

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve four new contracts with **Brink Brothers Inc.; Forest Restoration, Inc. dba Integrated Resource Management; Oregon Woods Inc.; and TBI (Timothy K. Browning)** for **Planting and Vegetation Maintenance**.

Board Meeting Date:	February 7, 2023	
Project Name/Contract #:	Small Lot Vegetation Management / 22-246-(1-S, 2-S, 3-S and 4-S)	
Manager:	Mike Masters	Ext. 7549
Executive Officer:	Karen Kelley	Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount:	\$4,000,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved:	\$0
Spend over last approval:	\$0
Amount this Request:	\$4,000,000
% Increase over last approval:	NA
Resulting Cumulative Total:	\$4,000,000 (Over 5 years between four contracts)

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation:	Formal ITB
If applicable, basis for exemption:	NA
Term of Agreement:	5 years
Option to Renew?	No
Approval for purchases "as needed":	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Proposals/Bids Received (Range):	6 - (\$633,600 - \$2,848,000)
Selection Basis:	Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder
Narrative:	

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

The Board is being asked to approve four new Contracts with Brink Brothers, Inc.; Forest Restoration, Inc. dba Integrated Resource Management; Oregon Woods, Inc.; and TBI (Timothy K. Browning) for as-needed Planting/Vegetation Management; and Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM). The contract amount noted above is a Not-to-Exceed (NTE) limit, across the four contracts, and will be used as needed throughout the life of the contracts.

These services and goods will serve over 240 private properties ranging in size from smaller than 1 acre to 3 acres that are enrolled in the Pure Water Partners (PWP) program and within the fire-affected areas of the McKenzie Watershed. The services may be reimbursed in part by wildfire recovery grants to support continued restoration efforts.

Contracted Goods or Services

This ITB included four lots of three worker categories each that grouped similar classes of vegetation management allowing vendors to bid on one or more of these categories. The four lots included Lot 1: Site Preparation, Lot 2: Planting, Lot 3: IVM (Integrated Vegetation Management) Maintenance & Disposal Fee, and Lot 4: Plant Maintenance.

Contracted services and goods include the following:

Planting and Vegetation Management: *planting bare root native seedlings and/or spreading native seed mixtures*

Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM): *invasive weed removal, small-scale fuels treatments, pre-planting site preparation, and revegetation maintenance activities*

Work will be assigned on an emergent basis by lot size. EWEB and the Contractors will coordinate the scope of work, staffing plan, delivery of materials, and project schedules prior to the work being performed.

Purchasing Process

In late December of 2022, Staff issued a Formal Invitation to Bid for Small Lot Vegetation Management Services. This solicitation was advertised on the OregonBuys website and Six (6) bids were received. Brink Brothers Inc., Forest Restoration, Inc. dba Integrated Resource Management, Oregon Woods, Inc., and TBI were deemed the lowest responsive and responsible bidders.

Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price	Ranking (for RFPs)
Brink Brothers, Inc.	Pleasant Hill, Oregon	\$633,600 (Not All Categories Bid)	NA
Oregon Woods, Inc.	Eugene, Oregon	\$996,000	NA
TBI	Oakland, Oregon	\$1,447,152	NA
Forest Restoration (IRM)	Philomath, Oregon	\$1,459,400	NA
Ash Creek Forest Mgmt	Hillsboro, Oregon	\$2,054,000	NA
Silhouette Farm & Forestry LLC	Medford, Oregon	\$2,848,000	NA

Prior Contract Activities

Recent Brink Brothers, Inc. Contracts for Similar Services

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved Date	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Final Amount	Reason Code
21-136-S	Hazard Fuels Management	10/5/21	10/11/21-10/25/26	\$1,500,000	\$2,900,000	AW
21-085-S	Vegetation Removal Services	5/4/21	5/5/21-5/3/26	\$150,000	\$187,500	
20-160-S	Field Mowing at Hayden Bridge – Zones 2 & 3	10/6/20	10/9/20-10/8/25	\$165,000	\$175,890	

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

Recent Forest Restoration, Inc. dba Integrated Resource Management Contracts for Similar Services

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved Date	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Final Amount	Reason Code
21-106-GS	Seeds, Seedlings and Erosion Control	9/7/21	9/13/21-10/1/26	\$3,750,000	\$3,750,000	
001-2017-IRM	Vegetation Management Services	NA	4/10/17-4/9/18	\$133,000	\$133,000	

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Recent Oregon Woods, Inc. Contracts for Similar Services

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved Date	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Final Amount	Reason Code
21-265-S	Vegetation Management Services – EWEB McKenzie Corridor	4/5/22	4/7/22-4/5/26	\$200,000	\$200,000	
21-131-S	Vegetation Maintenance and Irrigation Services	NA	6/23/21-12/31/22	\$80,520	\$80,520	
001-2017	Vegetation Management Services	NA	4/10/17-4/9/18	\$50,692	\$50,692	

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EWEB has not contracted with TBI (Timothy K. Browning), but Staff have checked references and received positive feedback.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve four contracts with Brink Brothers, Inc.; Forest Restoration, Inc. dba Integrated Resource Management; Oregon Woods, Inc.; and TBI (Timothy K. Browning) for as-needed Planting/Vegetation Management; and Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM). Approximately \$1.25 million was planned for these goods and services in the Holiday Farm Fire Restoration 2023 budget of \$10.3 million, a portion of which may be reimbursed by wildfire recovery and restoration grants. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.