



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:		Inland Fisheries and Wildlife		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Timothy Peabody		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		N/A		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)		\$ 10,000.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	20230505_ 3089
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	11/1/2022	Proposed End Date:	9/30/2023
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.

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.

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 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.

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. DU is committed to science-based, solution-oriented conservation for waterfowl, wildlife, and people. DU has a thorough understanding and proven track record of working with permit agencies to obtain necessary permits for wetland restoration activities in the Northeast and elsewhere.

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

DU works with federal, state and local government agencies along with non-governmental partners to conserve wetlands. This is accomplished via grants, cooperating agreements and cost share contracts. DU receives and administers millions of dollars annually to carry out their conservation mission. 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.

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.

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

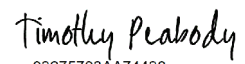

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

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

No – If No, proceed to Part V.

PART V: APPROVALS

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	DocuSigned by:  <small>03275703AA74438...</small>		
Typed Name:	Timothy Peabody, Deputy Commissioner	Date:	5/5/2023
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	DocuSigned by:  <small>891CE7A1493D45B...</small>		
Typed Name:	Martha verhille	Date:	6/12/2023