

Contract Specifications

Town of Lovell Invasive Plant Prevention Committee (LIPPC) Request For Quote - 5 Invasive Plant Surveys of Cushman Pond

Overview: The Town of Lovell through the Lovell Invasive Plant Prevention Committee (LIPPC) is requesting 5 invasive plant surveys of Cushman Pond (Midas # 3224) performed in May - September 2019. Two of the dives will include a thorough partial pond survey using the Jack-Stay method.

Contract Specifications:

- (1) All littoral areas of the water body will be inspected, including the shallow coves where a boat or paddle board will be necessary as these areas are not swimmable. Every survey shall cover the Outlet Cove where the public boat launch is located, every survey shall conduct a shallow water survey of the inlet cove from Trout Lake (boat/paddle board), and scuba or hooka divers shall cover either the North shore or the South shore, alternating each time.
- (2) The deep water of the Outlet Cove, approximately 650 feet from the landing, will be surveyed via scuba divers using the "Jack-Stay" grid pattern for at least 2 of the 5 dives, using either the parallel line method, the J pattern or a comparable dive method. The clarity of the water will determine the tightness of the grid pattern (see map below).
- (3) Any plants located during the survey will be removed when located or marked with markers for removal and matting at the completion of the survey if marking is deemed to be better for preserving the water quality during the survey.
- (4) Upon completion of the survey, the plants will be removed and properly destroyed. The location of the plant removed will be matted with the proper materials used for matting. Each mat will be numbered and a map showing their locations will be maintained.
- (5) Any mats that have been used prior to this mapping will be thoroughly washed and cleaned to prevent any new contamination entering the water body. In addition, harvest bags must be in the proper operational state so no fragments can escape.
- (6) All dive equipment and accessories that will be exposed to the water will have been properly inspected and cleaned to prevent any cross contamination.
- (7) As per DEP guidelines, any boats that enter the water will need to be inspected by a designated DEP representative prior to the start of the survey.
- (8) The contractor will be in compliance with all OSHA dive requirements and be able to present documentation that confirms compliance.
- (9) The contractor will have Commercial General Liability Insurance which covers up to \$5,000 medical expenses on any one person, up to \$100,000 for damage to rented premise, up to \$1,000,000 personal injury, a \$2,000,000 general aggregate limit, products/completed operations aggregate limit of \$2,000,000.
- (10) Payment shall be made at the completion of each dive and after receipt of report.
- (11) The contractor and crew will have met VLMP Invasive Plant Patrol Workshop requirements as certified by the Maine DEP.

(12) A LIPPC representative, not affiliated with the survey contractor, will be onsite during the dives and oversee that the contract specifications are being met.

Pricing:

Please provide a quote that meets the above criteria. The quote will include pricing for the 5 required surveys and reports.

RFP Submission Deadline/Contract Award:

The deadline for submitting the proposal to the Town is by close of business May 3, 2019.

The contract is scheduled to be awarded by the Selectmen at the May 14, 2019 meeting.

Jack-Stay Search Area:

