



Advance Notice of contract opportunity

by: Waikato Regional Council

for: Waikato Region Pest Plant Direct Control (Amphibious/Terrestrial) and Data Collection

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Closing Date: 23 December 2024

Waikato Regional Council
160 Ward Street
Hamilton

The opportunity

What we need

The Waikato Regional Council (the Council) delivers its pest plant control through a regionally coordinated programme across several specialised activities, which include terrestrial and aquatic control activities undertaken from a boat. These activities will predominantly occur north of Hamilton (Lower Waikato) on the Waikato River, its tributaries and lakes.

The services included in this procurement opportunity are:

- Aquatic surveillance for Regional Pest Management Plan (RPMP) pest plants to include but not limited to alligator weed, yellow flag iris, Manchurian wild rice, spartina.
- Facilitating direct control of high threat aquatic pests - alligator weed, yellow flag iris.
- Providing practical advice for controlling aquatic plant pests.
- Liaising with key stakeholders and iwi.
- Planned knowledge transfer to build Council internal knowledge of the service.
- There is also a requirement to carry out inspections under the Biosecurity Act.

The Council is wanting to hear from suitably qualified contractors who are interested in this procurement process.

What's important to us?

The Council seeks providers who have the capability, experience and capacity to deliver quality, direct control pest plant operations, on time and to budget.

Contractors must meet the following requirements:

- Pre-qualified for health & safety by SHE Software NZ Ltd (SHE) before any contract award.
- Any staff applying chemicals must hold a current Registered Chemical Applicators (RCA) qualification.
- Hold a maritime operator certificate (MOC). The skipper must also meet the requirements of their Maritime Transport Operating Plan (MTOP) in alignment with the Maritime Operator Safety System (MOSS).

Council anticipates advertising the tender for the Direct Control (Amphibious/Terrestrial) and Data Collection in January 2025.

Why should you bid?

This is an opportunity to be a part of a wider team to deliver Council's Biosecurity Act and RPMP responsibilities. It is anticipated that the Contract term will be a minimum of three years commencing in July 2025.

Interested? What's next?

We intend to go to market and issue an RFP in January 2025. The opportunity will be advertised on the Government Electronic Tenders Service (GETS).

If you are interested in this opportunity please make sure you visit the GETS website www.GETS.govt.nz for more information.