



Request for Proposals ***Soil Lab Services***

Transforming the Farmer to Consumer Supply Chain with Climate-Smart Agriculture Partnerships Project

Carbon A List is seeking a qualified laboratory to partner in the [Transforming the Farmer to Consumer Supply Chain Project](#) (TransformF2C). Serving as a collaboration between industry partners and funded out of the USDA's Partnership for Climate Smart Commodities program, Transform F2C is a project designed to develop end-to-end supply chain partnerships with the goal of both producing climate smart commodities and marketing them via brands and retailers to consumers.

By issuing this RFP, Carbon A List invites laboratories with the requisite expertise and experience to submit proposals for consideration. We look forward to your detailed proposal and partnering with a lab that shares our commitment to advancing climate smart agricultural practices.

Project goals:

- Support the production and marketing of climate smart commodities by providing voluntary incentives to producers and processors
- Improve the approach to measure, quantify, monitor and verify by ensuring practicality, transparency, and alignment across project partners
- Facilitate market development and access for CSC's
- Promote innovation and efficiency by encouraging streamlined approaches and transparent documentation
- Collect 10,000 total samples +/-3% across during year 2 and year 5 in the project.

Indicators:

- Aggregate Stability
- Bulk Density
- Cation Exchange Capacity
- Nitrogen/Phosphorous/Potassium
- Soil Organic Carbon

- soil pH
- Soil Respiration

Evaluation Criteria:

- **Technical Expertise:** Demonstrated ability to conduct the specified soil tests accurately.
- **Experience:** Experience in soil testing, particularly in projects related to carbon quantification and soil health.
- **Communications:** Demonstrated customer service and support for tracking and handling
- **Quality Assurance:** Strong protocols for data quality control and validation.
- **Cost:** Competitive pricing within the allocated budget.
- **Timeline:** Ability to meet the project timelines for sample analysis and reporting.

How to apply:

Please submit your proposals [through this form](#). In a document, please upload your proposal including:

- **Company Background:** Overview of your lab, including certifications, experience and expertise in soil testing.
- **Technical Approach:** Detailed methodology for each of the soil tests mentioned in the Scope of Work.
- **Quality Assurance:** Description of quality control measures and data validation processes.
- **Timeline:** Proposed timeline for sample analysis and reporting.
- **Cost:** Detailed cost breakdown or estimate of total samples, ensuring it falls within the allocated budget.

Timeline for Proposal Evaluation and Selection

Deadline: October 18, 2024 at 11:59 PM EST

Notification of award: October 22, 2024