

FRIAA CHRP RFEOI

Little Smoky Restoration

June 2021 – Applicant Questions



Applicant questions received by 4 pm on June 23rd will be answered and shared on the FRIAA website by 4pm on June 24th. Questions will not be addressed if received after 4pm on June 23rd.

Posted June 10, 2021

Applicant Questions:

Question #1: The project information package says FRIAA's preference is that project deliverables are completed within 14 months of the project kick-off date, which is anticipated to be in October 2021. Is there some flexibility with the 14 month time frame? For example, if the total amount of seedlings required cannot all be secured for 2022, may the applicant propose additional tree planting for 2023?

Answer #1: FRIAA's preference is to have operational treatment occur over the fall/winter of 2021/22. Ideally the tree planting will follow shortly (seasonally) after operational treatment to get the seedlings established, keep ahead of vegetative competition and capitalize on the nutrient release of fresh site preparation. FRIAA will evaluate proposals based on an approach to is likely to have a successful outcome.

Question #2: How should applicants structure their costs for the review panel to best see the overall approach?

Answer #2: Applicants should propose a budget with sufficient detail to support the work plan. Based on the project approach and work plan described, an appropriately estimated budget will demonstrate your understanding of the scope of work, logistical constraints of the project work and of the work site. Larger costs, in terms of raw dollar value or percentage of the bid, such as "operational treatment", will benefit from providing additional detail such as the number of pieces of equipment, expected number of operators and expected number of working days and/or shifts. It is recommended to break out helicopter costs and sustenance/accommodation based on a day rate and expected number of days. Estimating hours for project management, permitting, consultation/engagement, pre-scouting, final GPS/mapping and reporting is recommended.

If you are proposing to complete work in more than one compartment, show where cost savings are expected in certain aspects of the work and how these might be realized by FRIAA.