

Registration of Interest (ROI) - Queensland Biodiversity Site Management Services

Supply Opportunity Name/ Summary	
ARTC is seeking (a) Service Provider/s to manage ARTC’s Queensland offset property portfolio.	
About Inland Rail	
<p>The Australian Government is delivering Inland Rail through the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC), in partnership with the private sector.</p> <p>Inland Rail is a 1,700km fast freight backbone that will transform how we move goods around Australia by providing transit times of less than 24 hours between Melbourne and Brisbane via regional Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.</p> <p>It will better link businesses, manufacturers and producers to national and global markets and generate new opportunities for industries and regions.</p> <p>Comprising 13 individual projects, Inland Rail is the largest freight rail infrastructure project in Australia and will enable safer, less congested highways, fewer carbon emissions, cheaper freight costs and new economic opportunities for our regions.</p> <p>Inland Rail is a shot in the arm for Australia’s economy, generating \$18b in economic benefits during construction and the first 50 years of operations and more than 21,500 direct and indirect jobs during construction.</p>	
Location of Works/Services	
Goondiwindi to Kagaru, Queensland	
ROI Publish Date	ROI Close Date
13/10/2022	31/12/2022
Scope of Works/ Services	
<p>Implement ARTC offset property management according to prescribed and endorsed management plans with an overall objective of preserving biodiversity on each of the offset properties.</p> <p>Offset property management will be conducted according to either an endorsed Interim Offset Property Management Plan (IOPMP) or approved Offset Area Management Plan (OAMP).</p> <p>Property management under an IOPMP will address the key threatening processes associated with the property such as fire, weeds, and pest animals, acknowledging the property’s biodiversity values, ecological condition, extent, and land uses.</p>	

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Property management under an OAMP will seek to maximise landscape conservation outcomes by increasing resilience of self-sustaining communities and populations whilst also seeking to achieve habitat quality gains at the offset site and improved connectivity within the region.

The OAMPs will prescribe specific management actions and be linked to the agreed offset securing mechanism which will drive management actions, monitoring, assessment, compliance and reporting requirements.

HSE Requirements

The Service Provider shall:

- Have appropriate risk management and safety management systems in place.
- Hold a safe work method statement including measures to demonstrate COVID-19 responsible social distancing practices and journey management planning.
- Possess the following insurances:
 - Professional Indemnity \$10 million (minimum)
 - Public Liability \$20 million (minimum)
 - Workers Compensation
- Agree to perform all work in accordance with specifications, and performance standards pertaining with codes of practice to the satisfaction of ARTC Inland Rail.
- Agree to obtain any licenses required in connection with the work.

Technical Requirements

The Service Provider/s will be required to implement the management, monitoring and assessment requirements associated with the endorsed IOPMP or approved OAMP that will encompass properties covering a broad geographic area from Goondiwindi to Kagaru.

Technical requirements may include:

- Targeted flora and fauna surveys according to endorsed guidelines
- Targeted pest plant and animal surveys
- Biosecurity management including environmental pest plant and animal management
- Fire management – threat abatement and biodiversity management
- Specific species habitat management
- Habitat restoration
- Habitat rehabilitation
- Habitat creation

Business Requirements

The Service Provider shall have access to technical and scalable resources to deliver the scope of work for the duration of either the IOPMP or OAMP which may range from 6 months to 20 years respectively.

Local Content Requirements

ARTC is committed to creating sustainable employment and economic development opportunities for local and Indigenous businesses and social enterprises.

ARTC commits to providing *full, fair and reasonable* opportunity for Australian entities to bid to supply goods, services and equipment.

Further information regarding ARTCs commitments are available at:
<https://inlandrail.artc.com.au/industry-participation-policy/>.

Other Information

Prospective suppliers should note that this is a market engagement exercise only.

This ROI process may be followed by a subsequent procurement process, including an Expression of Interest (EOI), Request for Quote (RFQ), Request for Proposal (RFP) or Request for Tender (RFT). Any subsequent procurement process will be governed by its own terms and conditions.

Instructions to suppliers:

If your business has the capability and capacity required to perform the stated scope of work, please submit a registration of interest against this ROI.

Please ensure that:

- Your company profile on ICN is up to date; and
- You respond to all ROI-specific questions; and
- You register your interest as a Full Scope or Partial Scope (where applicable) supplier through ICN Gateway.

Disclaimer:

Scope of Work/Services is indicative only and is intended to be used as a summary description of work which may be required by ARTC. This information may be subject to change. Full scopes of work will be made available to parties that are invited to tender or to whom a request for information issued. ARTC has no contractual or other legal obligation to registrants arising out of the ROI process with respect to the consideration, evaluation, acceptance or rejection of any registration of interest, or the failure to consider, evaluate or accept any registration of interest. ARTC may or may not contact interested suppliers at the company's discretion.