

Request for Proposals Western Pacific Fishery Management Council

The Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council (Council) is soliciting proposals to for contractual services listed below.

1) **CONTRACT SERVICE:** Review and analyze proposed national policy and regulatory initiatives, Council plans, programs and policies.

**CONTRACT PERIOD**: The contract is expected to begin in March 2021 and be completed by May 2021.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The Contractor will conduct a thorough review of proposed national fishery policy and regulatory initiatives and/or changes against current Council fishery ecosystem plans, programs and activities as conducted under the MSA. The Contractor will also consider local and regional policy changes and impacts to Council programs where applicable. The Contractor will review draft legislative changes to the Magnuson Stevens Act and other related statutes emerging from Congress and changes in the new administration.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The potential Contractor must:

- Have a detailed working knowledge of the Magnuson-Steven Act and other statutory authorities as related to fishery and marine resource management and conservation;
- Be familiar with the purpose, role and responsibilities of the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council;
- Have working knowledge of the US Pacific Islands, communities, culture and natural resources;
- Have demonstrated ability and expertise to efficiently review and analyze fishery policy; and
- Be available to start the project immediately in March 2021 and complete the project by May 2021.

**REQUIREMENTS:** The contractor will indecently work in close coordination with the Council staff to meet deliverable timelines and produce professional technical reports. The contractor will communicate as needed with agency and/or industry/community representatives.

**HOW TO APPLY**: Proposal submissions should include a proposal including the following items (maximum 3 pages): a. Name, affiliation, and contact information of the principal contractor(s); b. Brief statement addressing the requirements as stated; c. Budget; and d. a curriculum vitae or resume for each project participant.

Proposals may be submitted by e-mail (attach materials in PDF files) to <u>info@wpcouncil.org</u> or regular mail to: Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400 Honolulu, HI 96813.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE**: Proposals will be welcome until March 10, 2021 or until a contractor is engaged.