

Solicitation Summary

Date of Solicitation:

1/06/2026

Number of Proposals Received:

2

Review Team Agencies:

Dakota County Parks – Natural Resource Program

Services Description:

Natural resource restoration and enhancement of the McMenomy and Wolfson permanent natural area conservation easement (Easement) from February 2026 to December 2028. Tasks include: woody vegetation removal, site preparation, seed installation and establishment management.

Primary Deliverables:

Restoring 67 acres of oak woodland and savanna

Solicitation Selection Criteria:

Proposals were evaluated and the contract awarded according to the following criteria:

Evaluation Criteria	Percent of grade
The cost to satisfy all requirements of the RFP	30%
Performance on previous similar projects: Based on experience/successful delivery of recent similar projects with Dakota County and other organizations	20%
Proposed project approach submitted in the project narrative for Units 3 and 7	15%
Proposed methods to ensure a quality product delivered on schedule as outlined in the project narrative	15%
Project Team Qualifications: Based on submittals for project management team	10%
Completeness of proposal	10%

The Evaluation Panel consisted of three staff and supervisors responsible for the monitoring and management of the County’s natural resources. The evaluation panel evaluated the written Proposal Submittals and scored the proposals using the above criteria.

Evaluation Results:

Minnesota Native Landscapes, Inc. scored the highest in the evaluation rubric and is recommended to award the solicitation to.

Rationale of Recommended Vendor:

Minnesota Native Landscapes, Inc. had the lowest bid, and their submitted methodology for project met all the deliverables for the project.