UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY



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REQUEST FOR QUOTE INVASIVE VEGETATION REMOVAL WITH GOATS

To Whom It May Concern:

The Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA) seeks quotes from qualified contractors to provide targeted goat grazing services for the removal and control of invasive plant species within designated areas. The goal is to utilize eco-friendly vegetation management methods to reduce invasive species growth and promote native habitat restoration.

Specifications

The selected contractor will provide goats and all necessary materials, equipment, and supervision to perform vegetation management in accordance with the following requirements:

- Delivery Location / Site: The Covanta waste management facility and the Rahway Riverfront Walk located adjacent to the Rahway River.
- Acreage: There are five (5) areas to be grazed, totaling 80,200 square feet (SF) or 1.84 acres. Please see attached plan (Phase 1).

Area 1	3,148 SF
Area 2	13,276 SF
Area 3	41,626 SF
Area 4	17,858 SF
Area 5	4,290 SF

- Primary Invasive Species: Giant Reed (*Phragmites spp.*)
- Specifications / Requirements: The contractor provide a sufficient number of goats
 to effectively control invasive vegetation within the project timeframe. The
 contractor shall supply and install temporary fencing, shelters, water sources, and

signage as needed. The contractor shall ensure proper care and welfare of animals at all times. An on-site or on-call herder or handler will be provided by the contractor for daily monitoring. The contractor shall coordinate with municipal staff regarding access, site conditions, and safety measures. The contractor shall remove all fencing, animals, and materials upon completion, leaving the site in clean condition.

Delivery Timeline: Work shall begin Fall 2025 and be completed by Spring 2026.

Quotation Requirements

The following details should be included in the cost proposal:

- 1. Duration of Grazing: Estimated days/weeks, subject to vegetation density and weather conditions.
- 2. Unit price and total price, including applicable taxes.
- 3. Transportation costs
- 4. Payment terms.
- 5. Warranty.
- 6. Validity period of the quotation.
- 7. Any additional costs or conditions.

Deadline, Tuesday, October 14, 2025

We kindly request that your quotation be submitted no later than Tuesday, October 14, 2025 to ensure timely evaluation. Quotations can be emailed to LStender@ucua.org.

Sincerely,

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