## Village of Wellington



## Legislation Text

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ITEM: AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE A FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION (FWC) CONTRACT FOR CANAL BANK CLEARING

**REQUEST**: Authorization to utilize a FWC contract with multiple vendors for canal bank clearing to remove exotic/invasive vegetation.

**EXPLANATION:** During rain and wind storm events, vegetation growing along canal bank drainage easements can splinter, uproot, and scatter into waterways. As a result, the free flow of water necessary for proper drainage is blocked. Public Works is proposing the removal of this vegetation by the most effective means possible, which requires use of a barge in designated areas. Hazards will be mitigated and maintenance accessibility enhanced. Public Works seeks authorization to utilize Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Contract FWC 09/10-7 with multiple vendors.

Vendors	Local Vendor Status
Arbor Tree and Land, Inc.	Palm Beach County
Aquatic Vegetation Control, Inc.	Palm Beach County
Exotic Vegetation Management, Inc.	Palm Beach County
Institute for Regional Conservation	Palm Beach County
Native Creations Incorporated	Palm Beach County
Progressive Solutions	Non Local
Applied Aquatic Management	Non Local
Aquatic Plant Management	Non Local
Ground Level	Non Local
Randels Landclearing	Non Local
Walker Exotic Tree Eradication	Non Local
DeAngelo Brothers	Non Local
EarthBalance	Non Local
Environmental Restoration Consultants Inc.	Non Local
Florida Best Inc.	Non Local
J.D. Sunny Isle, Inc.	Non Local
NaturChem Inc.	Non Local
Southeastern Chemtreat Inc.	Non Local

FWC awarded contracts to eighteen (18) contractors in our region. Arbor Tree and Land, Inc. is the only vendor that provided a unit price for the work requiring a barge. Therefore, they will be used for projects

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requiring a barge. For projects that do not require the use of a barge, unit pricing will be compared between all awarded vendors to determine the lowest price per project. The initial term of the contract is for three (3) years, effective through August 30, 2013. FWC has exercised the first renewal option through August 30, 2014.

The designated work areas and their associated costs for FY 2014 are shown below:

Designated Areas for Canal Bank Clearing	Estimated Cost	
C-4 Canal (140 <sup>th</sup> Ave), 50 <sup>th</sup> Street to PS #2	\$50,000	
C-18 Canal, Saddle Trail Neighborhood	\$45,000	
C-9 Canal, C-2 Canal to Acme Road	\$50,000	
C-28, C-16, C-16A Canals in/adjacent to Eastwood Area	\$45,000	
C-25 Canal (AKA C-7), 50 <sup>th</sup> Street to 60 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$40,000	***
TOTAL	\$230,000	

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED:

NO

PUBLIC HEARING: NO

**QUASI-JUDICIAL:** 

FIRST READING:

**SECOND READING:** 

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

YES

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funds are proposed in FY 2013/2014 Surface Water Management Capital Maintenance Budget to cover anticipated project expenditures.

WELLINGTON FUNDAMENTAL: Protecting our Investment

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorization to utilize a FWC contract with multiple vendors for canal bank clearing to remove exotic/invasive vegetation.