Request for Proposals:
Feasibility Study for the Development of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation’s Maryland Oyster Restoration Center

ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION:
Name: Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Inc.
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SUMMARY OF NEED: The Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) is seeking a contractor to identify suitable site(s) and conduct feasibility studies for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation’s Maryland Oyster Restoration Center’s future operating facility.

THE PROJECT: The MD Oyster Restoration Center seeks a new facility to conduct its work. CBF requires services to identify suitable sites. The study or studies would capture the program requirements necessary to operate as an oyster aquaculture remote setting facility, lay out cost and timelines, engineering, permit applications, logistics etc. To work with a dedicated CBF team.

SCOPE OF WORK: Gather information from the CBF team, and conduct study in collaboration with a designated team from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation
• Hold a minimum of 2x planning meetings to determine programmatic and operational needs of the center.
• Maintain bi-weekly progress reports or meetings.
• Make recommendations on suitable sites on along MD waters, excluding areas north of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge
• Sale, long term lease or existing CBF site to be considered.
• Produce a final report on findings.

Additional information on site and infrastructure requirements can be found here.

THE SCHEDULE: We request that your proposal be delivered electronically to CBF (awood@cbf.org) no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on November 17th, 2023.

It is the intent of CBF to make a selection no later than December 8, 2023. CBF will notify all bidders once a decision for award of bid is made.

Feasibility study timeline will be agreed upon by both parties

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: At a minimum, you must be able to provide the following:
• 10 years’ experience in consulting
• Must provide proof of insurance: General liability, workers compensation, business/auto

Additional consideration given to bidders with experience in green design, sustainable building principles, oyster restoration or aquaculture systems, and/or regulatory and permitting experience of facilities in the nearshore environment. Please include information on any relevant experience, including specific examples, in your response.

MINORITY PARTICIPATION: CBF actively encourages proposals from Small, Women and Minority Owned (SWM) Businesses. Please note if you are a Small, Women or Minority Owned Business and if
you are certified by the State/Commonwealth/DC.

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