## **RFQ Question Responses** Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority

## Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Coastal Restoration and Stewardship Services

As stated in the RFQ released on 5/17/24, questions regarding this RFQ must be received no later than 5:00 pm on 5/31/24.

Similar questions have been compiled as one question, and questions may have been paraphrased by the LCWA for clarity. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to access the LCWA website for any changes or addenda that may be posted.

## Q1. We can develop a partnership with some experienced firms in this matter, but wanted to gauge your interest in hiring a program management team with multidisciplinary partners that are qualified to carry out the tasks of this RFQ.

A1. We will review and consider any proposal that is deemed responsive as described in the RFQ.

## Q2. Can you please forward the exhibits a-d and the two attachments.

A2. Page 24 of the RFQ PDF file is the last page of the RFQ's *Exhibit B: Sample Contractor Agreement*. Exhibits A-D and Attachments A and B on page 24 would be included in the contractor agreement, they are not a part of this RFQ.

Q3. I propose a 45-50 minute interactive program comprising stories and songs about the wetlands, focusing on their cultural significance and how to protect them. Additionally, I suggest creating pre-visit and follow-up educational materials tailored to various grade levels. If this proposal aligns with your RFQ please let me know.

A3. The LCWA is seeking environmental education programming services as a part of this RFQ, proposals will be evaluated based on their recognition, approach, and qualifications.

Q4. I was reviewing the attached RFQ and noticed the final page does not appear to be associated with the RFQ itself based on the information. I'm hoping you could clarify what its purpose is or if there are materials that should have been attached to the RFQ that were not.

A4. The final page is a part of the RFQ's *Exhibit B: Sample Contractor Agreement*. Those exhibits and attachments would be generated when the LCWA and selected proposer

negotiate an agreement and enter into a contract. They are not meant to be included with or attached to this RFQ.

Q5. In the Evaluation Criteria section, the project "Approach" is listed as one of the primary evaluation points, but the Mandatory Contents section does not include an approach section. Are respondents expected to include this approach to the project within the Letter of Interest or should this be included as an appendix following Sections 1 - 5 outlined in the Mandatory Contents section? Will proposals with appendices be accepted?

A5. Approach is an evaluation criterion that will be used by the panel appointed by the LCWA to score submissions, it is not a mandatory section that must be included in the proposal. Scoring panelists will consider the approach as defined in the RFQ while evaluating factors not limited to types of projects or services proposed, previous professional experience, and how the project or service would advance or align with the LCWA's mission. Additional documents or appendices can be included in *Section 5, Other Documents*.

All other terms and conditions set forth in the Request for Qualifications shall remain in full effect.

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