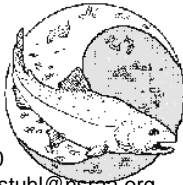


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Request for Proposals 2016 Season NSRAA Coho & Chinook Salmon

Dear Interested Salmon Buyers:

The Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) based in Sitka, Alaska is seeking proposals for the licensing right to harvest a defined portion of Chinook salmon at Medvejie/Deep, and coho at Hidden Falls & Mist Cove Special Harvest Areas for the 2016 season. A separate chum RFP will be announced April 11, 2016 with a call date of May 23. It will be the responsibility of the winning bidder/processor to provide harvest boats and tenders that can accomplish the job in the most efficient manner possible, and at the time and place of harvest as determined by NSRAA (licensor).

A bid for **Medvejie/Bear Cove Chinook** in Silver Bay near Sitka is requested. **Hidden Falls and Mist Cove Coho** are open for bids in 2016 after a period of multi-year contracts. As in past years all cost recovery operations will maintain the goal of providing high quality fish to the winning bidder during the harvest. The winning processor will need to sign a NSRAA licensing agreement for the CR fish.

Processors need to supply reliable tenders and harvest boat(s); this is essential to get the job done in a timely and efficient manner. Please provide a list of boat names and skippers that you plan to employ in the harvest of each species and/or site for which you submit a bid.

Proposals for **Chinook and Coho** must be received at NSRAA's office by **5:00 p.m. ADT, Thursday, April 21, 2016** via fax 907-747-1470, email steve_reifenstuhl@nsraa.org, mail 1308 SMC Rd., Sitka Alaska, or hand delivered to the NSRAA office 1308 SMC Rd. For additional information please call 747-6850 or 738-3509. Bid proposals will be kept confidential. NSRAA reserves the right to reject any and/or all bid proposals.

Thank you for your interest and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Steve Reifenstuhl,
General Manager NSRAA

**NSRAA forecasts Chinook & Coho salmon in the following
Special Harvest Areas:**

Medvejie Chinook – due Thursday April 21, 2016

Harvestable volumes of Chinook generally show up in early June at Bear Cove with the return tapering off by mid-July. The June component offers a higher proportion of brights and semi-brights, whereas the July component contains a higher proportion of blush & darks with some semi-brights. Meat quality is good throughout run. Medvejie Chinook forecast is 31,200 fish with 8,800 expected to be available for cost recovery at Bear Cove.

Bid Criteria

This is a single year bid. One harvest boat minimum.

My bid is: \$ _____ / **pound** (at point of capture in Bear Cove/Medvejie SHA).

Expected return to be harvested in the SHA is 8,800 fish or 140,000 pounds (based on 16 lb. average). Actual terminal harvest could be considerably more or less, and if more, the processor is expected to harvest all the fish except for managed broodstock (4,000 fish).

Hidden Falls Coho – due Thursday April 21, 2016

Harvestable volumes of Coho generally show up in late August in Kasnyku Bay with the return tapering off by early October. The September component offers a higher proportion of brights and semi-brights, whereas the late September/early October component contains a higher proportion of semi-brights, blush & darks. Meat quality is good throughout run. Hidden Falls Coho forecast is 194,000 fish with 106,000 expected to be available for cost recovery.

Bid Criteria

This can be a single year or multi-year bid. One harvest boat minimum.

My bid is: \$ _____ / **pound** (at point of capture in Kasnyku SHA).

Expected return to be harvested in the SHA is 106,000 fish or 742,000 pounds (based on 7 lb. average). Actual terminal harvest could be considerably more or less, and if more, the processor is expected to harvest all the fish except for managed broodstock (4,000 fish).

Mist Cove Coho – due Thursday April 21, 2016

Harvestable volumes of Coho generally show up in late August in Mist Cove with the return tapering off by early October. The September component offers a higher proportion of brights and semi-brights, whereas the late September/early October component contains a higher proportion of semi-brights, blush & darks. Meat quality is good throughout run. Mist Cove Coho forecast is 150,000 fish with 67,000 expected to be available for cost recovery.

Bid Criteria

This can be a single year or multi-year bid. One harvest boat minimum.

My bid is: \$ _____ / **pound** (at point of capture in Mist Cove SHA).

Expected return to be harvested in the SHA is 67,000 fish or 470,000 pounds (based on 7 lb. average). Actual terminal harvest could be considerably more or less than the forecast, and if more, the processor is expected to harvest all the fish. No coho are taken for broodstock at Mist Cove.



- **Coho and Chinook Bids: The deadline for receiving completed bids is at 5 p.m. ADT, on Thursday April 21, 2016.**

NSRAA reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Company: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Authorized company official: _____

Title: _____

Signature of authorized company official: _____

Date submitted: _____