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May 27, 2026

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Ecological Solutions CA
Attn: Jason Mills
585 Mitchell Way
Sonoma, CA 95476

Re: 2026 On-Call Habitat Restoration Services Contract
Project No.: 7520-6B8285

Dear Mr. Mills,

Our office has reviewed your bid submission and we have determined that your firm's bid was non-responsive for failure to meet the requirements in the contract documents, as explained below.

As a condition of bid responsiveness, the Notice of Contractors required that all bidders possess a C-27 Landscape Contractor license, a CA Dept. of Pesticide Regulation Certified Pesticide Applicator's license, CA Dept. of Pesticide Regulation Certified Pest Control Advisor, and International Society of Arboriculture certified arborist. Your firm's bid did not provide evidence of any of these mandatory licenses and certifications. Despite that, we were able to verify that your firm has a C-27 license and the two required pesticide certifications. But we have no evidence that you have the required arborist certification.

Your firm's bid was incomplete in that it was missing the following required pages or parts:

- (1) Page 10 "Bidder Statement of Experience," properly completed and signed.
- (2) Page 11 "Signature of Bidder," properly completed and signed.

Since your firm did not comply with the above requirements in the contract documents and your bid was incomplete, we plan to recommend that your firm's bid be rejected as non-responsive.

Should your firm disagree with our determination, you may appeal it in writing to the Public Works Director at 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553 (see Section 2-1.12A(6)). Your firm's appeal must be received at that address no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2026, and must describe in detail all facts and arguments on which your firm relies.

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It is anticipated that the contracts will be awarded by the Board of Supervisors to the lowest responsive bidders, Triangle Properties, Inc. dba Triangle Land Restoration, Helix Environmental Planning, Inc., and RECON Environmental, Inc., who have complied with the contract requirements, at the Board meeting on June 9, 2026, which begins at 9:00 a.m.

If you wish, you may appear at the Board meeting to comment on this matter. Any comments to the Board will be limited to the facts and arguments set forth in your firm's appeal.

Sincerely,



Adelina Huerta
Division Manager
Design/Construction Division

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