



BORDER GROWING WATER SMART

Empowering leaders and integrating water and land use planning for more water resilient communities.

HIRING CONSULTANT

September 2023

The Sonoran Institute is recruiting a consultant to assist in the Border Growing Water Smart Guidebook Development, Workshop Design, and research activities associated.

Now Accepting Applications

The Sonoran Institute invites U.S. and/or Mexican Consultants to support with the following activities:

- **Guidebook Development (Spanish):** The BGWS Guidebook will be used as a guide to help communities along the border to identify intervention points related to land use that will help achieve water resilience. The BGWS Guidebook Development will require:
 - a. Research Support – Contractor will be responsible for collecting, reviewing, and recommending existing information and resources that could support the development of a reference guidebook to be utilized before, during, and after the BGWS workshop.
 - b. Guidebook Outline – The contractor will be responsible for integrating research into a Guidebook for the BGWS workshop.
 - c. Guidebook Writing – The contractor will be responsible for subsequent drafting and development of the containing sections in Spanish, with the support of the Sonoran Institute.

- **Workshop Design Support:** In concert with the Sonoran Institute and the Babbitt Center for Land and Water Policy, the contractor will be responsible for supporting the design of a binational workshop with the objective of empowering leaders from US and Mexican communities to integrate water and land use planning for more water resilient communities. The workshop design will follow GWS Workshop methodology, however, it will be tailored to the unique needs and challenges of US-MX border communities.

Timeline

Guidebook Development: Mid-October - December.

Workshop Design Support: Mid-November - January 19th, 2024.

Term of Contract: The term of the contract shall be from October 2, 2023, through January 31, 2024.



Submission Format and Requirements

- Applications may include Guidebook Development and/or Workshop Design activities.
- A bilingual consultant or team of consultants is strongly preferred.
- Please provide a narrative in English of no more than five pages (use Times Roman, 12 Font, single-spaced) that describes individual tasks and, for each task, identifies the deliverable(s), estimate of hours and hourly rates, and itemizes any other expenses associated with these tasks. A list of proposed tasks can be found in: <https://bit.ly/BGWSCONTASK>
- Please include brief descriptions of up to three projects similar to this RFP that you have worked on. Include references for these projects, providing their affiliation, title, and phone and email contact information. Limit this to one page.

Access full RFP at:

<https://bit.ly/BGWSRFP>

Application Deadline

September 28th, 2023, 5:00 pm, MST

Forward your submission to:

growingwatersmart@sonoraninstitute.org

Contact Us

For clarifications on the project deliverables and process please reach out to growingwatersmart@sonoraninstitute.org to schedule a Q&A session.

About the Sonoran Institute

The Sonoran Institute's mission is to connect people and communities with the natural resources that nourish and sustain them. SonoranInstitute.org.

About Border GSM

The Sonoran Institute and the Babbitt Center for Land and Water Policy, a Center of the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, are co-developing a training and assistance program – focusing on education, capacity-building, network building, and project implementation – to improve the integration and collaboration around water and land use planning in communities along the US-MX border. The program will aim to build community and watershed resilience in the face of rapid population growth and increasing climate risks in border cities.

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