



Environmental Review Support Services: Questions & Answers

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Question	Answer
<p>Regarding the requirement of being an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist (ISA), with TRACE or TRAQ certification and have an ASCA Registered Consulting Arborist (RCA) certification, it seems the ASCA RCA certification goes beyond what would be needed for reviews under this contract. Is this requirement necessary?</p>	<p>The consultant must be ISA certified.</p> <p>Preference will be given to consultants that have TRACE or TRAK certification and ASCA RCA Certification.</p>
<p>How strict are you regarding the "minimum qualification" to be certified as a wetland scientist through the Society of Wetland Scientists (SWS) which the RFP says you must have a "Professional Wetland Scientist (PWS)" certification through?</p>	<p>This is a minimum requirement for the City, and we are unable to make exceptions.</p>
<p>We will be including trusted subconsultants on our team to cover Geotech and tree services. Item 4 limits listed references to no more than 3. If subconsultants are included, should we list no more than 3 per firm, or should references just be provided for the prime firm?</p>	<p>If using subconsultants, please provide two references for the lead consulting firm and then one reference for the subcontractor.</p>
<p>Does the city see a conflict if a consultant submitting a proposal for the RFP is working for the group that is currently developing the Sammamish Town Center?</p>	<p>It is likely that the City will select two consultants for this RFP to address conflicts such as this.</p>
<p>We do not have an in-house Certified Arborist. Should this service be required by the City for this contract we would hire a well-respected sub-contractor for this type of work. If we include the Certified Arborist's experience and qualifications in our RFP package and fee schedule, would this be acceptable?</p>	<p>While this would be acceptable, the City prefers to have one individual that can assess a project for multiple disciplines.</p> <p>In this case, the City suggests that in your response, you address how you would provide the City with centralized assessment that captures input from multiple disciplines.</p>