



Management and Protection of Key Biodiversity Areas in Belize Project (KBA)

**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, FORESTRY, THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT (MAFFESD)**

Request for Expression of Interest

**Consultancy for the Development of a Sustainable Forest Management Plan for the
Freshwater Creek Forest Reserve situated within the Corozal and Orange Walk Districts,
Belize**

(Firm Selection)

Grant No: P130474

The Government of Belize with the assistance of the World Bank is implementing the project entitled “Management and Protection of Key Biodiversity Areas in Belize (KBA)” with Grant funding from the Global Environment Facility “GEF” and has appointed the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry the Environment and Sustainable Development (MAFFESD) for the overall implementation of the Project with the fiduciary support provided by the Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT). The Government of Belize intends to apply part of the proceeds of the grant to payments under the contract for this Consultancy.

KBA and PACT now invites eligible consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. In submitting its Expression of Interest, Firms should provide information demonstrating that it has the required and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Proven experience in work of a similar nature;
2. The team must possess expertise of a Forestry Expert, a Forest Ecologist and a Socio-Economist;

The attention of interested Firms is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011, revised July 2014* (“Consultant Guidelines”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment and Sustainable Development policy on “Employment of Public officers as consultants.”

The Firm will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on Consultants’ Qualification method set out in the World Bank Consultant Guidelines.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 2:00 pm on Thursday March 28th, 2019 to:

Procurement Officer
Protected Areas Conservation Trust
3 Mango Street
Belmopan
Tel: 822-3637

The sealed envelope containing the Expression of Interest must include the name and address of the applicant and should be clearly marked:

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KBA and PACT shall not be bound to defray any costs incurred by applicants in preparing and submitting statements of capability.