

Order of Engagement Policy

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Delegations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Engineering and Evaluation Panel
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Supporting Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Tender – ROPS Wet Hire each Construction Season

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Intent

The purpose of this Policy is to provide a clear framework for the order of engagement of contractors following the Request for Tenders (RFT) for ROPS Wet Hire Plant for each Construction Season.

Scope

This Policy is applicable to all Council staff engaged in the assessment and evaluation of tenders, and contractors who submit tenders under the RFT.

Provisions

Council offers no guarantee of a minimum number of hours per day or days per roster for any one or all contractors.

The Principal is not bound to accept the tender with the lowest price or any tender. The Principal will only accept a tender where the Principal is satisfied that the Tenderer has appropriate resources, technical skill, managerial capability and financial capacity to perform all its obligations in accordance with the contract. A particular focus will be made on the past performance of the Tenderers and their operator.

Acceptance of a tender by the Principal shall only place the Tenderer on a Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers; there shall be no warranty, commitment or obligation on behalf of the Principal to offer or provide work. If successful, there is also no warranty, commitment or obligation on behalf of the Principal to offer a minimum number of work hours per day or days per working period.

Policy

Carpentaria Shire Council is not set to create a monopoly for a single contractor by allocating all the available work to a single provider. First preference is also allocated to local contractors living and based in the Carpentaria Shire before consideration of non-locals.

Traditionally, based on the event and restorations works required, Council has five re-construction crews allocated to carry out restoration works across the Council area following the events associated with natural disasters and funded through Disaster Relief Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

Those construction crews are generally made up of the following plant items: -

• Graders	10
• Front End Loaders	5
• Crane	1
• Water Trucks (Body)	6
• Water Trucks (Truck and Dog)	2
• Water Trucks (Semi Tankers)	20
• Scrapers	As required
• Bulldozers	As required
• Excavators	As required
• Semi Tippers (single, Double, Triple and Quad)	As required
• Low Loaders	As required

The order of engagement can be broken down as follows:

1. Items based on work requirements and price and subject to locality as detailed in point 2;
2. Items based on locality:
 - Permanent Local Carpentaria LG area of responsibility
 - Outside LG area of responsibility to 100kms
 - Outside LG area of responsibility to 250kms
3. Non-locals, based on available work to complete the restoration program.

Key Responsibilities

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	RESPONSIBILITY
Director of Engineering	To review the successful tenderers and allocate the Order of Engagement.
Chief Operations Officer	To review Inventory guidelines to ensure the efficient and effective use of Council resources and the mitigation of any identified risks.
Managers/Supervisors	To actively follow the requirements of this Policy.
Responsible Officers	To act in accordance with the provision and intent of the Policy.
All contractors	To act within the public interest and comply with the requirements of this Policy.

Definitions

Term	Definition
ROPS	Register of Prequalified Suppliers
Principal	Carpentaria Shire Council (Council)
Order of Engagement	The order on which work will be allocated to individual contractors and individual items of plant received with the Request for Tender. There is also no warranty, commitment or obligation on behalf of the Principal to offer a minimum number of work hours per day or days per working period.

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