

# INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

## **Awards**

The Government of Manitoba ("Manitoba") reserves the right to reject any or all tenders received. In the event the highest tendered amount results in identical bids from eligible bidders, an additional Closed Tender will be called among these bidders.

## **Awarding Lease**

The tender will be awarded to the highest bidder. Successful bidders will be required to enter into a formal Cropping Lease Agreement with Manitoba, in the form attached, upon award of the tender. The Cropping Lease Agreement will be for a period of five (5) years. A copy of the Plan(s) indicating the location and approximate acreage of the property for lease is also attached.

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, a Canadian Citizen or landed immigrant and a resident of Manitoba within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). Corporations must be authorized under *The Corporations Act (Manitoba)* to carry on business in Manitoba. Applicants agree to be actively involved in the management and operation of the leased lands.

## **Discrepancies or Omissions**

Bidders finding discrepancies in, or omissions from, the Cropping Lease Agreement, General Information, Plan(s), or other documents forming part of the tender package, or having any doubts as to the meaning or intent of any part thereof, should at once notify Crown Lands Act Dispositions of the Real Estate Services Branch so that written instructions or explanations may be provided to all bidders.

## **Taxes**

Bidders will be responsible for municipal taxes for all lands under agricultural production. Bidders are advised that **land rent is subject to GST**.

## **General**

Bidders are to submit their tender using the Cropping Lease Tender Application form provided and complete the form in the spaces provided, including the parcel(s) being bid on and other pertinent details to allow for complete evaluation of the tender. You may bid on one or more of the parcels advertised for lease.

## **Bid Deposit**

Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of 10% of the annual bid amount in the form of a certified cheque, money order or bank draft, made payable to the Minister of Finance of Manitoba. Deposits will be returned to unsuccessful bidders. The successful bidder's deposit will be credited toward the first installment of the annual rental payment for the first year of the lease term.

**Your bid will be disqualified if your deposit does not accompany your application.**

**Bid deposits will be forfeited and the award lost if the successful bidder does not enter into the Cropping Lease Agreement, in the required form, by Friday, May 12, 2023.**

## **Submission of Tenders**

Each tender must be submitted in person or sent by mail in a sealed envelope and addressed to Real Estate Services Branch, Park Land Leases & Permits, 308-25 Tupper Street, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, R1N 3K1 and must be received before **12:00 noon, April 12, 2023**.

**The outside of the envelope containing the bid should be clearly marked with the words:  
"TENDER FOR BEAUDRY AGRICULTURAL LANDS"**