Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Meadow Establishment Bid
Fall 2023: Pennsylvania

The Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay is seeking bids from land management contractors to establish 45.2 acres of meadow habitat on a current crop field in Chester County, Pennsylvania in fall 2023. Services sought include:

- Procuring seed with approval of Alliance staff
- Seeding via a no-till drill in October or November 2023
- 1 establishment mow and 1 spot treatment of invasive and otherwise problematic plants in May or June 2024

Scope of Work
The contractor shall be responsible for providing all equipment, material and supplies to complete the meadow establishment projects and establishment according to the specifications and contractor's responsibilities listed below. The contractor will procure seed with approval of Alliance staff, and will plant the site with a native seed no-till drill in late October or early November 2023. In May or June of 2024, the contractor will return to the sites to perform one establishment mow at 8-12 inches off the ground and one spot herbicide treatment of invasive and otherwise problematic plants.

Minimum Qualifications of a Bidder
1. The Bidder will be a reputable contractor with a minimum of three (3) years of experience in establishing grassland/meadow habitat and possess current insurance and pesticide applicator's license.
2. The Bidder may be asked to provide three references that can verify qualifications above and copies of current insurance and license. A Bidder that does not meet the minimum qualifications will be rejected.

Planting Specifications and Contractor’s Responsibilities
1. The contractor will provide all labor, seed, materials, and equipment to fulfill all aspects of the scope of work as outlined above. Seed mixes and rates to be planted are included in the planting plans provided by the Alliance. The contractor agrees to follow the planting specifications provided for each property unless otherwise directed and approved by Alliance personnel.
2. The contractor agrees to perform seeding and establishment tasks within the specified timeframe, unless agreed upon otherwise by Alliance staff.
3. The contractor will repair, replace, or reimburse for damage to any property beyond ordinary wear and tear in the performance of the contract.
4. All work performed will be certified by the Alliance as to acceptability and adherence to planting plans and standards before the Alliance will compensate the contractor for any work performed.
5. The contractor will notify the site contact of their intended schedule to be on site.
6. The final acreage may change prior to the commencement of this contract. The Alliance will notify the contractor of all changes as they occur. Any additions or subtractions to the list of planting sites will be adjusted according to per unit prices in the bid provided.

**Seed Details**

20 lbs of Ernst Seed *Mesic to Dry Native Pollinator Mix* (ERNMX-105) and 20 lbs of winter wheat or annual rye cover crop per acre. Substitutions must be approved by Alliance staff.

**Site Details**

The site is a current crop field at Big Elk Creek State Park in Chester County, Pennsylvania. Crops will be harvested by October 15, 2023 and seeding can begin thereafter. The park is new and has minimal infrastructure; a suitable address is 1000 Chesterville Rd, Lincoln University, PA 19352. The access point for the fields to be planted is 39.741281, -75.847399.

RETURN BID SHEET (below) Electronically to: rlauver@allianceforthebay.org. All questions about this bid package should be made directly to Rebecca Lauver through email (see above) or by phone at 717-823-7076.
Bid Sheet - Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Meadow Establishment
Return Bid Sheet By Sunday, August 20, 2023

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**TOTAL PROJECT BID PRICE**

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