

Solicitation 36C78618Q0022

Grounds Maintenance Services for South Florida National Cemetery

FY18 Base plus 4 Option Years

Solicitation Questions:

1. In the Technical Specifications, Section G, Item 4D. it states:

"D. Weed Control. All weed growth and turf disease shall be controlled by means of mowing, trimming and pesticide application or any other method approved by the COR. All personnel using such spays shall be properly trained, and the person in charge shall be duly licensed by the State of Florida to use pesticides. Treatment for weeds will be accomplished in the spring, summer and the fall of each year. Turf in high maintenance areas shall be maintained at 90 percent weed free. The entire cemetery will be treated with sufficient amount of pre-emergence during the month of March to prevent germination of crab grass."

There are no specific requirements or schedules for post-emergent applications except for maintaining a 90% weed-free lawn. For bidding purposes, will you be providing a schedule to bid off of?

See B.2.4 Program Objectives B. The Contractor shall be responsible for: : # 1:
Providing **all grounds maintenance services including, but not limited** to: maintenance of grounds, regular mowing, edging, trimming, removal of leaves and debris, as well as, sweeping and/or blowing off roads and sidewalks, trash removal, snow and ice removal, and irrigation maintenance. (Reference CLINs 0006, 0007, 0008, 0010, 0018 & Reference Technical Specifications Attachment, Sections E, F, G, H, K, L, A)

4: Turf Maintenance: Proper fertilizing, weeding, sodding and seeding of the turf. Control of any and all bug infestation. Pre/Post emergent. Weed, Pest and fungus control. (Reference CLIN 0012 & Reference Technical Specifications Attachment, Section E)

2. There are no specifications regarding insect or fungus control in the Technical Specifications besides having a "Pest and disease free turf should cover at least 95 percent of the area." in Section G, 2B and fire ant control. How many applications of fungicide and insecticide are required for the site? Again, for bidding purposes, a specific no. of applications would help.

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3. Can you provide the name of the incumbent and any award amount in the past?

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4. Does the Combined Synopsis/Solicitation under solicitation number 36C78618Q0022 contain requirements similar to a current contract? If possible, please provide the current contract number. Or, is this a new requirement for the government?

The 36C78618Q0022 solicitation contains similar grounds maintenance services requirements to the current VA786-13-C-0176 contract except the 36C78618Q0022 requirement does not include the janitorial requirement whereas the current VA786-13-C-0176 contract incorporates janitorial services. Janitorial services are not included in the 36C78618Q0022 requirement which makes it different than the previously awarded contract.

5. Can you please send the following:

A. Specifications to this bid – See the original solicitation and coordinating attachments, and responses in this document.

B. Previous award information/ bid tabulations – See response to question #3

C. Has there been any changes on current specs from previous specs when last solicited?
– See response to question #4