



Rio Trampas Watershed Restoration Project

Funded by the Collaborative Forest Restoration Program (CFRP)
Region 3 of the USDA Forest Service

Notice to Bid

Due Date, 12:00 pm, September 23, 2016

Site Visit: 10 am, September 20, 2016

RSVP for Site Visit to matt@forestguild.org

Background

Forest Stewards Guild received a Collaborative Forest Restoration Program (CFRP) grant in 2014 through Region 3 of the USDA Forest Service on state trust lands managed by the State Land Office (SLO). The project is in the Rio Trampas watershed, located off of NM 75 between Dixon and Rio Lucio. This work has supported jobs, generated significant amounts of wood products for local markets, and engaged local youth in experiential outdoor education. Multiparty monitoring indicates this project is achieving forest restoration targets.

The site is a mix of ponderosa pine, gamble oak, and piñon-juniper woodlands. The proposed work will treat 89.4 acres in the Rio Trampas Watershed, primarily using a thin-from-below treatment. This treatment builds on the additional ~260 acres that have been or are in the process of being treated in the last two years. The goal is to restore forest structure and resiliency across the Rio Trampas Watershed with hopes of reintroducing low intensity fire in 2017 where appropriate.

The current bid will utilize a **Stewardship Approach**. A Stewardship Approach, sometimes referred to as a “best value” approach, asks interested parties to provide a detailed outline of what they can provide, for how many acres, and at what cost per unit (E.g. “I can provide a masticator and will masticate “x” number of acres for “XX” dollars.”) The attached prescription provides general direction for the treatment. Please be sure to include *anything* that could be offered including in-kind donations such as reduced rates, training, watershed improvement features, donated fuelwood, etc. We reserve the right to negotiate with up to 3 contractors depending on the services offered.

Solicitation of Work

To continue this work on state trust lands managed by the State Land Office, the Forest Stewards Guild is looking for competitive open bids from insured businesses:

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____



1. The awarded candidate will also work with project partners; State Land Office, the Forest Stewards Guild, and Ecotone Consulting. The awarded candidate must show proof of up to date liability and workers' compensation insurance, include the Forest Stewards Guild as a named insured under their insurance policy, and agree to have their insurance be primary. All employees of the successful contractor must be covered under the company's workman's compensation insurance. The successful candidate will also:
 - a. Ensure safety of personnel through proper and consistent use of PPE and safe practices.
 - b. Ensure that all treatment objectives are met.
 - c. Have knowledge of resource management objectives.
 - d. Have knowledge of SLO facilities and improvements; take all actions necessary to protect them.
 - e. Maintain contact/communications, Forest Stewards Guild representatives, assisting project partners, and SLO representatives.
 - f. Work must be completed by June 30, 2017.

BID: _____

Bid not to exceed \$50,850.

Letter of Intent (please attach a separate letter of intent that highlights forest treatment experience and capacity- a template has been included for reference).

Please include contact information for at least 3 references.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Please see attached map and direct any questions to Eytan Krasilovsky 505.983.8992 xt 16, eytan@forestguild.org or Matt Piccarello at 505.983.8992 xt 14, matt@forestguild.org.

Complete Bids may be emailed to matt@forestguild.org or mailed to 2019 Galisteo St., Suite N-7, Santa Fe, NM 87505.