   | NO BID                          | NO BID   |  |