

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Monterey, acting through its Board of Selectmen, invites sealed bids from qualified contractors for diver assisted suction harvesting (DASH) of eurasian milfoil in Lake Garfield.

Scope of work:

Phase 1.

DASH of e. milfoil will be conducted in the 2 acre patch of milfoil described in NOI 230-0275 and following all of the NOI's OOCs. (See attached, highlighted areas are specific to contractors bidding) As much of the previous seasons e. milfoil appears to have diminished and died back to root crowns the DASH will proceed in consultation with members of the LGWG, to locate and harvest patches of greatest impact.

Phase 2.

Pending confirmation from the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, DASH of e. milfoil will be performed in additional areas of the lake. As much of the previous season's e. milfoil appears to have been eaten back to short stems and root crowns, the DASH will proceed in consultation with members of the Lake Garfield Working Group and Monterey Select Board to locate and harvest the highest density patches.

Bids must be submitted to the Administrative Assistant, 435 Main Rd, P.O. Box 308, Monterey, MA 01245 no later than 2pm on Monday, September 18, 2017 with the intention of beginning and completing the above phases of work in 2017. Please call Michael Germain at 413-237-4593 with any questions regarding this invitation to bid. Contract will be awarded within 30 days.

TOWN OF MONTEREY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SPECIAL ORDER OF CONDITIONS

Date: 5/12/15

Applicants Name: Town of Monterey

DEP File No: 230-0275

Special condition for:

1. Diver harvesting
2. Future weed harvesting with machine and [not included]
3. Rapid response for other problems [not included]

1. Conditions applying diver harvesting/weed hand pulling:

ON SITE CONFERENCE (1) In advance of any work on this project the applicant shall notify the Monterey Conservation Commission and shall arrange an on-site conference among the MCC, and at the request of the MCC, the contractor and the applicant to ensure that all of the conditions of this Order are understood. This Order also shall be made a part of the contractor's written contract, and shall supersede other contract requirements.

NOTIFICATION OF SUPERVISOR (2) The applicant shall inform the MCC in writing of the names, addresses, business and home phone numbers of both the project supervisor who will be responsible for ensuring on-site compliance with this Order, and his/her alternate

CLEAN EQUIPMENT Equipment used in the lake shall be cleaned prior to entering the lake.

DEWATERING ACTIVITY (28) Any dewatering activities on the project in which water will be released to wetlands or storm drains shall make use of a stilling pond, filter bag, or similar device to remove sediment before the water is released.

CONTROL OF FUELS AND POLLUTANTS (14B) All machinery used for work on the applicant's project shall be fuelled outside of the 100 foot Buffer Zone [of the Lake].

HARVESTED WEED MATTER (14B) All materials shall be disposed of in an approved manner at a site and location where there is no hydraulic connection, of any kind, to Lake Garfield. At a minimum the location shall be a minimum of 100 feet from any Resource identified under the Wetlands Protection Act.

ALL WORK shall be performed in accordance with the Site and Work Description contained within the Notice of Intent and plan notes set out on the plan of record, provided narratives, waiver requests and protocols.

REPORTING The applicant shall provide the Commission a yearly monitoring report demonstrating the amount of materials removed, any animals harmed, and areas harvested for three years or until a Certificate of Compliance is issued.

REPORTING A list of disposal sites must be provided to the Commission prior to the start of work.

REPORTING A status report updating the Wildlife Habitat Evaluation shall be submitted within two years of the last date of application and shall capture two growing seasons. The report shall include a discussion and conclusion as to the extent to which an “adverse effect,” as defined at 310 CMR 10.60(1)(a), to significant “wildlife habitat characteristics” has resulted from the project. If a conclusion of an “adverse effect” is made in the report, or independently determined by the issuing authority, then the applicant shall demonstrate compliance with 310 CMR 10.60.

CHANGE OF PLANS (4) Any proposed or executed changes in the plans approved under this Order shall require the applicant to file a new Notice of Intent, or to inquire of the MCC in writing whether the change or changes are substantial enough to require a new filing. Any errors in the plans or information submitted by the applicant shall be considered changes and the above procedures shall be followed.

AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT The applicant shall develop a pre and post-management monitoring program to identify new growth of target species in early stages. Strategies to address new growth should be considered and implemented (such as harvesting or benthic barriers) to assist in the development of long-term management strategies.

TURBIDITY is to be checked in the target area for suction harvesting and in one reference areas outside the zone of any possible influence each morning prior to the start of work and at the end of the day after work ceases. Recorded turbidity levels are to be provided to the MCC at the end of the suction harvesting project.

INVASIVE REMOVAL Suction harvesting will focus on complete removal of Eurasian water milfoil, including root crowns.