

Excelsior/Kings River RCD

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Agenda

**Special Board Meeting
Monday, March 28, 2022 – 11:00AM**

Due to Continued safety and health guidance and restrictions around Covid-19, the Board Meeting will be conducted via online platform ZOOM for public participation and for any director preferring not to meet in person. To log on visit:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81184575702?pwd=SnhGeEYrWTNaY0FoeFZGakxJSEe3QT09>

Meeting ID: 811 8457 5702

Passcode: 048730

- I. Call to order
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. Flag Salute
- II. Public Comment
- III. New Business
 - a. MAAS Energy MOU
 - b. Climate Smart Commodities Grant – Carbon Farm Plans
- IV. Adjournment

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting
April 14, 2022

Memorandum of Understanding

Stephen Hatley, CFO
Maas Energy Works, Inc.
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March 10, 2022

Tony Azevedo, President
Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District
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The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide the framework for a future binding contract between Maas Energy Works, Inc and the Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District for grant writing services and ongoing support for the for USDA's Climate-Smart Commodities (USAD - PCSC) Notice of Funding Announcement. The Partners acknowledge that no contractual relationship is created between them at this time, but rather this Memorandum serves as an agreement to work together in the development and implementation of a proposed program that was presented by Daryl Maas, CEO of Maas Energy Works, Inc. during the Excelsior-Kings River Resource Conservation District meeting held on March 10, 2022.

Maas Energy Works, Inc. hereby proposes to provide the following grant writing and grant support services:

Prior to Award

- Register with, and complete, an Organization Applicant Profile with Grants.gov
- Register, create, and manage the Grants.gov Workspace (during the application process) to ensure documents (as outlined in the NOFO) are completed and timelines are met.
- Collaborate with all Partners concerning the development and implementation of the proposed Project
- Locate, contact, and collaborate with the Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) in the development of their Role as it pertains to the Project and serving as a member(s) of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Obtain letters of support from community members, regional government officials, and community organizations
- Obtain letters of interest from potential eligible dairy participants in the participating RCD regions
- Collect and compile required documents from all Partners, including the MSIs
- Write and submit the official Grant Application on behalf of the Resource Conservation Districts on Grants.gov

After Award

- Collaborate with TAC partners and dairy participants to gather the information required for USDA grant deliverables
- Manage timelines and submit grant reports in accordance with the USDA – PCSC requirements
- Schedule and attend all required meetings with USDA
- Serve as a representative (member) of the USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Learning Network and participate in two virtual meetings and two in-person meetings a year during the project duration (5 years) in accordance with USDA – PCSC requirements
- Serve on the TAC and attend meetings as scheduled
- Solicit potential dairy applicants to participate in the program for presentation and approval by the TAC
- Solicit bids from various nutrient recovery technology providers for presentation and approval by the TAC

Maas Energy Works Inc agrees to provide the above grant writing and ongoing grant support services for the duration of the USDA grant contract agreement, on a contingent basis of 4% of any grants awarded and received by the RCD, payable only upon RCD's receive of funds from USDA.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I am aware that this document is not a contractual agreement but just a written acknowledgement of the proposal terms as outlined above.

Print Name

Title

Signature

Date