



**Boulder County Procurement
1325 Pearl Street
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SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Reference Number: RFP-257-26

Project Name: Wildfire Partners Home Hardening Pilot Program

Background:

Launched in 2014, Wildfire Partners is Boulder County government's wildfire mitigation program. Wildfire Partners offers a long list of programs to help residents and partner organizations reduce wildfire risk and prepare for future wildfires. To learn more about Wildfire Partners, visit www.WildfirePartners.org. Successful bids will have a very strong understanding of Wildfire Partners.

This "Wildfire Partners Home Hardening Pilot Program" is designed to test a potential new program and service: The creation of a Wildfire Partners Home Hardening Contractors List and development of a Wildfire Partners Home Hardening Financial Award. For this RFP and pilot program, Wildfire Partners is looking to select three to five Home Hardening Contractors to complete approximately 100 home hardening pilot projects. Wildfire Partners will identify the pilot projects and divide them up between the three to five selected contractors. Each contractor selected through this RFP process will be offered a minimum of 20 pilot projects over the course of the project period. (Selected contractors may be offered more than 20 projects depending on the final number of contractors selected and other relevant factors.) Each pilot project will be unique and will be customized to fulfill the home hardening mitigation check-list requirements or priority items of the participating homeowners. Some of the pilot projects will be smaller, simpler and/or less expensive with fewer mitigation measures; others will be larger, more complex and/or more expensive with more items to complete.

The design of the Wildfire Partners Home Hardening Pilot Program is based on Wildfire Partners forestry efforts. Since 2014, Wildfire Partners has provided \$2.3 million directly to contractors on its Wildfire Partners Forestry Contractors List. Wildfire Partners Forestry Financial Award is a 50-50 cost-share program with homeowners participating in the Wildfire Partners home assessment program; the Wildfire Partners share of the total project cost capped at \$2,000. As a result, contractors on this list have completed projects totaling more than \$4.6 million. Wildfire Partners

has had lists of home hardening contractors in the past, but it has never had a home hardening cost-share program. Wildfire Partners is interested in the possibility of a home-hardening, cost-share program. Funding for a potential program is available from the Boulder County Wildfire Mitigation Tax. This pilot program is an effort to develop some of the other essential pieces of a permanent program, including experienced home hardening contractors.

Instructions:

Boulder County uses a [Boulder County Euna \(formerly Bonfire\) portal](#) for accepting and evaluating proposals digitally:

- To post the Proposal
- To receive any questions or inquiries
- To issue any associated addenda
- To post award notices

Proposals must be submitted electronically on or before the Close Date at [Boulder County Euna \(formerly Bonfire\) portal](#).

Important: Submissions will not be accepted by email, fax or hand-delivery; unless otherwise noted.

Documents should not be embedded within uploaded files, as the embedded files will not be accessible or evaluated.

Contact:

To contact Boulder County Purchasing or ask questions in relation to this proposal, respondents must register on [Boulder County Euna \(formerly Bonfire\) portal](#) and initiate the communication electronically through the **Vendor Discussions** or the **Ask a Question** feature.

All questions must be received on or before the Deadline for Submission of Clarifications, as specified in the Schedule of Events. Boulder County will not accept any respondent's communications by any other means, except as specifically stated in this proposal.

Addendum:

At any time prior to the Close Date, Boulder County may alter, clarify, amend, delete or add to, in whole or in part, any terms or provisions of this proposal.

In order to afford the Bidders a reasonable time for taking into account a material amendment (the materiality of which Boulder County in its own discretion may determine) or for any other reason, Boulder County may, at its own discretion, extend the Close Date.

For the most up-to-date project information refer to our Euna (formerly Bonfire) portal.

All vendor submissions may be amended, but only before the Close Date on [Boulder County Euna \(formerly Bonfire\) portal](#).

Need Help:

To assist with registration and submission of responses, learn how to get started with Euna (formerly Bonfire), watch this [training video](#). For questions or support when using the platform, [access the Euna \(formerly Bonfire\) online knowledge base](#), search the FAQ or contact the Euna (formerly Bonfire) support team at support@goBonfire.com.

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