

Purchasing Division

ADDENDUM NO. 1

DATE: March 14, 2024

FROM: City of Grand Junction Purchasing Division

TO: All Offerors

RE: 2024 Wildfire Fuel Reduction Projects IFB-5407-24-DD

Offerors responding to the above referenced solicitation are hereby instructed that the requirements have been clarified, modified, superseded, and supplemented as to this date as hereinafter described.

Please make note of the following clarifications:

- Question: Is this award going to be based on an all or nothing bid? Will each site be individually awarded based on lowest price?
 Answer: This is not an all-or-nothing award and is not solely based on the lowest price. Other factors including references, similar project experience, and strategic fire break experience are considered.
- 2. Question: Can you clarify whether the Land Ends Pyramids fuel brake is one continuous fuel brake running the creek bed or is it 3 separate fuel brakes. If it's 3 what would the length be? Will the cattle be removed for the project?

Answer This is three separate breaks perpendicular to the creek bed. One is re-treating a previous fire, the requested spec for the other two is ~100' crossing the creek.

3. Question: Can contractors leave equipment on site overnight or is it suggested to mobilize equipment each day? If this is the case for any units, which units? Answer:

Equipment can be left overnight in rural areas (Juniata and land's End). Other areas will require the equipment to be mobilized daily with storage areas coordinated by GJFD.

4. Question: Do we leave all trees along the riverbank to maintain the integrity of the bank? Answer:

It is requested that trees on slopes greater than 15 degrees, or those which are providing shade over water be left.

5. Question: Where can we access the projects with equipment and park trucks and trailers on each project?

Answer: Access for Juniata and Lands' end is provided in question 11 of this document. All riverfront projects have access along the riverfront trail via bollards along roadways. Several access points are available, namely Blue Heron boat ramp and High Country Court. For leach Creek Open space access is Access via 26 ½ Rd or Liberty Ln.

6. Question: Will the City allow us to park our equipment at night in the fenced city ship lot and is it secure?

Answer: Yes, access to the locked area of City Shops is available.

7. Question: While we are operating equipment, are we allowed to close the trails temporarily for public safety?

Answer: Yes, for commuting along the trail and work that may cast debris into the area of the trail we can post "trail closure signs." Even if we are able to post those signs, contractors will still need to maintain situational awareness, and if necessary, provide spotters as work approaches well-travelled public areas. Contractors are responsible for safety.

- Question: Will the boundaries for the projects be marked?
 Answer: We can provide flagging as requested by contractors. To this point, contractors have used apps with parcel data to understand land boundaries and work accordingly.
- Question: Are the Pyramids and Juniata Basin sites premarked?
 Answer: No, guidelines are provided that along fence lines in the pyramids we are looking to clear vegetation away from fences 100'.
- **10. Clarification:** For the three (3) Riverfront Trail projects, the successful contractor will need to obtain an arborist license through the City of Grand Junction Parks and Recreation Dept.
- 11. Clarification: Access to Juniata Basin: <u>https://earth.google.com/earth/d/1bA-G4s0cp5TTckOs4DjDSXiBImOSgFFU?usp=sharing</u> has a locked gate and will have a combination lock (code:2121) on Monday and Tuesday (3/18 & 3/19) available for contractors to access the area.

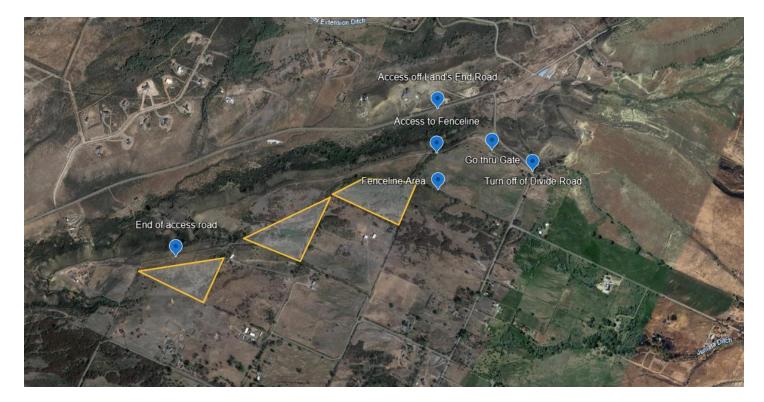
Turn off of Purdy Mesa Road into parking lot for fishing access to Juniata Res. Go thru gate, call Mark Ritterbush at (970)210-1027 to get gate unlocked.

access coordinates: 38°57'25"N 108°17'05"W



Access to Land's End Pyramids:

https://earth.google.com/earth/d/13wm4ezgBgpuy6UBpSpZuFCPsNyb88bU6?usp=sharing Access off Divide Road Coordinates: 38°57'34"N 108°18'16"W



Parcel Numbers parts of project areas follow parcel lines which can be found by searching the following parcel ID's on <u>https://external-gis.gjcity.org/City%20Map%20External/</u>:

- 1. Riverfront Trail behind City Shops: spend land on parcels 2945-152-38-004, 2945-151-00-124
- 2. Riverfront Trail at Blue Heron Redlands Parkway Bridge : portions of parcel 2945-082-00-103
- 3. Riverfront Trail at Blue Heron Lake: spans land on parcels 2945-093-00-176, 2945-093-00-175

4. Lands' End Pyramids: fence lines (shown at property lines along triangles) and fuel breaks in these parcels: 2969-251-00-380, 2971-361-00-001

- 5. Juniata Basin, very small area at SE corner of Juniata reservoir on this parcel 2971-361-00-001
- 6. Leach Creek Open Space: parcels 2701-263-50-025, 2701-262-56-099
- **12. Clarification:** The attached descriptions contain highlighted additions/corrections/changes. Please make note of these when providing your bid.

The original solicitation for the project noted above is amended as noted. All other conditions of the subject remain the same.

Respectfully,

Saley Barrie to

Dolly Daniels, Senior Buyer City of Grand Junction, Colorado

Revision 1

Riverfront Trail behind City Shops

City = 14 acres





<u>Treatment Type:</u> Mastication <u>Party Completing Work:</u> Private contractor.

General Notes for project area:

- This area is included in the yellow-billed cuckoo habitat, work must be completed before May 15 or after September 15th.
- Access is through bollard onto riverfront trail via High Country Court. It is very important to not do any resource damage moving equipment and people across the property to the project area.

- Dense invasive weeds with some large diameter trunks laying on the ground. Bike trail intermingled.
- Adjacent to Colorado River.
- For commuting along the trail and work that may cast debris into the area of the trail we can post "trail closure signs." Even if we are able to post those signs, contractors will still need to maintain situational awareness, and if necessary provide spotters as work approaches well-travelled public areas. Contractors are responsible for safety.

- The overall goal is to significantly thin invasive vegetation and remove dead and down while preserving native shrubs and healthy trees.
- A walkthrough prior to work with GJ Parks and the project manager to identify and mark "keep species" is requested as many are hiding within the invasive weeds to be removed.

Riverfront Trail at Blue Heron/ Redlands Parkway Bridge- YBC

City = 21.6 acres



<u>Treatment Type:</u> Mastication Party Completing Work: Private contractor.

General Notes for project area:

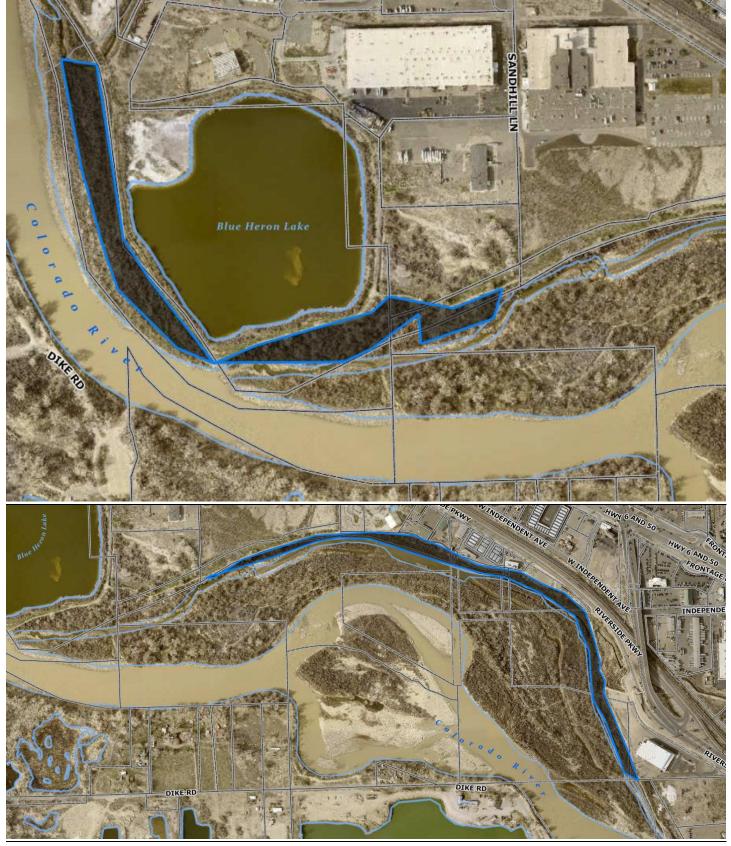
- This area is included in the yellow-billed cuckoo habitat, work must be completed before May 15 or after September 15th.
- Access is through a bollard to the riverfront trail via Blue Heron Boat Ramp. It is very important to not do any resource damage moving equipment and people across the property to the project area.
- Moderately dense forest of Tamarisk around bridge and between bridge and boat ramp. This area will be maintenance on an old project with cottonwoods around the bridge to be preserved.
- Very dense forest of tamarisk and Russian olive northwest of the bridge along the trail.
- Contractor will need to coordinate with GJPD if there are needs for additional cleanup prior to work.
- For commuting along the trail and work that may cast debris into the area of the trail we can post "trail closure signs." Even if we are able to post those signs, contractors will still need to maintain situational awareness, and if necessary provide spotters as work approaches well-travelled public areas. Contractors are responsible for safety.

- The overall goal is to touch up the existing mitigation project area between blue heron and the bridge, and just slightly past the bridge.
- After the existing project area, creating a mosaic clearing between the trail and the river, trying to preserve shade trees where possible, or creating "islands" of invasive vegetation for habitat if shade trees are not available. On the non-river side of the path, same strategy will be used for 100' off the path.
- Any vegetation overhanging the river should be left to allow for shade on the water.

Riverfront Trail at Blue Heron Blue Heron Lake- YBCC

City = 18 acres (area around blue heron lake, and between riverfront trail and island/canal)

Location of Project Area:



General Notes for project area:

- This area is included in the yellow-billed cuckoo habitat, work must be completed before May 15 or after September 15th.
- Access is through a bollard to the riverfront trail via High Country Court. It is very important to not do any resource damage by moving equipment and people across the property to the project area.
- Moderately dense forest of Tamarisk and Russian olive near blue heron lake, dense but largely young tamarisk between trail and island.
- Contractor will need to coordinate with GJPD if there are needs for additional cleanup prior to work.
- For commuting along the trail and work that may cast debris into the area of the trail we can post "trail closure signs." Even if we are able to post those signs, contractors will still need to maintain situational awareness, and if necessary provide spotters as work approaches well-travelled public areas. Contractors are responsible for safety.

- The overall goal is to create a shaded fuel break/mosaic thinning and significantly reduce understory/ladder fuels in this area.
- Any vegetation overhanging the river or channels should be left to allow for shade on the water.
- Do not remove vegetation on slopes greater than 15°

Lands End Pyramids

City Property= 35-40 acres of vegetation in the triangles 49 acres of land + 3x 100' fuel breaks

Project Area Map



<u>Treatment Type:</u> Mastication and/or hand crew with chipper (will depend on timing and contractor availability) <u>Party Completing Work:</u> Private contractor.

General Notes for project area:

- Access is via dirt road, rocky area.
- Pinyon, Juniper, tamarisk, greasewood, and decadent sagebrush.
- Previous burn area (2-3 years old) to reinforce as a fuel break in addition to creating two more along the creek.
- Work in this area will need to be completed when fire danger is VERY low (but before December 31st) due to rocks and fine fuels prevalent throughout the area.

- In the triangle areas and one rectangle shown, remove vegetation within 100' of the fence lines, and significantly thin fuels around an existing pond.
- In the three areas with "x" marks, create a 100-foot fuel break perpendicular to the creek bed and crossing it, one area is a previous burn area to be reinforced/maintained.

Juniata Basin

City= 4 acres

Project Area Map



<u>Treatment Type:</u> Mastication and/or hand crew with chipper (will depend on timing and contractor availability) <u>Party Completing Work:</u> Private contractor.

General Notes for project area:

- Pinyon, juniper, greasewood, and decadent sagebrush along and in a wash used to fill Juniata reservoir during high-runoff.
- Access is via dirt road, rocky area

- The overall goal is to significantly clear the uppermost end of a drainage in preparation of creating a future sedimentation basin to preserve water quality in the event of a fire.
- NOTE: Some of the shaded area includes steep drop-offs and drop off edges with soft soils. Contractors are NOT expected to work in these areas for access and safety reasons.

Leach Creek Open Space

City= 10 acres of vegetation

Project Area Map



<u>Treatment Type:</u> Mastication and/or hand crew with chipper (will depend on timing and contractor availability) <u>Party Completing Work:</u> Private contractor.

General Notes for project area:

- Russian olive, tamarisk, and elm with few native trees.
- Varied terrain with a path through.
- Access via 26 ¹/₂ Rd or Liberty Ln.

- Where the open space borders private land, create a 30-foot fuel break along fences as the terrain and property allow.
- Beyond the fence line fuel break, the overall goal is to create a shaded fuel break using a mosaic pattern, and clear the understory.