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**PARTICULARS OF THE REQUEST FOR PRICING TO COMPLETE
OPERATIONAL FUEL TREATMENT**

1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW OF WORK/SERVICE REQUIRED

- a) The Splatsin FireSmart and Yucwmenlúcwu are seeking a contractor to complete operational fuel treatment in Enderby IR#2, including danger tree removal, hand felling, limb, and buck downed trees, pruning, spacing and thinning, piling slash. This project is being implemented to reduce wildfire risk and protect adjacent community values within the wildland-urban interface surrounding Splatsin First Nation's Shihiya School, Water Treatment Facility, and Jackpine road residences. The prescription objectives are to:
- a. Reduce crown bulk density to minimize crown fire potential and intensity.
 - b. Remove the opportunity for a fire to move via ladder fuels from the ground to the crown.
 - c. Recreate a resilient stand structure typical of Non-Disturbance Type 4. Ecosystems with frequent stand-maintaining fires.
 - d. Reduce surface fire intensity associated with post treatment surface fuel loading.
 - e. Improve stand health and vigor through stand density reduction.
- b) Splatsin and Yucwmenlúcwu reserves the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to cancel this request for pricing for this project at any time prior to the date and time specified for the submission of tenders.

2. TREATMENT VOLUME AND TERM

- a) The term of the contract will be from November 8, 2024, to March 31, 2025.
- b) The project is for a specified area containing an estimated 12.9 ha of forest fuel and to have the falling of danger trees, hand felling, limb, and buck downed trees, pruning, thinning, and piling of slash completed by March 31, 2025
- c) All fuel treatment proposed for this project will be done by hand. Please provide a proposed cost per hectare to complete all phases of the fuel treatment mentioned above in 2 (b).

3. SITE CONDITIONS AND KNOWN FIELD SAFETY HAZARDS

- a) Splatsin and Yucwmenlúcwu, while planning and developing this project, have identified the following known field safety hazards associated with this project. Note this list does not identify routine safety hazards associated with forestry operations:
- a. Snags and timber that require assessment and/or falling.
 - b. Unpredictable weather during the late fall season (snow/rain/sleet/high winds) resulting in poor conditions.
 - c. Treatment areas were not harvested; therefore, burned, and unburned understory slash and vegetation can provide a hazard to ground crews in the form of tripping hazards and eye hazards.

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4. PLACE, DATE AND TIME of submission of tender.

- a) A sealed tender must be submitted by hand to the Splatsin Community Centre reception desk, located at 5767 Old Vernon Rd, Enderby BC
Attn: Shawn Tronson
Emergency Program Coordinator
- b) The tender must be submitted on or before 12:00 pm (Noon) on November 7, 2024. Tenders submitted after the due date and time will not be accepted.

5. ELIGIBLE APPLICATIONS

- a) Applicants must be in good standing with WorkSafe BC.
- b) Applicants must be a certified SAFE Company or endorsed by the BC Forest Safety Council as a new entrant.
- c) Must have successfully completed a comparable job within the last 24 months.
- d) Preference will be given to companies owned or operated by Splatsin members.

6. APPLICATION PARTICULARS

- a) A tender must comply with every requirement of the Invitation.
- b) Danger tree assessments and subsequent falling of danger trees or establishing no-work zones are a requirement of the contract.
- c) An application must be prepared independently of other prospective candidates.

7. BID TYPE

- a) The applicant must only propose one offer.
- b) The bid must be all inclusive of the following:
 - i. Tree Hand Felling
 - ii. Danger Tree Felling
 - iii. Hand Thinning
 - iv. Hand Pruning
 - v. Debris Piling
 - vi. Limbing and buck
downed trees
- c) Fuel treatment activities mentioned above in 7 (b) must be quoted in dollars per hectare.

8. WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPLICATION

- a) An applicant cannot withdraw its application after the deadline for submitting applications.

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- b) An applicant may withdraw its application prior to the deadline for submitting applications without consequence by means of a letter requesting withdrawal.

9. PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS

- a) Opening:
All applications received prior to the deadline for submitting applications will be opened on November 7, 2024, by 12:01pm.
- b) Approval:
The bid approval will be based on meeting all eligibility requirements of forest fuel and the lowest bid.
- c) Notification of Approval:
The successful applicant will be notified within 4 hours of the opening, by November 7, 2024, by 4:00pm.

10. AGREEMENT

- a) A successful applicant must enter into an Agreement to conduct forest fuel activities within five (5) business days of being notified or be disqualified as ineligible.
- b) The successful applicant may be subject to payment holdback and/or penalties for failure to meet contract fuel treatment objectives listed in the Fuel Management Prescription for Unit A2.

11. PRE-WORK MEETING

- a) The successful contractor will meet with the Splatsin FireSmart and Yucwmenlúcwu representatives at a mutually agreed upon time and place prior to commencement of forest fuel management activities to review key contractual commitments, performance, and safety expectations.

12. INSPECTIONS

- b) The Splatsin FireSmart and Yucwmenlúcwu representatives will inspect the work performed by the contractor and enforce the contractual obligations contained in the Contract Agreement

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**BID TENDER FOR 2024/2025 JACKPINE OPERATIONAL FUEL TREATMENT
PROJECT AGREEMENT**

This form of application and tender must be completed in full by the applicant and submitted.

I/WE:

FULL LEGAL NAME	S.I.N. / INCORPORATION NO.
MAILING ADDRESS	POSTAL CODE
E-MAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NO. FAX NO.

1. Make this bid and tender and provide other information required in the Invitation for tender for the above stated services.
2. I have read and understand the Invitation, this Application and Tender for the work and the associated tender package contents.
3. Have prepared this Application independently of other prospective bidders.

Splatsin Jackpine Treatment Unit – A2		
Rate Type	Treatment Unit	Cost Per Hectare
* Fuel Treatment Costs, Less Burning	A2, Net Area of 12.9 hectares	_____(\$/hectare)

Footnote:

(*) The derived cost/ha is based on net treatment area(s) and is the maximum cost/ha payable under any subsequent agreement between Splatsin/Yucwmenlucwu.

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Certification number: _____

Physical Address: _____

Company Lost Time Accidents in the last 2 years: _____

Comparable Job in the Last 24 months: _____

PRINTED NAME

TITLE (for corporations)

SIGNATURE

DATE SIGNED (yyyy-mm-dd)