



## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is soliciting written proposals from organizations licensed to do business in the State of Mississippi to assist MDEQ with benthic habitat mapping services, on an as needed basis, related to natural resource restoration projects implemented on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, which is necessitated by the 2010 *Deepwater Horizon* Oil Spill. The purpose of this RFP is to solicit qualifications and data collection cost options for benthic habitat mapping services that will collect important physical characterization data for potential and existing oyster reef locations in the Project area.

To obtain a downloadable copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for this Project, please visit [restore.ms](http://restore.ms), email [mgreen@mdeq.ms.gov](mailto:mgreen@mdeq.ms.gov), or call 601.961.5270. The RFP may also be examined at the following locations: MDEQ, 515 East Amite St., Jackson, MS 39201, or Covington Civil and Environmental, LLC, 2510 14<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 1010, Gulfport, MS 39501.

An optional pre-submittal meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m., April 29, 2021 online utilizing GoTo Meeting and can be accessed at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/411716405>, or by phone at +1 (872) 240-3412; Access Code: 411-716-405. The purpose of the pre-submittal conference is to allow potential offerors an opportunity to present questions to staff and obtain clarification of the procurement requirements.

Proposals will be received until 3:00 p.m. CST, May 14, 2021 at the MDEQ office located at 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, MS 39201. All proposals received after this deadline will be rejected.

MDEQ reserves the right to reject any and/or all packages and waive any minor informality.