



**MEMORANDUM**  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE**  
**Procurement Services Division**  
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors  
DATE: April 13, 2021

FROM: Todd Leopold, County Executive Officer  
By: Brett Wood, Purchasing Manager

SUBJECT: Tree Trimming & Removal, Roadside Vegetation Management, Fuel Load Reduction – Various Firms

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve the award of a Qualified List based on competitive Request for Qualifications No. 20149 for tree trimming and removal, roadside vegetation management, and fuel load reduction services to be provided as needed for the period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2024.

Approve options to renew the resulting Qualified List on a year-to-year basis for two (2) additional one-year terms.

**BACKGROUND**

The Department of Public Works Parks & Grounds Division, Roads Division, and Facilities Management require qualified firms to provide on-call tree trimming and removal services, roadside vegetation management, and fuel load reduction services such as forest thinning and clearing throughout Placer County. These services are sporadic both in time and in location. The most effective way for departments to obtain these services is to adopt a list of pre-qualified firms for on-call services.

To identify a list of qualified firms, the Department of Public Works and the Procurement Services Division developed Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 20149. Firms registered with the County, including minority businesses and women business enterprises, were notified of the solicitation. Fifteen firms accessed the documents, and thirteen formal responses were received.

An evaluation panel comprised of representatives from the Department of Public Works, Parks & Grounds Division, Roads Division, Engineering Division, and Facilities Management reviewed the responses in accordance with the evaluation criteria contained within the solicitation. The final Qualified List is the result of the panel's consensus after discussion and based on the overall rankings of the firms.

The Qualified List is based strictly on the requirements and criteria of RFQ No. 20149 and does not in any way reflect the evaluation panel's judgment of the responding firms' capabilities to perform work outside of this specific solicitation. A summary of the proposed firms for the Qualified List is illustrated in the Attachment. All County departments may use the Qualified List for work to be performed on an "as-needed" basis depending on available funding, staffing levels, and shifting priorities of projects.

Therefore, your Board's approval is required to ratify the panel's recommendation to list the top-ranked firms and adopt a Qualified List for tree trimming and removal services, roadside vegetation management, and fuel load reduction services effective for the period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2024 and authorize options to extend the Qualified List on a year-to-year basis for two (2) additional one-year terms.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no immediate fiscal impact resulting from this action. Individual County contracts will be negotiated with one or more firms as needed, and the resulting expenditures will be funded from existing budgets or project funds, as appropriate. Contracts of \$100,000 or less may be executed by the Purchasing Manager. All County contracts exceeding \$100,000 for County initiated projects will require your Board's approval.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Qualified List

Master Services Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board

**QUALIFIED LIST**

**RFQ Number:** 20149

**RFQ TITLE:** Tree Trimming & Removal, Roadside Vegetation Management, Fuel Load Reduction

**Department:** Multiple

**Method of Contract:** Purchase Orders will be issued against established MSA's

*Firms are listed below in alphabetical order*

Name of Firm	Contact Person	MSA Service Categories		
		Tree Trimming & Removal	Roadside Vegetation Management	Fuel Load Reduction
Bay Area Tree Specialists San Jose, CA	Richard Smith 408-466-3469 bayareatreespecialists@earthlink.net		<b>X</b>	
Bella Wildfire & Forestry Inc. Weimar, CA	Ryan Bellanca 530-718-0167 ryan@bellaforestry.com	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Central Sierra Enterprise North Fork, CA	Jason Neville 559-658-6262 cspc.jason@yahoo.com			<b>X</b>
Dowling Underground & Networking Inc. dba Tree MD Foresthill, CA	Chase Dowling 530-613-2537 bcdowling@gmail.com	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
P31 Enterprises Oroville, CA	Lori Curtis 530-370-1209 lcurtis@p31enterprises.com	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Ridge Logging Nevada City, CA	Brian Forkner 530-265-3535 bforkner@ridgelogging.com			<b>X</b>
Tree Pro Tree Service Inc. Penryn, CA	Fred Lowe 916-765-5858 fclowe@msn.com	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
West Coast Arborists Anaheim, CA	Brian Kirkegaard 916-830-7907 bkirkegaard@wcainc.com	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	
Wilderness Forestry Inc. Reno, NV	Wesley Hansen 775-527-1334 whansen@wildernessforestryinc.com			<b>X</b>

