

# MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## INTENT TO AWARD

<b>IFB NO. / TITLE</b>	19-R070680CB / Sods, Grass Seeds, Herbicides, and Related Chemicals	<b>DATE POSTED</b>	MC _____ DS _____	CC _____ BCC _____
<b>PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE</b>	Charles Bentley	<b>PROJECTED AWARD DATE</b>	March 4, 2019	
<b>DEPARTMENT/DIVISION</b>	Public Works/Field Ops & Utilities/Landfill Ops	<b>AUTHORIZED BY DATE</b>	Theresa Webb, Procurement Official	

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a contract with Alligare, LLC; Wholesale Landscape Supply, Inc. (dba Big Earth Landscape Supply), Ewing Irrigation Products, Inc., Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC; and Sunbelt Sod & Grading Company for the provision of sods, grass seeds, mulch, herbicides, insecticides, and related chemicals.

### ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Manatee County Procurement Ordinance, Sec 2-26.

### BACKGROUND/EVALUATION

Manatee County has routine requirements for sods, grass seeds, mulch, herbicides, and related chemicals at various job sites within the County. These items may be picked up by County staff or delivered by the successful bidder. The successful bidder shall furnish all equipment, labor, materials, licensing, transportation, and other components necessary to provide these items that meet the County's requirements including installation of sods and grass seeds.

The solicitation was advertised on January 7, 2019 on the Manatee County website . It was also provided to the Manatee County Chamber of Commerce and the Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce for release of its members. Responses were received from the following firms:

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| 1. Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC; Dade City, FL | 4. Ewing Irrigation Products, Inc.; Sarasota, FL   |
| 2. Alligare, LLC; Opelika, AL                  | 5. Wholesale Landscape Supply, Inc.; Bradenton, FL |
| 3. Sunbelt Sod & Grading Company; Ruskin, FL   |  |

#### **EVALUATION SUMMARY:**

All five bidders were the lowest responsible, responsive bidder(s). A bid tabulation of the results is attached to this Notice of Intent to Award.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Procurement Division and the Public Works Field Ops & Utilities Landfill Ops Departments/Divisions recommend award to all five Bidders.

<b>ATTACHMENTS</b> (List in order of attached)	tabulation	<b>NAME AND NUMBER OF FUNDING SOURCE</b>	various
<b>COST</b>	\$278,639 annually	<b>FUNDS VERIFIED</b>	No