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VENDOR

Vendor Customer Code: 000000113098
Vendor Name : Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company
Address : P.O. Box 4255
Street :
City : Chapmanville
State : WV **Country :** USA **Zip :** 25508
Principal Contact : Tom Rayburn, Treasurer
Vendor Contact Phone: 304-541-2917 **Extension:**

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE BUYER

Joseph E Hager III
(304) 558-2306
joseph.e.hageriii@wv.gov

Vendor
Signature X

FEIN# 20-4929529

DATE May 14, 2024

All offers subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an open-end contract for the purchase of released mitigation credits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank(s) in various secondary service areas (SSAs) of the State per the attached specifications and terms and conditions.

INVOICE TO

ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION
DIV OF WASTE AND WATER
MGT
601 57TH ST SE
CHARLESTON WV
US

SHIP TO

ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION
DIVISION OF WATER AND
WASTE MGT
601 57TH ST SE
CHARLESTON WV
US

Line	Comm Ln Desc	Qty	Unit Issue	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Stream Credits Per the Attached Exhibit A Pricing Page	1.00000	EA		

Comm Code**Manufacturer****Specification****Model #**

94131501

Extended Description:

Mitigation Credits / DWWMM as outlined on the attached specifications

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**Line****Event****Event Date**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS

1. REVIEW DOCUMENTS THOROUGHLY: The attached documents contain a solicitation for bids. Please read these instructions and all documents attached in their entirety. These instructions provide critical information about requirements that if overlooked could lead to disqualification of a Vendor's bid. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the provisions contained in these instructions and the Solicitation. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

2. MANDATORY TERMS: The Solicitation may contain mandatory provisions identified by the use of the words "must," "will," and "shall." Failure to comply with a mandatory term in the Solicitation will result in bid disqualification.

3. PREBID MEETING: The item identified below shall apply to this Solicitation.

☒ A pre-bid meeting will not be held prior to bid opening

☐ A **MANDATORY PRE-BID** meeting will be held at the following place and time:

All Vendors submitting a bid must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting shall result in disqualification of the Vendor's bid. No one individual is permitted to represent more than one vendor at the pre-bid meeting. Any individual that does attempt to represent two or more vendors will be required to select one vendor to which the individual's attendance will be attributed. The vendors not selected will be deemed to have not attended the pre-bid meeting unless another individual attended on their behalf.

An attendance sheet provided at the pre-bid meeting shall serve as the official document verifying attendance. Any person attending the pre-bid meeting on behalf of a Vendor must list on the attendance sheet his or her name and the name of the Vendor he or she is representing.

Additionally, the person attending the pre-bid meeting should include the Vendor's E-Mail address, phone number, and Fax number on the attendance sheet. It is the Vendor's responsibility to locate the attendance sheet and provide the required information. Failure to complete the attendance sheet as required may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

All Vendors should arrive prior to the starting time for the pre-bid. Vendors who arrive after the starting time but prior to the end of the pre-bid will be permitted to sign in but are charged with knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid.

Questions submitted at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid will be discussed at the pre-bid meeting if possible. Any discussions or answers to questions at the pre-bid meeting are preliminary in nature and are non-binding. Official and binding answers to questions will be published in a written addendum to the Solicitation prior to bid opening.

4. VENDOR QUESTION DEADLINE: Vendors may submit questions relating to this Solicitation to the Purchasing Division. Questions must be submitted in writing. All questions must be submitted on or before the date listed below and to the address listed below to be considered. A written response will be published in a Solicitation addendum if a response is possible and appropriate. Non-written discussions, conversations, or questions and answers regarding this Solicitation are preliminary in nature and are nonbinding.

Submitted emails should have the solicitation number in the subject line.

Question Submission Deadline: 5/09/2024 @ 4:00 PM ET

Submit Questions to: Josh Hager
2019 Washington Street, East
Charleston, WV 25305
Fax: (304) 558-3970
Email: Joseph.E.HagerIII@wv.gov

5. VERBAL COMMUNICATION: Any verbal communication between the Vendor and any State personnel is not binding, including verbal communication at the mandatory pre-bid conference. Only information issued in writing and added to the Solicitation by an official written addendum by the Purchasing Division is binding.

6. BID SUBMISSION: All bids must be submitted on or before the date and time of the bid opening listed in section 7 below. Vendors can submit bids electronically through wvOASIS, in paper form delivered to the Purchasing Division at the address listed below either in person or by courier, or in facsimile form by faxing to the Purchasing Division at the number listed below. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchasing Division may prohibit the submission of bids electronically through wvOASIS at its sole discretion. Such a prohibition will be contained and communicated in the wvOASIS system resulting in the Vendor's inability to submit bids through wvOASIS. The Purchasing Division will not accept bids, modification of bids, or addendum acknowledgment forms via email. Bids submitted in paper or facsimile form must contain a signature. Bids submitted in wvOASIS are deemed to be electronically signed.

Any bid received by the Purchasing Division staff is considered to be in the possession of the Purchasing Division and will not be returned for any reason.

For Request for Proposal ("RFP") Responses Only: Submission of a response to a Request for Proposal is not permitted in wvOASIS. In the event that Vendor is responding to a request for proposal, the Vendor shall submit one original technical and one original cost proposal prior to the bid opening date and time identified in Section 7 below, plus _____ convenience copies of each to the Purchasing Division at the address shown below. Additionally, the Vendor should clearly identify and segregate the cost proposal from the technical proposal in a separately sealed envelope.

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Bid Delivery Address and Fax Number:

Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130
Fax: 304-558-3970

A bid submitted in paper or facsimile form should contain the information listed below on the face of the submission envelope or fax cover sheet. Otherwise, the bid may be rejected by the Purchasing Division.

VENDOR NAME: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company
BUYER: Josh Hager
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ 0313 DEP2400000036
BID OPENING DATE: See section 7
BID OPENING TIME: See section 7
FAX NUMBER: 304-558-3970

7. BID OPENING: Bids submitted in response to this Solicitation will be opened at the location identified below on the date and time listed below. Delivery of a bid after the bid opening date and time will result in bid disqualification. For purposes of this Solicitation, a bid is considered delivered when confirmation of delivery is provided by wvOASIS (in the case of electronic submission) or when the bid is time stamped by the official Purchasing Division time clock (in the case of hand delivery).

Bid Opening Date and Time: 5/16/2024 @ 1:30 PM ET

Bid Opening Location: Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130

8. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment Form, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

9. BID FORMATTING: Vendor should type or electronically enter the information onto its bid to prevent errors in the evaluation. Failure to type or electronically enter the information may result in bid disqualification.

10. ALTERNATE MODEL OR BRAND: Unless the box below is checked, any model, brand, or specification listed in this Solicitation establishes the acceptable level of quality only and is not intended to reflect a preference for, or in any way favor, a particular brand or vendor. Vendors may bid alternates to a listed model or brand provided that the alternate is at least equal to the model or brand and complies with the required specifications. The equality of any alternate being bid shall be determined by the State at its sole discretion. Any Vendor bidding an alternate model or brand should clearly identify the alternate items in its bid and should include manufacturer's specifications, industry literature, and/or any other relevant documentation demonstrating the equality of the alternate items. Failure to provide information for alternate items may be grounds for rejection of a Vendor's bid.

☐ This Solicitation is based upon a standardized commodity established under W. Va. Code § 5A-3-61. Vendors are expected to bid the standardized commodity identified. Failure to bid the standardized commodity will result in your firm's bid being rejected.

11. EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Solicitation contains the specifications that shall form the basis of a contractual agreement. Vendor shall clearly mark any exceptions, clarifications, or other proposed modifications in its bid. Exceptions to, clarifications of, or modifications of a requirement or term and condition of the Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.

12. COMMUNICATION LIMITATIONS: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules §148-1-6.6, communication with the State of West Virginia or any of its employees regarding this Solicitation during the solicitation, bid, evaluation or award periods, except through the Purchasing Division, is strictly prohibited without prior Purchasing Division approval. Purchasing Division approval for such communication is implied for all agency delegated and exempt purchases.

13. REGISTRATION: Prior to Contract award, the apparent successful Vendor must be properly registered with the West Virginia Purchasing Division and must have paid the \$125 fee, if applicable.

14. UNIT PRICE: Unit prices shall prevail in cases of a discrepancy in the Vendor's bid.

15. PREFERENCE: Vendor Preference may be requested in purchases of motor vehicles or construction and maintenance equipment and machinery used in highway and other infrastructure projects. Any request for preference must be submitted in writing with the bid, must specifically identify the preference requested with reference to the applicable subsection of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-37, and must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the requested preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

15A. RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE: The State of West Virginia applies a reciprocal preference to all solicitations for commodities and printing in accordance with W. Va. Code § 5A-3-37(b). In effect, non-resident vendors receiving a preference in their home states, will see that same preference granted to West Virginia resident vendors bidding against them in West Virginia. Any request for reciprocal preference must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

16. SMALL, WOMEN-OWNED, OR MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES: For any solicitations publicly advertised for bid, in accordance with West Virginia Code §5A-3-37 and W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9, any non-resident vendor certified as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 shall be provided the same preference made available to any resident vendor. Any non-resident small, women-owned, or minority-owned business must identify itself as such in writing, must submit that writing to the Purchasing Division with its bid, and must be properly certified under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 prior to contract award to receive the preferences made available to resident vendors. Preference for a non-resident small, women-owned, or minority owned business shall be applied in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9.

17. WAIVER OF MINOR IRREGULARITIES: The Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.6.

18. ELECTRONIC FILE ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: Vendor must ensure that its submission in wvOASIS can be accessed and viewed by the Purchasing Division staff immediately upon bid opening. The Purchasing Division will consider any file that cannot be immediately accessed and viewed at the time of the bid opening (such as, encrypted files, password protected files, or incompatible files) to be blank or incomplete as context requires and are therefore unacceptable. A vendor will not be permitted to unencrypt files, remove password protections, or resubmit documents after bid opening to make a file viewable if those documents are required with the bid. A Vendor may be required to provide document passwords or remove access restrictions to allow the Purchasing Division to print or electronically save documents provided that those documents are viewable by the Purchasing Division prior to obtaining the password or removing the access restriction.

19. NON-RESPONSIBLE: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to reject the bid of any vendor as Non-Responsible in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.3, when the Director determines that the vendor submitting the bid does not have the capability to fully perform or lacks the integrity and reliability to assure good-faith performance.”

20. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION: The State may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.5. and § 148-1-6.4.b.”

21. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

22. WITH THE BID REQUIREMENTS: In instances where these specifications require documentation or other information with the bid, and a vendor fails to provide it with the bid, the Director of the Purchasing Division reserves the right to request those items after bid opening and prior to contract award pursuant to the authority to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications under W. Va. CSR § 148-1-4.6. This authority does not apply to instances where state law mandates receipt with the bid.

23. EMAIL NOTIFICATION OF AWARD: The Purchasing Division will attempt to provide bidders with e-mail notification of contract award when a solicitation that the bidder participated in has been awarded. For notification purposes, bidders must provide the Purchasing Division with a valid email address in the bid response. Bidders may also monitor *wvOASIS* or the Purchasing Division's website to determine when a contract has been awarded.

24. ISRAEL BOYCOTT CERTIFICATION: Vendor's act of submitting a bid in response to this solicitation shall be deemed a certification from bidder to the State that bidder is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract, engage in a boycott of Israel. This certification is required by W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT: Issuance of an Award Document signed by the Purchasing Division Director, or his designee, and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office constitutes acceptance by the State of this Contract made by and between the State of West Virginia and the Vendor. Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the Contract if the Contract is not the result of a bid solicitation, signifies Vendor's agreement to be bound by and accept the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.

2. DEFINITIONS: As used in this Solicitation/Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings attributed to them below. Additional definitions may be found in the specifications included with this Solicitation/Contract.

2.1. "Agency" or "Agencies" means the agency, board, commission, or other entity of the State of West Virginia that is identified on the first page of the Solicitation or any other public entity seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.

2.2. "Bid" or "Proposal" means the vendors submitted response to this solicitation.

2.3. "Contract" means the binding agreement that is entered into between the State and the Vendor to provide the goods or services requested in the Solicitation.

2.4. "Director" means the Director of the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.5. "Purchasing Division" means the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.6. "Award Document" means the document signed by the Agency and the Purchasing Division, and approved as to form by the Attorney General, that identifies the Vendor as the contract holder.

2.7. "Solicitation" means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services that is published by the Purchasing Division.

2.8. "State" means the State of West Virginia and/or any of its agencies, commissions, boards, etc. as context requires.

2.9. "Vendor" or "Vendors" means any entity submitting a bid in response to the Solicitation, the entity that has been selected as the lowest responsible bidder, or the entity that has been awarded the Contract as context requires.

3. CONTRACT TERM; RENEWAL; EXTENSION: The term of this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below:

☒ **Term Contract**

Initial Contract Term: The Initial Contract Term will be for a period of One (1)
Upon contract award. The Initial Contract Term becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and the Initial Contract Term ends on the effective end date also shown on the first page of this Contract.

Renewal Term: This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any request for renewal should be delivered to the Agency and then submitted to the Purchasing Division thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the initial contract term or appropriate renewal term. A Contract renewal shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original contract. Unless otherwise specified below, renewal of this Contract is limited to ZERO (0) successive one (1) year periods or multiple renewal periods of less than one year, provided that the multiple renewal periods do not exceed the total number of months available in all renewal years combined. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

☐ **Alternate Renewal Term** – This contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

Delivery Order Limitations: In the event that this contract permits delivery orders, a delivery order may only be issued during the time this Contract is in effect. Any delivery order issued within one year of the expiration of this Contract shall be effective for one year from the date the delivery order is issued. No delivery order may be extended beyond one year after this Contract has expired.

☐ **Fixed Period Contract:** This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and must be completed within _____ days.

☐ **Fixed Period Contract with Renewals:** This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and part of the Contract more fully described in the attached specifications must be completed within _____ days. Upon completion of the work covered by the preceding sentence, the vendor agrees that:

☐ the contract will continue for _____ years;

☐ the contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's Office (Attorney General approval is as to form only).

☐ **One-Time Purchase:** The term of this Contract shall run from the issuance of the Award Document until all of the goods contracted for have been delivered, but in no event will this Contract extend for more than one fiscal year.

☐ **Construction/Project Oversight:** This Contract becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and continues until the project for which the vendor is providing oversight is complete.

☐ **Other:** Contract Term specified in _____

4. AUTHORITY TO PROCEED: Vendor is authorized to begin performance of this contract on the date of encumbrance listed on the front page of the Award Document unless either the box for "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked in Section 3 above. If either "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked, Vendor must not begin work until it receives a separate notice to proceed from the State. The notice to proceed will then be incorporated into the Contract via change order to memorialize the official date that work commenced.

5. QUANTITIES: The quantities required under this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below.

☒ **Open End Contract:** Quantities listed in this Solicitation/Award Document are approximations only, based on estimates supplied by the Agency. It is understood and agreed that the Contract shall cover the quantities actually ordered for delivery during the term of the Contract, whether more or less than the quantities shown.

☐ **Service:** The scope of the service to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

☐ **Combined Service and Goods:** The scope of the service and deliverable goods to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

☐ **One-Time Purchase:** This Contract is for the purchase of a set quantity of goods that are identified in the specifications included herewith. Once those items have been delivered, no additional goods may be procured under this Contract without an appropriate change order approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division, and Attorney General's office.

☐ **Construction:** This Contract is for construction activity more fully defined in the specifications.

6. EMERGENCY PURCHASES: The Purchasing Division Director may authorize the Agency to purchase goods or services in the open market that Vendor would otherwise provide under this Contract if those goods or services are for immediate or expedited delivery in an emergency. Emergencies shall include, but are not limited to, delays in transportation or an unanticipated increase in the volume of work. An emergency purchase in the open market, approved by the Purchasing Division Director, shall not constitute a breach of this Contract and shall not entitle the Vendor to any form of compensation or damages. This provision does not excuse the State from fulfilling its obligations under a One-Time Purchase contract.

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS: All of the items checked in this section must be provided to the Purchasing Division by the Vendor as specified:

☐ **LICENSE(S) / CERTIFICATIONS / PERMITS:** In addition to anything required under the Section of the General Terms and Conditions entitled Licensing, the apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following licenses, certifications, and/or permits upon request and in a form acceptable to the State. The request may be prior to or after contract award at the State's sole discretion.

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The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional licenses or certifications contained in the specifications regardless of whether or not that requirement is listed above.

8. INSURANCE: The apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the insurance identified by a checkmark below prior to Contract award. The insurance coverages identified below must be maintained throughout the life of this contract. Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the insurance policies, Vendor shall provide the Agency with proof that the insurance mandated herein has been continued. Vendor must also provide Agency with immediate notice of any changes in its insurance policies, including but not limited to, policy cancelation, policy reduction, or change in insurers. The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional insurance requirements contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether that insurance requirement is listed in this section.

Vendor must maintain:

☒ **Commercial General Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of: 1,000,000 one million per occurrence.

☐ **Automobile Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Professional/Malpractice/Errors and Omission Insurance** in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence. Notwithstanding the forgoing, Vendor's are not required to list the State as an additional insured for this type of policy.

☐ **Commercial Crime and Third Party Fidelity Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Cyber Liability Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Builders Risk Insurance** in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the Contract.

☐ **Pollution Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Aircraft Liability** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

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9. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Vendor shall comply with laws relating to workers compensation, shall maintain workers' compensation insurance when required, and shall furnish proof of workers' compensation insurance upon request.

10. VENUE: All legal actions for damages brought by Vendor against the State shall be brought in the West Virginia Claims Commission. Other causes of action must be brought in the West Virginia court authorized by statute to exercise jurisdiction over it.

11. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue any other available remedy. Vendor shall pay liquidated damages in the amount specified below or as described in the specifications:

☐ _____ for _____.

☐ Liquidated Damages Contained in the Specifications.

☒ Liquidated Damages Are Not Included in this Contract.

12. ACCEPTANCE: Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the certification and signature page, constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn, signifies that the product or service proposed by vendor meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation for that product or service, unless otherwise indicated, and signifies acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation unless otherwise indicated.

13. PRICING: The pricing set forth herein is firm for the life of the Contract, unless specified elsewhere within this Solicitation/Contract by the State. A Vendor's inclusion of price adjustment provisions in its bid, without an express authorization from the State in the Solicitation to do so, may result in bid disqualification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor must extend any publicly advertised sale price to the State and invoice at the lower of the contract price or the publicly advertised sale price.

14. PAYMENT IN ARREARS: Payments for goods/services will be made in arrears only upon receipt of a proper invoice, detailing the goods/services provided or receipt of the goods/services, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments for software maintenance, licenses, or subscriptions may be paid annually in advance.

15. PAYMENT METHODS: Vendor must accept payment by electronic funds transfer and P-Card. (The State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card program, administered under contract by a banking institution, processes payment for goods and services through state designated credit cards.)

16. TAXES: The Vendor shall pay any applicable sales, use, personal property or any other taxes arising out of this Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.

17. ADDITIONAL FEES: Vendor is not permitted to charge additional fees or assess additional charges that were not either expressly provided for in the solicitation published by the State of West Virginia, included in the Contract, or included in the unit price or lump sum bid amount that Vendor is required by the solicitation to provide. Including such fees or charges as notes to the solicitation may result in rejection of vendor's bid. Requesting such fees or charges be paid after the contract has been awarded may result in cancellation of the contract.

18. FUNDING: This Contract shall continue for the term stated herein, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available, this Contract becomes void and of no effect beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year for which funding has not been appropriated or otherwise made available. If that occurs, the State may notify the Vendor that an alternative source of funding has been obtained and thereby avoid the automatic termination. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.

19. CANCELLATION: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to cancel this Contract immediately upon written notice to the vendor if the materials or workmanship supplied do not conform to the specifications contained in the Contract. The Purchasing Division Director may also cancel any purchase or Contract upon 30 days written notice to the Vendor in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.2.b.

20. TIME: Time is of the essence regarding all matters of time and performance in this Contract.

21. APPLICABLE LAW: This Contract is governed by and interpreted under West Virginia law without giving effect to its choice of law principles. Any information provided in specification manuals, or any other source, verbal or written, which contradicts or violates the West Virginia Constitution, West Virginia Code, or West Virginia Code of State Rules is void and of no effect.

22. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances. By submitting a bid, Vendor acknowledges that it has reviewed, understands, and will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

23. ARBITRATION: Any references made to arbitration contained in this Contract, Vendor's bid, or in any American Institute of Architects documents pertaining to this Contract are hereby deleted, void, and of no effect.

24. MODIFICATIONS: This writing is the parties' final expression of intent. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract to the contrary no modification of this Contract shall be binding without mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any change to existing contracts that adds work or changes contract cost, and were not included in the original contract, must be approved by the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's Office (as to form) prior to the implementation of the change or commencement of work affected by the change.

25. WAIVER: The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provision of this Contract, or to exercise any option, right, or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right, or remedy, but the same shall continue in full force and effect. Any waiver must be expressly stated in writing and signed by the waiving party.

26. SUBSEQUENT FORMS: The terms and conditions contained in this Contract shall supersede any and all subsequent terms and conditions which may appear on any form documents submitted by Vendor to the Agency or Purchasing Division such as price lists, order forms, invoices, sales agreements, or maintenance agreements, and includes internet websites or other electronic documents. Acceptance or use of Vendor's forms does not constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions contained thereon.

27. ASSIGNMENT: Neither this Contract nor any monies due, or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by the Vendor without the express written consent of the Agency, the Purchasing Division, the Attorney General's office (as to form only), and any other government agency or office that may be required to approve such assignments.

28. WARRANTY: The Vendor expressly warrants that the goods and/or services covered by this Contract will: (a) conform to the specifications, drawings, samples, or other description furnished or specified by the Agency; (b) be merchantable and fit for the purpose intended; and (c) be free from defect in material and workmanship.

29. STATE EMPLOYEES: State employees are not permitted to utilize this Contract for personal use and the Vendor is prohibited from permitting or facilitating the same.

30. PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND CONFIDENTIALITY: The Vendor agrees that it will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the Agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the Agency's policies, procedures, and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy.

31. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

32. LICENSING: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-6.1.e, Vendor must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state agency or political subdivision. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Upon request, the Vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Purchasing Division Director or the Agency to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to be licensed, in good standing, and up-to-date on all state and local obligations as described in this section. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

33. ANTITRUST: In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting a Award Document from any agency of the State of West Virginia, the Vendor agrees to convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to Vendor.

34. VENDOR NON-CONFLICT: Neither Vendor nor its representatives are permitted to have any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would compromise the performance of its services hereunder. Any such interests shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

35. VENDOR RELATIONSHIP: The relationship of the Vendor to the State shall be that of an independent contractor and no principal-agent relationship or employer-employee relationship is contemplated or created by this Contract. The Vendor as an independent contractor is solely liable for the acts and omissions of its employees and agents. Vendor shall be responsible for selecting, supervising, and compensating any and all individuals employed pursuant to the terms of this Solicitation and resulting contract. Neither the Vendor, nor any employees or subcontractors of the Vendor, shall be deemed to be employees of the State for any purpose whatsoever. Vendor shall be exclusively responsible for payment of employees and contractors for all wages and salaries, taxes, withholding payments, penalties, fees, fringe benefits, professional liability insurance premiums, contributions to insurance and pension, or other deferred compensation plans, including but not limited to, Workers' Compensation and Social Security obligations, licensing fees, etc. and the filing of all necessary documents, forms, and returns pertinent to all of the foregoing.

Vendor shall hold harmless the State, and shall provide the State and Agency with a defense against any and all claims including, but not limited to, the foregoing payments, withholdings, contributions, taxes, Social Security taxes, and employer income tax returns.

36. INDEMNIFICATION: The Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Agency, their officers, and employees from and against: (1) Any claims or losses for services rendered by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract; (2) Any claims or losses resulting to any person or entity injured or damaged by the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under the Contract in a manner not authorized by the Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (3) Any failure of the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.

37. NO DEBT CERTIFICATION: In accordance with West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-10a and 5-22-1(i), the State is prohibited from awarding a contract to any bidder that owes a debt to the State or a political subdivision of the State. By submitting a bid, or entering into a contract with the State, Vendor is affirming that (1) for construction contracts, the Vendor is not in default on any monetary obligation owed to the state or a political subdivision of the state, and (2) for all other contracts, neither the Vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above, and neither the Vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined in the statute cited above unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the statute.

38. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Vendor, its officers or members or employees, shall not presently have or acquire an interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict with or compromise the performance of its obligations hereunder. Vendor shall periodically inquire of its officers, members and employees to ensure that a conflict of interest does not arise. Any conflict of interest discovered shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

39. REPORTS: Vendor shall provide the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division with the following reports identified by a checked box below:

☒ Such reports as the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division may request. Requested reports may include, but are not limited to, quantities purchased, agencies utilizing the contract, total contract expenditures by agency, etc.

☐ Quarterly reports detailing the total quantity of purchases in units and dollars, along with a listing of purchases by agency. Quarterly reports should be delivered to the Purchasing Division via email at purchasing.division@wv.gov.

40. BACKGROUND CHECK: In accordance with W. Va. Code § 15-2D-3, the State reserves the right to prohibit a service provider's employees from accessing sensitive or critical information or to be present at the Capitol complex based upon results addressed from a criminal background check. Service providers should contact the West Virginia Division of Protective Services by phone at (304) 558-9911 for more information.

41. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC STEEL PRODUCTS: Except when authorized by the Director of the Purchasing Division pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56, no contractor may use or supply steel products for a State Contract Project other than those steel products made in the United States. A contractor who uses steel products in violation of this section may be subject to civil penalties pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56. As used in this section:

- a. "State Contract Project" means any erection or construction of, or any addition to, alteration of or other improvement to any building or structure, including, but not limited to, roads or highways, or the installation of any heating or cooling or ventilating plants or other equipment, or the supply of and materials for such projects, pursuant to a contract with the State of West Virginia for which bids were solicited on or after June 6, 2001.
- b. "Steel Products" means products rolled, formed, shaped, drawn, extruded, forged, cast, fabricated or otherwise similarly processed, or processed by a combination of two or more or such operations, from steel made by the open hearth, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer or other steel making process.
- c. The Purchasing Division Director may, in writing, authorize the use of foreign steel products if:
 1. The cost for each contract item used does not exceed one tenth of one percent (.1%) of the total contract cost or two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), whichever is greater. For the purposes of this section, the cost is the value of the steel product as delivered to the project; or
 2. The Director of the Purchasing Division determines that specified steel materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient quantity or otherwise are not reasonably available to meet contract requirements.

42. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND STEEL: In Accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-19-1 et seq., and W. Va. CSR § 148-10-1 et seq., for every contract or subcontract, subject to the limitations contained herein, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works or for the purchase of any item of machinery or equipment to be used at sites of public works, only domestic aluminum, glass or steel products shall be supplied unless the spending officer determines, in writing, after the receipt of offers or bids, (1) that the cost of domestic aluminum, glass or steel products is unreasonable or inconsistent with the public interest of the State of West Virginia, (2) that domestic aluminum, glass or steel products are not produced in sufficient quantities to meet the contract requirements, or (3) the available domestic aluminum, glass, or steel do not meet the contract specifications. This provision only applies to public works contracts awarded in an amount more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or public works contracts that require more than ten thousand pounds of steel products.

The cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than twenty percent (20%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. If the domestic aluminum, glass or steel products to be supplied or produced in a “substantial labor surplus area”, as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than thirty percent (30%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. This preference shall be applied to an item of machinery or equipment, as indicated above, when the item is a single unit of equipment or machinery manufactured primarily of aluminum, glass or steel, is part of a public works contract and has the sole purpose or of being a permanent part of a single public works project. This provision does not apply to equipment or machinery purchased by a spending unit for use by that spending unit and not as part of a single public works project.

All bids and offers including domestic aluminum, glass or steel products that exceed bid or offer prices including foreign aluminum, glass or steel products after application of the preferences provided in this provision may be reduced to a price equal to or lower than the lowest bid or offer price for foreign aluminum, glass or steel products plus the applicable preference. If the reduced bid or offer prices are made in writing and supersede the prior bid or offer prices, all bids or offers, including the reduced bid or offer prices, will be reevaluated in accordance with this rule.

43. INTERESTED PARTY SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE: W. Va. Code § 6D-1-2 requires that for contracts with an actual or estimated value of at least \$1 million, the Vendor must submit to the Agency a disclosure of interested parties prior to beginning work under this Contract. Additionally, the Vendor must submit a supplemental disclosure of interested parties reflecting any new or differing interested parties to the contract, which were not included in the original pre-work interested party disclosure, within 30 days following the completion or termination of the contract. A copy of that form is included with this solicitation or can be obtained from the WV Ethics Commission. This requirement does not apply to publicly traded companies listed on a national or international stock exchange. A more detailed definition of interested parties can be obtained from the form referenced above.

44. PROHIBITION AGAINST USED OR REFURBISHED: Unless expressly permitted in the solicitation published by the State, Vendor must provide new, unused commodities, and is prohibited from supplying used or refurbished commodities, in fulfilling its responsibilities under this Contract.

45. VOID CONTRACT CLAUSES: This Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law.

46. ISRAEL BOYCOTT: Bidder understands and agrees that, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63, it is prohibited from engaging in a boycott of Israel during the term of this contract.

DESIGNATED CONTACT: Vendor appoints the individual identified in this Section as the Contract Administrator and the initial point of contact for matters relating to this Contract.

(Printed Name and Title) Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

(Address) P.O. Box 4255 Chapmanville, WV 25508

(Phone Number) / (Fax Number) 304-541-2917

(email address) trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: By signing below, or submitting documentation through wvOASIS, I certify that: I have reviewed this Solicitation/Contract in its entirety; that I understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that this bid, offer or proposal constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn; that the product or service proposed meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation/Contract for that product or service, unless otherwise stated herein; that the Vendor accepts the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation, unless otherwise stated herein; that I am submitting this bid, offer or proposal for review and consideration; that this bid or offer was made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any entity submitting a bid or offer for the same material, supplies, equipment or services; that this bid or offer is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that this Contract is accepted or entered into without any prior understanding, agreement, or connection to any other entity that could be considered a violation of law; that I am authorized by the Vendor to execute and submit this bid, offer, or proposal, or any documents related thereto on Vendor's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the vendor in a contractual relationship; and that to the best of my knowledge, the vendor has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

By signing below, I further certify that I understand this Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law; and that pursuant to W. Va. Code 5A-3-63, the entity entering into this contract is prohibited from engaging in a boycott against Israel.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

(Company)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

Tom Rayburn, Treasurer May 14, 2024

(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(304) 541-2917

(Phone Number) (Fax Number)

trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

(Email Address)

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ-0313-DEP2400000037

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:


(Check the box next to each addendum received)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10 |

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Company



Authorized Signature

May 14, 2024

Date

NOTE: This addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

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SPECIFICATIONS

1. **PURPOSE AND SCOPE:** The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an open-end contract for the purchase of released mitigation credits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank(s) in various secondary service areas (SSAs) of the State.
2. **DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the meanings assigned to them below. Additional definitions can be found in section 2 of the General Terms and Conditions.
 - 2.1 **“Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale”** means a binding contract between the listed parties for the purchase of released stream and/or wetland credits from an approved Mitigation Bank.
 - 2.2 **“Contract Item” or “Contract Items”** means the list of items identified in Section 3.1 below and on the Pricing Pages.
 - 2.3 **“DEP ILF”** is the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection’s In Lieu Fee Program.
 - 2.4 **“IRT”** is the Interagency Review Team which is an interagency team comprised of representatives from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, US Fish and Wildlife Service, WV Department of Environmental Protection, WV Division of Natural Resources and other federal, state and local agencies as appropriate.
 - 2.5 **“Mitigation Banking”** is the restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation of a wetland, stream, or other habitat area undertaken expressly for the purpose of compensating for unavoidable resource losses in advance of development actions, when such compensation cannot be achieved at the development site or would not be as environmentally beneficial.
 - 2.6 **“A mitigation bank”** is a site developed for mitigation banking. The person or entity undertaking such restoration work is referred to as a mitigation banker.
 - 2.7 **“Mitigation Credits”** are units of exchange defined as the ecological value associated with the accrual or attainment of aquatic resource function, condition, or other performance measure at a mitigation site. Mitigation credits are determined based on the West Virginia Stream and Wetland Valuation Metric. The Interagency Review Team periodically releases bank credits as the bank meets certain performance milestones. This happens over the course of the "establishment period", which lasts around 10 to 12 years. When the IRT releases potential bank

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credits, they become available credits meaning they can be purchased for ecological offset.

2.8 “Released Mitigation Credits” are those credits available for sale to offset impacts. Credits are based on meeting performance standards and approved by the IRT.

2.9 “Pricing Pages” means the schedule of prices, estimated order quantity, and totals contained in wvOASIS or attached hereto as Exhibit A and used to evaluate the Solicitation responses.

2.10 “RIBITS” (Regulatory In lieu fee and Bank Information Tracking System) is a website created by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) with information on mitigation and conservation banks and in-lieu fee (ILF) program sites. It houses information about all mitigation and ILF sites including site documents, mitigation credit availability, and service areas as well as tracks all credit transactions.

2.11 “Solicitation” means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services that is published by the Purchasing Division.

2.12 “SSA” means Secondary Service Area as identified in the WV In Lieu Fee Stream and Wetland Mitigation Program Instrument.

3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Contract Items and Mandatory Requirements: Vendor shall provide Agency with the Contract Items listed below on an open-end and continuing basis. This contract will be awarded to multiple Vendors based on the need to have access to mitigation credits statewide. Contract Items must meet or exceed the mandatory requirements as shown below.

3.1.1 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 1 (Estimated Quantities 3800 stream credits and 1 wetland credit)

3.1.2 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 2 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)

3.1.3 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 3 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)

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3.1.4 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank SSA 4 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credits and 1 wetland credit)

3.1.5 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 5 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)

4. BIDDER'S MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- 4.1** Bidders shall be the owner or authorized representative of a stream and/or wetland mitigation bank that is approved by the USACE. The mitigation bank shall be active and operating in compliance with applicable federal and state permits, laws and regulations and be in good regulatory standing.
- 4.2** A copy of the bank's geographic service area map or equivalent must be provided with the bid submission.
- 4.3** The mitigation bank shall include with its bid submission the Bank's typical Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.
- 4.4** The mitigation bank shall have the number and type of credits released by the IRT and available for sale upon signing of the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.
- 4.5** Any authorizations or approvals required by the USACE, IRT or other regulatory organizations regarding the use or availability of mitigation credits must be completed prior to the date of the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.

5. CONTRACT AWARD:

- 5.1 Contract Award:** The Contract is intended to provide the DEP ILF with a purchase price on all Contract Items. The Contract shall be awarded to Vendors that provide the Contract Items meeting the required specifications for the lowest overall total cost as shown on the Pricing Pages.
- 5.2 Pricing Pages:** Vendor should complete the Pricing Pages by providing a unit cost and multiplying by the estimated quantity to calculate the extended cost. Vendor should complete the Pricing Pages in their entirety as failure to do so may result in Vendor's bids being disqualified.

The Pricing Pages contain a list of the Contract Items and estimated purchase volume. The estimated purchase volume for each item represents

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the approximate volume of anticipated purchases only. No future use of the Contract or any individual item is guaranteed or implied.

Vendor should type or electronically enter the information into the pricing page to prevent errors in the evaluation.

Vendor's who wish to respond to a centralized Request for Quotation (CRFQ) online may submit information through the state's wvOASIS Vendor self-service (VSS). If unable to respond online, Vendor must submit their pricing page with their submitted bid prior to the scheduled bid opening date.

Vendor should electronically enter the information into the Pricing Pages through wvOASIS, if available, or as an electronic document. Vendor can download the electronic copy of the Pricing Pages from the wvOASIS Vendor Self-Service (VSS) website. If responding with a paper bid, Vendors should download and/or print the assembled CRFQ document (with the highest version number) from wvOASIS and insert their unit price and extended cost for each line item.

6. ORDERING AND PAYMENT:

6.1 Ordering: Vendor shall accept orders through wvOASIS, regular mail, facsimile, e-mail, or any other written form of communication. Vendor may, but is not required to, accept on-line orders through a secure internet ordering portal/website. If Vendor has the ability to accept on-line orders, it should include in its response a brief description of how Agencies may utilize the on-line ordering system. Vendor shall ensure that its on-line ordering system is properly secured prior to processing Agency orders on-line.

6.1.1 Agency will issue an Agency Delivery Order (ADO) for purchase of mitigation credits. Agency must use the lowest bid Vendor unless it is determined that the Vendor does not have mitigation credits available for purchase at the time of request.

6.1.2 If lowest bid Vendor has credits available but not enough to complete the requested amount, then the DEP will procure the credits available from the lowest bid Vendor and then contact the next lowest bid Vendor to obtain the requested amount of mitigation credits and so on until the total amount is obtained.

6.1.3 If there is a tie among the lowest bid Vendors, the DEP may request another quote to procure the mitigation credits or procure mitigation

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credits from the Vendor that has mitigation bank credits closest to where the DEP ILF funds were taken in.

6.1.4 Once the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale is signed, the Vendor shall place those credits in reserve until the purchase is complete.

6.2 Payment: Within ten (10) business days of the Credit Transfer into the DEP ILF RIBITS stream credit ledger, Vendor shall provide the DEP ILF with an invoice for the Purchase Price ("**Invoice**") and DEP ILF shall remit Purchase Price payment in accordance with the payment procedures of the State of West Virginia.

7. DELIVERY AND RETURN:

7.1 Delivery Time: Within ten (10) business days of signing the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale for the released credits the Vendor shall transfer the purchased number of Stream Credits to the DEP ILF Program by notifying the Corps to debit Vendor's online Corps-maintained RIBITS Stream Credit ledger in the amount of the purchased Stream Credits ("**Credit Transfer**").

7.2 Late Delivery: The Agency placing the order under this Contract must be notified in writing if orders will be delayed for any reason. Any delay in delivery that could cause harm to an Agency will be grounds for cancellation of the delayed order, and/or obtaining the items ordered from a third party.

Any Agency seeking to obtain items from a third party under this provision must first obtain approval of the Purchasing Division.

7.3 Return of Unacceptable Items: If the Agency deems the Contract Items to be unacceptable, the Contract Items shall be returned to Vendor at Vendor's expense and with no restocking charge. Vendor shall either make arrangements for the return within five (5) days of being notified that items are unacceptable or permit the Agency to arrange for the return and reimburse Agency for delivery expenses. The returned product shall either be replaced, or the Agency shall receive a full credit or refund for the purchase price, at the Agency's discretion.

7.4 Return Due to Agency Error: Items ordered in error by the Agency will be returned for credit within 30 days of receipt.

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8. VENDOR DEFAULT:

8.1 The following shall be considered a Vendor default under this Contract.

- 8.1.1** Failure to provide Contract Items in accordance with the requirements contained herein.
- 8.1.2** Failure to comply with other specifications and requirements contained herein.
- 8.1.3** Failure to comply with any laws, rules, and ordinances applicable to the Contract Services provided under this Contract.
- 8.1.4** Failure to remedy deficient performance upon request.

8.2 The following remedies shall be available to Agency upon default.

- 8.2.1** Immediate cancellation of the Contract.
- 8.2.2** Immediate cancellation of one or more release orders issued under this Contract.
- 8.2.3** Any other remedies available in law or equity.

9. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 9.1 No Substitutions:** Vendor shall supply only Contract Items submitted in response to the Solicitation unless a contract modification is approved in accordance with the provisions contained in this Contract.
- 9.2 Vendor Supply:** Vendor must carry sufficient inventory of the Contract Items being offered to fulfill any Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale signed under this Contract. By signing the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale, Vendor certifies that it can supply the Contract Items needed at that time.

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- 9.3 Reports:** Vendor shall provide reports, upon request, showing the items purchased during the term of this Contract, the quantity purchased for each of those items, and the total value of purchases for each of those items. Failure to supply such reports may be grounds for cancellation of this Contract.
- 9.4 Contract Manager:** During its performance of this Contract, Vendor must designate and maintain a primary contract manager responsible for overseeing Vendor's responsibilities under this Contract. The Contract manager must be available during normal business hours to address any customer service or other issues related to this Contract. Vendor should list its Contract manager and his or her contact information below.

Contract Manager: Tom Rayburn
Telephone Number: (304) 541-2917
Fax Number: _____
Email Address: trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

EXHIBIT A
PURCHASE OF STREAM AND/OR WETLAND MITIGATION CREDITS
BY WV DEP IN LIEU FEE PROGRAM
PRICING PAGE

The following shall be provided according to the contract terms and conditions contained herein. Price may be provided for any of the following in whole or in part. A price must be provided for each item listed below in order for the vendor to be eligible to sell within that SSA (Secondary Service Area) to the ILF Program for the duration of this contract.

Item	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost/Extended Price
1.	stream credits in ILF SSA 1	3800 *	\$ <u>640.00</u>	\$ <u>2432000.00</u>
2.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 1	1	\$ <u>50,000.00</u>	\$ <u>50,000.00</u>
3.	stream credit in ILF SSA 2	1	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u> </u>
4.	wetland credits in ILF SSA 2	1	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u> </u>
5.	stream credit in ILF SSA 4	1	\$ <u>720.00</u>	\$ <u>720.00</u>
6.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 4	1	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u> </u>
7.	stream credit in ILF SSA 5	1	\$ <u>720.00</u>	\$ <u>720.00</u>
8.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 5	1	\$ <u>N/A</u>	\$ <u> </u>

* 1891.52 Credits available now with and additional 568.33 Credits that are presently being released by the USACOE for this site bringing the Total to 2459.85 Credits

Mitigation Bank Information

The following is required as part of the bid.

Bank Name: Indian Creek Mitigation Bank, Big Horse Creek Mitigation Bank, Cloverlick Branch MB

Physical Address: P.O. Box 4255, Chapmanville, WV

Bank Owner Name: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Bank Owner Address: P.O. Box 4255, Chapmanville, WV 25508

Contact Name: Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

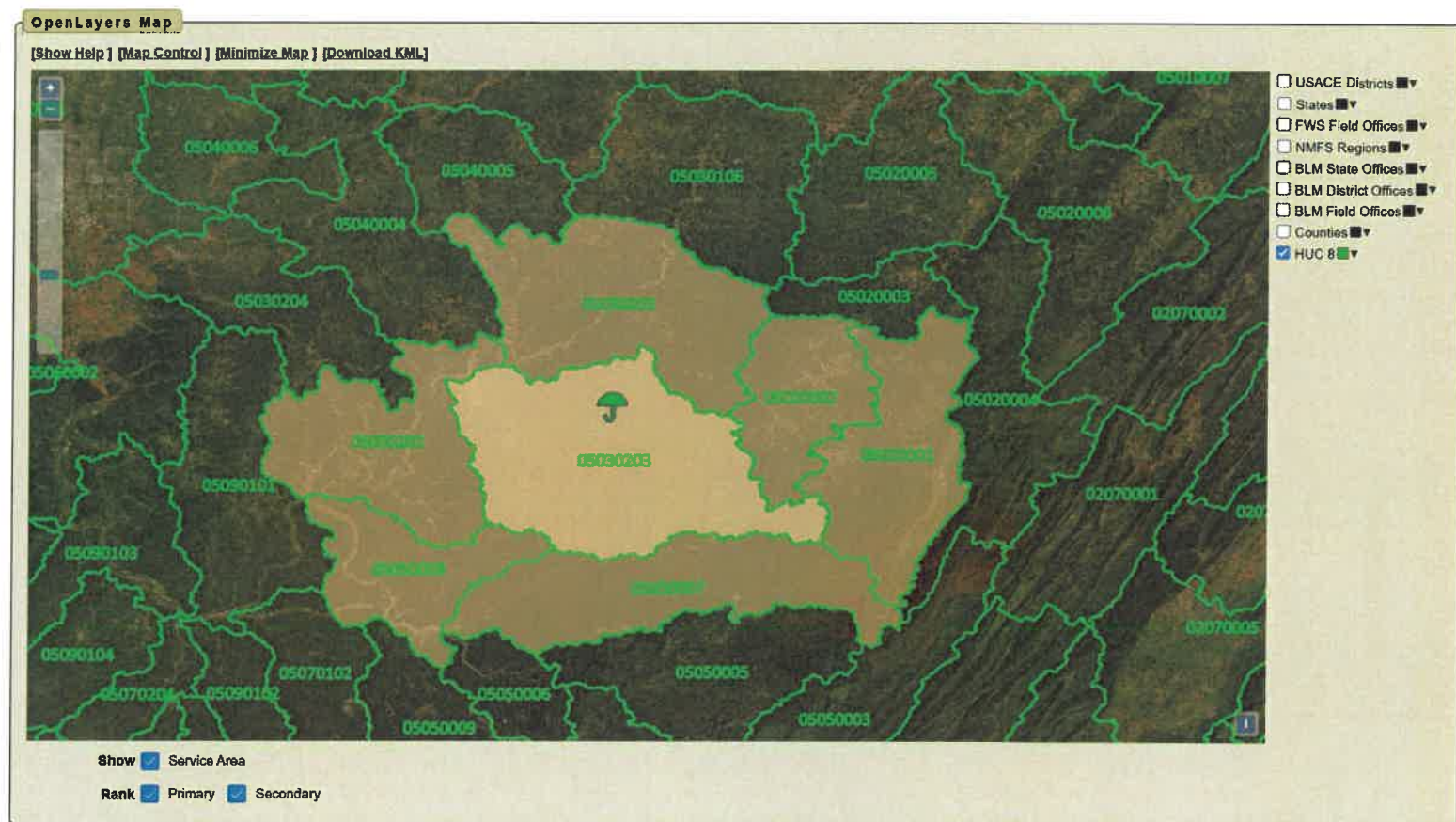
Contact Email: trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

Service Area (HUCs): Please see Attached Maps for Service Area HUCS

Required Items: Return the following with your bid.

Bank geographic service area map or equivalent

Bank's Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Aug 26, 2021

ATTENTION

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Wetland						
Wetlands	Federal	0	.06	.06	.66	9.1%
Stream						
Stream	Federal	1891.52	3717.02	5608.54	9799.87	57.2%

An Additional 568.33 Credits are being applied by USACOE

Indian Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

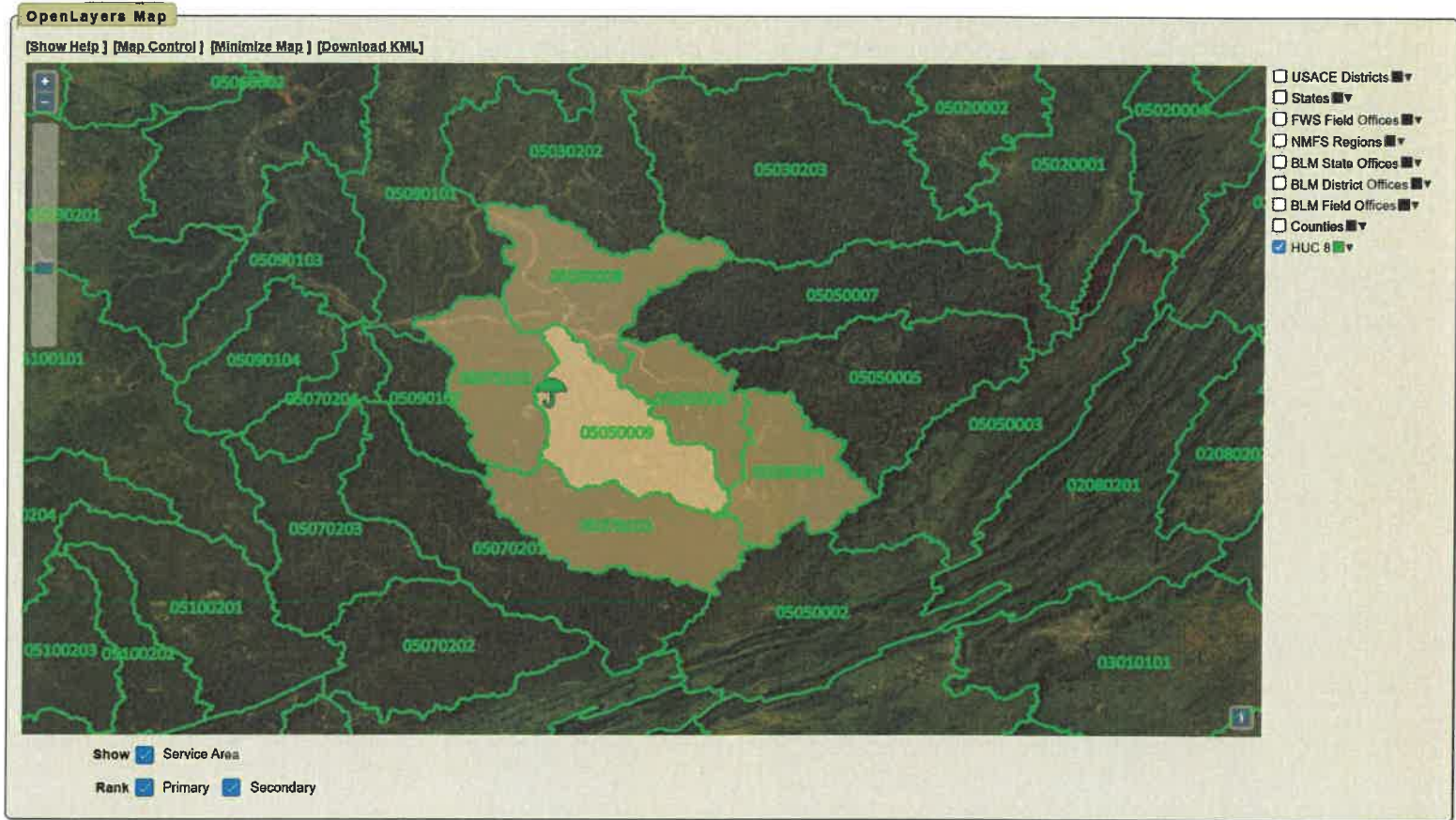
County: Ritchie [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2015-01071-LKR

Status/Date: Approved 08/23/2018

Establishment Date: 08/23/2018

Type: Public Commercial



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Jul 30,2021

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Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream	Federal	0	1692.0072	1692.0072	1822.553	92.8%

Big Horse Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

County: Lincoln [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2013-751-BCR



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Aug 07, 2023

ATTENTION

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Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream	Federal	3628.35	0	3628.35	18709.36	19.4%

Cloverlick Branch MB

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by: USACE

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

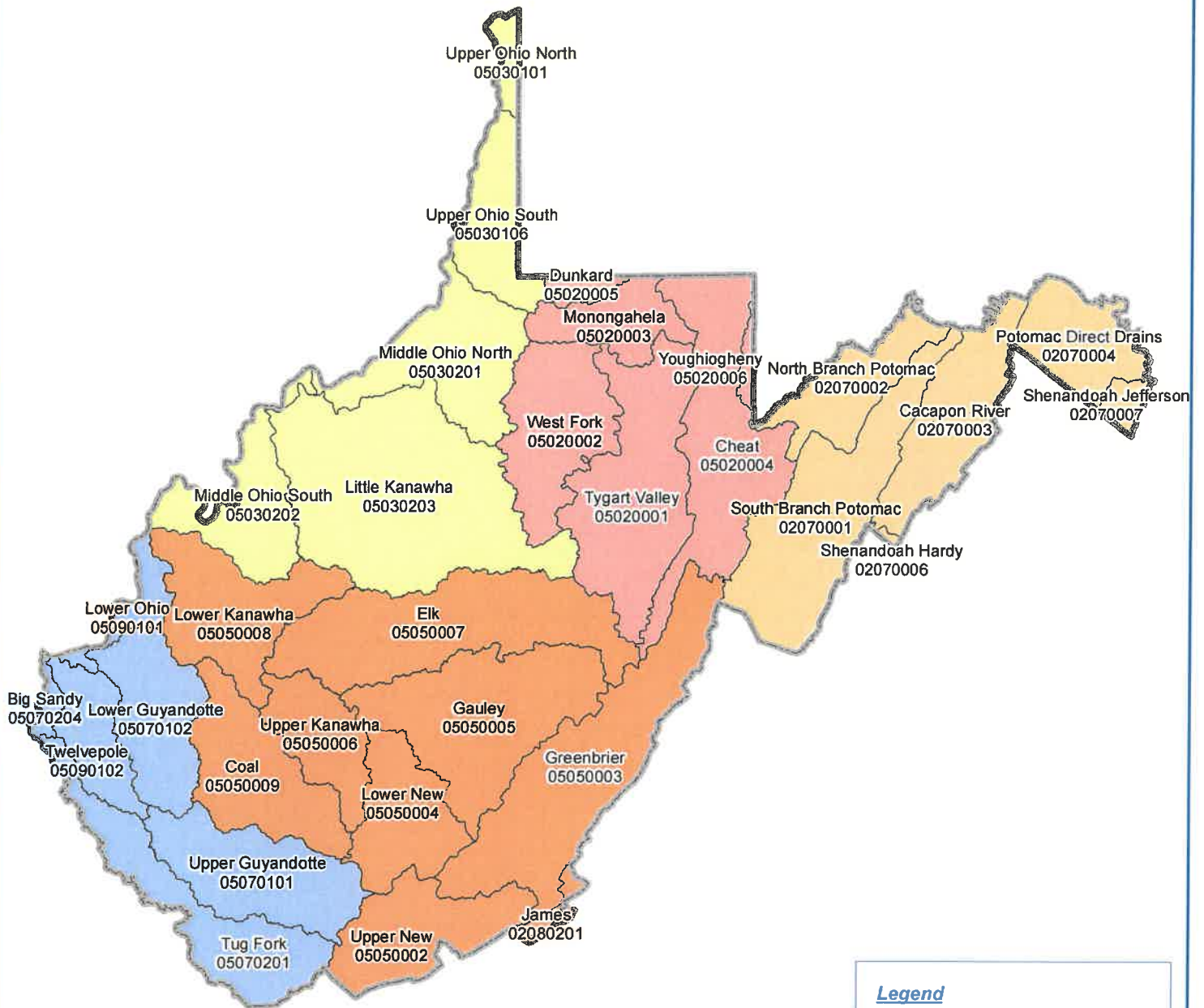
BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

County: Logan [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2017-00711-GUY

Status/Date: Approved 05/07/2024



Legend

8 Digit HUC Watershed



ILF Secondary Service Area



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MITIGATION CREDIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This **MITIGATION CREDIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ("Agreement") is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, _____ by and between _____, (ADDRESS) and **MOUNTAIN STATE MITIGATION CREDITS COMPANY**, a West Virginia corporation having an address at P.O. Box 4255 Chapmanville, WV 25508 ("MSMCC"). _____ and MSMCC are hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties".

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, MSMCC's Umbrella Mitigation Banking Instrument ("UMBI") (DA No. LRH- 2009-00153-GUY) was approved on September 16, 2011 by United States Army Corps of Engineers (the "USACE");

WHEREAS, MSMCC has developed a stream mitigation bank, known as the Buffalo Creek Mitigation Bank (LRH-2009-153-GUY) ("BCMB"), the primary service area for this mitigation bank is the Upper Guyandotte Watershed (HUC 05070101) and the secondary watersheds are the Lower Guyandotte (HUC 5070102), Coal (HUC 5050009), Twelvepole (HUC 5090102), Tug Fork (HUC 5070201), Lower New (HUC 5050004), and Upper New (HUC 5050002) watersheds. The secondary service areas are subject to USACE individual review and approval prior to the sale of the credits from the BCMB. The development and operation of such bank shall consist of stream or wetland restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation, to the extent required by the USACE to secure the release of credits, which MSMCC can sell to third parties;

WHEREAS, MSMCC is authorized to sell _____ stream credits to third parties to satisfy their mitigation obligation(s) pursuant to a 404 Permit;

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WHEREAS, _____ desires to purchase from MSMCC pursuant to the terms and conditions this Agreement and MSMCC desires to sell to _____ credits to offset its impacts from the (PROJECT NAME-USACE PERMIT #) in the _____ watershed ("Project"); and

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions set forth below, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, _____ and the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. **AGREEMENT:** MSMCC hereby agrees to sell to _____ and _____ agrees to purchase from MSMCC _____ stream credits.
2. **PURCHASE PRICE:** MSMCC shall receive _____ per stream credit as compensation for the sale of _____ stream credits the sum of _____ which shall be paid upon execution of this Agreement, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by MSMCC.
3. **CONVEYANCE OF CREDITS:** MSMCC shall transfer and convey the _____ stream credits to _____ pursuant to a bill of sale in the form, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
4. **NO PARTNERSHIP:** Nothing herein shall be deemed to create a partnership or joint venture between the parties hereto, to convey to either party, by operation of law or otherwise, any interest in rights to or ownership of, any property of the other party, or to constitute MSMCC as an agent for _____ for any purpose.
5. **INDEMNIFICATION:**
 - a. MSMCC hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless _____, its officers, directors, and employees against any and

from any losses, liabilities, damages, demands, obligations, fines or civil penalties arising out of, connected with or related to (a) MSMCC's failure to fully comply with the USACE Nationwide 27 Permit; (b) MSMCC's failure to fully comply with federal, state or local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations or permits now enacted or issued or hereafter enacted or issued respecting the credits to be sold hereunder; and (c) MSMCC's acts or omissions in the performance of its obligations hereunder.

b. _____ hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless MSMCC, its offices, directors, and employees against and from any losses, liabilities, damages, demands, obligations, fines or civil penalties arising out of, connected with or related to (a) _____ failure to fully comply with the _____ USACE 404 Permit, (b) _____ failure to fully comply with federal, state or local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations or permits now enacted or issued or hereafter enacted or issued respecting _____ USACE 404 Permit hereunder, and (c) _____ acts or omissions in the performance of its obligations hereunder.

6. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and no officer or representative of either party shall have the authority to subsequently change the same orally, and any subsequent change in this Agreement shall not be valid unless the same shall be in writing and duly executed by the parties hereto.

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7. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Agreement shall be construed according to the laws of the state of West Virginia.
8. **COUNTERPARTS:** This Agreement may be executed manually, by facsimile, or by email and in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
9. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** The Parties agree that the Purchase Price is confidential and shall remain confidential unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.
10. **NOTICE:** Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement or under state law shall be deemed sufficiently given or served if sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested addressed as follows:

If to MSMCC: MSMCC
 PO Box 294
 Man, WV 25635

If to _____: _____

11. **ASSIGNMENT:** Neither Party shall assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and permitted assigns of the Parties; provided, however, that _____ may assign some or all of its rights or delegate some or all of its obligations hereunder to one or more of its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have heretofore set their hand and seal this day and year first written above.

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William K. Abraham
President
Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, Notary Public in and for said County and Commonwealth, do hereby certify that the foregoing was this day produced to me in the aforesaid County and Commonwealth and duly acknowledged before me by _____ of _____.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 2019.
My Commission expires _____.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, Notary Public in and for said County and Commonwealth, do hereby certify that the foregoing was this day produced to me in the aforesaid County and Commonwealth and duly acknowledged before me by **William K. Abraham** of **MOUNTAIN STATE MITIGATION CREDITS COMPANY**.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 2019.
My Commission expires _____.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public



Department of Administration
Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Post Office Box 50130
Charleston, WV 25305-0130

State of West Virginia
Centralized Request for Quote
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Proc Folder: 1412853

Doc Description: Mitigation Credits

Reason for Modification:

Addendum #1 issued to publish agency responses to all vendor submitted questions.

Proc Type: Central Master Agreement

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BID RECEIVING LOCATION

BID CLERK
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
PURCHASING DIVISION
2019 WASHINGTON ST E
CHARLESTON WV 25305
US

VENDOR

Vendor Customer Code: 000000113098

Vendor Name : Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Address : P. O. Box 4255

Street :

City : Chapmanville

State : WV

Country : USA

Zip : 25508

Principal Contact : Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

Vendor Contact Phone: (304) 541-2917

Extension:

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE BUYER

Joseph E Hager III
(304) 558-2306
joseph.e.hageriii@wv.gov

Vendor
Signature X

FEIN# 20-4929529

DATE May 15, 2024

All offers subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an open-end contract for the purchase of released mitigation credits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank(s) in various secondary service areas (SSAs) of the State per the attached specifications and terms and conditions.

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Line	Comm Ln Desc	Qty	Unit Issue	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Stream Credits Per the Attached Exhibit A Pricing Page	1.00000	EA		

Comm Code	Manufacturer	Specification	Model #
94131501			

Extended Description:

Mitigation Credits / DWWW as outlined on the attached specifications

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<u>Line</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Event Date</u>
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SOLICITATION NUMBER: CRFQ 0313 DEP2400000037

Addendum Number: No.01

The purpose of this addendum is to modify the solicitation identified as ("Solicitation") to reflect the change(s) identified and described below.

Applicable Addendum Category:

- ☐ Modify bid opening date and time
- ☐ Modify specifications of product or service being sought
- ☒ Attachment of vendor questions and responses
- ☐ Attachment of pre-bid sign-in sheet
- ☐ Correction of error
- ☐ Other

Description of Modification to Solicitation:

Addendum issued to publish and distribute the attached documentation to the vendor community.

1. To publish agency responses to vendor submitted questions.

Additional Documentation: Documentation related to this Addendum (if any) has been included herewith as Attachment A and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Terms and Conditions:

1. All provisions of the Solicitation and other addenda not modified herein shall remain in full force and effect.
2. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued for this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

ATTACHMENT A

RFI: Questions from vendors for CRFQ DEP 24*37 Mitigation Credits

Q.1. Can credits be purchased from a secondary service area (i.e. West Fork Watershed), from a mitigation bank that has approved secondary service areas in SSA1? Or does the bank have to be located directly in SSA1?

A. Mitigation Bank credit purchases will be made from mitigation banks located in applicable In Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas (see map included in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document).

Q.2. Can we apply for a partial credit sale ~1,8000 credits.

A. Yes, see section 5 of General Terms and Conditions, Open End Contract. Also, language below from the pricing sheet located in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document below:

“Price may be provided for any of the following in whole or in part. A price must be provided for each item listed below in order for the vendor to be eligible to sell within that SSA (Secondary Service Area) to the ILF Program for the duration of this contract. “

Q.3. Is there any preference for WV based companies?

A. No, contracts/purchases will be awarded to Vendors with approved West Virginia Mitigation Banks.

Q.4. Can DEP verify that no quantities for line items 2-8 on the pricing sheet have been established?

A. No, at this time we cannot verify credit quantity need for those In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas however there may be a need for additional purchases within the contract term.

Q.5. If providing pricing for line items 2-8, can respondents provide a minimum credit acquisition needed to guarantee pricing?

A. No, credit purchases will be based upon line item pricing for each one.

Q.6. Do respondents need to list banks for each geographic service area?

A. Yes, if vendors have banks and are providing quotes (bids) then the information requested on the pricing page is required for Vendors per In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas

Q.7. If yes, should respondents provide the additional bank information on a separate page or modify the provided pricing sheet?

A. A separate page including the information is acceptable.

Q.8. Can DEP provide the evaluation criteria for award?

A. The evaluation criteria is lowest price (Bid) per credit.

Q.9. Will DEP select the lowest bid for award?

A. Yes

Q.10. Is that specific to each watershed individually or considered on a statewide basis?

A. The WVDEP ILF Program is requesting mitigation bank stream and wetland credit quotes for all 5 In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas (SSA) listed in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document.

Q.11. What is the term of the contract? The bid notes “One (1)” but does not specify the actual timeframe.

A. The Initial contract term will be for a period of One (1) year upon contract award.

Q.12. Will mitigation banks who can partially fulfill the estimated credit quantity be considered for the contract award?

A. Yes, see section 5 of General Terms and Conditions, Open End Contract. Also, language below from the pricing sheet located in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document below:

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ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ DEP24*37

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:

(Check the box next to each addendum received)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 7
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 8
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company
Company



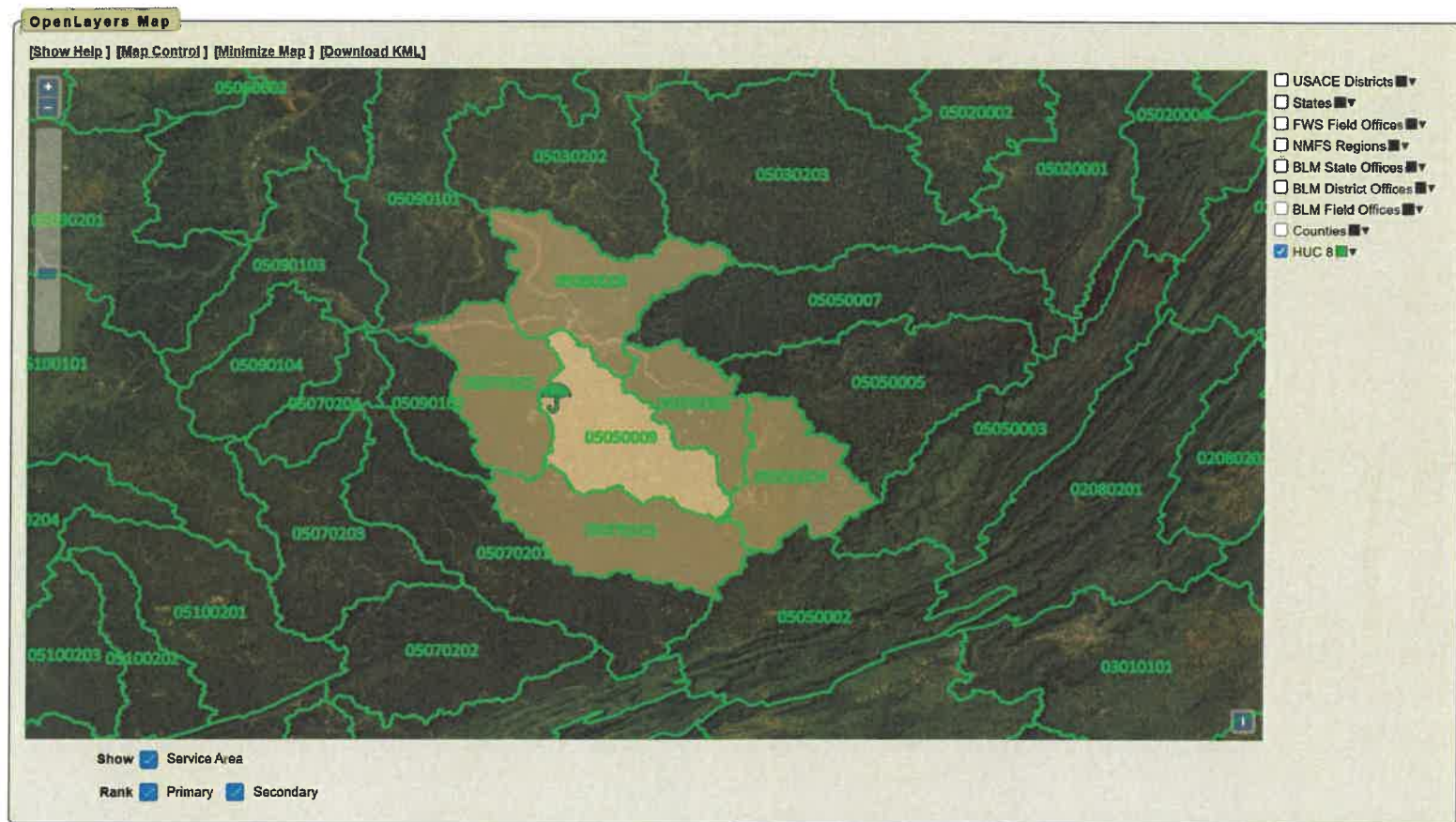
Authorized Signature

May 15, 2024

Date

NOTE: This addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

Revised 6/8/2012



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Jul 30,2021

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USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2013-751-BCR



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CHARLESTON WV 25305
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VENDOR

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Address : P.O. Box 4255
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State : WV **Country :** USA **Zip :** 25508
Principal Contact : Tom Rayburn, Treasurer
Vendor Contact Phone: 304-541-2917 **Extension:**

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE BUYER

Joseph E Hager III
(304) 558-2306
joseph.e.hageriii@wv.gov

Vendor Signature X  **FEIN#** 20-4929529 **DATE** May 14, 2024

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94131501			

Extended Description:

Mitigation Credits / DWWM as outlined on the attached specifications

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS

1. REVIEW DOCUMENTS THOROUGHLY: The attached documents contain a solicitation for bids. Please read these instructions and all documents attached in their entirety. These instructions provide critical information about requirements that if overlooked could lead to disqualification of a Vendor's bid. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the provisions contained in these instructions and the Solicitation. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

2. MANDATORY TERMS: The Solicitation may contain mandatory provisions identified by the use of the words "must," "will," and "shall." Failure to comply with a mandatory term in the Solicitation will result in bid disqualification.

3. PREBID MEETING: The item identified below shall apply to this Solicitation.

☒ A pre-bid meeting will not be held prior to bid opening

☐ A **MANDATORY PRE-BID** meeting will be held at the following place and time:

All Vendors submitting a bid must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting shall result in disqualification of the Vendor's bid. No one individual is permitted to represent more than one vendor at the pre-bid meeting. Any individual that does attempt to represent two or more vendors will be required to select one vendor to which the individual's attendance will be attributed. The vendors not selected will be deemed to have not attended the pre-bid meeting unless another individual attended on their behalf.

An attendance sheet provided at the pre-bid meeting shall serve as the official document verifying attendance. Any person attending the pre-bid meeting on behalf of a Vendor must list on the attendance sheet his or her name and the name of the Vendor he or she is representing.

Additionally, the person attending the pre-bid meeting should include the Vendor's E-Mail address, phone number, and Fax number on the attendance sheet. It is the Vendor's responsibility to locate the attendance sheet and provide the required information. Failure to complete the attendance sheet as required may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

All Vendors should arrive prior to the starting time for the pre-bid. Vendors who arrive after the starting time but prior to the end of the pre-bid will be permitted to sign in but are charged with knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid.

Questions submitted at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid will be discussed at the pre-bid meeting if possible. Any discussions or answers to questions at the pre-bid meeting are preliminary in nature and are non-binding. Official and binding answers to questions will be published in a written addendum to the Solicitation prior to bid opening.

4. VENDOR QUESTION DEADLINE: Vendors may submit questions relating to this Solicitation to the Purchasing Division. Questions must be submitted in writing. All questions must be submitted on or before the date listed below and to the address listed below to be considered. A written response will be published in a Solicitation addendum if a response is possible and appropriate. Non-written discussions, conversations, or questions and answers regarding this Solicitation are preliminary in nature and are nonbinding.

Submitted emails should have the solicitation number in the subject line.

Question Submission Deadline: 5/09/2024 @ 4:00 PM ET

Submit Questions to: Josh Hager
2019 Washington Street, East
Charleston, WV 25305
Fax: (304) 558-3970
Email: Joseph.E.HagerIII@wv.gov

5. VERBAL COMMUNICATION: Any verbal communication between the Vendor and any State personnel is not binding, including verbal communication at the mandatory pre-bid conference. Only information issued in writing and added to the Solicitation by an official written addendum by the Purchasing Division is binding.

6. BID SUBMISSION: All bids must be submitted on or before the date and time of the bid opening listed in section 7 below. Vendors can submit bids electronically through wvOASIS, in paper form delivered to the Purchasing Division at the address listed below either in person or by courier, or in facsimile form by faxing to the Purchasing Division at the number listed below. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchasing Division may prohibit the submission of bids electronically through wvOASIS at its sole discretion. Such a prohibition will be contained and communicated in the wvOASIS system resulting in the Vendor's inability to submit bids through wvOASIS. The Purchasing Division will not accept bids, modification of bids, or addendum acknowledgment forms via email. Bids submitted in paper or facsimile form must contain a signature. Bids submitted in wvOASIS are deemed to be electronically signed.

Any bid received by the Purchasing Division staff is considered to be in the possession of the Purchasing Division and will not be returned for any reason.

For Request for Proposal ("RFP") Responses Only: Submission of a response to a Request for Proposal is not permitted in wvOASIS. In the event that Vendor is responding to a request for proposal, the Vendor shall submit one original technical and one original cost proposal prior to the bid opening date and time identified in Section 7 below, plus _____ convenience copies of each to the Purchasing Division at the address shown below. Additionally, the Vendor should clearly identify and segregate the cost proposal from the technical proposal in a separately sealed envelope.

Bid Delivery Address and Fax Number:

Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130
Fax: 304-558-3970

A bid submitted in paper or facsimile form should contain the information listed below on the face of the submission envelope or fax cover sheet. Otherwise, the bid may be rejected by the Purchasing Division.

VENDOR NAME: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company
BUYER: Josh Hager
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ 0313 DEP2400000036
BID OPENING DATE: See section 7
BID OPENING TIME: See section 7
FAX NUMBER: 304-558-3970

7. BID OPENING: Bids submitted in response to this Solicitation will be opened at the location identified below on the date and time listed below. Delivery of a bid after the bid opening date and time will result in bid disqualification. For purposes of this Solicitation, a bid is considered delivered when confirmation of delivery is provided by wvOASIS (in the case of electronic submission) or when the bid is time stamped by the official Purchasing Division time clock (in the case of hand delivery).

Bid Opening Date and Time: 5/16/2024 @ 1:30 PM ET

Bid Opening Location: Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130

8. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment Form, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

9. BID FORMATTING: Vendor should type or electronically enter the information onto its bid to prevent errors in the evaluation. Failure to type or electronically enter the information may result in bid disqualification.

10. ALTERNATE MODEL OR BRAND: Unless the box below is checked, any model, brand, or specification listed in this Solicitation establishes the acceptable level of quality only and is not intended to reflect a preference for, or in any way favor, a particular brand or vendor. Vendors may bid alternates to a listed model or brand provided that the alternate is at least equal to the model or brand and complies with the required specifications. The equality of any alternate being bid shall be determined by the State at its sole discretion. Any Vendor bidding an alternate model or brand should clearly identify the alternate items in its bid and should include manufacturer's specifications, industry literature, and/or any other relevant documentation demonstrating the equality of the alternate items. Failure to provide information for alternate items may be grounds for rejection of a Vendor's bid.

☐ This Solicitation is based upon a standardized commodity established under W. Va. Code § 5A-3-61. Vendors are expected to bid the standardized commodity identified. Failure to bid the standardized commodity will result in your firm's bid being rejected.

11. EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Solicitation contains the specifications that shall form the basis of a contractual agreement. Vendor shall clearly mark any exceptions, clarifications, or other proposed modifications in its bid. Exceptions to, clarifications of, or modifications of a requirement or term and condition of the Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.

12. COMMUNICATION LIMITATIONS: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules §148-1-6.6, communication with the State of West Virginia or any of its employees regarding this Solicitation during the solicitation, bid, evaluation or award periods, except through the Purchasing Division, is strictly prohibited without prior Purchasing Division approval. Purchasing Division approval for such communication is implied for all agency delegated and exempt purchases.

13. REGISTRATION: Prior to Contract award, the apparent successful Vendor must be properly registered with the West Virginia Purchasing Division and must have paid the \$125 fee, if applicable.

14. UNIT PRICE: Unit prices shall prevail in cases of a discrepancy in the Vendor's bid.

15. PREFERENCE: Vendor Preference may be requested in purchases of motor vehicles or construction and maintenance equipment and machinery used in highway and other infrastructure projects. Any request for preference must be submitted in writing with the bid, must specifically identify the preference requested with reference to the applicable subsection of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-37, and must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the requested preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

15A. RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE: The State of West Virginia applies a reciprocal preference to all solicitations for commodities and printing in accordance with W. Va. Code § 5A-3-37(b). In effect, non-resident vendors receiving a preference in their home states, will see that same preference granted to West Virginia resident vendors bidding against them in West Virginia. Any request for reciprocal preference must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

16. SMALL, WOMEN-OWNED, OR MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES: For any solicitations publicly advertised for bid, in accordance with West Virginia Code §5A-3-37 and W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9, any non-resident vendor certified as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 shall be provided the same preference made available to any resident vendor. Any non-resident small, women-owned, or minority-owned business must identify itself as such in writing, must submit that writing to the Purchasing Division with its bid, and must be properly certified under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 prior to contract award to receive the preferences made available to resident vendors. Preference for a non-resident small, women-owned, or minority owned business shall be applied in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9.

17. WAIVER OF MINOR IRREGULARITIES: The Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.6.

18. ELECTRONIC FILE ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: Vendor must ensure that its submission in wvOASIS can be accessed and viewed by the Purchasing Division staff immediately upon bid opening. The Purchasing Division will consider any file that cannot be immediately accessed and viewed at the time of the bid opening (such as, encrypted files, password protected files, or incompatible files) to be blank or incomplete as context requires and are therefore unacceptable. A vendor will not be permitted to unencrypt files, remove password protections, or resubmit documents after bid opening to make a file viewable if those documents are required with the bid. A Vendor may be required to provide document passwords or remove access restrictions to allow the Purchasing Division to print or electronically save documents provided that those documents are viewable by the Purchasing Division prior to obtaining the password or removing the access restriction.

19. NON-RESPONSIBLE: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to reject the bid of any vendor as Non-Responsible in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.3, when the Director determines that the vendor submitting the bid does not have the capability to fully perform or lacks the integrity and reliability to assure good-faith performance.”

20. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION: The State may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.5. and § 148-1-6.4.b.”

21. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

22. WITH THE BID REQUIREMENTS: In instances where these specifications require documentation or other information with the bid, and a vendor fails to provide it with the bid, the Director of the Purchasing Division reserves the right to request those items after bid opening and prior to contract award pursuant to the authority to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications under W. Va. CSR § 148-1-4.6. This authority does not apply to instances where state law mandates receipt with the bid.

23. EMAIL NOTIFICATION OF AWARD: The Purchasing Division will attempt to provide bidders with e-mail notification of contract award when a solicitation that the bidder participated in has been awarded. For notification purposes, bidders must provide the Purchasing Division with a valid email address in the bid response. Bidders may also monitor *WV*OASIS or the Purchasing Division's website to determine when a contract has been awarded.

24. ISRAEL BOYCOTT CERTIFICATION: Vendor's act of submitting a bid in response to this solicitation shall be deemed a certification from bidder to the State that bidder is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract, engage in a boycott of Israel. This certification is required by W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT: Issuance of an Award Document signed by the Purchasing Division Director, or his designee, and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office constitutes acceptance by the State of this Contract made by and between the State of West Virginia and the Vendor. Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the Contract if the Contract is not the result of a bid solicitation, signifies Vendor's agreement to be bound by and accept the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.

2. DEFINITIONS: As used in this Solicitation/Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings attributed to them below. Additional definitions may be found in the specifications included with this Solicitation/Contract.

2.1. "Agency" or "Agencies" means the agency, board, commission, or other entity of the State of West Virginia that is identified on the first page of the Solicitation or any other public entity seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.

2.2. "Bid" or "Proposal" means the vendors submitted response to this solicitation.

2.3. "Contract" means the binding agreement that is entered into between the State and the Vendor to provide the goods or services requested in the Solicitation.

2.4. "Director" means the Director of the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.5. "Purchasing Division" means the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.6. "Award Document" means the document signed by the Agency and the Purchasing Division, and approved as to form by the Attorney General, that identifies the Vendor as the contract holder.

2.7. "Solicitation" means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services that is published by the Purchasing Division.

2.8. "State" means the State of West Virginia and/or any of its agencies, commissions, boards, etc. as context requires.

2.9. "Vendor" or "Vendors" means any entity submitting a bid in response to the Solicitation, the entity that has been selected as the lowest responsible bidder, or the entity that has been awarded the Contract as context requires.

3. CONTRACT TERM; RENEWAL; EXTENSION: The term of this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below:

☒ **Term Contract**

Initial Contract Term: The Initial Contract Term will be for a period of One (1)
Upon contract award. The Initial Contract Term becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and the Initial Contract Term ends on the effective end date also shown on the first page of this Contract.

Renewal Term: This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any request for renewal should be delivered to the Agency and then submitted to the Purchasing Division thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the initial contract term or appropriate renewal term. A Contract renewal shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original contract. Unless otherwise specified below, renewal of this Contract is limited to ZERO (0) successive one (1) year periods or multiple renewal periods of less than one year, provided that the multiple renewal periods do not exceed the total number of months available in all renewal years combined. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

☐ **Alternate Renewal Term** – This contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

Delivery Order Limitations: In the event that this contract permits delivery orders, a delivery order may only be issued during the time this Contract is in effect. Any delivery order issued within one year of the expiration of this Contract shall be effective for one year from the date the delivery order is issued. No delivery order may be extended beyond one year after this Contract has expired.

☐ **Fixed Period Contract:** This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and must be completed within _____ days.

☐ **Fixed Period Contract with Renewals:** This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and part of the Contract more fully described in the attached specifications must be completed within _____ days. Upon completion of the work covered by the preceding sentence, the vendor agrees that:

☐ the contract will continue for _____ years;

☐ the contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's Office (Attorney General approval is as to form only).

☐ **One-Time Purchase:** The term of this Contract shall run from the issuance of the Award Document until all of the goods contracted for have been delivered, but in no event will this Contract extend for more than one fiscal year.

☐ **Construction/Project Oversight:** This Contract becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and continues until the project for which the vendor is providing oversight is complete.

☐ **Other:** Contract Term specified in _____

4. AUTHORITY TO PROCEED: Vendor is authorized to begin performance of this contract on the date of encumbrance listed on the front page of the Award Document unless either the box for "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked in Section 3 above. If either "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked, Vendor must not begin work until it receives a separate notice to proceed from the State. The notice to proceed will then be incorporated into the Contract via change order to memorialize the official date that work commenced.

5. QUANTITIES: The quantities required under this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below.

☒ **Open End Contract:** Quantities listed in this Solicitation/Award Document are approximations only, based on estimates supplied by the Agency. It is understood and agreed that the Contract shall cover the quantities actually ordered for delivery during the term of the Contract, whether more or less than the quantities shown.

☐ **Service:** The scope of the service to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

☐ **Combined Service and Goods:** The scope of the service and deliverable goods to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

☐ **One-Time Purchase:** This Contract is for the purchase of a set quantity of goods that are identified in the specifications included herewith. Once those items have been delivered, no additional goods may be procured under this Contract without an appropriate change order approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division, and Attorney General's office.

☐ **Construction:** This Contract is for construction activity more fully defined in the specifications.

6. EMERGENCY PURCHASES: The Purchasing Division Director may authorize the Agency to purchase goods or services in the open market that Vendor would otherwise provide under this Contract if those goods or services are for immediate or expedited delivery in an emergency. Emergencies shall include, but are not limited to, delays in transportation or an unanticipated increase in the volume of work. An emergency purchase in the open market, approved by the Purchasing Division Director, shall not constitute a breach of this Contract and shall not entitle the Vendor to any form of compensation or damages. This provision does not excuse the State from fulfilling its obligations under a One-Time Purchase contract.

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS: All of the items checked in this section must be provided to the Purchasing Division by the Vendor as specified:

☐ **LICENSE(S) / CERTIFICATIONS / PERMITS:** In addition to anything required under the Section of the General Terms and Conditions entitled Licensing, the apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following licenses, certifications, and/or permits upon request and in a form acceptable to the State. The request may be prior to or after contract award at the State's sole discretion.

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The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional licenses or certifications contained in the specifications regardless of whether or not that requirement is listed above.

8. INSURANCE: The apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the insurance identified by a checkmark below prior to Contract award. The insurance coverages identified below must be maintained throughout the life of this contract. Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the insurance policies, Vendor shall provide the Agency with proof that the insurance mandated herein has been continued. Vendor must also provide Agency with immediate notice of any changes in its insurance policies, including but not limited to, policy cancelation, policy reduction, or change in insurers. The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional insurance requirements contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether that insurance requirement is listed in this section.

Vendor must maintain:

☒ **Commercial General Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of: 1,000,000 one million per occurrence.

☐ **Automobile Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Professional/Malpractice/Errors and Omission Insurance** in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence. Notwithstanding the forgoing, Vendor's are not required to list the State as an additional insured for this type of policy.

☐ **Commercial Crime and Third Party Fidelity Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Cyber Liability Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Builders Risk Insurance** in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the Contract.

☐ **Pollution Insurance** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

☐ **Aircraft Liability** in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

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9. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Vendor shall comply with laws relating to workers compensation, shall maintain workers' compensation insurance when required, and shall furnish proof of workers' compensation insurance upon request.

10. VENUE: All legal actions for damages brought by Vendor against the State shall be brought in the West Virginia Claims Commission. Other causes of action must be brought in the West Virginia court authorized by statute to exercise jurisdiction over it.

11. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue any other available remedy. Vendor shall pay liquidated damages in the amount specified below or as described in the specifications:

☐ _____ for _____.

☐ Liquidated Damages Contained in the Specifications.

☒ Liquidated Damages Are Not Included in this Contract.

12. ACCEPTANCE: Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the certification and signature page, constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn, signifies that the product or service proposed by vendor meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation for that product or service, unless otherwise indicated, and signifies acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation unless otherwise indicated.

13. PRICING: The pricing set forth herein is firm for the life of the Contract, unless specified elsewhere within this Solicitation/Contract by the State. A Vendor's inclusion of price adjustment provisions in its bid, without an express authorization from the State in the Solicitation to do so, may result in bid disqualification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor must extend any publicly advertised sale price to the State and invoice at the lower of the contract price or the publicly advertised sale price.

14. PAYMENT IN ARREARS: Payments for goods/services will be made in arrears only upon receipt of a proper invoice, detailing the goods/services provided or receipt of the goods/services, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments for software maintenance, licenses, or subscriptions may be paid annually in advance.

15. PAYMENT METHODS: Vendor must accept payment by electronic funds transfer and P-Card. (The State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card program, administered under contract by a banking institution, processes payment for goods and services through state designated credit cards.)

16. TAXES: The Vendor shall pay any applicable sales, use, personal property or any other taxes arising out of this Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.

17. ADDITIONAL FEES: Vendor is not permitted to charge additional fees or assess additional charges that were not either expressly provided for in the solicitation published by the State of West Virginia, included in the Contract, or included in the unit price or lump sum bid amount that Vendor is required by the solicitation to provide. Including such fees or charges as notes to the solicitation may result in rejection of vendor's bid. Requesting such fees or charges be paid after the contract has been awarded may result in cancellation of the contract.

18. FUNDING: This Contract shall continue for the term stated herein, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available, this Contract becomes void and of no effect beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year for which funding has not been appropriated or otherwise made available. If that occurs, the State may notify the Vendor that an alternative source of funding has been obtained and thereby avoid the automatic termination. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.

19. CANCELLATION: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to cancel this Contract immediately upon written notice to the vendor if the materials or workmanship supplied do not conform to the specifications contained in the Contract. The Purchasing Division Director may also cancel any purchase or Contract upon 30 days written notice to the Vendor in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.2.b.

20. TIME: Time is of the essence regarding all matters of time and performance in this Contract.

21. APPLICABLE LAW: This Contract is governed by and interpreted under West Virginia law without giving effect to its choice of law principles. Any information provided in specification manuals, or any other source, verbal or written, which contradicts or violates the West Virginia Constitution, West Virginia Code, or West Virginia Code of State Rules is void and of no effect.

22. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances. By submitting a bid, Vendor acknowledges that it has reviewed, understands, and will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

23. ARBITRATION: Any references made to arbitration contained in this Contract, Vendor's bid, or in any American Institute of Architects documents pertaining to this Contract are hereby deleted, void, and of no effect.

24. MODIFICATIONS: This writing is the parties' final expression of intent. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract to the contrary no modification of this Contract shall be binding without mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any change to existing contracts that adds work or changes contract cost, and were not included in the original contract, must be approved by the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's Office (as to form) prior to the implementation of the change or commencement of work affected by the change.

25. WAIVER: The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provision of this Contract, or to exercise any option, right, or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right, or remedy, but the same shall continue in full force and effect. Any waiver must be expressly stated in writing and signed by the waiving party.

26. SUBSEQUENT FORMS: The terms and conditions contained in this Contract shall supersede any and all subsequent terms and conditions which may appear on any form documents submitted by Vendor to the Agency or Purchasing Division such as price lists, order forms, invoices, sales agreements, or maintenance agreements, and includes internet websites or other electronic documents. Acceptance or use of Vendor's forms does not constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions contained thereon.

27. ASSIGNMENT: Neither this Contract nor any monies due, or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by the Vendor without the express written consent of the Agency, the Purchasing Division, the Attorney General's office (as to form only), and any other government agency or office that may be required to approve such assignments.

28. WARRANTY: The Vendor expressly warrants that the goods and/or services covered by this Contract will: (a) conform to the specifications, drawings, samples, or other description furnished or specified by the Agency; (b) be merchantable and fit for the purpose intended; and (c) be free from defect in material and workmanship.

29. STATE EMPLOYEES: State employees are not permitted to utilize this Contract for personal use and the Vendor is prohibited from permitting or facilitating the same.

30. PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND CONFIDENTIALITY: The Vendor agrees that it will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the Agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the Agency's policies, procedures, and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy.

31. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

32. LICENSING: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-6.1.e, Vendor must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state agency or political subdivision. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Upon request, the Vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Purchasing Division Director or the Agency to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to be licensed, in good standing, and up-to-date on all state and local obligations as described in this section. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

33. ANTITRUST: In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting a Award Document from any agency of the State of West Virginia, the Vendor agrees to convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to Vendor.

34. VENDOR NON-CONFLICT: Neither Vendor nor its representatives are permitted to have any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would compromise the performance of its services hereunder. Any such interests shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

35. VENDOR RELATIONSHIP: The relationship of the Vendor to the State shall be that of an independent contractor and no principal-agent relationship or employer-employee relationship is contemplated or created by this Contract. The Vendor as an independent contractor is solely liable for the acts and omissions of its employees and agents. Vendor shall be responsible for selecting, supervising, and compensating any and all individuals employed pursuant to the terms of this Solicitation and resulting contract. Neither the Vendor, nor any employees or subcontractors of the Vendor, shall be deemed to be employees of the State for any purpose whatsoever. Vendor shall be exclusively responsible for payment of employees and contractors for all wages and salaries, taxes, withholding payments, penalties, fees, fringe benefits, professional liability insurance premiums, contributions to insurance and pension, or other deferred compensation plans, including but not limited to, Workers' Compensation and Social Security obligations, licensing fees, etc. and the filing of all necessary documents, forms, and returns pertinent to all of the foregoing.

Vendor shall hold harmless the State, and shall provide the State and Agency with a defense against any and all claims including, but not limited to, the foregoing payments, withholdings, contributions, taxes, Social Security taxes, and employer income tax returns.

36. INDEMNIFICATION: The Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Agency, their officers, and employees from and against: (1) Any claims or losses for services rendered by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract; (2) Any claims or losses resulting to any person or entity injured or damaged by the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under the Contract in a manner not authorized by the Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (3) Any failure of the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.

37. NO DEBT CERTIFICATION: In accordance with West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-10a and 5-22-1(i), the State is prohibited from awarding a contract to any bidder that owes a debt to the State or a political subdivision of the State. By submitting a bid, or entering into a contract with the State, Vendor is affirming that (1) for construction contracts, the Vendor is not in default on any monetary obligation owed to the state or a political subdivision of the state, and (2) for all other contracts, neither the Vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above, and neither the Vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined in the statute cited above unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the statute.

38. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Vendor, its officers or members or employees, shall not presently have or acquire an interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict with or compromise the performance of its obligations hereunder. Vendor shall periodically inquire of its officers, members and employees to ensure that a conflict of interest does not arise. Any conflict of interest discovered shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

39. REPORTS: Vendor shall provide the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division with the following reports identified by a checked box below:

☒ Such reports as the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division may request. Requested reports may include, but are not limited to, quantities purchased, agencies utilizing the contract, total contract expenditures by agency, etc.

☐ Quarterly reports detailing the total quantity of purchases in units and dollars, along with a listing of purchases by agency. Quarterly reports should be delivered to the Purchasing Division via email at purchasing.division@wv.gov.

40. BACKGROUND CHECK: In accordance with W. Va. Code § 15-2D-3, the State reserves the right to prohibit a service provider's employees from accessing sensitive or critical information or to be present at the Capitol complex based upon results addressed from a criminal background check. Service providers should contact the West Virginia Division of Protective Services by phone at (304) 558-9911 for more information.

41. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC STEEL PRODUCTS: Except when authorized by the Director of the Purchasing Division pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56, no contractor may use or supply steel products for a State Contract Project other than those steel products made in the United States. A contractor who uses steel products in violation of this section may be subject to civil penalties pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56. As used in this section:

- a. "State Contract Project" means any erection or construction of, or any addition to, alteration of or other improvement to any building or structure, including, but not limited to, roads or highways, or the installation of any heating or cooling or ventilating plants or other equipment, or the supply of and materials for such projects, pursuant to a contract with the State of West Virginia for which bids were solicited on or after June 6, 2001.
- b. "Steel Products" means products rolled, formed, shaped, drawn, extruded, forged, cast, fabricated or otherwise similarly processed, or processed by a combination of two or more or such operations, from steel made by the open hearth, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer or other steel making process.
- c. The Purchasing Division Director may, in writing, authorize the use of foreign steel products if:
 1. The cost for each contract item used does not exceed one tenth of one percent (.1%) of the total contract cost or two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), whichever is greater. For the purposes of this section, the cost is the value of the steel product as delivered to the project; or
 2. The Director of the Purchasing Division determines that specified steel materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient quantity or otherwise are not reasonably available to meet contract requirements.

42. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND STEEL: In Accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-19-1 et seq., and W. Va. CSR § 148-10-1 et seq., for every contract or subcontract, subject to the limitations contained herein, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works or for the purchase of any item of machinery or equipment to be used at sites of public works, only domestic aluminum, glass or steel products shall be supplied unless the spending officer determines, in writing, after the receipt of offers or bids, (1) that the cost of domestic aluminum, glass or steel products is unreasonable or inconsistent with the public interest of the State of West Virginia, (2) that domestic aluminum, glass or steel products are not produced in sufficient quantities to meet the contract requirements, or (3) the available domestic aluminum, glass, or steel do not meet the contract specifications. This provision only applies to public works contracts awarded in an amount more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or public works contracts that require more than ten thousand pounds of steel products.

The cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than twenty percent (20%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. If the domestic aluminum, glass or steel products to be supplied or produced in a “substantial labor surplus area”, as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than thirty percent (30%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. This preference shall be applied to an item of machinery or equipment, as indicated above, when the item is a single unit of equipment or machinery manufactured primarily of aluminum, glass or steel, is part of a public works contract and has the sole purpose or of being a permanent part of a single public works project. This provision does not apply to equipment or machinery purchased by a spending unit for use by that spending unit and not as part of a single public works project.

All bids and offers including domestic aluminum, glass or steel products that exceed bid or offer prices including foreign aluminum, glass or steel products after application of the preferences provided in this provision may be reduced to a price equal to or lower than the lowest bid or offer price for foreign aluminum, glass or steel products plus the applicable preference. If the reduced bid or offer prices are made in writing and supersede the prior bid or offer prices, all bids or offers, including the reduced bid or offer prices, will be reevaluated in accordance with this rule.

43. INTERESTED PARTY SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE: W. Va. Code § 6D-1-2 requires that for contracts with an actual or estimated value of at least \$1 million, the Vendor must submit to the Agency a disclosure of interested parties prior to beginning work under this Contract. Additionally, the Vendor must submit a supplemental disclosure of interested parties reflecting any new or differing interested parties to the contract, which were not included in the original pre-work interested party disclosure, within 30 days following the completion or termination of the contract. A copy of that form is included with this solicitation or can be obtained from the WV Ethics Commission. This requirement does not apply to publicly traded companies listed on a national or international stock exchange. A more detailed definition of interested parties can be obtained from the form referenced above.

44. PROHIBITION AGAINST USED OR REFURBISHED: Unless expressly permitted in the solicitation published by the State, Vendor must provide new, unused commodities, and is prohibited from supplying used or refurbished commodities, in fulfilling its responsibilities under this Contract.

45. VOID CONTRACT CLAUSES: This Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law.

46. ISRAEL BOYCOTT: Bidder understands and agrees that, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63, it is prohibited from engaging in a boycott of Israel during the term of this contract.

DESIGNATED CONTACT: Vendor appoints the individual identified in this Section as the Contract Administrator and the initial point of contact for matters relating to this Contract.

(Printed Name and Title) Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

(Address) P.O. Box 4255 Chapmanville, WV 25508

(Phone Number) / (Fax Number) 304-541-2917

(email address) trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: By signing below, or submitting documentation through wvOASIS, I certify that: I have reviewed this Solicitation/Contract in its entirety; that I understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that this bid, offer or proposal constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn; that the product or service proposed meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation/Contract for that product or service, unless otherwise stated herein; that the Vendor accepts the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation, unless otherwise stated herein; that I am submitting this bid, offer or proposal for review and consideration; that this bid or offer was made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any entity submitting a bid or offer for the same material, supplies, equipment or services; that this bid or offer is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that this Contract is accepted or entered into without any prior understanding, agreement, or connection to any other entity that could be considered a violation of law; that I am authorized by the Vendor to execute and submit this bid, offer, or proposal, or any documents related thereto on Vendor's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the vendor in a contractual relationship; and that to the best of my knowledge, the vendor has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

By signing below, I further certify that I understand this Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law; and that pursuant to W. Va. Code 5A-3-63, the entity entering into this contract is prohibited from engaging in a boycott against Israel.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

(Company)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

Tom Rayburn, Treasurer May 14, 2024

(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(304) 541-2917

(Phone Number) (Fax Number)

trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

(Email Address)

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ-0313-DEP2400000037

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:

(Check the box next to each addendum received)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10 |

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Company



Authorized Signature

May 14, 2024

Date

NOTE: This addendum acknowledgment should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

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SPECIFICATIONS

1. **PURPOSE AND SCOPE:** The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an open-end contract for the purchase of released mitigation credits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank(s) in various secondary service areas (SSAs) of the State.
2. **DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the meanings assigned to them below. Additional definitions can be found in section 2 of the General Terms and Conditions.
 - 2.1 **“Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale”** means a binding contract between the listed parties for the purchase of released stream and/or wetland credits from an approved Mitigation Bank.
 - 2.2 **“Contract Item” or “Contract Items”** means the list of items identified in Section 3.1 below and on the Pricing Pages.
 - 2.3 **“DEP ILF”** is the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection’s In Lieu Fee Program.
 - 2.4 **“IRT”** is the Interagency Review Team which is an interagency team comprised of representatives from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, US Fish and Wildlife Service, WV Department of Environmental Protection, WV Division of Natural Resources and other federal, state and local agencies as appropriate.
 - 2.5 **“Mitigation Banking”** is the restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation of a wetland, stream, or other habitat area undertaken expressly for the purpose of compensating for unavoidable resource losses in advance of development actions, when such compensation cannot be achieved at the development site or would not be as environmentally beneficial.
 - 2.6 **“A mitigation bank”** is a site developed for mitigation banking. The person or entity undertaking such restoration work is referred to as a mitigation banker.
 - 2.7 **“Mitigation Credits”** are units of exchange defined as the ecological value associated with the accrual or attainment of aquatic resource function, condition, or other performance measure at a mitigation site. Mitigation credits are determined based on the West Virginia Stream and Wetland Valuation Metric. The Interagency Review Team periodically releases bank credits as the bank meets certain performance milestones. This happens over the course of the "establishment period", which lasts around 10 to 12 years. When the IRT releases potential bank

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credits, they become available credits meaning they can be purchased for ecological offset.

- 2.8 “Released Mitigation Credits”** are those credits available for sale to offset impacts. Credits are based on meeting performance standards and approved by the IRT.
- 2.9 “Pricing Pages”** means the schedule of prices, estimated order quantity, and totals contained in wvOASIS or attached hereto as Exhibit A and used to evaluate the Solicitation responses.
- 2.10 “RIBITS”** (Regulatory In lieu fee and Bank Information Tracking System) is a website created by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) with information on mitigation and conservation banks and in-lieu fee (ILF) program sites. It houses information about all mitigation and ILF sites including site documents, mitigation credit availability, and service areas as well as tracks all credit transactions.
- 2.11 “Solicitation”** means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services that is published by the Purchasing Division.
- 2.12 “SSA”** means Secondary Service Area as identified in the WV In Lieu Fee Stream and Wetland Mitigation Program Instrument.

3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 3.1 Contract Items and Mandatory Requirements:** Vendor shall provide Agency with the Contract Items listed below on an open-end and continuing basis. This contract will be awarded to multiple Vendors based on the need to have access to mitigation credits statewide. Contract Items must meet or exceed the mandatory requirements as shown below.
- 3.1.1** Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 1 (Estimated Quantities 3800 stream credits and 1 wetland credit)
- 3.1.2** Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 2 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)
- 3.1.3** Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 3 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)

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3.1.4 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank SSA 4 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credits and 1 wetland credit)

3.1.5 Released Credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank in SSA 5 (Estimated Quantities 1 stream credit and 1 wetland credit)

4. BIDDER'S MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- 4.1** Bidders shall be the owner or authorized representative of a stream and/or wetland mitigation bank that is approved by the USACE. The mitigation bank shall be active and operating in compliance with applicable federal and state permits, laws and regulations and be in good regulatory standing.
- 4.2** A copy of the bank's geographic service area map or equivalent must be provided with the bid submission.
- 4.3** The mitigation bank shall include with its bid submission the Bank's typical Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.
- 4.4** The mitigation bank shall have the number and type of credits released by the IRT and available for sale upon signing of the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.
- 4.5** Any authorizations or approvals required by the USACE, IRT or other regulatory organizations regarding the use or availability of mitigation credits must be completed prior to the date of the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale.

5. CONTRACT AWARD:

- 5.1 Contract Award:** The Contract is intended to provide the DEP ILF with a purchase price on all Contract Items. The Contract shall be awarded to Vendors that provide the Contract Items meeting the required specifications for the lowest overall total cost as shown on the Pricing Pages.
- 5.2 Pricing Pages:** Vendor should complete the Pricing Pages by providing a unit cost and multiplying by the estimated quantity to calculate the extended cost. Vendor should complete the Pricing Pages in their entirety as failure to do so may result in Vendor's bids being disqualified.

The Pricing Pages contain a list of the Contract Items and estimated purchase volume. The estimated purchase volume for each item represents

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the approximate volume of anticipated purchases only. No future use of the Contract or any individual item is guaranteed or implied.

Vendor should type or electronically enter the information into the pricing page to prevent errors in the evaluation.

Vendor's who wish to respond to a centralized Request for Quotation (CRFQ) online may submit information through the state's wvOASIS Vendor self-service (VSS). If unable to respond online, Vendor must submit their pricing page with their submitted bid prior to the scheduled bid opening date.

Vendor should electronically enter the information into the Pricing Pages through wvOASIS, if available, or as an electronic document. Vendor can download the electronic copy of the Pricing Pages from the wvOASIS Vendor Self-Service (VSS) website. If responding with a paper bid, Vendors should download and/or print the assembled CRFQ document (with the highest version number) from wvOASIS and insert their unit price and extended cost for each line item.

6. ORDERING AND PAYMENT:

6.1 Ordering: Vendor shall accept orders through wvOASIS, regular mail, facsimile, e-mail, or any other written form of communication. Vendor may, but is not required to, accept on-line orders through a secure internet ordering portal/website. If Vendor has the ability to accept on-line orders, it should include in its response a brief description of how Agencies may utilize the on-line ordering system. Vendor shall ensure that its on-line ordering system is properly secured prior to processing Agency orders on-line.

6.1.1 Agency will issue an Agency Delivery Order (ADO) for purchase of mitigation credits. Agency must use the lowest bid Vendor unless it is determined that the Vendor does not have mitigation credits available for purchase at the time of request.

6.1.2 If lowest bid Vendor has credits available but not enough to complete the requested amount, then the DEP will procure the credits available from the lowest bid Vendor and then contact the next lowest bid Vendor to obtain the requested amount of mitigation credits and so on until the total amount is obtained.

6.1.3 If there is a tie among the lowest bid Vendors, the DEP may request another quote to procure the mitigation credits or procure mitigation

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credits from the Vendor that has mitigation bank credits closest to where the DEP ILF funds were taken in.

6.1.4 Once the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale is signed, the Vendor shall place those credits in reserve until the purchase is complete.

6.2 Payment: Within ten (10) business days of the Credit Transfer into the DEP ILF RIBITS stream credit ledger, Vendor shall provide the DEP ILF with an invoice for the Purchase Price ("**Invoice**") and DEP ILF shall remit Purchase Price payment in accordance with the payment procedures of the State of West Virginia.

7. DELIVERY AND RETURN:

7.1 Delivery Time: Within ten (10) business days of signing the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale for the released credits the Vendor shall transfer the purchased number of Stream Credits to the DEP ILF Program by notifying the Corps to debit Vendor's online Corps-maintained RIBITS Stream Credit ledger in the amount of the purchased Stream Credits ("**Credit Transfer**").

7.2 Late Delivery: The Agency placing the order under this Contract must be notified in writing if orders will be delayed for any reason. Any delay in delivery that could cause harm to an Agency will be grounds for cancellation of the delayed order, and/or obtaining the items ordered from a third party.

Any Agency seeking to obtain items from a third party under this provision must first obtain approval of the Purchasing Division.

7.3 Return of Unacceptable Items: If the Agency deems the Contract Items to be unacceptable, the Contract Items shall be returned to Vendor at Vendor's expense and with no restocking charge. Vendor shall either make arrangements for the return within five (5) days of being notified that items are unacceptable or permit the Agency to arrange for the return and reimburse Agency for delivery expenses. The returned product shall either be replaced, or the Agency shall receive a full credit or refund for the purchase price, at the Agency's discretion.

7.4 Return Due to Agency Error: Items ordered in error by the Agency will be returned for credit within 30 days of receipt.

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8. VENDOR DEFAULT:

8.1 The following shall be considered a Vendor default under this Contract.

- 8.1.1** Failure to provide Contract Items in accordance with the requirements contained herein.
- 8.1.2** Failure to comply with other specifications and requirements contained herein.
- 8.1.3** Failure to comply with any laws, rules, and ordinances applicable to the Contract Services provided under this Contract.
- 8.1.4** Failure to remedy deficient performance upon request.

8.2 The following remedies shall be available to Agency upon default.

- 8.2.1** Immediate cancellation of the Contract.
- 8.2.2** Immediate cancellation of one or more release orders issued under this Contract.
- 8.2.3** Any other remedies available in law or equity.

9. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 9.1 No Substitutions:** Vendor shall supply only Contract Items submitted in response to the Solicitation unless a contract modification is approved in accordance with the provisions contained in this Contract.
- 9.2 Vendor Supply:** Vendor must carry sufficient inventory of the Contract Items being offered to fulfill any Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale signed under this Contract. By signing the Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale, Vendor certifies that it can supply the Contract Items needed at that time.

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- 9.3 Reports:** Vendor shall provide reports, upon request, showing the items purchased during the term of this Contract, the quantity purchased for each of those items, and the total value of purchases for each of those items. Failure to supply such reports may be grounds for cancellation of this Contract.
- 9.4 Contract Manager:** During its performance of this Contract, Vendor must designate and maintain a primary contract manager responsible for overseeing Vendor's responsibilities under this Contract. The Contract manager must be available during normal business hours to address any customer service or other issues related to this Contract. Vendor should list its Contract manager and his or her contact information below.

Contract Manager: Tom Rayburn
Telephone Number: (304) 541-2917
Fax Number: _____
Email Address: trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

EXHIBIT A
PURCHASE OF STREAM AND/OR WETLAND MITIGATION CREDITS
BY WV DEP IN LIEU FEE PROGRAM
PRICING PAGE

The following shall be provided according to the contract terms and conditions contained herein. Price may be provided for any of the following in whole or in part. A price must be provided for each item listed below in order for the vendor to be eligible to sell within that SSA (Secondary Service Area) to the ILF Program for the duration of this contract.

Item	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost/Extended Price
1.	stream credits in ILF SSA 1	3800 *	\$ 640.00	\$ 2432000.00
2.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 1	1	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
3.	stream credit in ILF SSA 2	1	\$ N/A	\$
4.	wetland credits in ILF SSA 2	1	\$ N/A	\$
5.	stream credit in ILF SSA 4	1	\$ 720.00	\$ 720.00
6.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 4	1	\$ N/A	\$
7.	stream credit in ILF SSA 5	1	\$ 720.00	\$ 720.00
8.	wetland credit in ILF SSA 5	1	\$ N/A	\$

* 1891.52 Credits available now with and additional 568.33 Credits that are presently being released by the USACOE for this site bringing the Total to 2459.85 Credits

Mitigation Bank Information

The following is required as part of the bid.

Bank Name: Indian Creek Mitigation Bank, Big Horse Creek Mitigation Bank, Cloverlick Branch MB

Physical Address: P.O. Box 4255, Chapmanville, WV

Bank Owner Name: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Bank Owner Address: P.O. Box 4255, Chapmanville, WV 25508

Contact Name: Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

Contact Email: trayburn@suddenlinkmail.com

Service Area (HUCs): Please see Attached Maps for Service Area HUCS

Required Items: Return the following with your bid.

Bank geographic service area map or equivalent
Bank's Agreement for Credit Purchase and Sale



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Aug 28,2021

ATTENTION

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Wetland						
Wetlands	Federal	0	.08	.08	.66	9.1%
Stream						
Stream	Federal	1891.52	3717.02	5808.54	9799.87	57.2%

An Additional 568.33 Credits are being applied by USACOE

Indian Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

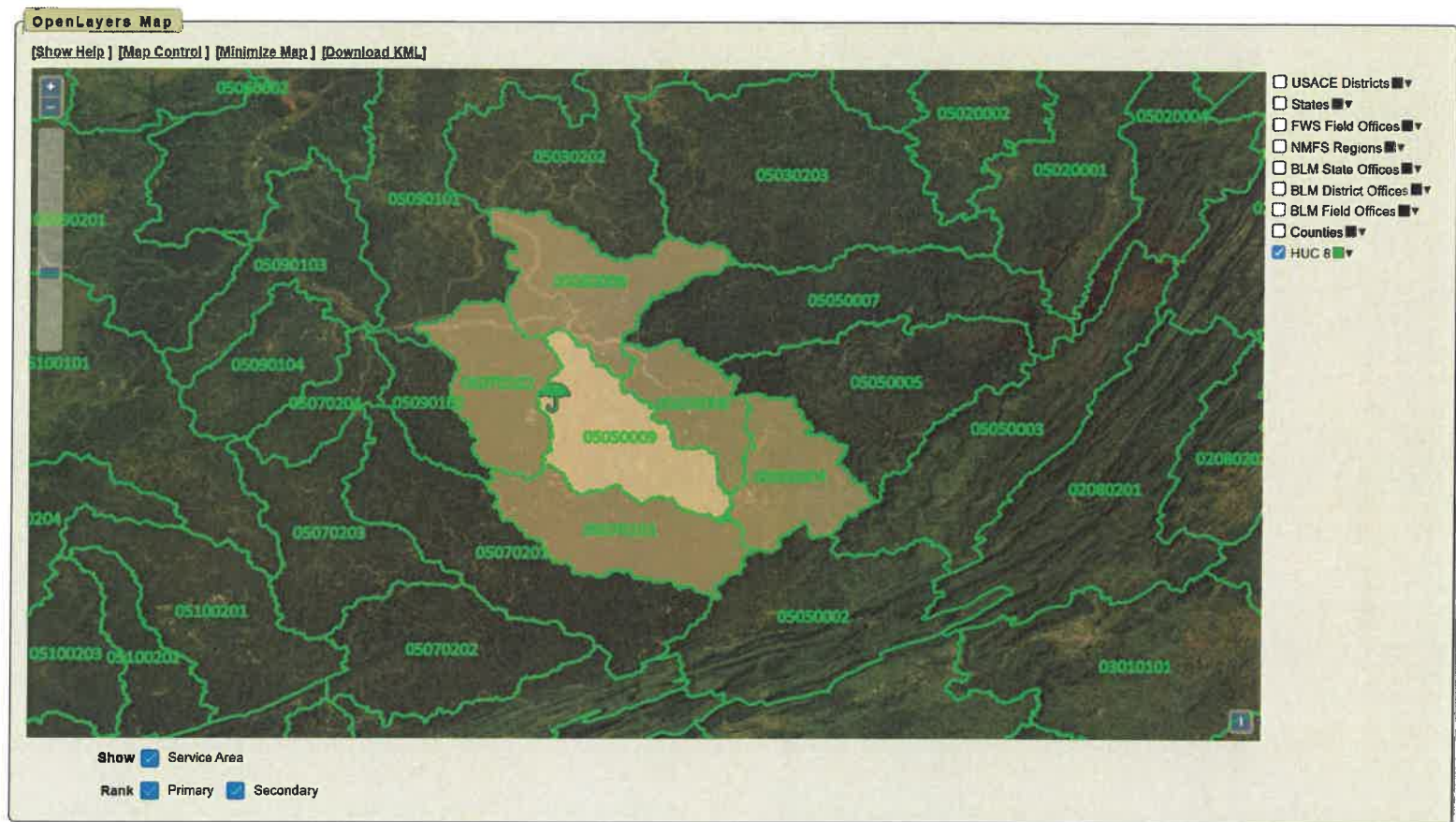
County: Ritchie [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2015-01071-LKR

Status/Date: Approved 08/23/2018

Establishment Date: 08/23/2018

Type: Public Commercial



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Jul 30, 2021

ATTENTION

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream	Federal	0	1692.0072	1692.0072	1822.553	92.8%

Big Horse Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

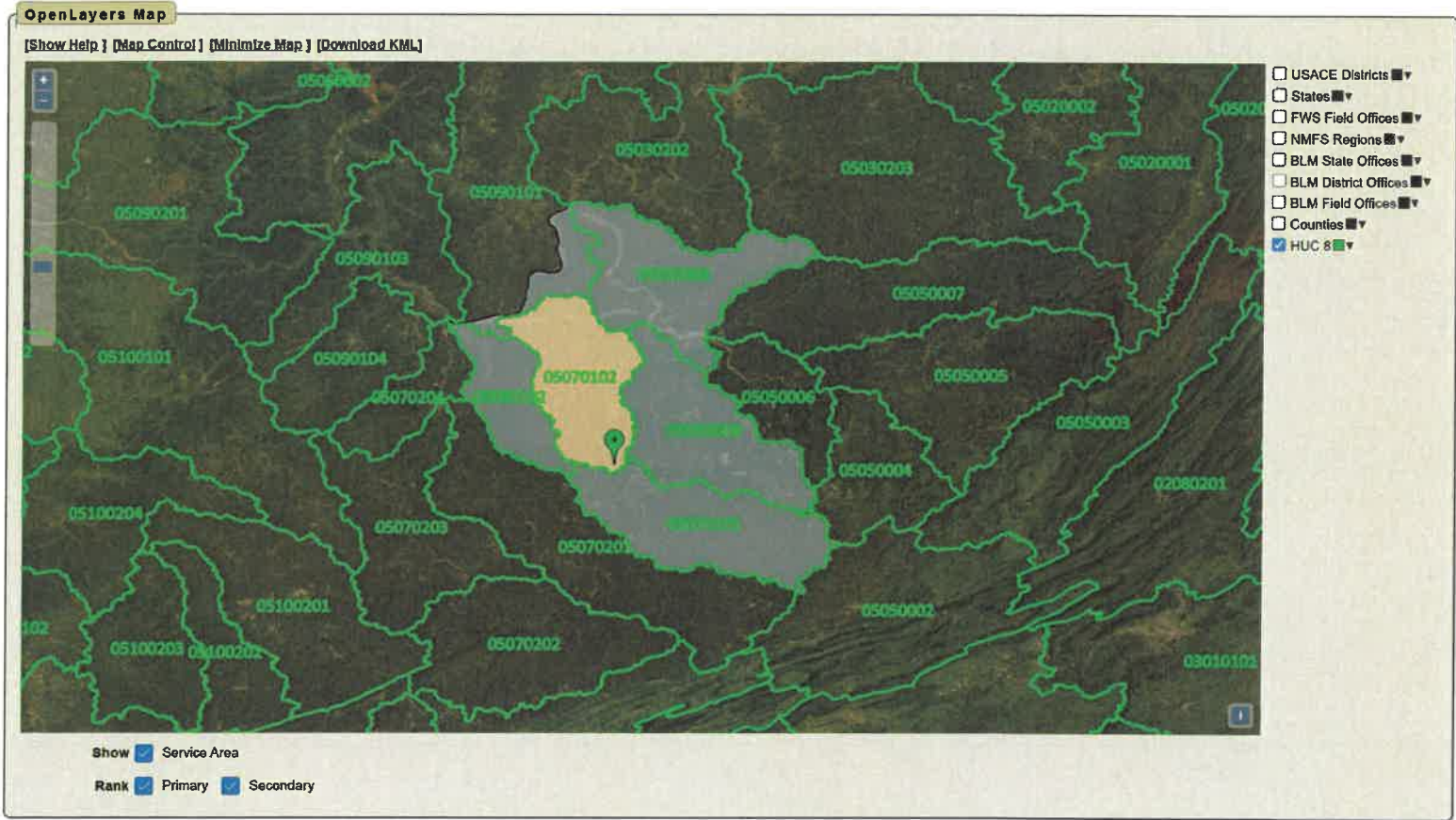
BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

County: Lincoln [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2013-751-BCR



Credit Ledger Summary

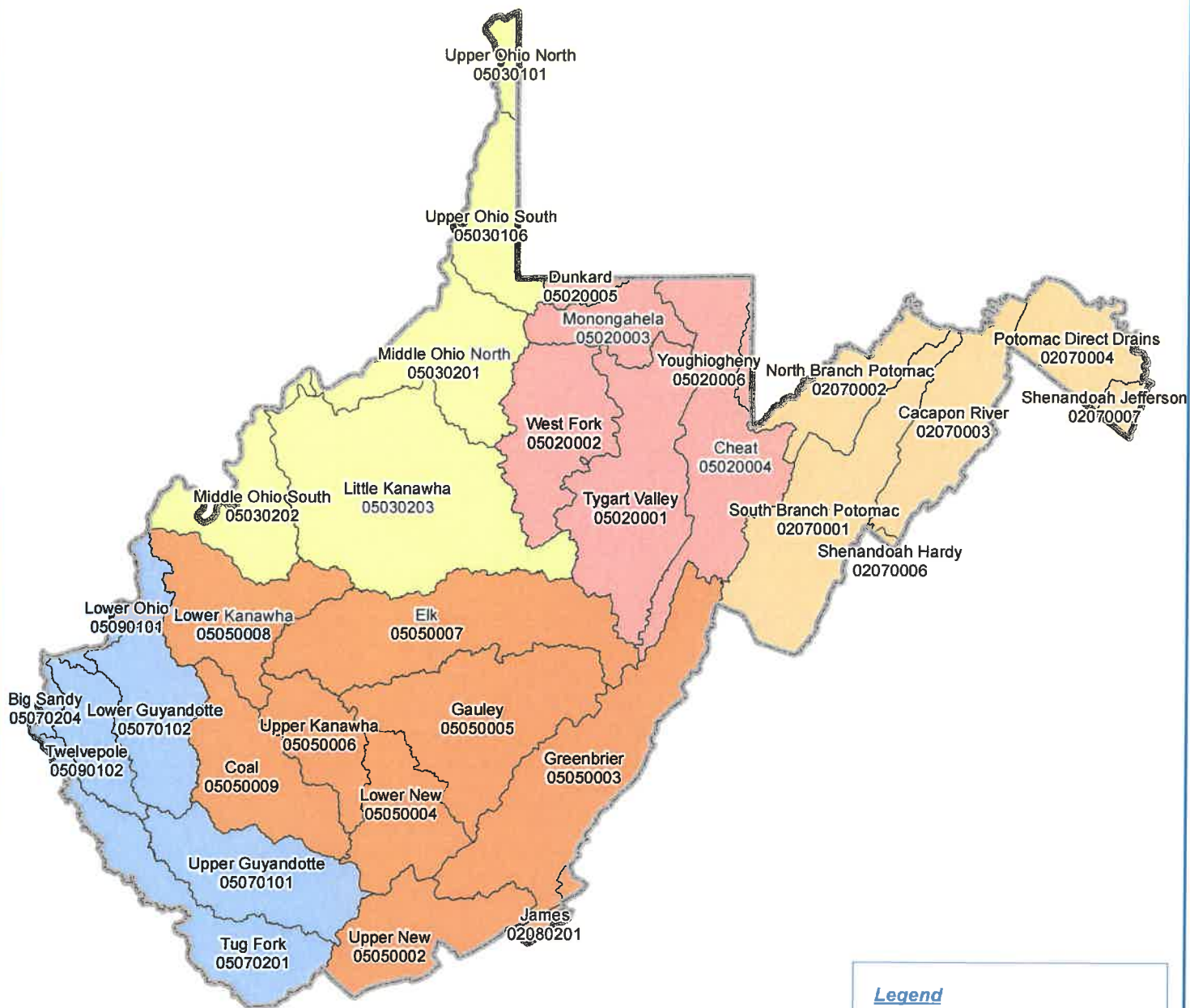
Last Transaction: Aug 07,2023

*****ATTENTION*****
Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream	Federal	3628.35	0	3628.35	18709.36	19.4%

Cloverlick Branch MB

Chair: USACE
Instrument signed by: USACE
USACE District: Huntington
FWS Field Office: West Virginia
NMFS Region: Northeast
BLM State Office: Eastern States
BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office
State: West Virginia
County: Logan [WV]
USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2017-00711-GUY
Status/Date: Approved 05/07/2024



Legend

8 Digit HUC Watershed



ILF Secondary Service Area



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MITIGATION CREDIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This **MITIGATION CREDIT PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ("Agreement") is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, _____ by and between _____, (ADDRESS) and **MOUNTAIN STATE MITIGATION CREDITS COMPANY**, a West Virginia corporation having an address at P.O. Box 4255 Chapmanville, WV 25508 ("MSMCC"). _____ and MSMCC are hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, MSMCC's Umbrella Mitigation Banking Instrument ("UMBI") (DA No. LRH- 2009-00153-GUY) was approved on September 16, 2011 by United States Army Corps of Engineers (the "USACE");

WHEREAS, MSMCC has developed a stream mitigation bank, known as the Buffalo Creek Mitigation Bank (LRH-2009-153-GUY) ("BCMB"), the primary service area for this mitigation bank is the Upper Guyandotte Watershed (HUC 05070101) and the secondary watersheds are the Lower Guyandotte (HUC 5070102), Coal (HUC 5050009), Twelvepole (HUC 5090102), Tug Fork (HUC 5070201), Lower New (HUC 5050004), and Upper New (HUC 5050002) watersheds. The secondary service areas are subject to USACE individual review and approval prior to the sale of the credits from the BCMB. The development and operation of such bank shall consist of stream or wetland restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation, to the extent required by the USACE to secure the release of credits, which MSMCC can sell to third parties;

WHEREAS, MSMCC is authorized to sell _____ stream credits to third parties to satisfy their mitigation obligation(s) pursuant to a 404 Permit;

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WHEREAS, _____ desires to purchase from MSMCC pursuant to the terms and conditions this Agreement and MSMCC desires to sell to _____ credits to offset its impacts from the (PROJECT NAME-USACE PERMIT #) in the _____ watershed ("Project"); and

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions set forth below, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, _____ and the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. **AGREEMENT:** MSMCC hereby agrees to sell to _____ and _____ agrees to purchase from MSMCC _____ stream credits.
2. **PURCHASE PRICE:** MSMCC shall receive _____ per stream credit as compensation for the sale of _____ stream credits the sum of _____ which shall be paid upon execution of this Agreement, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by MSMCC.
3. **CONVEYANCE OF CREDITS:** MSMCC shall transfer and convey the _____ stream credits to _____ pursuant to a bill of sale in the form, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
4. **NO PARTNERSHIP:** Nothing herein shall be deemed to create a partnership or joint venture between the parties hereto, to convey to either party, by operation of law or otherwise, any interest in rights to or ownership of, any property of the other party, or to constitute MSMCC as an agent for _____ for any purpose.
5. **INDEMNIFICATION:**
 - a. MSMCC hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless _____, its officers, directors, and employees against any and

from any losses, liabilities, damages, demands, obligations, fines or civil penalties arising out of, connected with or related to (a) MSMCC's failure to fully comply with the USACE Nationwide 27 Permit; (b) MSMCC's failure to fully comply with federal, state or local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations or permits now enacted or issued or hereafter enacted or issued respecting the credits to be sold hereunder; and (c) MSMCC's acts or omissions in the performance of its obligations hereunder.

b. _____ hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless MSMCC, its offices, directors, and employees against and from any losses, liabilities, damages, demands, obligations, fines or civil penalties arising out of, connected with or related to (a) _____ failure to fully comply with the _____ USACE 404 Permit, (b) _____ failure to fully comply with federal, state or local laws, rules, ordinances, regulations or permits now enacted or issued or hereafter enacted or issued respecting _____ USACE 404 Permit hereunder, and (c) _____ acts or omissions in the performance of its obligations hereunder.

6. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and no officer or representative of either party shall have the authority to subsequently change the same orally, and any subsequent change in this Agreement shall not be valid unless the same shall be in writing and duly executed by the parties hereto.

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7. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Agreement shall be construed according to the laws of the state of West Virginia.
8. **COUNTERPARTS:** This Agreement may be executed manually, by facsimile, or by email and in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
9. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** The Parties agree that the Purchase Price is confidential and shall remain confidential unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.
10. **NOTICE:** Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement or under state law shall be deemed sufficiently given or served if sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested addressed as follows:

If to MSMCC: MSMCC
PO Box 294
Man, WV 25635

If to _____:

11. **ASSIGNMENT:** Neither Party shall assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and permitted assigns of the Parties; provided, however, that _____ may assign some or all of its rights or delegate some or all of its obligations hereunder to one or more of its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have heretofore set their hand and seal this day and year first written above.

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William K. Abraham
President
Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, Notary Public in and for said County and Commonwealth, do hereby certify that the foregoing was this day produced to me in the aforesaid County and Commonwealth and duly acknowledged before me by _____ of _____.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 2019.
My Commission expires _____.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, Notary Public in and for said County and Commonwealth, do hereby certify that the foregoing was this day produced to me in the aforesaid County and Commonwealth and duly acknowledged before me by **William K. Abraham** of **MOUNTAIN STATE MITIGATION CREDITS COMPANY**.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 2019.
My Commission expires _____.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public



Department of Administration
Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Post Office Box 50130
Charleston, WV 25305-0130

State of West Virginia
Centralized Request for Quote
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Reason for Modification:

Addendum #1 issued to publish agency responses to all vendor submitted questions.

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BID RECEIVING LOCATION

BID CLERK
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
PURCHASING DIVISION
2019 WASHINGTON ST E
CHARLESTON WV 25305
US

VENDOR

Vendor Customer Code: 000000113098

Vendor Name : Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Address : P. O. Box 4255

Street :

City : Chapmanville

State : WV

Country : USA

Zip : 25508

Principal Contact : Tom Rayburn, Treasurer

Vendor Contact Phone: (304) 541-2917

Extension:

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE BUYER

Joseph E Hager III
(304) 558-2306
joseph.e.hageriii@wv.gov

Vendor
Signature X

FEIN# 20-4929529

DATE May 15, 2024

All offers subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The West Virginia Purchasing Division is soliciting bids on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an open-end contract for the purchase of released mitigation credits from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approved mitigation bank(s) in various secondary service areas (SSAs) of the State per the attached specifications and terms and conditions.

INVOICE TO

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601 57TH ST SE
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DIVISION OF WATER AND
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Line	Comm Ln Desc	Qty	Unit Issue	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Stream Credits Per the Attached Exhibit A Pricing Page	1.00000	EA		

Comm Code**Manufacturer****Specification****Model #**

94131501

Extended Description:

Mitigation Credits / DWWWM as outlined on the attached specifications

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**Line****Event****Event Date**

SOLICITATION NUMBER: CRFQ 0313 DEP2400000037

Addendum Number: No.01

The purpose of this addendum is to modify the solicitation identified as ("Solicitation") to reflect the change(s) identified and described below.

Applicable Addendum Category:

- ☐ Modify bid opening date and time
- ☐ Modify specifications of product or service being sought
- ☒ Attachment of vendor questions and responses
- ☐ Attachment of pre-bid sign-in sheet
- ☐ Correction of error
- ☐ Other

Description of Modification to Solicitation:

Addendum issued to publish and distribute the attached documentation to the vendor community.

1. To publish agency responses to vendor submitted questions.

Additional Documentation: Documentation related to this Addendum (if any) has been included herewith as Attachment A and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Terms and Conditions:

1. All provisions of the Solicitation and other addenda not modified herein shall remain in full force and effect.
2. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued for this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

ATTACHMENT A

RFI: Questions from vendors for CRFQ DEP 24*37 Mitigation Credits

Q.1. Can credits be purchased from a secondary service area (i.e. West Fork Watershed), from a mitigation bank that has approved secondary service areas in SSA1? Or does the bank have to be located directly in SSA1?

A. Mitigation Bank credit purchases will be made from mitigation banks located in applicable In Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas (see map included in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document).

Q.2. Can we apply for a partial credit sale ~1,8000 credits.

A. Yes, see section 5 of General Terms and Conditions, Open End Contract. Also, language below from the pricing sheet located in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document below:

“Price may be provided for any of the following in whole or in part. A price must be provided for each item listed below in order for the vendor to be eligible to sell within that SSA (Secondary Service Area) to the ILF Program for the duration of this contract. “

Q.3. Is there any preference for WV based companies?

A. No, contracts/purchases will be awarded to Vendors with approved West Virginia Mitigation Banks.

Q.4. Can DEP verify that no quantities for line items 2-8 on the pricing sheet have been established?

A. No, at this time we cannot verify credit quantity need for those In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas however there may be a need for additional purchases within the contract term.

Q.5. If providing pricing for line items 2-8, can respondents provide a minimum credit acquisition needed to guarantee pricing?

A. No, credit purchases will be based upon line item pricing for each one.

Q.6. Do respondents need to list banks for each geographic service area?

A. Yes, if vendors have banks and are providing quotes (bids) then the information requested on the pricing page is required for Vendors per In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas

Q.7. If yes, should respondents provide the additional bank information on a separate page or modify the provided pricing sheet?

A. A separate page including the information is acceptable.

Q.8. Can DEP provide the evaluation criteria for award?

A. The evaluation criteria is lowest price (Bid) per credit.

Q.9. Will DEP select the lowest bid for award?

A. Yes

Q.10. Is that specific to each watershed individually or considered on a statewide basis?

A. The WVDEP ILF Program is requesting mitigation bank stream and wetland credit quotes for all 5 In-Lieu Fee Secondary Service Areas (SSA) listed in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document.

Q.11. What is the term of the contract? The bid notes "One (1)" but does not specify the actual timeframe.

A. The Initial contract term will be for a period of One (1) year upon contract award.

Q.12. Will mitigation banks who can partially fulfill the estimated credit quantity be considered for the contract award?

A. Yes, see section 5 of General Terms and Conditions, Open End Contract. Also, language below from the pricing sheet located in Exhibit A of the Request for Quotation – Mitigation Credits Specification document below:

"Price may be provided for any of the following in whole or in part. A price must be provided for each item listed below in order for the vendor to be eligible to sell within that SSA (Secondary Service Area) to the ILF Program for the duration of this contract. "

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
SOLICITATION NO.: CRFQ DEP24*37

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:


(Check the box next to each addendum received)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 7
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 8
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9
<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Company



Authorized Signature

May 15, 2024

Date

NOTE: This addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.
Revised 6/8/2012



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Aug 28, 2021

ATTENTION

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Wetland						
Wetlands	Federal	0	.06	.06	.66	9.1%
Stream						
Stream	Federal	1891.52	3717.02	5608.54	9799.87	57.2%

An Additional 568.33 Credits are being applied by USACOE

Indian Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

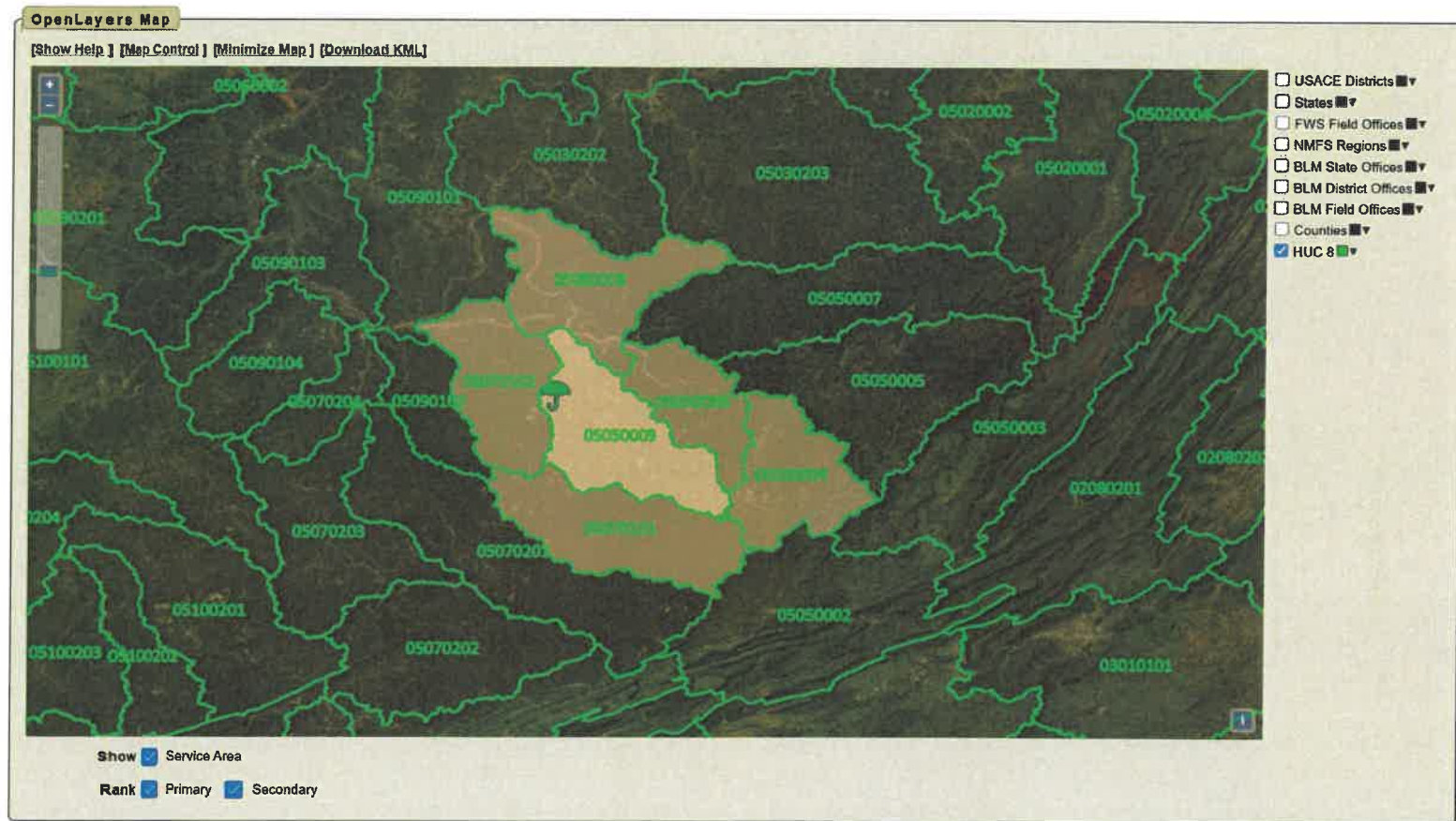
County: Ritchie [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2015-01071-LKR

Status/Date: Approved 08/23/2018

Establishment Date: 08/23/2018

Type: Public Commercial



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Jul 30,2021

ATTENTION

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream	Federal	0	1692.0072	1692.0072	1822.553	92.8%

Big Horse Creek Mitigation Bank

Umbrella Instrument: Mountain State Mitigation Credits Company

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by:

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

County: Lincoln [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2013-751-BCR



Credit Ledger Summary

Last Transaction: Aug 07, 2023

*****ATTENTION*****

Credit reservations and pending transactions are **NOT** reflected in the Available Credits total.
Potential purchasers **MUST** contact the Sponsor to verify credit availability.

Credit Classification	Jurisdiction	Available Credits	Withdrawn Credits	Released Credits	Potential Credits	Percent Released
Stream						
Stream	Federal	3628.35	0	3628.35	18709.36	19.4%

Cloverlick Branch MB

Chair: USACE

Instrument signed by: USACE

USACE District: Huntington

FWS Field Office: West Virginia

NMFS Region: Northeast

BLM State Office: Eastern States

BLM District Office: Northeastern States District Office

State: West Virginia

County: Logan [WV]

USACE Permit/Tracking No.: LRH-2017-00711-GUY

Status/Date: Approved 05/07/2024