REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ISSUED BY THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, FORESTRY DIVISION

FOR LAND TRUSTS AND LAND CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS TO SUBMIT PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR THE FOREST LEGACY PROGRAM AND/OR THE NATURAL HERITAGE CONSERVATION ACT PROGRAM TO PERFORM DUE DILIGENCE TASKS FOR THOSE PROJECTS

The State of New Mexico, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD), Forestry Division (Forestry Division) is seeking proposals from land trust entities or other land conservation organizations that operate in New Mexico who meet the required qualifications as specified below and will be dedicated to submitting project proposals to the federally funded Forest Legacy Program (FLP) or state-funded Natural Heritage Conservation Act (NHCA) Program. The successful Offeror(s) shall be able to identify potential projects in New Mexico for securing conservation and/or agricultural easements or fee simple FLP purchases that meet the requirements of the FLP, or meet the requirements of the NHCA Program, and work with the landowner of such properties to complete the program application forms required to submit proposed projects.

EMNRD may award multiple contracts as a result of this Request for Proposals (RFP). Potential offerors may obtain a complete copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) from the Division website, https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/sfd/requests-for-proposals-and-grants/.

Questions regarding this RFP may be sent to:

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All proposals are due no later than 5:00 p.m. MDT, August 22, 2025. Proposals must contain sufficient information to provide EMNRD with a thorough description of Offeror's qualifications to accomplish the activities described in the Scope of Work. Offerors shall submit proposals through the Forestry Division's Submittable webpage using this address: https://emnrd-sfd.submittable.com/submit. EMNRD will deem such proposals sealed in accordance with state statute. EMNRD shall not accept proposals received after this date and shall make absolutely no exceptions for proposals not received by the appointed time.

RFP responses MAY NOT be sent by facsimile.

This public notice is given pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 13-1-113. The Procurement Code, NMSA 1978, Sections 13-1-28 through -199, imposes civil and criminal penalties for its violation. In addition, New Mexico criminal statutes impose felony penalties for bribes, gratuities, and kickbacks.