



## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Resource Management

**Vendor:** Clarke Aquatic Services, Inc., St. Charles, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Aquatic vegetation control services

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$500,000.00

**Contract Period:** 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2027

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$100,000.00, FY 2024 \$100,000.00, FY 2025 \$100,000.00, FY 2026 \$100,000.00, FY 2027 \$100,000.00

**Accounts:** Professional Services 51031.520840; Grant and Mitigation 51010.521444 and 51010.520840; and all future Professional Services accounts

**Contract Number(s):** #74000011123 issued under RFP #22-31-105R

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions via direct participation.

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking a contractor to perform aquatic herbicide lake treatments at the Forest Preserves' 42 recreational lakes and other waterbodies. These services supplement in-house aquatic vegetation control treatments conducted by the Forest Preserves annually to meet the aesthetic and recreational needs of the public and limit the proliferation of nuisance and/or invasive vegetation on its waterbodies.

Due to receiving only a single response to the initial public solicitation, the Request for Proposals was subsequently reissued to expand the list of qualified respondents. Two (2) firms submitted proposals in response to the RFP. A selection committee reviewed the proposals and Clarke Aquatic Services, Inc. was selected based on qualifications.