



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Division of Procurement Services.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Division of Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:		Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Timothy Peabody	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$10,000	Advantage CT / RQS #:	20210929000000000882
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	11/1/2021	Proposed End Date: 9/30/2022
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Ducks Unlimited Dexter, MI 48130	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Delivery of cost-effective solutions that will restore habitat and enhance waterfowl recruitment for each fall migration of waterfowl in the Atlantic Flyway	

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Willing and Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	K. Client Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. University Cooperative Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	L. Other Authorization

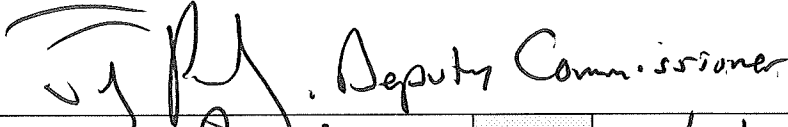

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

<b>PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION</b>	
1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.	Ducks Unlimited (DU) and Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) will partner with Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) to protect and restore critical waterfowl habitats that will benefit waterfowl in the Atlantic Flyway. DU will deliver cost effective solutions to restore habitat and enhance waterfowl recruitment for each fall migration of waterfowl in the Atlantic Flyway.
2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.	<p>DU is a non-profit conservation organization that has conserved over 14.5 million acres of habitat for waterfowl and other wetland-dependent wildlife throughout North America.</p> <p>DU is committed to science-based, solution-oriented conservation for waterfowl, wildlife, and people.</p> <p>DU in coordination with partners, have a thorough understanding of the permits processes and have been successful in obtaining necessary permit for wetland restoration work. DU has proven track record of working with permit agencies and with receiving permits for restoration activities in the Northeast, and elsewhere in DU's 21-state Great Lakes Atlantic Region.</p>
3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.	<p>DU works with federal, state, and local government agencies and non-governmental partners to conserve wetlands. This is accomplished via grants, cooperative agreements, and cost share contracts. DU annually receives and administers millions of dollars in such support to carry out their conservation mission with our partners.</p> <p>In the northeast DU's conservation program has been highly successful, having protected and restored over 40,000 acres of wetlands and associated habitat. DU's Ecosystem strategic planning efforts in the Atlantic Flyway have provided a landscape framework for focusing conservation work where protection and restoration efforts have the greatest benefits to waterfowl and other wildlife.</p>
4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.	The Department seeks the most economical approach to securing goods and or services and will continue to do so.

<b>PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS &amp; RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)</b>	
Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – If No, proceed to Part V.	

**PART V: APPROVALS**

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	 Deputy Commissioner		
Typed Name:	Timothy Penbody	Date:	2/9/2022
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<small>DocuSigned by:</small>  Debbie Jacques		
Typed Name:	<small>1DFA565D481F42E...</small> Debbie Jacques	Date:	2/9/2022