



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN AND SUPERVISION OF SIX (6) STORAGE AND PACKING FACILITIES

Institution: Ministry of Economic Development

Country: Belize

Project: Resilient Rural Belize Programme

Loan No.: 2000002301

Deadline for Submission of Proposals: November 11, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

Background:

The Government of Belize (GOB), through a financing agreement with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and Green Climate Fund (GCF), has embarked on a six-year Programme, Resilient Rural Belize (RRB), which aims to minimize the impacts of climatic and economic events on smallholder farmers while supporting sustainable market access for their produce. The programme will help farmers employ climate resilient agricultural practices and technologies; integrate profitable smallholder participation into the development of select vegetables, fruits, and honey value chains; and support smallholder production capacity through investments in public and private climate resilient infrastructure and in the strengthening of smallholder farmer Producers' Organizations and relevant GOB Departments.

Scope of Service:

The main objective of this consultancy is to contract the services of a consultancy firm to provide architectural services for the Design and Supervision of construction work for Storage and Packaging Centers for RRB Beneficiaries in the following villages:

1. Cayo District - Valley of Peace, San Antonio, and Seven Miles
2. Orange Walk - San Carlos
3. Corozal District - Concepcion and Xiabe villages.

Specific Experience of Firm:

- A minimum of four (4) years' experience designing, developing and supervising architectural designs.
- A minimum of at least one project of similar nature and complexity. Experience with any Agricultural and produce/food handling structures and facilities will be an advantage.

Key Staff Qualifications:

The consultancy firm must possess two (2) Key staff members:

- Architect
 - Must possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in architecture, Professional Architect registered with the Association of Professional Architects of Belize (APAB)
 - Minimum 3 years relevant experience in architecture.
 - Proficiency in the use of Computer Aid Design (CAD) Software for the preparation of the drawings and the creation of the 3D renderings.
- Engineer
 - Must possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in civil engineering
 - Must be registered with the Association of Professional Engineers of Belize (APEB)
 - A minimum of three (3) years' experience in engineering design, design review, construction supervision and its related requirements.

The Resilient Rural Belize (RRB) Programme now invites expressions of interest (EOIs) from firms to provide services for the **Design & Supervision of construction work for Storage and Packaging Centers.**

A Consulting Firm will be selected in accordance with the procurement procedures set out by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consulting Firms interested in receiving the Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) should register their interest by sending an e-mail (with subject: *Request for REOI - Design & Supervision of construction work*)

for Storage and Packaging Centers) to the Procurement Officer at nvernon.RRB@med.gov.bz giving full contact details of the Consultant. This will ensure that the Consultants receive updates regarding this RFP.

The REOI must be submitted via email to the following address on or before November 11, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. (Local time). Only electronic submission will be accepted.

Attn: Geraldo Flowers
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Belmopan City, Cayo, Belize
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