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GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

- 1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia.
- 2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
- 3. All quotations are governed by the West Virginia Code and the Legislative Rules of the Purchasing Division.
- 4. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125.00 registration fee.
- 5. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Orders/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contract, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods, this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
- 6. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
- 7. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 8. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 9. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
- 10. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
- 11. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern all rights and duties under the Contract, including without limitation the validity of this Purchase Order/Contract.
- 12. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
- 13. BANKRUPTCY: In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, this contract is automatically null and void, and is terminated without further order.
- 14. HIPAA Business Associate Addendum The West Viginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, and available online at the Purchasing Division's web site (http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm) is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that, the Agency meets the definition of a Covered Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division.
- 2. SPECIFICATIONS: Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as EQUAL to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
- 3. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
- 4. Unit prices shall prevail in cases of discrepancy.
- 5. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
- 6. BID SUBMISSION: All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications.

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Specifications for 2007 West Virginia White-tailed Deer Survey

West Virginia Division of Natural Resources Wildlife Resources Section January 10, 2007

Introduction

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) will contract with the selected vendor to design, conduct, analyze, and report the results of a major telephone survey of West Virginia residents to determine the number of white-tailed deer hunters in West Virginia and their success in respective deer hunting seasons. Major objectives of the survey will be to identify and quantitatively assess:

- 1. Number of white-tailed deer hunters by hunting season type within 24 regions, grouped by counties, of West Virginia;
- 2. Success of white-tailed deer hunters by hunting season type within 24 regions, grouped by counties, of West Virginia;
- 3. Differences between white-tailed deer hunters' participation and success rates that purchase their license from a license agent, goWild (WVDNR online license purchasing system), or receive a free license (landowner, senior citizen, etc.).

Specifications for bid submission and vendor performance follow.

Vendor Qualifications

To be considered for this contract, vendors must demonstrate extensive experience in measuring public participation and attitudes toward wildlife-related recreation and wildlife-related issues. Documentation of that experience must be supplied with the vendor's bid and must specifically include the following information:

- Summaries of and references from at least five prior surveys assessing public use of wildlife resources and public attitudes toward wildlife issues, at least three of which must have been directed towards West Virginia residents.
- 2. Summaries of and references from at least three prior studies on white-tailed deer management, populations, or attitudes towards white-tailed deer.

Survey Structure

To maximize efficiency and meet the multiple objectives for the survey, the structure of the survey must incorporate discrete survey modules that will be

administered to 24 different regions of the state, identified from the larger population of West Virginia residents. A universal module consisting of several broad questions will be administered to all interviewees. Survey modules designed specifically for white-tailed deer hunters will be subsequently administered in the same telephone interview. The plan for administering the different survey modules will be incorporated in the approved survey design jointly developed by WVDNR and the successful vendor.

Survey Design

The selected vendor will be responsible for developing the survey instrument to meet the survey objectives. To that end, the vendor will coordinate development of the survey instrument with a survey liaison team designated by WVDNR. The selected vendor will pretest the survey instrument before submitting it to WVDNR for final approval. The survey instrument will be designed to limit the length of a telephone interview to no more than 4 minutes. The vendor will subsequently enter the tested and approved survey instrument into a computer assisted telephone interview (CATI) system to be supplied by the vendor. Because portions of the survey will be administered to all respondents while other portions will be administered only to certain subpopulations, the CATI system supplied by the vendor must be able to automatically skip, code, and/or substitute phrases in the survey based upon previous responses to ensure that the correct questions are asked among subpopulations and to protect the integrity of the data collection.

Survey Sample

The selected vendor will be responsible for generating a statistically representative sample for the survey from among the population of West Virginia residents. WVDNR will supply the selected vendor with 24 regions, grouped by counties, for use as sampling units. The selected vendor must design the survey and select sample sizes to provide results at the 90% +/- 8% confidence intervals within each of the 24 regions. To maintain the representativeness of the sample and to obtain an accurate response rate for the survey, "double screening," or calling potential respondents by asking them if they would like to participate in a survey and then later calling only those who said that they would participate and recording the rate at which these people responded, will not be accepted for the administration of this survey.

Survey Administration

The selected vendor will be responsible for administering the approved survey instrument utilizing the vendor's CATI system. Administration of the survey instrument will continue until a minimum of 2,400 telephone interviews of West Virginia white-tailed deer hunters have been completed and usable results obtained.

The vendor must have professional interviewers who have been trained according to the standards of the Council of American Survey Research Organizations and who are randomly monitored to administer the survey. A low supervisor to interviewer ratio, such as 1 supervisor for every 5 interviewers, is preferred. The interviewer requirements are necessary to maintain quality control over the data collection process.

Survey Analysis

The selected vendor will be responsible for the analysis of the survey results. The vendor will create graphs to correspond with each question for easy review and visual display of all survey data.

While it is important to know what West Virginians think about the issues addressed in this survey, it is also important to understand the statistical relationship among the variables. Therefore, the vendor will be required to run crosstabulations to examine how each variable relates to every other variable in the survey (all of the questions in the survey are compared to all of the other questions in the survey, including level of degree), as well as a statistical z-score test to determine which variables are positively or negatively related. For instance, in a typical project there are between 50,000 and 100,000 unique comparisons to be assessed for statistical significance and concisely summarized. The vendor must calculate the z-score test using the equation below.

$$z = \frac{(p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{p(1-p)\left[\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right]}}$$

where:

 n_1 represents the number of observations in Group 1.

 n_2 represents the number of observations in Group 2.

 $p_1 = al(a + b) = aln_1$ and represents the proportion of observations in Group 1 that falls in Cell a. It is employed to estimate the population proportion Π_1 (% of Group 1 who had specific characteristic).

 $p_2 = c/(c+d) = c/n_2$ and represents the proportion of observations in Group 2 that falls in Cell c. It is employed to estimate the population proportion Π_2 (% of Group 2 who had specific characteristic).

 $p = (a + c)/(n_1 + n_2) = (a + c)/n$ and is a pooled estimate of the proportion of respondents who had specific characteristic in the underlying population.

(Equation from Handbook of Parametric and Nonparametric Statistical Procedures, 2nd Edition by David J. Sheskin. © 2000, Chapman & Hall/CRC, Boca Raton, FL.)

The statistically significant variables must be presented in a table displaying the variables in order by the strength of the correlation (sorted by ascending strength), as shown in the example table that follows. Only significant z-scores, accompanied by notation indicating one of the three levels of significance, should be displayed (p<0.05, p<0.01, p<0.001). In the sample table, the asterisks on the z-scores show the strength of the relationship between the characteristic and the response to the question. Three asterisks indicate that the relationship is so strong that it would happen by chance only 1 out of 1,000 times; two asterisks indicate that the relationship is so strong that it would happen by chance only 1 out of 100 times; and one asterisk indicates that the relationship is so strong that it would happen by chance only 5 out of 100 times.

Example Z-Score Table

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Approves of legal hunting in West Virginia.	Z-SCORE
Approves of legal recreational fishing.	8.43***
Believes it is important that people have the opportunity to hunt in West Virginia.	7.67***
Thinks providing opportunities for hunting is important program for the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources.	6.35***
Approves of regulated trapping.	6.28***
Agrees hunting/fishing are part of scientific management of healthy fish/wildlife populations.	5.26***
Considers himself/herself a hunter.	3.6***
Thinks hunting license fees are about the right price in West Virginia.	3.58***
He/she or a member of his/her household went hunting in last 5 years in West Virginia.	3.36***
Participated in hunting in the past 12 months.	2.68**
ls male.	2.51*
Named correct state agency that is most responsible for managing and protecting fish and wildlife in West Virginia.	2.47*
Thinks fishing license fees are about the right price in West Virginia.	2.28*
Considers himself/herself an angler/fisherman.	2.27*
Thinks providing opportunities for recreational fishing is important program for the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources.	2.24*
Is married.	2.19*
Knew a great deal or moderate amount about the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources before survey.	2.01*
INSIGNIFICANT AND NEGATIVE Z-SCORES OMIT	TED

Most likely to approve of legal hunting.

Strength of correlation increases moving up the table.

- This table displays only the significant variables out of the approximately 400 variables analyzed for a relationship with the response "approves of legal hunting in West Virginia."
- Source: Public Opinion on Fish and Wildlife Management Issues, a study sponsored by The Northeast Conservation Information and Education Association.

Survey Reporting

By April 15 2007, the selected vendor will provide WVDNR with paper and electronic versions of a preliminary report containing a basic compilation of the response data and electronic version of the raw response data. By May 15, 2007, the vendor will provide WVDNR with paper and electronic versions (MS Word, Excel) of the final survey report containing compiled data, crosstabulations, and statistical significance levels for crosstabulations, analyses and interpretations of the survey response data.

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West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a states:

No contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and the debt owned is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate

DEFINITIONS:

"Debt" means any assessment, premium, penalty, fine, tax or other amount of money owed to the state or any of its political subdivisions because of a judgment, fine, permit violation, license assessment, defaulted workers' compensation premium, penalty or other assessment presently delinquent or due and required to be paid to the state or any of its political subdivisions, including any interest or additional penalties accrued thereon.

"Debtor" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association owing a debt to the state or any of its political subdivisions. "Political subdivision" means any county commission; municipality; county board of education; any instrumentality established by a county or municipality; any separate corporation or instrumentality established by one or more counties or municipalities, as permitted by law; or any public body charged by law with the performance of a government function or whose jurisdiction is coextensive with one or more counties or municipalities. "Related party" means a party, whether an individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association or other entity whatsoever, related to any vendor by blood, marriage, ownership or contract through which the party has a relationship of ownership or other interest with the vendor so that the party will actually or by effect receive or control a portion of the benefit, profit or other consideration from performance of a vendor contract with the party receiving an amount that meets or exceed five percent of the total contract amount.

EXCEPTION:

The prohibition of this section does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of this code, workers' compensation premium, permit fee or environmental fee or assessment and the matter has not become final or where the vendor has entered into a payment plan or agreement and the vendor is not in default of any of the provisions of such plan or agreement.

LICENSING:

Vendors 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 agencies or political subdivision. Furthermore, the vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entifes.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

The vendor agrees that he or she 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. Vendors should visit www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy for the Notice of Agency Confidentiality Policies.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (West Virginia Code, §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor acknowledges the information in this said affidavit and are in compliance with the requirements as stated.

Vendor's Name:	
Authorized Signature:	Date: