**GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY: CHEHALIS BASIN LEAD ENTITY**

**NOTICE FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES**

Chehalis Basin Lead Entity solicits interest from consultants with expertise in community outreach around salmon habitat restoration in the Chehalis Basin. Applicants will be considered for the following projects:

* **Salmon Habitat Restoration and Preservation Outreach – WRIA 22 & 23**

Services will be provided to complete the Community Outreach Task 3 for the Chehalis Basin Lead Entity: “To develop a broad base of community support for salmon recovery projects, the lead entity organizations will conduct community outreach to educate the local community on salmon recovery.” Tasks of this contract will include: engage with salmon recovery project sponsors and scientists regarding habitat restoration and protection priorities and project development opportunities; organize tours of completed restoration and protection projects; engage directly with landowners and community members at community events; implement watershed hydrology education at local schools and at community events; develop outreach plans and programs; write educational articles for publication in local news media; and other outreach activities as determined by the Chehalis Basin Lead Entity’s Habitat Work Group.

Term of contract: July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Funds available: Not to exceed $15,000

More information about the Chehalis Basin Lead Entity can be found on this website: [www.chehalisleadentity.org](http://www.chehalisleadentity.org). Information on the state’s Lead Entity program can be found: <https://www.rco.wa.gov/salmon_recovery/lead_entities.shtml>

The selection of consultants for this project will include an evaluation of the following factors:

* Environmental education experience
* Writing skills
* Environmental science knowledge
* Experience with salmon habitat restoration
* Experience working in the Chehalis River Basin
* Working relationships with key partners
* Proximity to worksite
* Record of success

Grays Harbor County encourages disadvantaged, minority, and women-owned consultants to respond.

Consultants desiring consideration shall submit an electronic copy and paper copy consisting of a **letter of interest** (limit to 2 pages**)**, **statement of qualifications** (limit statement to 2 pages), **billing rate** and **references** to [kharma@chehalistribe.org](mailto:kharma@chehalistribe.org). Address letters to: Attn: Kirsten Harma, Watershed Coordinator, c/o Grays Harbor County, 100 W. Broadway Suite 1, Montesano, WA 98563.   
Applications due July 31, 2019.

Arrangements to reasonably accommodate the needs of special classes of citizens, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving twenty four (24) hour advance notice to Marilyn Lewis, ADA Coordinator, at 249-4144.

The Recipient, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

Any Questions regarding this solicitation should be directed to Kirsten Harma, Watershed Coordinator, (360) 488-3232 or kharma@chehalistribe.org

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