



LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES
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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: October 1, 2018
MEMO TO: Carol Calabresa, Chair
Planning Committee
FROM: James L. Anderson
Director of Natural Resources

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding Contracts for the Woody Invasive Plant Clearing – Winter 2018 Project at Multiple Forest Preserves to Applied Ecological Services, Inc., Brodhead, Wisconsin in the Contract Price of \$34,926.40; JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$85,275.00; and Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$787,880.00.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED: Conservation

FINANCIAL DATA: These items were approved as part of the adopted FY2018/2019 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan. In the following chart, the “Overall Project Budget” identifies the overall restoration budget for each listed Preserve, the “Clearing Portion Estimate” identifies the estimated cost of the invasive plant clearing portion of that project (i.e., the work that will be performed pursuant to the contract that would be approved by the attached resolution), and the “Actual Low Bid Amount” identifies the recommended lowest responsible bid received for the clearing work in each Preserve.

Preserve (Project)	Overall Project Budget	Clearing Portion Estimate	Actual Low Bid Amount	Account
Cuba Marsh	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 45,00.00	\$ 42,400.00	20104100-803200-60004
Exelon & IBSP	\$ 610,000.00	\$ 273,900.00	\$ 260,205.00	69644100-803200-56050
Grainger Woods	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 34,900.00	\$ 34,926.40	35304100-803200-65004
Greenbelt	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 77,000.00	69644100-803200-56059
Old School	\$ 189,000.00	\$ 91,500.00	\$ 83,875.00	20104100-803200-64404
Lakewood	\$ 56,210.00	\$ 52,500.00	\$ 42,875.00	35304100-803200-61005
Van Patten Woods	\$110,000.00	\$102,600.00	\$ 106,346.00	20104100-803200-60004*
Middlefork Savanna	\$91,800.00	\$ 84,000.00	\$ 72,504.00	69644100-803200-61110
Captain Daniel Wright Woods Account 1	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 120,750.00	24614106-803200-62404
Account 2	\$ 350,000.00	\$89,800.00	\$ 67,200.00	35304100-803200-65004

Note (*) The lowest responsible bid exceeded the clearing project estimate. However, funds are available in the overall project budget to cover the Bid amount.

BACKGROUND: Invasive plant management is the most time-consuming task faced by District crews. Invasive plants are 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 advertised for bids for multiple clearing projects, each indicated as a separate preserve (Project) located within Lake County, under one consolidated bidding 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 July 23, 2018. Work is anticipated to begin December 15, 2018 and be completed by August 1, 2019.

Staff recommends the following lowest responsible bidders be awarded contracts for the following Projects:

	Contract Price
Cuba Marsh Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, IL	\$ 42,400.00
Exelon & Illinois Beach State Park to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 260,205.00
Grainger Woods Conservation Preserve to Applied Ecological Services, Inc., Broadhead, WI	\$ 34,926.40
Greenbelt Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 77,000.00
Old School Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 83,875.00
Lakewood Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, IL	\$ 42,875.00
Van Patten Woods Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 106,346.00
Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 72,504.00
Captain Daniel Wright Woods Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, IL	\$ 187,950.00

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 THE WOODY INVASIVE PLANT
CLEARING - WINTER 2018 PROJECT AT MULTIPLE FOREST PRESERVES**

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The News Sun for sealed bids for the Woody Invasive Plant Clearing - Winter 2018 Project for 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 17, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. and such bids are identified on Exhibit A; 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 attached Exhibit (collectively, the “Low Bids”) is a lowest responsible bid for each corresponding “Forest Preserve Location” identified in the Exhibit and (ii) award a contract for the portion of the Work at each of the Forest Preserve Locations to the low bidder for such Work (collectively the “Bidders”) in the amount of the Bidder’s Low Bid (collectively, the “Contract Prices”), as follows: (a) for Cuba Marsh Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$42,400.00; (b) for Exelon & Illinois Beach State Park to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$260,205.00; (c) for Grainger Woods Forest Preserve to Applied Ecological Services, Inc., Brodhead, Wisconsin in the Contract Price of \$34,926.40; (d) for Greenbelt Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$77,000.00; (e) for Old School Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$83,875.00; (f) for Lakewood Forest Preserve to JH Landworks, Wauconda, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$42,875.00; (g) for Van Patten Woods Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$106,346.00; (h) for Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$72,504.00, and (i) for Captain Daniel Wright Woods Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois in the Contract Price of \$187,950.00 (collectively, the “Contracts”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that each Low Bid is the lowest responsible bid for each corresponding Forest Preserve Location as set forth above; and

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 attached Exhibit are hereby accepted and a Contract for the Work is hereby awarded to each Bidder in the amount of the Contract Price, which shall equal the total of such Bidder’s Low Bids.

Section 3: Execution of Contracts. 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 _____, 2018

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2018

Ann B. Maine, President
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

Julie Gragnani, Secretary
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. _____

EXHIBIT A

19001 Woody Invasive Plant Clearing

Forest Preserve Location	Cuba Marsh	Exelon & Illinois Beach St. Park	Grainger Woods	Greenbelt	Old School	Lakewood	Van Patten	Middlefork	Captain Daniel Wright Woods
Vendor									
McGinty Bros	\$57,750.00	No Bid	\$37,308.50	\$197,372.00	\$137,250.00	\$78,225.00	\$235,865.00	No Bid	No Bid
Cardno, Inc.	\$72,795.00	No Bid	\$77,331.10	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$202,763.40	No Bid	No Bid
JH Landworks	\$42,400.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$42,875.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Native Restoration Services	No Bid	No Bid	\$40,670.00	No Bid	No Bid	\$131,250.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Tallgrass Restorations	\$75,750.00	No Bid	\$53,784.00	\$148,568.00	\$97,905.00	\$62,475.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
ENCAP, Inc.	\$112,500.00	No Bid	\$50,215.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$163,800.00	No Bid
Pizzo & Associates, Inc.	No Bid	No Bid	\$35,430.21	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
Applied Ecological Services	\$53,535.00	No Bid	\$34,926.40	No Bid	\$99,125.00	\$48,142.50	\$110,091.80	No Bid	No Bid
Clean Cut Tree Services, Inc.	\$72,000.00	\$260,205.00	\$49,800.00	\$77,000.00	\$83,875.00	\$61,250.00	\$106,346.00	\$72,504.00	\$187,950.00