



Written Response to Proposal Questions
SQF - Sugarloaf Fuels Reduction Project - NEPA Services
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- Q1: Cost for Cultural Resources (Task 1.4): Should bids include a cost for the total project acreage or just the 521 acres mentioned on page 10 of the RFP?
- A1: Cost estimates for Task 1.4, should include the 174 acres of areas not previously surveyed and the spot checking of the 347 acres which are noted in the table on page 10 of the RFP.**
- Q2: Public Meetings (Task 2): What is the expectation for in person attendance for public meetings?
- A2: It is the expectation that the consultant would attend one planning IDT in person and one public field trip in person.**
- Q3: Community Engagement (Task 2): What are the expectations for materials provided for community engagement?
- A3: The SQF and the project partners (e.g. Yosemite Sequoia RCDC or Tulare County) would provide presentation materials for community engagement but the consultant may be requested to assist "as needed".**
- Q4: Biological Resources (Task 1.2.1): Are all of the deliverables associated with biological resources covered?
- A4: Yes. Surveys and reporting are in progress. The consultant would be responsible for reviewing the biological reports and incorporating summary information into the NEPA document (CE Decision Memo).**
- Q5: Mailing List (Task 5): Who is in charge of the mailing list and do you have an anticipated number for that list for this project?
- A5: The SQF will manage the mailing list and associated communications. The consultant will help produce the materials but will not be responsible for contacting folks on the mailing list. Neither GBI nor SFQ have an estimated number of people/organizations on that list at this time.**
- Q6: PALS (Task 5): Will the consultant be given access to the PALS system?
- A6: No. The consultant will be responsible transmitting completed deliverable to the SQF for posting.**
- Q7: Page Limit (Submission Requirements): Can you provide more details on what is included in the page limit for proposals?

A7: All pages of the technical proposal are 8.5 x 11. The single page cover letter, a single cover page, a table of content (if provided), resumes and/or vitae of key staff as well as past performance information does not count towards the 15-page technical proposal page limit. The page limit for the proposal is for the technical proposal only

Q8: Site Access (Task 1): Is the project on private land and will we need a ROE (Request of Entry) to access the Project Area?

A8: No. The Project Area is within the GSNM/SQF. Units 1-5 (map on page A-3 from the RFP) are on Federal land surrounding private land holdings.

Q9: Cultural Resources Site Density (Task 1.4): Is there an estimated site density for Cultural Resources that we should use in our cost estimate?

A9: Not at this time.

Acronyms:

GSNM = Giant Sequoia National Monument

IDT = Interdisciplinary Team

NEPA = National Environmental Policy Act

PALS = Planning, Appeals, and Litigation System

RCDC = Resource Conservation and Development Council

RFP = Request for Proposals

SQF = Sequoia National Forest