

REPORT

To: Chair and Directors Report Number: CS-BRD-338

From: Community Services Date: July 18, 2024

Subject: Contract Award – RFP No. 39-2024 – Agricultural Emergency Plan Development

RECOMMENDATION: [Corporate Weighted]

That the Regional Board award RFP No. 39-2024 'Agricultural Emergency Plan Development' to KPMG at a cost of \$195,000 (excluding taxes); further, that the Chair and Chief Administration Officer be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Peace River Regional District.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

On June 26, 2024, the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Agricultural Emergency Plan Development closed. Three qualified bids were received. The proponents were evaluated on Experience and Qualifications, Methodology, Work Schedule, and Quality of Proposal Document.

	Trace Associates	MNP LLP	KPMG LLP
Mandatory Requirements			
Submission Form (Appendix B)	✓	✓	✓
Scoring Matrix Results			
Experience and Qualifications (35%)	28.00	28.58	29.17
Methodology (35%)	26.03	24.28	29.09
Work Schedule (15%)	12.75	12.75	12.75
Quality of Proposal (5%)	4.00	4.25	4.25
PROJECT BUDGET (10%)	10.00	7.00	7.00
Total Score	80.78	76.86	82.26

All submissions were thoroughly reviewed, and KPMG had the highest score out of the three submissions. Therefore, KPMG is the preferred proponent.

On October 5, 2023, the Regional Board passed the following resolution:

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED,

That the Regional Board authorize staff to apply for a grant of up to \$250,000 through the Investment Agriculture Foundation to fund the development of an agriculture emergency plan and related procedures, and training for the Emergency Operations Centre personnel staff on implementing the agriculture emergency plan and procedures.

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ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

☑ Engage in *Emergency Program Act* and *Fire Services Act* Amendment Processes

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

This project is 100% grant-funded through the Investment Agriculture Foundation – Food Security Emergency Planning and Preparedness Fund Grant.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

The consultant, along with PRRD staff, will work closely with the agricultural sector to ensure alignment of the emergency response plans.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.