



Republic of Zambia

**PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION, EASTERN PROVINCE
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES-FIRMS SELECTION)**

**CONSULTANCY FOR ENGAGING TECHNICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS TO IMPLEMENT
THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND MARKET-LED INTEGRATED NATURAL RESOURCES AND
LAND USE PLANNING FOR THE "ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE
PROJECT" IN EASTERN PROVINCE OF ZAMBIA**

Project Name: ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE PROJECT (ZIFLP)

Project No. P161490

Reference No. MNDP/ZIFLP/CS/003/2020

1.0 BACKGROUND

Zambia's natural resource base is under immense pressure from various development sectors, including mining, energy, infrastructure and agriculture. Some of the main drivers of deforestation emanate from these sectors. The mechanism for reducing deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+) presents an opportunity for Zambia to address deforestation in a comprehensive and integrated manner by involving identified sectors and key actors. As such, Zambia developed the National REDD+ Strategy focusing on tackling different drivers of deforestation in both the forestry and other identified key sectors in particular, agriculture, energy, mining and infrastructure. The Vision of this Strategy is to contribute to a prosperous climate change resilient economy by 2030, anchored upon sustainable management and utilization of the nation's natural resources towards improved livelihoods.

The Project now invites suitably qualified TSPs including private sector and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to lead the implementation of activities as described under the scope of activities in project priority landscapes in the Eastern Province. TSPs can express interests as individual entities or as a consortium to deliver on the scope of this consultancy in its entirety in either of one or both landscapes in Eastern Province.

2.0 OBJECTIVE

The TSPs will support/facilitate planning and implementation of integrated land use and resource management that meet the climate resilience/mitigation and livelihoods objectives of rural households in the Eastern Province for the selected landscapes. This will assist in meeting ZIFLP's goal of investing in low carbon development initiatives that include district level integrated land use planning, participatory community land use planning, sustainable forest management, climate

smart agriculture (CSA) and value chain development that address the underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation.

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The broad set of activities to be supported by TSPs will include the following categories of activities; participatory land use planning and integrated land resource management.

The TSPs will ensure integration of Community Activities undertaken by other TSPs of the project (Forestry, Agriculture, and Wildlife) as part of Participatory Land Use Planning (PLUP). Further, the TSPs will use data provided by the Land Component of the ZIFLP and the statistical agency (survey and also mapping of emergent and large farms) in preparation of Land Use Plans. The land to be covered by Integrated Land Use Plans which will be consulted and agreed shall not be less than 52, 000 hectares.

Specific areas of TSPs engagement will include but are not limited to the following:

1. Integrated land resource management Plan: The TSPs will identify priority conservation areas, and areas vulnerable to deforestation and degradation within the targeted landscapes where trends can be reversed through interventions related to land-based resource management including better land use practices. The identification of areas should take into consideration the interlinkages between various land uses and how interventions targeting resource management and land management could collectively help to achieve net positive impact of reducing deforestation and forest degradation. These plans shall be integrated into the Participatory Land Use Plans (see selection criteria below)
2. Preparation of land use plans will be done in participatory manner, and TSP is expected to train community members in relevant skills sets related to land use planning and integrated land resources management in the course of preparation of the plans.
3. Preparation of a minimum 22 Participatory Land Use Plans, at Ward Level, containing a number of maps to be determined by the number of communities (Villages) whose traditional authorities will be responsive (see annex 1 for list of wards);
4. Facilitate communities in developing rules and regulations for local implementation of PLUP; and implementation structure that is functional; inclusive (gender representation) and recognized by traditional organization.

The consultant tasks shall be divided into Two (2) Phases of work with sequencing of land use planning in some districts/wards to be completed before starting in other wards/ districts (Annex 1). Upon successful completion of tasks in districts categorized in phase one, the TSPs will document lessons learnt, and then proceed to phase two districts, under the same contract. Phase one covers wards in the Districts

of Lundazi, Chipata, Nyimba and Petauke. Lessons drawn from the first phase shall then be used to implement the second phase covering districts of Mambwe, Katete, Chadiza, Vubwi and Sinda (Annex I of the ToRs).

4.0 SELECTION CRITERIA

The TSPs (firms or consortia) expressing interest for this work should possess the following key qualifications:

1. The TSP must show evidence of successful implementation of an integrated landscape, participatory land use planning, development, conservation or climate resilience project that utilized innovative tools and strategies to achieve both conservation and rural livelihood outcomes in the last five (5) years.
2. A minimum of 10 years demonstrated experience of working with rural communities and forest-dependent communities in Zambia on community-based projects in sustainable land and resource management with demonstrated results
3. Understanding and experience of REDD+ and GHG mitigation in landscape management would be highly desirable
4. Experience of working in Zambia and in the Eastern Province is also desirable.
5. The Firm or the Land Use Planning expert must be a registered member of the Zambia Institute of Planners (ZIP).

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (January 2011 revised July 1, 2014), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualifications Selection Method (CQS) set out in the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers](#) (January 2011 revised July 1, 2014).

5.0 DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

The Provincial Administration-Eastern Province now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants" and or Non for Profit Organizations) to indicate their interest in providing the services.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 - 13:00 and from 14:00-17:00 hours local time, Zambia.

Hard copy submissions of Expressions of interest clearly marked **"CONSULTANCY FOR ENGAGING TECHNICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS TO IMPLEMENT THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND MARKET-LED INTEGRATED NATURAL RESOURCES AND LAND USE PLANNING FOR THE "ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE PROJECT" IN EASTERN PROVINCE OF ZAMBIA** must

be delivered and deposited in the Tender Box located at the Office of the President, Provincial Administration, Eastern Province, Hospital Road, Opposite Indo Zambia Bank, P.O Box 510069 Chipata or email to tmusonda72@gmail.com and copy to aaroncngonga.ziflp@gmail.com. **The deadline for submission is Tuesday 28th July, 2020 at 17:00 hours. Local time**

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