

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
PURCHASING DIVISION**

**DATE:** September 7, 2023

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**THROUGH:** John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator  
Kristin Daniels, Budget Director  
Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

**FROM:** Shelby Ball, Purchasing Specialist

**SUBJECT:** Award of Bid 2023063 for Hallstrom Farmstead Habitat Enhancement & Parking Area Planting

**BACKGROUND:**

The Parks and Conservation Resources Division requested the solicitation of bids for the installation of native vegetation within the parking lot and along the stabilized walking trail of the Hallstrom Farmstead Conservation Area.

**BID RESULTS:**

Advertising Date: June 27, 2023  
 Bid Opening Date: August 4, 2023  
 Broadcast to: 453 Subscribers  
 Bid Documents Obtained by: 25 Vendors  
 Replies: 3 Vendors

<b>Firm</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Total Bid Price</b>
<b>Sandhill Environmental Services, LLC</b>	<b>Arcadia, FL</b>	<b>\$31,277.99</b>
RES Environmental Operating Company	Orlando, FL	\$32,036.25
Crosscreek Environmental, Inc.	Palmetto, FL	\$51,814.00

**ANALYSIS:**

The Parks and Conservation Resources Division has reviewed the bids and made recommendation of award to Sandhill Environmental Services, LLC, as the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder. Sandhill has recently completed the Duck Head Island Phase 1 Revegetation project and Earman Island Planting project.

The bid submitted by Crosscreek Environmental provided pricing on all requested materials, however Staff cannot justify the over \$20,000 price difference. Materials not provided by the low bidder will be addressed at a later time.

**FUNDING:**

Funds, in the amount of \$31,277.99, are budgeted and available in the Tree Ordinance Fines Fund/Parks/Landscape Materials & Supplies/Hallstrom Farmstead account (11721072-035340-19027).

Account	Description	Amount
11721072-035340-19027	Tree Ordinance Fines Fund/Parks/Landscape Materials & Supplies/Hallstrom Farmstead	\$31,277.99

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board award bid 2023063 to Sandhill Environmental Services, LLC, approve the agreement, and authorize the Chairman to execute it after approval by the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

**Attachment**

Agreement