I.



AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE:	June 18, 2019
DEPARTMENT:	Natural Resources
REQUESTER:	Roland Ottolini
TITLE:	Award Master Contracts for Algae Remediation Services

MOTION REQUESTED

- A. Authorize the Chairman to approve Request for Proposal No. RFP190226BAG, Algae Remediation Services, to contract with any responsive responsible qualified proposers, as determined by the evaluation committee, for use on an as needed basis, for the proper collection, remediation, transfer, treatment and/or disposal of blue-green algae or similar algae/health threats from various County canals and waterways, for an initial period of one-year, as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets.
- B. Authorize the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to sign award documents upon final ranking and recommendation of award by the evaluation committee.
- C. Grant the County Manager or designee the authority to negotiate renewals of the contracts, for up to three additional one-year periods, and to execute all associated documents, as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets, if doing so is in the best interest of Lee County, and there are no cost increases associated with the renewals.
- D. Individual projects with a cost of \$100,000.00 or more shall be brought back to the Board for approval.

II. ITEM SUMMARY

Authorizes the Chairman to approve and execute contracts with any responsive responsible qualified proposers, as determined by the evaluation committee, for use on an as needed basis, for the proper collection, remediation, transfer, treatment and/or disposal of bluegreen algae or similar algae/health threats from various County canals and waterways, for an initial period of one-year, with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets. Total anticipated expenditures for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 is unknown.

III. BACKGROUND AND IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A) Board Action and Other History

In the summer of 2018, Lee County, FL suffered a massive blue-green algae bloom that plagued numerous waterways with thick mats of blue-green algae. Testing indicated high levels of microcystin, which is a toxic strain of cyanobacteria. Recognizing the potential health threats to the community as well as impacts to the recreational use for residents and visitors, the State of Florida funded and the County managed a major clean-up effort.

In order to expedite response to possible future algae outbreaks, the County seeks to contract with a pool of vendors to provide remediation services to mitigate and/or remove blue-green algae, or similar potential health threats, where present or presence indicated within surface water.

On May 17, 2019, Procurement Management advertised Request for Proposal No. RFP190266BAG, Algae Remediation Services. Procurement Management will open the proposals received and hold an evaluation meeting to determine the responsible responsive qualified proposers. Award letters will be issued to the responsible responsive qualified proposers for their respective materials, technology and/or services to be provided to address the algae bloom within a given local County waterway.

Board approval provides the authorization to contract with any responsive responsible qualified proposer, as determined by the evaluation committee.

- B) <u>Policy Issues</u>
- C) <u>BoCC Goals</u> Water Quality & Tourism
- D) <u>Analysis</u>
- E) Options

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A)	Current year dollar amount of item:	Unknown	
B)	Is this item approved in the current budget?	No	
C)	Is this a revenue or expense item?	Expense	
D)	Is this Discretionary or Mandatory?	Discretionary	
E)	Will this item impact future budgets?	No	

Coversheet If yes, please include reasons in III(D) above. F) Fund: Program: Project: Account Strings: G) Fund Type? H) Comments:

V.

RECOMMENDATION Approve

VI. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

VII. FOLLOW UP

ATTACHMENTS:

Description <u>Request for Proposal No. RFP</u>	190226BAG	Upload Date 6/6/2019	Type Backup Material
REVIEWERS:			
Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Natural Resources	Turner, Nicole	Approved	6/6/2019 - 3:14 PM
Natural Resources	Ottolini, Roland	Approved	6/7/2019 - 1:09 PM
Budget Services	Guttery, Angela	Approved	6/7/2019 - 3:40 PM
Budget Services	Winton, Peter	Approved	6/7/2019 - 3:42 PM
County Attorney	Fraser, Andrea R.	Approved	6/7/2019 - 4:01 PM
County Manager	Harner, David	Approved	6/11/2019 - 4:05 PM