



**Sierra Valley
Groundwater
Management District**

**REQUEST FOR
STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ)**

**SOQ Publication Date:
March 18, 2025**

**SOQ Submission Deadline:
April 18, 2025**

**Goods Procurement and Construction Work
for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
Sierra Valley Subbasin (5-012.01) under the
State Department of Water Resources
Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and Plumas County
Watershed Forum Implementation Activities concerning
Agricultural Irrigation Efficiency Equipment and the
Associated Construction Labor to Install**

**SOQ EVALUATION PANEL
MASTER SCORE SHEET**

**MAY 9, 2025
SVGMD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES REQUESTED

The SVGMD is seeking qualified agricultural irrigation dealers to provide equipment to support irrigation efficiency improvements in Sierra Valley, Plumas County and/or Sierra County.

The required equipment includes, but is not limited to:

- sprinkler packages to retrofit center pivot irrigation systems,
- filtration and sand separator units,
- river intake screens,
- variable frequency pump controls,
- Soil moisture meters with Remote Telemetry Units (RTU),
- flow meters, and
- supporting equipment required to upgrade center pivot and wheel-line sprinkler systems.

Specifications for sprinkler systems must meet Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA) or Low Elevation Spray Application (LESA) as defined by the manufacturer.

Other equipment will be specified in specific work orders but will be designed to meet irrigation and delivery systems designed for up to 2,000 gallons per minute (gpm).

SVGMD anticipates that up to 20 sprinkler packages may be installed over the next 9 to 12 months.

The qualified dealer should be able to provide an adequate labor force, and access to manufacturer's inventory, to install a LEPA or LESA sprinkler package up to a 1,000-foot pivot within a one-week time frame.

Other requirements include:

- timely access to qualified personnel for pipe work and repair work to upgrade flow meters,
- pump controls,
- filtration units, and
- other appurtenant equipment supporting well head and delivery pipework.

Dealers must have certifications and/or licenses corresponding with the services they provide, as applicable, necessary to perform the installation work.

Specifically, preferred respondents offering irrigation sprinkler package system services must have at least one (1) Certified Irrigation Designer (CID) or Certified Agricultural Irrigation Specialist (CAIS) either on staff or access to through their equipment manufacturers.

NOTE: ANY ONE VENDOR/CONTRACTOR (RESPONDENT) BASED ON QUALIFICATIONS CAN SUBMIT FOR ANY COMPONENT OF THIS SOQ, INCLUDING JUST EQUIPMENT SUPPLY OR JUST WORK TO INSTALL OR BOTH EQUIPMENT SUPPLY AND WORK TO INSTALL.

SELECTION PROCESS CRITERIA AND SCORING

The SOQ evaluation panel included representatives from the SVGMD and GSP Planning Committee, as follows:

- Jim Roberti, SVGMD Board of Directors
- Einen Grandi, SVGMD Board of Directors
- Jenny Gant, SVGMD Board Clerk
- Tracey Ferguson, Plumas County Planning Director
- Joel Barnard, Stetson Engineers
- Steve Reich, Stetson Engineers

The SOQ evaluation panel individually reviewed and ranked the SOQs based on the following criteria, with a total maximum score of 100 points.

1. Completeness of SOQ (up to 10 points)
2. Statement of interest (up to 20 points)
3. Statement of qualifications (up to 30 points)
4. Demonstrated ability to perform the services (up to 20 points)
5. Client references (up to 10 points)
6. Staffing and credentials (up to 10 points)

Interviews were not conducted.

The SOQ evaluation panel individual scores were tallied and, based on the SOQ scoring criteria, those vendors/contractors scoring an overall average of 70 points or greater are being considered for the on-call list.

LIST OF SOQ RESPONDENTS (6)

- Isaacs & Associates – interest to supply equipment only
- J.W. Kerns, Inc. – interest to supply equipment and construction (labor)
- McGarr Excavation, Inc. – interest to supply equipment and construction (labor)
- neatMon, Inc. – interest to supply equipment and construction (labor)
- Verdi Expeditions – interest to supply equipment only
- Your H2o Pro – interest to supply equipment and construction (labor)

SOQ EVALUATION PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ON-CALL LIST (5) THOSE RANKED WITH 70 OR MORE POINTS

1. J.W. Kerns, Inc.
2. Your H2o Pro
3. neatMon, Inc.
4. McGarr Excavation, Inc.
5. Isaacs & Associates

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1. Completeness of SOQ (up to 10 points)	8	10	6	10	3	10
2. Statement of interest (up to 20 points)	18	19	18	20	11	18
3. Statement of qualifications (up to 30 points)	27	29	24	24	18	28
4. Demonstrated ability to perform the services (up to 20 points)	19	19	17	18	15	17
5. Client references (up to 10 points)	0 <i>(did not provide)</i>	10	10	10	10	10
6. Staffing and credentials (up to 10 points)	10	9	8	10	5	10
TOTAL OVERALL AVERAGE SCORE	82	96	83	92	62	93

***Note – vendors/contractors pending SVGMD Counsel review with potential negotiations to exceptions to standard construction contract and procurement of goods master services agreement submitted with SOQ response.*