

State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

This form must accompany ALL contract requests and sole source requisitions submitted to the Division of Procurement Services.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below.

PART I: OVERVIEW

Department Office/Division/Program:		Department of Agriculture, Conservation, & Forestry	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Brian Bronson, 287-4958	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Estimated Contract or Grant Amount:	\$ 12,000.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	01A- 20210210000000002221
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		New Start Date:
	Original End Date:		New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
ALL OTHER	Proposed Start Date:	02/12/2021	Proposed End Date: 12/31/2021
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		USDA VC1000093708	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Wildlife damage services	

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION

Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request.

	A. Competitive Process		G. Grant
	B. Amendment		H. State Statute/Agency Directed
x	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor		I. Federal Agency Directed
	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents		J. Willing and Qualified
	E. Emergency		K. Client Choice
	F. University Cooperative Project		L. Other Authorization

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Please respond to ALL of the following questions.

1. Provide a more detailed description of the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

Beaver Management including removal on ATV trails and multi-use rail trails. This allows us to use the ADC Agents, that are part of the statewide USDA contract, to remove the beaver and install beaver control devices etc which they are authorized to do by State and Federal law. They operate under and are following IFW laws and rules.

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PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II.

We are using (APHIS) because they are the only ones that can be used based on Federal and state laws. See below
The United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection service (APHIS) Wildlife Services has statutory authority under the Acts of March 2, 1931, 46 Stat. 1468-69, 7 U.S.C.

§§ 8351-8352, as amended, and December 22, 1987, Public Law No. 100-202, § 101(k), 101 Stat. 1329-331, 7 U.S.C. § 8353, to cooperate with States, local jurisdictions, individuals, public and private agencies, organizations, and institutions while conducting a program of wildlife service's involving mammal and bird species that are reservoirs for zoonotic diseases, or animal species that are injurious and/or a nuisance to, among other things, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, animal husbandry, wildlife, and human health and safety.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The funding is from a dedicated revenue account. Title 12 Chapter 220 Subchapter 8, section 1893 subsection2. This subsection applies to the use of fees credited to the ATV Recreational Management Fund to make Grants-in Aid to political subdivisions, educational institutions, regional planning agencies, ATV groups and others for the construction and maintenance of ATV trails.

The rates are the negotiated rates used by all agencies within Maine for these services. They are reviewed annually by IFW and other agencies as well as the Federal Government regarding costs etc.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

We can't go out to bid since they APHIS are the only ones authorized to do this work. This is a Federal sanctioned Program. Since these wetland protections and protections for beaver are in statue, we must follow this process in order to protect our infrastructure and the environment.

We receive individual reports on a monthly basis so we can ensure we are only paying for the correct things and keep costs under control. We have had very good luck working with them to maintain a balance with nature while ensuring the trail system infrastructure remains open and usable by the public.

PART IV: APPROVALS

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	<i>By signing below, I signify that I approve of this procurement request.</i>		
	DocuSigned by: <i>Amanda E. Beal</i>		
Printed Name:	20AF3A2882BB4AA...	Date:	2/28/2021
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	DocuSigned by: <i>Debbie Jacques</i>		
Printed Name:	1DFA565D481F42E... Debbie Jacques	Date:	3/5/2021