



# MASON

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

March 30, 2026

### **South Fork Skokomish Helicopter Transport and Placement of Habitat Logs, Phase VI MCD Contract #2026-08**

**MASON CONSERVATION DISTRICT (MCD)** is requesting bids from qualified parties to transport by helicopter, 102 habitat logs with rootwads in the Upper South Fork Skokomish River on United States Forest Service (USFS) land in Mason County, Washington. These rootwad logs are all approximately 40-feet long, have a diameter (DBH) from 22-inch to 27-inch, and each weigh around 5,000 pounds. These logs will be transported from an established staging area and placed (layout and approximate location per the Engineer's Plans, see Bid Document Appendix F for .kmz file showing these locations) within the bed and banks of the Upper South Fork Skokomish River to form 17 "Helicopter Wood Clusters" (Cluster). Each Cluster consists of 6 logs with rootwads. The furthest upstream cluster is approximately 0.25 air miles from the staging area whereas the further downstream cluster is located approximately 0.60 miles from the staging area.

A helicopter service landing site has been identified by the USFS on Forest Service Road 2354 (See Bid Document Appendices C and D for .kmz files that locate the Staging Area and Proposed Helicopter Landing and Fueling Areas respectively). This site was previously used on Phase V as a helicopter service landing and was identified as the "best fit" given its proximity (6.5 air miles) to the project area and its characteristics.

Prospective bidders will be responsible for managing dust at the service landing site if, in their judgement, it poses any risk to their equipment or personnel to safely conduct the Work on this project. Prospective bidders are required to provide any and all ground personnel necessary to securely rig logs for helicopter transport at the staging site and safely release rigging at the cluster sites to construct clusters as designed. As necessary, MCD will provide an excavator, log loader or other required equipment with adequate capacity to move logs into position for rigging at the staging area. MCD and/or its authorized representative will provide on-the-ground support at the cluster sites to direct accurate placement and configuration of the clusters.

The Contractor's "Contract Total Amount" as delineated in the Bid Proposal will be considered the total "Not to Exceed" budget for all Work under this Contract. Contractors may only bill actual documented "flight hours" at the "Price per Flight Hour" delineated in Item 1 of the Bid Proposal. Contractors may charge a maximum of 4 "flight hours" for their minimum per day helicopter charge in cases when the Work requires less than 4 "flight hours" on a given workday.

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**The Helicopter Transport and Placement of Habitat Logs project is part of a larger construction project that will be occurring at the same construction site within the same permitted in-water construction window which is August 1 to August 31, 2026. Coordination between the helicopter provider and the prime contractor (Quigg Bros., Inc.) for the land-based portion of the work will be required.**

This is a public works contract requiring payment of prevailing wages in accordance with Washington State and Federal laws. The Contractor and subcontractors must pay their workers at the rate that is the higher of the two sets of prevailing wages: the Washington State prevailing wage or the federal prevailing wage.

**BIDS** will be received for the **South Fork Skokomish Helicopter Transport and Placement of Habitat Logs, Phase VI, (Anticipated Range \$80,000-\$150,000) until April 16, 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. Bidders may submit questions by way of email to Matt Phillips at [mphillips@masoncd.org](mailto:mphillips@masoncd.org). All questions must be submitted by email prior to **5:00 P.M. on April 9, 2026**. Responses to questions will be published on <http://bxwa.com> by the end of day, **April 13, 2026**.

**MAJOR BID ITEMS** will include: Helicopter Transport and Placement of 102 Habitat Logs, Hour (Hour); and Project Mobilization, Demobilization and Clean Up, Lump Sum (L.S.).

**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.

**A BID BOND OR BID PROPOSAL DEPOSIT IS NOT REQUIRED ON THIS PROJECT.**

**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**. Bid Proposals (including all required attachments) shall be submitted to the Mason Conservation District by one of the following methods:

1. Attach and email Bid documents to [accounting@masoncd.org](mailto: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](mailto:accounting@masoncd.org) requesting confirmation that Mason Conservation District received the electronically 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:

**Mason Conservation District**  
**South Fork Skokomish Helicopter Transport and Placement of Habitat Logs, Phase VI,**  
**MCD #2026-08**  
**450 W. Business Park Road**  
**Shelton, WA 98584**

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.

**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 low responsible bidder. Before award, the bidder must meet the following 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. The bidder must:

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**" 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. Complete the "**Mandatory Bidder Responsibility Checklist**" form and submit with completed bid.

**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 three (3) past jobs references listed by the bidder should be projects of comparable size and scope that demonstrate the experience, expertise, and ability to safely rig, transport, and place large logs with rootwads for the purpose of constructing in-water large wood habitat structures. The referenced projects should also demonstrate the bidder’s experience and qualifications in conducting such work in a timely manner and within budget.

If Mason Conservation District determines 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 termination. 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 Matt Phillips at [mphillips@masoncd.org](mailto:mphillips@masoncd.org) or by phone at 360-968-3704. Emailed questions are preferred so answers to any questions received can be published verbatim in an Addendum for all prospective bidders to see.

**DATED** this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.  
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