

County of Kern

Department of Airports

Addendum Number One

Proposal Title: MEADOWS FIELD AIRPORT WILDLIFE HAZZARD ASSESSMENT

RFP Opening Date: MAY 3, 2010

NOTICE TO VENDORS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

The Vendor is advised that changes to the Specifications have been made as follows:

1. The following 20 questions and written responses provided by the County are incorporated as part of the proposal specifications.
2. All other terms and Conditions shall remain the same.

Ron Brewster
Operations and Security Supervisor
Kern County Airports

Please sign a copy of this cover sheet and include it with your proposal to the General Services - Purchasing Division, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301.

Vendor

Signature

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1. Has a WHA been previously performed at the airport?

To my knowledge there has not been a WHA completed at this airport.

2. Does the airport currently have a WHMP in place?

There is no WHMP in place.

3. Are there personnel specifically tasked with wildlife hazard management?

No.

4. Have airport personnel received wildlife hazard management training?

I have attended an 8 hour course presented at John Wayne Airport in conjunction with the U.S.D.A. Wildlife Services about a year ago.

5. What types of wildlife management equipment does the airport currently have or employ?

We currently have nothing in place.

6. Are there any local ordinances or restrictions on the use of pyrotechnics or firearms?

This has not been researched at this time.

7. Will the airport be looking for wildlife management assistance during the WHA?

No, this will be an assessment only.

8. What are the current wildlife hazards that the airport is aware of?

The FAA has addressed the concern of previous bird strikes reported by pilots while at the airport over the last few years. It is unknown if these occurred during landing, departing or while enroute to the airport.

9. Is the airport aware of any known state or federally listed threatened or endangered species, or species of special concern occurring in the vicinity of the airport?

To my knowledge, the only threatened or endangered species in this area is the San Joaquin Valley Kit Fox. There may be others but this has not been researched.

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Although the Kit Fox is present at the airport, it has not presented as a reported problem to our operation.

10. Is the airport willing to provide an escort or should we assume unaccompanied access?

The successful provider will need to obtain unescorted access privileges.

11. What is the badging and training process and timeframe?

Access to the Airport Operations Area (AOA) will be required. This will require AOA Media Access badging. The process requires an application with I-9 required identification verification, security threat assessment clearance by TSA and successful completion of the airport driver's training course. This is an annual requirement; however, the assessment should be complete in a one year period. The airport will not charge for this training. The process can take up to two weeks depending on the time it takes to get the clearances back from TSA (normally it takes about a week). The training course is about one hour.

12. In the RFP, the instructions include information for two "Section V" parts. Did you guys mean to have a total of eight sections in the RFP instead of seven?

Yes, there is a typo with two "section V". There should be a total of eight.

13. The AAAE proposal listing has different critical dates than what are included in the proposal documents. We assume that the proposal documents have the correct dates. Please confirm that this is the case.

Yes, there was a typo in the advertisement through AAAE. This was corrected on the first day of publication and should be correct now. The printed RFP dates are correct as printed.

14. Typically, this process requires a qualification phase, and then a contract negotiation phase (AC150/5100-14D). The proposal request states that detailed cost information is required to be submitted (Section V). Please clarify what stage of the qualification / proposal phase we are in.

We are aware of the Advisory Circular noted above as well as the two phases listed. It is our intention to review all proposals received by the printed deadline and therefore not require a separate qualification phase.

This is the RFP phase and all proposals will be treated equally. The awarding process will be determined by the qualifications of the proposers as presented. The request for cost information is for budgetary reasons only. This information will act as a triggering mechanism to identify any matching funds that the airport may have to account for which is over that of the grant funding.

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Although the RFP is asking for detailed costs, at this time, estimated costs are acceptable. The detailed cost phase will follow as outlined in the above mentioned Advisory Circular.

15. The request states that materials submitted must be submitted in paper and electronic form. Specifically, it requests Microsoft Word. Some of the items we typically supply are derived from other sources. Is it acceptable to submit our materials in PDF format?

PDF format is acceptable.

16. What version of MS Word do you presently use?

MS Word 2003 or 2007

17. Page three Paragraph three: wildlife surveys must be performed at least twice monthly.
1. What is the justification?

This requirement is located in the Wildlife Hazard Management at Airports – Second Edition, July 2005 (Chapter 6 Page 64 lines 5 and 6). A check with the Los Angeles FAA indicated that this standard is still in effect.

18. Page seven Paragraph eight: submittal of additional information after notification of rejection. Please Explain?

The paragraph reads as follows:

‘All proposers shall have seven days from the date of the notice to submit any additional information **not previously submitted** to the County for final consideration before the Evaluation Committee’s.’

Instead of a formal protest procedure the County allows, after notification of rejection, a Company to provide additional information not previously submitted within seven days.

19. Page 11 last paragraph: Reference letters or reference contacts.
1. Is it OK to submit a reference list with Point of Contact information rather than formal letters?

The County prefers written reference letters in order to substantiate references. A reference list with point of contacts will suffice.

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20. Page 15 First Paragraph: Only one proposal from each proposer Does this statement limit sub consultants? There have been instances where one firm with an FAA qualified biologist has submitted up 7 proposal by being a sub consultant on different teams.

One proposal means one submission by a proposer. Should multiple proposers wish to utilize services of the same consultant that is up to each proposer. Should a consultant wish to respond to the RFP they would then be considered a 'proposer' and we would only accept one proposal.