

STANDING REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST No. 20-026

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Opportunity: Biosolids Management Projects

The Regional District of Nanaimo, hereinafter referred to as the "RDN," invites submissions of Expressions of Interest regarding the beneficial use of Class A and/or B biosolids generated by the Greater Nanaimo Pollution Control Centre and the French Creek Pollution Control Centre.

Background

The RDN produces approximately 1,000 metric tonnes of Class A biosolids and up to 6,000 metric tonnes of Class B biosolids per year. This material poses an opportunity for beneficial use to revitalize soil and/or encourage vegetation growth, either by blending to create a nutrient-rich soil, or by direct land application as fertilizer. RDN biosolids can also be used to reclaim lands used for mining or gravel extraction, and for landfill closure activities. All biosolids management projects must reflect and adhere to the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy's Organic Matter Recycling Regulation. More information on RDN biosolids is available at rdn.bc.ca/biosolids.

Intent

While it is anticipated that this Standing Request for Expression of Interest (SRFEOI) may lead to negotiations with Respondents that provide attractive biosolids management solutions, the RDN reserves the unfettered right to determine the next steps which may include: issuing a Request for Qualifications or a Request for Proposal, collapsing this process, or pursuing a different selection process.

This is not an invitation to tender or a Request for Proposal; it is an opportunity to engage the RDN in exploring potential biosolids management prospects. By participating in this SRFEOI, each Respondent expressly agrees that no contract of any kind is formed under, nor any legal obligations whatsoever arise out of this SRFEOI.

Submission and Enquiries

Submissions should be less than 10 pages in length, excluding a cover page and appendices, and should include the following:

- a description of the nature of the proposed biosolids management project;
- an identification of a potential timeline;

- an estimate of required biosolids quantities; and
- a description of the potential project location(s) including site features, site area, land ownership, neighbouring land uses, and special considerations.

Please include a reference to SRFEOI No. 20-026 – Biosolids Management in all enquiries and submissions. Questions and submissions shall be directed to:

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All submissions received will be reviewed, and merits determined at the sole discretion of the RDN.