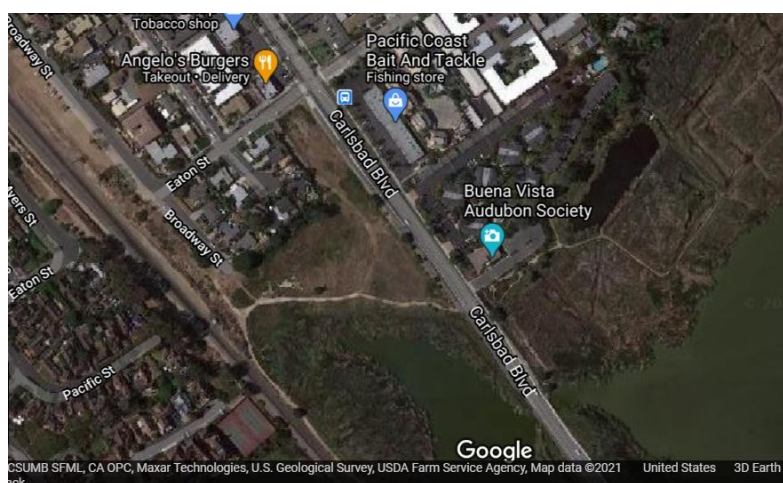


RFP for Cattail Project

Background & Project Site

The Buena Vista Audubon Society (BVAS) maintains and manages a nature center at 2202 South Coast Hwy in Oceanside, CA as an environmental education facility. The project site lies adjacent to the BVAS nature center on a parcel of land owned and managed by the CA Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). This parcel contains a 1/4-mile-long dirt trail that loops around a small duck pond; two observation docks extend into the pond and are accessible from the trail. BVAS has an agreement with CDFW to maintain the trail, pond, and associated structures.



Project site: aerial view of BVAS Nature Center and pond

Project Description

Prolific cattail growth is encroaching on the pond, impacting the open water. Approximately 85 square yards of cattails need to be removed from the duck pond around the two docks. The images below show the amount and location of cattail removal for each dock.



East dock cattail removal area



South dock cattail removal area

Permitting

No permits are needed; CDFW has given written permission to BVAS to conduct this project.

Project Timeline

The deadline to submit proposals is 11:59 pm on **February 6**. Selection of a contractor will be made soon after that. Work will begin immediately once selection is made.

All work is to be done by March 1, 2021, which is the beginning of bird breeding season; work cannot continue past this date. If this deadline cannot be made, October 2021 will be the next window to start the project. Thus, work should either be started and finished by March 1, 2021, or done between October 1, 2021 and March 1, 2022. No work should be left unfinished between March and October.

Time and Place of Submission of Proposals

Respondents to this RFP must submit their proposal to BVAS, delivered by email to Natalie Shapiro, Executive Director of BVAS, at buenvistanature@gmail.com. Responses must be received no later than 11:59 pm on **February 6, 2021**.

Elements of Proposal

The proposal must include the following:

- Examples of relevant prior work
- Anticipated timeline and cost
- Evidence of insurance policy (Commercial General Liability & Automobile Liability).

Evaluation Criteria

The successful respondent will have the following:

- A competitive cost of services
- Expertise in working on similar projects.

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