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KIUC Issues RFQ for Environmental Impact Statement Preparation

Līhu'e, Kaua'i, HI – 05/21/20 – Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for its Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). In conjunction with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), KIUC is soliciting statements of qualifications from consulting firms with experience and expertise in EIS preparation for HCP's.

The Proposed Action for the EIS is USFWS's issuance of an Incidental Take Permit (ITP) and State of Hawai'i Division of Fish and Wildlife's issuance of an Incidental Take License (ITL) for covered activities proposed in the HCP. The HCP outlines specific measures to avoid and minimize impacts of the covered activities to certain threatened and endangered bird species. The EIS will analyze and evaluate the environmental effects of implementing the HCP and issuing an ITP and ITL.

The RFQ is intended to draw a wide range of responses from as many interested parties as possible for consulting services. Responses to the RFQ are due on or before June 15, 2020. Companies offering the strongest qualifications and expertise will be asked to prepare detailed proposals.

A copy of the RFQ package can be obtained from the KIUC website through this link: <https://website.kiuc.coop/rfq>, or by contacting Dawn Huff at dhuff@joulegroup.com.

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