

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMPETITIVE  
SEALED BIDS**

**Amendment No. 1  
Invitation for Bids to Provide Vegetation/Avian Monitoring Services  
February 23, 2026**

This Amendment No. 1 (Amendment) hereby amends or modifies the IFB released on January 21, 2026, by making the following changes (changes that include additions are denoted by being bolded and underlined, and deletions are denoted by being bolded and stricken through):

3.1.4.E. Experience with Projects of Similar Scope and References: Provide the following information:

1. A record of at least ten (10) projects of similar size and scope completed by the proposed Project Team within the past ~~three~~ **five** (5) years.

In accordance with Section 3.1.4(J) of the IFB, bidder must acknowledge receipt of any Amendment issued in relation to this IFB by signing and returning the Amendment with its bid. Such acknowledgement must be received by MDEQ by the time and at the place specified for receipt of offers.

By signing this Amendment No. 1, offeror acknowledges receipt of this Amendment No. 1, and that the provisions said Amendment No. 1 have been noted and that its bid is being offered in compliance therewith.

Offeror's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

By (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMPETITIVE  
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**Amendment No. 2  
Invitation for Bids to Provide Vegetation/Avian Monitoring Services  
February 23, 2026**

This Amendment No. 2 (Amendment) hereby amends or modifies the IFB released on January 21, 2026, by making the following changes (changes that include additions are denoted by being bolded and underlined, and deletions are denoted by being bolded and stricken through):

**Response to Inquiries No. 1 is attached to this Amendment No. 2 as Exhibit A and is hereby incorporated into the IFB through this Amendment No.2.**

**Pre-bid Conference Transcript is attached to this Amendment No. 2 as Exhibit B and is hereby incorporated into the IFB through this Amendment No. 2.**

In accordance with Section 3.1.4(J) of the IFB, bidder must acknowledge receipt of any Amendment issued in relation to this IFB by signing and returning the Amendment with its bid. Such acknowledgement must be received by MDEQ by the time and at the place specified for receipt of offers.

By signing this Amendment No. 2, offeror acknowledges receipt of this Amendment No. 2, and that the provisions of said Amendment No. 2 have been noted and that its bid is being offered in compliance therewith.

Offeror's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

By (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS**

#### **Response to Inquiries No. 1 Invitation for Bids to Provide Vegetation/Avian Monitoring Services**

This document serves as the Question-and-Answer document from the Pre-submittal Conference that occurred on February 4, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CST, and the Register of all questions received by February 11, 2026, and corresponding answers in accordance with Sections 3-202.07 of the Public Procurement Review Board's Office of Personal Contract Review Rules and Regulations ("Regulations"). In the event of any conflict between the IFB and this Response to Inquiries No. 1, the IFB, as amended by any applicable amendments, shall govern. All defined terms in this Response to Inquiries No. 1 not herein defined shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the IFB.

Q1: Will bidders be able to submit bids on the Vegetation Monitoring portion of this IFB without submitting a bid for Avian Monitoring or is MDEQ requesting a single contractor for both portions of the project?

A1: MDEQ is requesting a single bid covering the full scope of work, including both Vegetative Monitoring and Avian Monitoring. Partial bids for only one component of the scope (vegetative or avian monitoring) will not be accepted.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the entire scope of services as described in the IFB. Bidders may propose the use of subcontractors, as allowed under the IFB, to perform portions of the work as needed to fulfill the full scope. Any subcontracting arrangements must be clearly identified in the bid, and all associated costs must be included in the bidder's pricing.

Q2: Are the sampling locations pre-determined by MDEQ, or will the bidders suggest locations?

A2: Three of the six vegetation sampling areas have been predetermined by MDEQ as the "Fixed Sampling Plots". The "Random Sampling Plots" will be determined in the field by the contractor and will change year to year. The shorebird transect under avian monitoring has been established by MDEQ. The wading bird transects have been approximated in various riparian habitats within the project areas and may need to be adjusted in the field-based accessibility.

Q3: Could you please provide a link to this recording for our review.

A3: A copy of the Power Point Presentation along with the transcript is included as part of the Response to Inquiries.

Q4: Under section 2.7.B. – Proof of Offeror's minority status – Will submittal of the SBA 8(a) approval letter from the Prime firm satisfy this requirement?

A4: Yes. See section 2.7.B.1.

Q5: Requiring that a bidder be able to show ten previous projects of similar size and scope completed within the past three (5) years appears to be unusually restrictive. What is the basis for requiring this large number?

A5: In MDEQ's experience, that level of expertise has not been a problem for bidders to provide for past projects and it gives the Agency assurances that contractors have the necessary level of experience to perform quality work. If the contractor does not have the requisite level of experience, the contractor may provide an explanation in the bid that may be considered by the Agency during bid evaluations.

Q6: Is there an original notification bid document that has the bid requirements in it?

A6: The IFB for Vegetative Avian Monitoring can be accessed at <https://www.mdeq.ms.gov/ifb-vegetative-avian-monitoring-services/>.

Q7: Section 4, item 4.2 indicates that the bid and any subsequently awarded contract are subject to standard contract terms and conditions. It's not clear to me whether we would be agreeing to the terms & conditions in Attachment D, as well as any additional terms that may be added to the contract, by submitting a bid. Is it allowable to submit exceptions along with the invitation to bid or will there be an opportunity for negotiation prior to executing the contract?

A7: See specifically section 1.1 and 1.3.1. Section 1.1 states that, "modifications or additions to any portion of the bid document *may* be cause for rejection of the bid." Section 1.3.1. states, "The bidder agrees that submission of a signed Bid Form is certification that the bidder will accept an award made to it as a result of the submission." Nonetheless, mere submission of a bid does not create a binding contract. See section 1.11. Terms and conditions will only be binding once the contract is executed.

The contractor will have an opportunity to review the contract, to include any additional terms, prior to execution. However, please note under section 4.2 that the Standard Terms and Conditions are expected to be included in the contract as provided. The Standard Terms and Conditions are all required and/or recommended by Public Procurement Review Board Office of Personal Service Contract Review Rules and Regulations.

Q8: Is there an estimated price range for these services?

A8: No. The purpose of the competitive bidding process is for MDEQ to obtain the best price possible from a responsible contractor.

Q9: Please confirm if the limit for projects is in the past three or past five years. See page 13, section 3.14 E.1 states "A record of ten projects...within the past three (5) years". Please confirm if the project is in the past 3 or past 5 years.

A9: That is a typo. It is five (5) years.

## ATTACHMENT A

### Pre-Bid Conference Attendees

Alan Niven, Environmental Management Services, Inc  
Anderson Thomas, MDEQ  
Brad Young, Allen Engineering and Science  
Brandon Fulton, ECS Southeast, LLC  
Camille Smith, Covington Civil and Environmental  
Chris Brantley, Environmental Management Services, Inc  
Coretta Jones, MDEQ  
Cori Gavin, Eco-Restore, LLC  
Curt Schaeffer, ECS Southeast, LLC  
Erik Neugaard, RES  
Janelle Rieland, WEST  
Jason Adams, ECS Florida  
Jessi Katzenmeyer, Allen Engineering and Science  
John Kwoka, MDEQ  
John Salter, Salter Wetlands Associates, LLC  
Justin Kelley, ECS Southeast, LLC  
Katie Barnes, West Incorporated  
Lara Bowman, Eco Restore  
Lindsay Spurrier, Cypress Environment & Infrastructure  
Madison Morales, Environmental Management Services  
Mark Woodrey, Mississippi State University  
Mary Motte Fikri, WSP  
Michael Stout, Es2 Environment Science Services  
Monica Patel, Neel-Schaffer  
Nick Sims, ES 2 Environment Science Services  
Parker Nenstiel, WSP  
Rachel Kistler, Covington Civil Engineering  
Rudolph Villarreal, Brown, Mitchell, & Alexander  
Sarah Strickland, Allen Engineering and Science  
Shubham Datta, Audubon  
Steve Brewer, University of Mississippi  
Trace McNabb, WSP USA  
Valerie Alley, MDEQ

# ATTACHMENT B

## Pre-Bid Conference Presentation

### Invitation for Bids for Monitoring Services

Pre-Bid Meeting  
February 4, 2026  
10:00 a.m.

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**Regina Cochran**

Procurement Officer, Office of Restoration  
Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

**Rachel Kistler**

Environmental Consultant  
Covington Civil and Environmental



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

## Pre-Bid Submittal Meeting Agenda



INTRODUCTIONS



OVERVIEW OF THE SCOPE  
OF WORK



QUESTIONS AND  
ANSWERS



## Project Information

**Project Area:**  
Graveline Bay Coastal Preserve  
Jackson County, MS

**Purpose:**  
To track structure and composition of vegetation, and diversity and abundance of both shorebirds and wading birds over time. Monitoring will help inform habitat management activities.

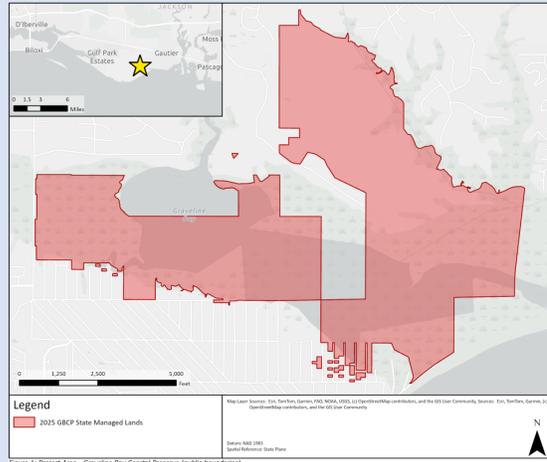


Figure 1: Project Area - Graveline Bay Coastal Preserve (public boundaries)

## Scope of Work

**General SOW:**  
Conduct regular surveys of vegetation and birds within the project area.



### VEGETATIVE MONITORING

- Assessment of Vegetation Structure & Composition
- Baseline Assessment of Invasive Species



### AVIAN MONITORING

- Assessment of Diversity & Abundance (Shorebirds and Wading Birds)



## Vegetation Structure & Composition

### Methodology

- Three (3) fixed and three (3) random sampling plots
- 30-meter radial plots: Metric assessment scores assigned for the canopy, ground layer, invasive species, and overall.
- 1-meter plot at the centroid of the 30-meter radial plots to document all plant species present.

### Timing

- Two (2) Baseline Events: Growing season and non-growing season prior to management
- One (1) Annual Event (growing season) for up to four (4) years.

### Data Analysis & Reporting

- Raw data and data summaries

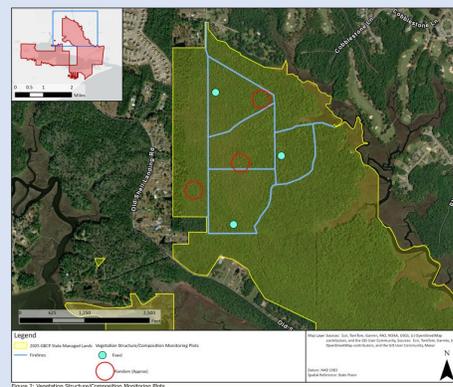


Figure 2: Vegetation Structure/Composition Monitoring Plots

## Invasive Vegetation

### Methodology

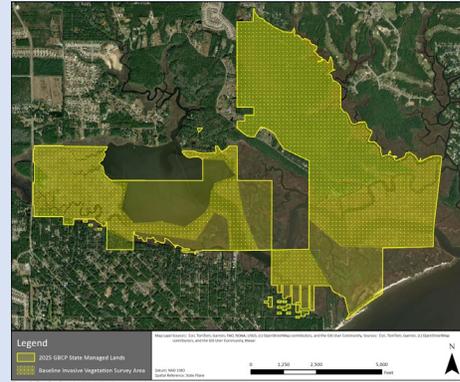
- GIS Desktop Analysis
  - Review historical aerial imagery to analyze/evaluate land use changes which could introduce invasive vegetation species or increase competitiveness with native vegetation species.
  - Develop prioritized polygons to ground-truth. (Polygons may be added or removed following field verification.)
- Site Reconnaissance
  - Comprehensively document the presence, extent, and type of invasive vegetation observed within the project area.
- Selected Habitats targeted for the treatment of invasive vegetation is approx. 1,185 Acres

### Timing

- One (1) assessment in the growing season before habitat management activities

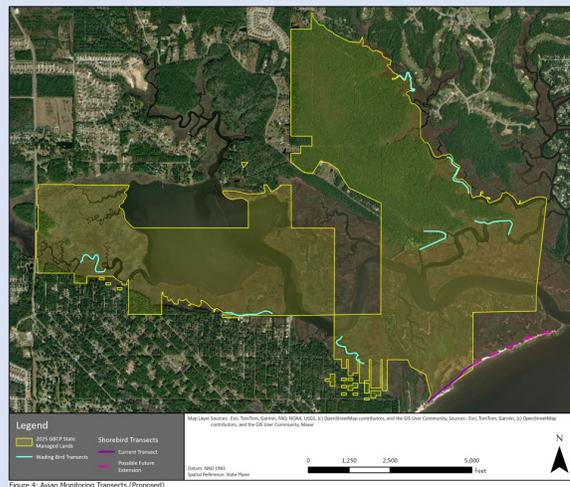
### Data Analysis & Reporting

- Raw data and data summaries



## Avian Monitoring

Avian monitoring includes assessment of Shorebirds and Wading Birds.



## Avian Diversity and Abundance Monitoring

### Shorebirds

#### Methodology

- One (1) survey transect on publicly owned beach front habitat
- All birds (species type and abundance) seen or heard within a 0.25-mile radius are documented

#### Timing

- Four (4) seasonal survey pulses with five (5) surveys per pulse (20 surveys annually)
- Five (5) year survey period

#### Data Analysis & Reporting

- Raw data and data summaries

### Wading Birds

#### Methodology

- Seven (7) to ten (10) survey routes with one (1) transect each
- Walking or boating survey will be conducted along transects (min. 100 meters) of targeted riparian habitats
- Species and abundance will be documented in addition to visible nests during nesting season

#### Timing

- Two (2) survey pulses in spring and summer nesting seasons with five (5) surveys per pulse (10 surveys annually)
- Five (5) year survey period

#### Data Analysis & Reporting

- Raw data and data summaries



## Questions ?



### Reminders

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- Bid Package Submission Deadline: February 26, 2026 at 3:00 pm CST
- Electronic Submission available in MAGIC
  - RFX: 3160007828
  - Delivered to MDEQ:
    - 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, MS, 39201
- Deadline for questions is February 11, 2026
- Anticipated Posting of Response to Inquiries/Amendments: February 16, 2026
  - Responses to questions will be sent to those who requested IFB from MDEQ



## EXHIBIT B

### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS

#### Pre-Bid Conference Transcript Invitation for Bids to Provide Vegetative/Avian Monitoring Services

This document serves as the written recordation of the orally/visually recorded Pre-submittal Conference that occurred on February 4, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CST (“transcript”). This transcript is being provided in accordance with Sections 3-202.07 and 3-203.08 of the Public Procurement Review Board’s Office of Personal Contract Review Rules and Regulations (“Regulations”), which states that “[o]nce the conference is over, the Chief Procurement Officer shall put the recordings from the conference and the Question and Answer document from the conference in writing and send them as an Amendment to all known prospective bidders who received the [IFB] and post them on the Mississippi Contract/Procurement Opportunity Search Portal website and the soliciting agency's website.”

**PLEASE NOTE:** Although this transcript is being included as an amendment in accordance with Sections 3-202.07 and 3-202.08.1 of the Regulations, **this transcript is NOT amending the IFB.**

The bolded language in the below transcript is not a portrayal of what has been said on the Pre-submittal conference call/webinar, it is additional information included in the transcript and is provided to indicate to the reader: 1) who is speaking and 2) what is occurring during the Pre-submittal Conference.

#### **Pre-Bid Meeting**

February 4, 2026 . 9:48 AM . ID: 541631061

#### **Transcript**

**Regina Cochran**

Good morning everyone.

**Regina Cochran**

Can you guys hear me.

**Monica Patel**

Good.

**Camille Smith**

Morning.

**Regina Cochran**

Okay, should we wait a few minutes or do we want to go ahead and get started?

**Valerie Alley**

Regina, I'd give it one more minute because there were still beeps.

**Valerie Alley**

Okay.

**Valerie Alley**

It sounds like they've slowed or stopped.

**Valerie Alley**

I think we can get started now.

**Regina Cochran**

Okay well we'll get started.

**Regina Cochran**

So this is the pre-bid meeting for MDEQ's invitation for bids for vegetative avian monitoring project.

**Regina Cochran**

My name is Regina Cochran, accountant for the office of restoration at MDEQ and serving as the procurement officer for this solicitation.

**Coretta**

Before we get started if you will please check to make sure you are muted unless you are speaking.

**Regina Cochran**

Please be aware that we are recording this pre-submittal meeting.

**Regina Cochran**

Today's agenda will include brief introductions, a roll call, an overview of the scope of work facilitated by Rachel Kitzler at Covington Civil Environmental, and then we will have a question-and-answer session.

**Regina Cochran**

In lieu of a sign-in sheet, we will have a roll call to be sure we have a record of attendance.

**Regina Cochran**

If you are on your computer, if you will, please enter your name and organization in the chat box.

**Regina Cochran**

We will also give you an opportunity to introduce yourself verbally if you are unable to use the chat box.

**Regina Cochran**

So first we will start with MDEQ, then we will move to Covington and then open the floor for other participants.

**Regina Cochran**

So again, I am Regina Cochran with the Department of Environmental Quality.

**Regina Cochran**

Who else do we have on from DEQ?

**Valerie Alley**

This is Valerie Alley, Office of Restoration Director, MDEQ.

**John Kwoka**

Hey, good morning, this is John Kowka, Project Manager.

**Coretta Jones**

Coretta Jones Accounting Director for MDEQ.

**Anderson Thomas**

This is Andy Thomas, Attorney with Office of Restoration, MDEQ.

**Regina Cochran**

Covington.

**Rachel Kistler**

Good morning, I'm Rachel Kistler with Covington Civil and Environmental.

**Regina Cochran**

Okay, do we have any other participants?

**Regina Cochran**

All righty, we'll move right on.

**Regina Cochran**

As we go through the presentation today, please know that if anything said conflicts with the IFB that the IFB will prevail unless it is ratified with an addendum.

**Regina Cochran**

We will attempt to answer any questions today.

**Regina Cochran**

However, all questions received will be taken under advisement and we will provide a written response and the response to inquiries which will serve as MDEQ's final response.

**Regina Cochran**

During our question and answer session, As we go through the presentation, you may submit your questions in the chat box, and we will give you the opportunity to unmute and ask your questions verbally.

**Regina Cochran**

When asking a question, please state your name and organization.

**Regina Cochran**

Give me a few seconds to record the question, and then we will answer.

**Regina Cochran**

With that, Rachel, I will turn it over to you to walk us through the rest of the presentation.

**Rachel Kistler**

All right.

**Rachel Kistler**

Great.

**Rachel Kistler**

Thanks, Regina.

**Regina Cochran**

You're welcome.

**Rachel Kistler**

All right, this monitoring contract supports the Grammarly Bay Coastal Preserve in Jackson County.

**Rachel Kistler**

Here is an overview map here.

**Rachel Kistler**

The overall goal of this effort is to track changes in vegetation structure and composition, along with shore bird and wading bird diversity and abundance over time.

**Rachel Kistler**

The data collected through this contract will directly inform habitat management decisions, so this is intended to be applied management relevant monitoring.

**Rachel Kistler**

The scope of work has two major components, the vegetative monitoring and the avian monitoring.

**Rachel Kistler**

On the vegetation side, there are two distinct tasks.

**Rachel Kistler**

One is ongoing vegetation structure and composition monitoring and a one-time baseline invasive species assessment.

**Rachel Kistler**

On the avian side, monitoring is broken out into shorebirds and wading birds, each with specific methods, timing, and frequency which we'll go into.

**Rachel Kistler**

First, let's discuss the vegetation structure and composition monitoring.

**Rachel Kistler**

For this component, the project uses established rapid assessment methodologies that are already in use for similar habitats and coastal preserve properties.

**Rachel Kistler**

The contractor will establish a total of six plots, three fixed locations, and three random locations, using 30-meter radial plots to assess canopy, ground layer, and invasive species along with overall habitat condition scores.

**Rachel Kistler**

In addition, a one-meter plot will be established at the centroid of each radial plot to document all plant species that are present in that one meter centroid.

**Rachel Kistler**

So we're capturing both structure and composition here.

**Rachel Kistler**

There will be two baseline events prior to management.

**Rachel Kistler**

One will be in the growing season, and one will be in the non-growing season.

**Rachel Kistler**

And then after management activities begin, there will be one growing season monitoring annually for up to four years.

**Rachel Kistler**

The deliverables under this component include raw data spreadsheets, GIS files for each sampling event, and written summaries that'll roll up metrics like the canopy cover, herbaceous cover, invasive species cover, and native flora cover.

**Rachel Kistler**

Next is the one-time baseline invasive vegetation assessment.

**Rachel Kistler**

This task is a, like I said, one-time baseline assessment that's going to be conducted prior to any habitat management activities.

**Rachel Kistler**

This includes a desktop GIS analysis of recent and historical imagery to identify high-risk areas.

**Rachel Kistler**

For example, areas near roads, disturbed edges, storm-impacted areas, or other land uses that could introduce or favor invasive species.

**Rachel Kistler**

Those high-risk areas are then ground truth through field reconnaissance, and invasive species will be documented comprehensively across the targeted treatment areas, which total about 1,185 acres here.

**Rachel Kistler**

The deliverables here are similar, GAS files, raw field data, and a summary report documenting findings and prioritization results.

**Rachel Kistler**

All right, next we're going to go through the avian monitoring.

**Rachel Kistler**

Like I mentioned previously, this includes an assessment of shorebirds and wading birds.

**Rachel Kistler**

This figure here shows the various transects that we are anticipating, and we'll discuss those.

**Rachel Kistler**

And this is also in the actual IFB itself.

**Rachel Kistler**

So for shorebird monitoring, this is going to consist of one established survey transect on publicly owned beachfront habitat down in Graveling Bay.

**Rachel Kistler**

All the birds seen or heard within a quarter mile radius of the transect will be recorded, including species and abundance.

**Rachel Kistler**

There will be four seasonal survey pulses per year, fall migration, winter, spring migration, and summer nesting, with five surveys per pulse, so that would be 20 surveys annually, and the program will run for five years.

**Rachel Kistler**

And the deliverables include the raw data, GIS files, written summaries by seasonal pulse, including species observed, counts, and visible nests.

**Rachel Kistler**

Under the waiting birds, this will focus on the riparian habitats across the preserve.

**Rachel Kistler**

We estimate there will be between seven and 10 survey routes, each with a transect of at least 100 meters, conducted either by walking or by boat, depending on their accessibility.

**Rachel Kistler**

There will be two seasonal pulses per year for spring and summer nesting, with five surveys per pulse for a total of 10 waiting bird surveys per year, again over a five-year period.

**Rachel Kistler**

As with shorebirds, the deliverables will include raw data, GIS files, and written summaries that document the species, abundance, and any visible nests observed.

**Rachel Kistler**

So this concludes the scope of work, so I will hand it back to Regina.

**Regina Cochran**

All right, thank you Rachel.

**Regina Cochran**

So now we were moving to our question-and-answer session.

**Regina Cochran**

I do have a question that came ahead of the meeting so I will run through this question real quick and we'll answer the question.

**Regina Cochran**

So the first question is will bidders be able to submit bids on the vegetation monitoring portion of this IFB without submitting a bid for the AVN monitoring or is MDEQ requesting a single contractor for both portions of the.

**Regina Cochran**

MDEQ is requesting a single bid covering the full scope of the work, including both vegetative monitoring and avian monitoring.

**Regina Cochran**

Partial bids for only one component of the scope, vegetative or avian monitoring, will not be accepted.

**Regina Cochran**

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the entire scope of services as described in the IFB.

**Regina Cochran**

Bidders may propose the use of subcontractors as allowed under the IFB to perform portions of the work as needed to fulfill the full scope.

**Regina Cochran**

Any subcontracting arrangements must be clearly identified in the bid and all associated costs must be included in the bidder's pricing.

**Regina Cochran**

Now we can open the floor up to two other questions.

**Regina Cochran**

Okay, so we don't have any questions.

**Regina Cochran**

If you think of any questions that you may want to ask, you can submit those to the procurement, procurement at [mdeq.ms.gov](http://mdeq.ms.gov) and we'll make sure that they get added to the response to inquiries.

**Regina Cochran**

Just a few reminders before we end.

**Valerie Alley**

There's one question in the chat now.

**Regina Cochran**

Are the sampling locations predetermined by MDEQ or will the bidders suggest locations?

**Rachel Kistler**

We have predetermined spots for each of these, and we can coordinate with you for the vegetative monitoring.

**Rachel Kistler**

There are three fixed and three random plots, so the fixed points will stay the same year to year, and we'll provide those to you.

**Rachel Kistler**

The randomized spots will be random each year based on habitat, and those will be determined by the contractor in the field.

**Rachel Kistler**

And then for avian monitoring, we'll work together on establishing where the locations of the transects will be.

**Rachel Kistler**

For the shorebirds, there's just one transect that's already established in the beach area.

**Rachel Kistler**

And then the other waiting bird ones.

**Rachel Kistler**

We've estimated locations where those will occur, but we will be taking a closer look at those as we get closer to actual monitoring activities.

**Valerie Alley**

Rachel, it may have just been for me, but there was a slight audio issue when discussing the three random samples for vegetation, but I think overall it was clear that the random samples would be selected by the contractor based on habitat, but there was a little lag there just to clarify.

**Rachel Kistler**

Okay, thanks Val, yes, that's correct.

**Regina Cochran**

We have another question in the chat.

**Regina Cochran**

Are the sampling locations predetermined?

**Regina Cochran**

I'm sorry, could you please provide a link to this recording for our review?

**Regina Cochran**

Yes, we will provide a link.

**Regina Cochran**

Are there any more questions?

**Regina Cochran**

So again, if you do come up with other questions, you're welcome to add those questions, send them to procurement at [mdeq.ms.gov](http://mdeq.ms.gov), and we will make sure we make them a part of the Response to Inquiries.

**Regina Cochran**

A few reminders before we end, the deadline for bid submissions is February 26, 3 p.m.

**Regina Cochran**

Deadline for questions is February 11.

**Regina Cochran**

A reminder about deliveries and delays, electronic submissions or hand deliveries are encouraged as we are not responsible for delayed mail and will have to reject any received after 3 p.m.

**Regina Cochran**

The bid submission Deadline is February 26, 3pm.

**Regina Cochran**

We anticipate releasing the Response to Inquiries document by February 26.

**Regina Cochran**

To obtain a downloadable copy of the contract documents for this project, visit [restore.ms](http://restore.ms) or email [procurement@mdeq.ms.gov](mailto:procurement@mdeq.ms.gov).

**Regina Cochran**

The contract documents may also be examined at the following locations: MDEQ, 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi or Covington, Civil and Environmental at 2300 14th Street, Gulfport, Mississippi.

**Regina Cochran**

If you received the IFB from anyone other than DEQ, you are not on our list to receive addenda or other correspondences related to this solicitation.

**Regina Cochran**

So if you would please email [procurement@mdeq.ms.gov](mailto:procurement@mdeq.ms.gov) so that we can make sure you are on our list to receive any updates related to this solicitation.

**Regina Cochran**

If you have issues with MAGIC, please know that you will have to submit your request for assistance to [mash@dfa.ms.gov](mailto:mash@dfa.ms.gov).

**Regina Cochran**

With that, this concludes the pre-bid submittal meeting for Vegetative Avian Monitoring and thank you for your interest in working with DEQ, and we hope to hear from you.

**Regina Cochran**

Have a good day.

**Regina Cochran**

Thank you.