

State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

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 website (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW				
Department Office/Division/Program:		MDIFW/Bureau of Resource Management/Wildlife		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Bethany Atkins		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		Purchase of Merrill parcel owned by White Pine Forest, LLC in Livermore		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$90,000.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	2021032500000002570	
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	3/29/2021	Proposed End Date:	10/30/2021
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:		White Pine Forest, LLC; Arlington, VA (Seller) Or Hope Hilton (Escrow Attorney)		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Acquisition of ~30 acres in Livermore, ME (Map 4, Lot 30 and Map 5, Lot 36. Both parcels are adjacent to the Tolla Wolla Wildlife Management Area.		

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
	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 INFORMATION
Please respond to ALL of the following:
1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

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MDIFW will purchase the land identified in Part 1 from White Pine Forest LLC. Both parcels are located adjacent to the Tolla Wolla Wildlife Management Area. Acquisition of the parcels will enhance access to and across the Wildlife Management Area, improving public access for hunting, fishing and trapping as well as provide access for hand-carried boats to the Androscoggin River. In addition, state ownership of the properties will permanently protect important wildlife habitats associated with the Tolla Wolla WMA.

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

The land identified under this contract has been evaluated by the Department for its uniqueness and ability to meet public access and wildlife management priorities. It is owned by a single private landowner.

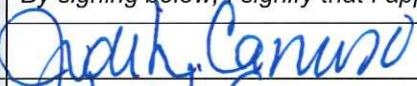
3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The value of land was determined in an appraisal report meeting USFLA standards by a licensed appraiser. The appraisal report will be reviewed by a third-party appraiser and accepted by both MDIFW and the USFWS. The landowner has agreed to the purchase amount of \$90,000.

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

NA. This contract is specific to acquisition of a specific piece of property located to address a specific issue.

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>		
			
Printed Name:	<i>Paul Canuso</i>	Date:	<i>3/25/21</i>
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Debbie Jacques</i>		
Printed Name:	<small>1DFA565D481F42E...</small> Debbie Jacques	Date:	3/30/2021