



MASON

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

March 4, 2026

Gosnell Creek LWD and Fish Passage Project – Phase 2 MCD Contract #2026-03

MASON CONSERVATION DISTRICT (MCD) is requesting bids from qualified parties to assist with ongoing restoration efforts in a high priority reach along the mainstem of Gosnell Creek in Mason County, Washington through the implementation of instream habitat restoration and floodplain connectivity practices. The project includes construction of 9, pile supported and bank ballasted LWD (Large Woody Debris) Habitat/Complexity structures, 1 bank ballasted Back Channel ELJ (Engineered Log Jam) and excavation of an approximately 160 LF back channel. Spoils from back channel excavation will be hauled to, spread and compacted at an on-site upland spoils area. Imported streambed sediments will be placed within the back channel per the Engineer's Plans and Specifications. This Work will also require stabilizing all areas disturbed by construction activities with hydroseed as well as resurfacing approximately 2300 LF of W. Winter Creek Road. The project is located on private property at 251 Loertscher Road, Shelton, Washington.

Existing footbridge on property cannot be used for vehicle or equipment passage. Contractor should note that access to ELJ locations on the north side of the streambank can be accessed only via W. Loertscher Road, private driveway and temporary access roads; access to ELJ locations on the south side of the streambank can be accessed only via W. Winter Creek Road, private driveway and temporary access roads.

As detailed in the Engineering Plans, the planned work will require isolation, de-watering and fish exclusion around the 9, pile supported and bank ballasted Habitat/Complexity ELJ structures as well as at the outlet of the proposed back channel. MCD staff or their authorized fish removal specialists will coordinate with the selected Contractor to complete necessary fish removal as part of dewatering efforts.

It should be noted that the construction of this portion of the project is considered Phase 2 of a two-phase project. Phase 1, which has already been completed, included the removal of a fish passage barrier (culvert, road prism and associated debris) on an unnamed tributary to Gosnell Creek.

The construction of the ELJ structures and a portion of the back channel excavation will occur at or below the ordinary high-water mark (OHWM) and must be completed within the permitted in-

water work window defined by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's (WDFW) project Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA) permit. All work must be completed in compliance with the HPA and, all work at or below the OHWM must occur between July 16, 2026, and October 15, 2026. All Work must be substantially complete by September 30, 2026. This is a public works contract requiring payment of prevailing wages in accordance with Washington State and Federal laws.

BIDS will be received for the **Gosnell Creek LWD and Fish Passage Project – Phase 2** until April 15, 2026 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be publicly opened and read at the Mason Conservation District office located at 450 W. Business Park Rd., Shelton, WA 98584. A **mandatory job show** will be held on **March 24, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.**, meeting at 251 W. Loertscher Road, Shelton, WA 98584. Attendance at the job show is mandatory for bid submission. Bidders may submit questions by way of email to Andy Sorter at asorter@masoncd.org. All questions must be submitted by email prior to 5 P.M. on March 31, 2026. All responses will be published on <http://bxwa.com> by the end of day, April 3, 2026.

MAJOR BID ITEMS will include: Mobilization, L.S.; Construction Work Plan, L.S.; Site Access & Staging, L.S.; Erosion Control and Water Pollution Prevention, L.S.; Temporary Stream Diversion, L.S.; Back Channel Excavation Including Haul and Spread, L.S.; Habitat/Complexity ELJ Construction, 9 EA.; Back Channel ELJ Construction, 1 EA.; Cleanup & Demobilization, L.S.; Key Log (Main Stem) (16"-18" x 15') log with rootwad, delivered, 90 EA; Key Log (Back Channel) (16"-18" x 12') log with rootwad, delivered, 3 EA; Brace Log (16"-18" x 25') log with rootwad, delivered, 9 EA; Timber Pile (12" x 20'), 54 EA; Slash (2"-4" dia. x <6' length) delivered, 93 cubic yards (C.Y.); and Racking (4-8" dia. x <15' length) delivered, 370 EA.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, ADDENDA, PROPOSAL FORMS, BIDDERS LIST, AND PLAN HOLDERS LIST for this project are available free-of-charge to Prime Bidders, Sub-contractors, and Vendors by going to <http://bxwa.com> and clicking on: **"Posted Projects"**; **"Public Works"**; **"Mason Conservation District"**; and **"Projects Bidding"**. Bidders are encouraged to "Register" in order to receive automatic email notification of future addenda and job shows, and to place themselves on the self-registered "Bidders List." This on-line plan room provides Bidders with fully useable on-line documents, with the ability to: download, print to your own printer, order full/partial plan sets from numerous reprographic sources (on-line print order form), and a free on-line digitizer/take-off tool. Contact **Builders Exchange of Washington** at 425-258-1303 should you require assistance.

ALL BID PROPOSALS shall be accompanied by a bid proposal deposit in the form of a Surety Bond, Cash, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such bid proposal. **The Proposal Bond shall be on DOT Form 272-001 revised 08/2001 for Local Agency Use.** Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the Specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to Mason Conservation District.

ALL BID PROPOSALS must be received on or before the day and hour of the above-mentioned bid opening. Bid Proposals must be in writing or electronically filled out on forms furnished from the **Builders Exchange of Washington**, along with proposal deposit. Bid Proposals (including all required attachments) shall be submitted to Mason Conservation District by one of the following methods:

1. Attach and email Bid documents to accounting@masoncd.org. Bid documents containing required initials and signatures must be signed using a digital signature. Emails containing

the attached completed Bids shall include, in the email title, the project name and Bidder's name. **Please send a separate email to accounting@masoncd.org requesting confirmation that Mason Conservation District received the submitted bid.**

2. Deliver (in person or through parcel/ mail carrier) hard copy Bid documents in a sealed 12" x 9" envelope, with an indication on the front bottom left corner of said envelope, the project name, name of bidder, and date and time of opening. Deliver Bid documents to:

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Proposals that are received as required will be publicly opened and read on the day and hour of the above-mentioned bid opening. Mason Conservation District will not open or consider any Bid Proposal that is received after the bid opening date and time or received in a location other than that specified in this Notice to Bidders.

Bidders are not required to be present at the public opening of Bid Proposals.

Bidders may request a "virtual viewing" of the public bid opening by sending an email to asorter@masoncd.org requesting an invitation to the virtual viewing a minimum of 24 hours prior to the public bid opening date and time listed above.

After the Bid Opening, Bidders may obtain bid results from Mason Conservation District by calling the number or email listed on the cover of the bid package.

MASON CONSERVATION DISTRICT reserves the right to accept or reject bids on each item separately or as a whole, to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and to contract as to the best interest of the Mason Conservation District. It is the intent of Mason Conservation District to award a contract to the lowest cost responsible bidder. Before award, the bidder must meet the following Bidder Responsibility and Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria to be considered a responsible bidder. The bidder may be required by Mason Conservation District to submit documentation demonstrating compliance with the criteria.

Mandatory Bidder Responsibility Criteria:

1. At the time of bid submittal, have a current certificate of registration as a contractor in compliance with RCW 18.27;
2. Have a current Washington Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number;
3. If applicable:
 - a. Have Industrial Insurance (workers' compensation) coverage for the bidder's employees working in Washington, as required in RCW 51;
 - b. Have a Washington Employment Security Department number, as required in RCW 50;
 - c. Have a Washington Department of Revenue state excise tax registration number, as required in RCW 82;
4. Not be disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 or 39.12.065(3).
5. Shall be active and in good standing with the Washington State Secretary of State's Office, the Department of Revenue, and the Department of Labor & Industries;
6. Within the three-year period immediately preceding the date of the bid solicitation, not have been determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by

the department of labor and industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction to have willfully violated, as defined in RCW 49.48.082, any provision of RCW 49.46, 49.48, or 49.52. A bidder shall submit a signed **“Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes”** form with the bid form regarding this wage theft prevention responsible bidder criteria.

- a. Submit a signed statement in accordance with RCW 9A.72.085 verifying under penalty of perjury that the bidder is in compliance with the responsible bidder criteria requirement of section 5, above.
7. Submit a completed **“Mandatory Bidder Responsibility Checklist”** form with bid proposal.

Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria: In addition to the Mandatory Bidder Responsibility Criteria referenced above, each bidder must also complete and submit the **“Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria”** form with their bid proposal. The bidder shall submit past job references that demonstrate the ability to work within permit guidelines for “in water work”. This work shall highlight experience with stream diversions, pumping, and/or cofferdams as well as completing projects of similar size and scope, including the installation of pile supported engineered log jams below the OHWM. The referenced projects should also demonstrate the bidder’s experience and qualifications in conducting such work in a timely manner.

Projects referenced in this document shall demonstrate the Bidder’s experience and expertise in completing stream restoration work. The Bidder is required to have successfully performed at least three (3) projects of similar scope within the last five (5) years, including at least one project totaling at least \$500,000.

For the purposes of determining whether Bidders are pre-qualified, “similar” projects will be defined by the following criteria checklist:

- In water work, following Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife and US Army Corps of Engineers permits and regulations
- In water work following HPA provisions.
- Pile supported engineered log jam construction
- Project element isolation and dewatering

If Mason Conservation District determines that the low bidder does not meet the Bidder Responsibility Criteria above and is therefore not a responsible bidder, Mason Conservation District shall notify the bidder in writing with the reasons for its determination. If the bidder disagrees with this determination, it may appeal the determination within 24 hours of receipt of Mason Conservation District’s determination by presenting additional information to Mason Conservation District. Mason Conservation District will consider the additional information before issuing its final determination. If the final determination affirms that the bidder is not responsible, Mason Conservation District will not execute a contract with any other bidder until two (2) business days after the bidder determined to be not responsible has received the final determination.

Please submit any questions you may have to Andy Sorter at asorter@masoncd.org or by phone at 360-968-0736.

DATED this 4th day of March, 2026.
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