



**DATE:** April 1, 2024

**TO:** Jessica Vealitzek, Chair  
Operations Committee

**FROM:** Pati Vitt  
Director of Natural Resources

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding Contracts for the Purchase of Natural Resources Herbicides to Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc. and to Heritage Landscape Supply Group, Inc., in a total amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

**STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SUPPORTED:** Organizational Sustainability; Conservation

**FINANCIAL DATA:** The District's approved FY2024 budget provides for payment for these products in the amount of \$60,000.00 from the Natural Resources Grounds Maintenance Supplies account (27643800-641100).

**BACKGROUND:** Herbicide products are purchased annually and used at forest preserves throughout the District on an "as-needed" basis. The Request for Bids was advertised on February 14, 2024, and three bids were received. Staff recommends that Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc. and Heritage Landscape Supply Group, Inc. be awarded contracts as the lowest responsible bidders for the herbicide products.

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

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COUNTY OF LAKE )

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
REGULAR APRIL MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2024**

**MISTER PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Your **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** presents herewith “A Resolution Awarding Contracts for the Purchase of Herbicides” and requests its approval.

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  Roll Call Vote: Ayes: \_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR THE  
PURCHASE OF HERBICIDES**

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The Lake County News Sun for sealed bids to purchase herbicides, which are listed under the column titled “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” on the attached exhibit (the “Products”); and

**WHEREAS**, all sealed bids were received and opened by the District at its General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois on February 28, 2024 at 11:00 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 Operations Committee have reviewed the bids and recommend that the Board of Commissioners: (i) find that each highlighted bid listed on the Exhibit (collectively, the “Low Bids”) is a lowest responsible bid for the corresponding type of Product listed in the “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” column of the Exhibit and (ii) award contracts for the Products to each of Heritage Landscape Supply Group, Inc. and Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc., (collectively the “Low Bidders”) for the Products for which each Low Bidder submitted a Low Bid, pursuant to which the District may purchase such amounts of the Products that it determines are necessary or desirable for District use (the “Contracts”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that each Low Bid is a lowest responsible bid for the corresponding type of Product listed in the “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” column 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 Low Bids and Award of Contracts.** The Low Bids in the amounts listed on the Exhibit (the “Contract Prices”) are hereby accepted and Contracts for the Products are hereby awarded to the Low Bidders. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized to execute the Contracts for the Products in the amounts of the Contract Prices.

**Section 3. Payments.** The Treasurer shall make payments under the Contracts only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contracts’ terms.

**Section 4. 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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Angelo D. Kyle, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

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

## EXHIBIT

Contract Pricing for Natural Resources Herbicides  
 Bid: 24008

VENDORS		
BTSI	HERITAGE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY GROUP, INC. DBA HERITAGE PROFESSIONAL PRODUCTS GROUP	NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS, INC.

**IF VENDOR LEAVES AN ITEM BLANK, OWNER SHALL CONSIDER THAT ITEM AS A "NO BID" ITEM.**

ITEM #	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	UNIT OF MEASURE	AS SPEC Y/N	UNIT PRICE	AS SPEC Y/N	UNIT PRICE	AS SPEC Y/N	UNIT PRICE
1	5GA CUBE	EA		NO BID			Y	\$14.00
2	ACTIVATOR 90	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$50.27	Y	\$20.00
3	BARK OIL	11.25 GAL		NO BID	Y	\$72.17	N	\$24.00
4	CHOICE WEATHER MASTER	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID			Y	\$21.00
5	DRY PACK DYE	CASE		NO BID	Y	\$76.40	Y	\$240.00
6	GARLON 3A	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$239.13	Y	\$68.00
7	GARLON 4	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$296.52	Y	\$86.00
8	INTENSITY	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$131.95	Y	\$60.00
9	MAKAZE	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$74.72	Y	\$22.00
10	MILESTONE	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	Y	\$1,645.00	Y	\$329.00
11	NEW BALANCE	GAL		NO BID	N	\$9.08	N	\$24.25
12	POLARIS	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	N	\$538.04	Y	\$72.00
13	ROUNDUP CUSTOM	2X2.5 GAL		\$115.00	Y	\$114.78	N	\$28.00
14	SIGNAL INDICATION DYE	GAL		NO BID	Y	\$19.75	Y	\$55.00
15	SPEEDZONE	2X2.5 GAL		\$455.00	Y	\$455.00	Y	\$101.20
16	TRANSLINE	2X2.5 GAL		\$400.00	Y	\$878.20	Y	\$205.00
17	VM PREMIX BLEND-BBO 25% GARLON 4 ULTRA, 75% BARK OIL EC- DOUBLE RED DYE	EA		NO BID			Y	\$41.75
18	Vastlan	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	Y	\$525.00	Y	\$105.00
19	Renovate OTF	per 40# bag		NO BID	Y	\$212.00	Y	\$172.00
20	ProcellaCOR EC	2X2.5 GAL		NO BID	Y	\$1,980.00	N	\$1,980.00