



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES
 STATE OF MAINE

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:		DACF/Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry/PFAS Response	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Duncan Pfaehler	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 50,000.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	CTMV 01A 20220713*01
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	Proposed End Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:	1/1/2022	Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:	6/30/2023	New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		N/A	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Water Delivery	

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input checked="" 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.

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The farms that require this service have water irrigation sources that have tested for PFAS above 20ppt and do not have a current PFAS-free water filtration or irrigation source that can keep their crops properly watered. Sustainability and income will be lost to farms that cannot keep their crops viable due to PFAS contamination. The water delivery vendors are pre-qualified to deliver this PFAS-tested water to farms that require it in a timely fashion.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

The chosen vendors deliver a full tanker of water from an approved municipality that has been tested for PFAS and other contaminants with result levels of less than 20 ppt. They are chosen by their proximity to the farm. The delivery will include one full tanker load of water. Delivery schedules are mutually agreed upon and can change depending upon the farm's use of water.

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

Each tanker of water will hold 7,000 – 8,000 gallons of water. Each tanker delivery is \$450.00 - \$500.00 depending on the vendor. These costs are in line with other large water delivery services. The vendors DACF has agreements with make sure the water being delivered is free of PFAS contaminants and is suitable for farming irrigation on PFAS contaminated farms.

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

This year and beyond, as we take on new PFAS contaminated farms across Maine that may need bulk water delivery for irrigation, DACF/PFAS Response Unit will continue to research more bulk water delivery companies. These companies must guarantee that the water they will deliver has been tested and determined to be PFAS Free.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

Yes – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).

No – If No, proceed to Part V.

PART V: APPROVALS

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The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.			
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	<i>Aimee Carlton</i>		
Typed Name:	Aminda E. Beal Aimee Carlton	Date:	4/24/2023
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<i>Kathy Paquette</i>		
Typed Name:	Kathy Paquette	Date:	5/5/2023