

## **Addendum to the Request for Services for the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project Phase II**

The Conservancy staff has received many questions about being able to submit responses for only one or two of the geographic areas/tasks described in the RFS. This addendum has been prepared in response to these questions.

There is no penalty for responding to one or two geographic areas/tasks. In writing the RFS, we realized that the qualifications and experience around beneficial re-use of upland and aquatic material planning were different than those associated with wetland restoration and public access planning so it was not essential that these two different types of analysis be combined into one proposal.

Each proposal will be evaluated on its own merits and we strongly urge firms/team to respond to those areas/tasks for which they actually have outstanding qualifications and experience. As stated in the RFS, we do reserve the right to use one or multiple firms/team depending on the qualifications that best match the areas/tasks. In other words, we may select a team that submits a proposal that includes all three areas/tasks for two of the tasks (Eden Landing and Don Edwards SF Bay Refuge), but select another firm/team for the beneficial re-use planning. In that case, we would enter into two separate contracts with the two firm/teams.

None of this is to discourage forming teams to respond to the RFS in a comprehensive way. There are advantages to being under one team, namely that coordination along the disciplines is usually more efficient and contracting is quicker. In the unlikely event of a tied-score, we would pick the most comprehensively responding team/firm.