GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER



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Request for Proposals – Grass Haylage Supply Contract

The Grafton County Commissioners are soliciting bids from qualified contractors for a Grass Haylage for approximately 90 acres at the Grafton County Complex in North Haverhill, NH. Bids should be submitted in accordance with the following specifications:

- Cutting Schedule: The contractor shall undertake grass haylage cutting every 30 days throughout the contract period. The schedule should be adhered to strictly to maintain the quality and quantity of haylage production.
- Moisture Content: The haylage moisture content should be maintained within the optimal range for ensiling. The contractor must ensure that the moisture content is suitable for proper fermentation and preservation of nutrients.
- Cut Length: The grass haylage cut length should be uniform and consistent to ensure ease of packing and optimal compaction. The contractor should specify the desired cut length in their proposal.
- Mowing: The contractor is responsible for mowing the grass fields prior to haylage production. Mowing should be carried out efficiently and effectively to maximize yield and quality.
- Chopping: After mowing, the grass should be chopped to the desired length for ensiling. The contractor shall provide the necessary equipment and manpower for chopping operations.
- Packing Silo: The contractor shall pack the chopped grass into the designated silo(s) in a manner that ensures proper compaction and minimal air infiltration. The silo packing process is crucial for successful ensiling and preservation of haylage quality.
- 2. Bids must include the following:
 - Price per acre for the entire scope of work.
 - Proposed schedule for each phase of the project.
 - Description of equipment and resources to be utilized.
 - Proof of insurance coverage.
 - Any relevant certifications or licenses.
 - Contact information for the bidding company.

Any questions regarding this bid should be directed to Ben White or Pete Blanchard at (603) 787-2755 no later than March 30th, 2024.

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SEALED BIDS should be mailed, or hand delivered to: Grafton County Commissioners' Office 3855 Dartmouth College Highway ~ Box 1 North Haverhill, NH 03774

Envelopes must be marked <u>SEALED GRASS HAYLAGE SUPPLY CONTRACT BID</u> and must be received by Friday April 5th, 2024, at 3:30PM and will be opened by the Commissioners on April 9th, 2024. **No faxes, emailed or open bids will be accepted.**

The Grafton County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.



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