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## **Invitation for Bids**

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# IFB- Furnish and Deploy Approved Cultch Material

**Amendment One: Questions and Answers** 

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THIS IS AMENDMENT ONE TO THE INVITATION FOR BIDS. YOU MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THIS AND ALL FUTURE AMENDMENTS ON THE BID FORM OR, IF YOUR BID FORM HAS ALREADY BEEN SUBMITTED, BY LETTER. YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ALL AMENDMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE MDMR BY THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF YOUR BID FORM.

1) Page 2: Scope of Project: Could you be more specific than "the Western Mississippi Sound and Biloxi Bay"?

**ANSWER:** "Western Mississippi Sound Reefs" includes all commercial reefs in the Western Mississippi Sound. These include but not limited to: St. Joe Reef, Pass Marianne Reef, Telegraph Reef, Waveland Reef, St. Stanislaus Reef, Henderson Point Reef, Pass Christian Reef. "Biloxi Bay Reefs" includes Shearwater Reef, Biloxi Bay Reef, or any area located within Area V description can be found in Title 22 Part 1.

2) Page 2: Scope of Project: "Where is the physical location of the "deployment site"?

**ANSWER:** Specific sites will be provided to the successful bidder on the major reefs listed in question 1.

3) Page 3: Scope of Project: "All small particles in excess of the allowed 5%, or otherwise outside of the specifications listed above, will be deducted from the total project cost." What formula will be used to deduct cost for this infraction?

**ANSWER:** In the IFB it states the specific size of ASTM #4 is to be provided by the contractor. If it is deemed that more than 5% by volume does not meet this specification the contractor can be penalized by the percentage of noncompliance from the total cost of the contract. Also, the contractor can be considered in Default and the contract terminated. This will be determined by using ASTM specifications and a specific volume.

4) Page 4: Scope of Project: Do you have to use the 3 or 4 nozzle approach? Could you use one spray nozzle with 250 pounds of pressure?

**ANSWER**: If one spray nozzle was used it would still have to comply with being able to deploy 250 cubic yards per hour, 1,250 cubic yards per day, as well as comply with the even coverage rate as defined in answer number 5. Using multiple nozzles ensures a more even coverage. If it is determined an even coverage is not being obtained by the Contractor they will be considered in Default and the contract will be terminated.

5) Page 4: Scope of Project: "This high-pressure jet of water is directed against the cultch in a manner to spray it in a thin, even layer..." Can you be more specific on the definition by giving a measurement of "thin"?

**ANSWER:** A thin even layer will be determined by the rate of cubic yards to be deployed per acre. Example would be 100 cubic yards per acre would be enough material to create an even layer of 1 inch evenly across the acre. Rate of deployment can range from 60 – 100 cubic yards per acre.

6) Page 9: MAGIC Submission Requirements (option): "the bid submission must be submitted in MAGIC no later than 2:00 PM CST, February 16, 2017. Incorrect date?

**ANSWER:** The correct date and time for bid submission is <u>2:00 p.m. on June 14, 2017.</u> This section is amended to read as follows:

### MAGIC Submission Requirements (option)

- The bid submission must be submitted in MAGIC no later than 2:00 PM CST, June 14, 2017.
- Timely submission of the bid is the responsibility of the bidder. Bids received after the specified time will be rejected and returned to the bidder unopened. It is suggested that you allow 48 hours before the due date and time for submission of the bid in MAGIC, especially if you are a first-time user.