PUBLIC NOTICE STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTORS WATER AGENCY SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Notice is hereby given that the State and Federal Contractors Water Agency (SFCWA, "Agency"), acting by and through Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC (Westervelt, "Owner"), will receive Statements of Pre-Qualifications (SOPQ) for the Tule Red Tidal Restoration Project ("Project") – Habitat Restoration and Earthwork, Phase 1 at the Westervelt Office, located at 600 North Market Boulevard, Suite #3, Sacramento, CA 95834-1257 for the following project: Construction Services for the SFCWA Tule Red Tidal Restoration Project – Habitat Restoration and Earthwork, Phase 1.

It is mandatory that all Bidders who intend to submit a Bid for this project (Prospective Bidders), fully complete the SOPQ packages, provide all materials requested herein, and be Pre-Qualified by the Owner to be on the final qualified Bidder's list. The final list will be stated in the project Bid Documents.

STATEMENTS OF PRE-QUALIFICATIONS: Prospective Contractors interested in submitting bids on the Project must be Pre-Qualified by submitting a SOPQ package in the form provided by SFCWA. One (1) hardcopy original and seven (7) copies of the SOPQ package must be delivered to and received by the Westervelt Office, located at 600 North Market Boulevard, Suite #3, Sacramento, CA 95834-1257 by January 11, 2016 at 3:00 PM Pacific Standard Time. SOPQ packages shall be submitted in sealed envelopes marked "Confidential" and shall include the following title on the front of the package, "SOPQ for the Tule Red Tidal Restoration Project - Habitat Restoration and Earthwork, Phase 1".

Westervelt will notify Prospective Contractors within 15 calendar days of the date of receipt of a responsive SOPQ package if the Prospective Bidder meets the Owner Pre-Qualification standards.

<u>PRE-QUALIFICATION CONFERENCE:</u> A <u>mandatory</u> pre-submittal conference is scheduled, at the site, for Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. Pacific Standard Time. Interested parties should refer to the Statement of Pre-Qualification package for the location of the pre-submittal conference and site walk, located on Grizzly Island Road near Suisun City, California.

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK:

The proposed Project would restore managed marsh habitat that is currently used for freshwater duck hunting to tidal wetlands, by grading and recontouring a portion of the site to create tidal channels, tidal pannes/basins, and habitat berm; permanently breaching the existing natural berm to reintroduce full daily tidal exchange to the site; and increasing topographic variability and habitat diversity across the site. The project would cut and fill (and balance on-site) approximately 300,000 cubic yards of native soil across approximately 150 acres. The project would commence in the summer of 2016, including a 1-2 year period of site stabilization (including re-vegetation; NOT part of bid) between grading and recontouring activities (Phase 1) and full tidal exposure (Phase 2 and NOT part of bid). The Project is being designed to become a naturally, self-regulating system that would not require extensive management or intervention.

The Project would consist of the following habitat features:

- 1. A permanent breach of the natural levee to allow for full daily tidal exchange through the interior of the project site (PHASE 2 Not part of bid);
- 2. A network of tidal channels to regularly convey water across the marsh plain;
- 3. A series of tidal pannes/basins intended to retain water for periods of up to 2 weeks, to maximize aquatic food production; and
- 4. A habitat berm created along the eastern perimeter of the property, which is designed to provide transitional and refugia habitat for sensitive species, including the salt marsh harvest mouse.

The work identified here is not meant to be an exhaustive or inclusive list, but is intended to illustrate broadly the work required for completion of this project.

ENGINEER'S OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST: Current estimated cost range of project construction is \$4,500,000 to \$5,500,000.

Project	Anticipated Date
Issue Request for SOPQ	December 23 & 28, 2015
Prospective Contractor Information Meeting	January 5, 2016
Questions about Pre-Qualifications Due	January 6, 2016
Pre-Qualification Packages Due	January 11, 2016
Owner Notifies Prospective Bidders of Final Qualified Bidder's List	January 21, 2016
Final Plans and Specifications to Pre-Qualified Bidders	April 14, 2016
Bid Opening	May 6, 2016
Contract Notice to Proceed	May 27, 2016
Project Final Completion	October 28, 2016

PROJECT SCHEDULE: The anticipated Project schedule is summarized below:

OBTAINING SOPQ PACKAGES:

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 1770 to 1781 of the California Labor Code, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations has ascertained the general prevailing wage rates are applicable to work being performed on this project.

The Owner has determined that the Prospective Contractor on the Project must possess a valid State of California **Class "A"** Contractor License.

The entire SOPQ Packages submitted by Prospective Contractors are not public records and are not open to public inspection. All information provided will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. However, the contents may be disclosed to third parties for purpose of verification, or investigation of substantial allegations, or in the appeal hearing. State law requires that the names of Prospective Contractors applying for Pre-Qualification status shall be in the public records subject to disclosure, and only the first page or the SOPQ questionnaire will be used for that purpose.

The Prospective Contractor shall provide only complete and accurate information in their SOPQ Package. The Prospective Contractor acknowledges that the Owner is relying on the truth and accuracy of the responses contained herein. **Each SOPQ Questionnaire must be signed under penalty of perjury in the manner designated at the end of the form, by an individual who has the legal authority to bind the Prospective Contractor on whose behalf that person is signing.** If any information provided by a Prospective Contractor becomes inaccurate, the Prospective Contractor must immediately notify the Owner and provide updated accurate information in writing, under penalty of perjury. Should a Prospective Contractor omit or falsify requested information, the Owner may designate the Prospective Contractor as not Pre-Qualified.

The Owner reserves the right to waive non-material irregularities and omissions in the information contained in the Pre-Qualification application submitted and to make all final determinations. The Owner reserves the right to cancel this Notice or to reject any and all responses and SOPQ Packages, in its sole discretion.

The Owner shall not be liable for any costs incurred by Contractors in the preparation and submittal of responses to this Request for Qualifications. The Prospective Contractor accepts all risks and cost associated with the completion of the SOPQ Package without any financial guarantee by the Owner.

Pre-Qualification documents and addendums, if any, for Contractors, will be available on December 28, 2015. Copies of the Pre-Qualification documents may be obtained at ARC Global Document Management (ARC), 801 Broadway, Sacramento, California 95818, (916) 443-1322, or electronically from ARC's PlanWell Public Planroom at:

https://order.e-arc.com/arcEOC/Secures/PWELL_PrivateList.aspx?PrjType=pub

A hardcopy set of these documents will be available for review at the front counter of Westervelt. All information requested in these forms must be provided in order to be considered "responsive" to the requirements of Pre-Qualification. The contact person for specific project issues at Westervelt is Mark Young, 600 North Market Boulevard, Suite #3, Sacramento, CA 95834-1257, by phone at (916) 646-3644, ext. 207, or by email at <u>myoung@westervelt.com</u>. Project, technical, and construction inquiries and questions should be directed to either Mark Young by phone at (916) 646-3644 or by email at <u>myoung@westervelt.com</u>, ext. 207 or Neal Colwell by phone at (916) 403-5900 or by email at <u>ncolwell@ksninc.com</u>.

When bidding documents for the Project become available for review by the public, prime bids submitted directly to SFCWA will be received and accepted only from Pre-Qualified Contractors. Construction of the project in 2016 is dependent on the issuance of all necessary permits. Each Contractor's Pre-Qualification status will be valid for a one year period for the purpose of bidding on Phase 1 of the Project.

WESTERVELT ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, LLC CONSULTANTS TO STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTORS WATER AGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER: (916) 646-3644 Dated: December 18, 2015