

**Seattle Parks and Recreation | RFP for Green Seattle Partnership Volunteer Coordination  
RFP Addendum: First Pre-Submittal Meeting Questions and Answers | September 6, 2018**

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**Notes:**

- Q: (DIRT Corps) Given the expectation of a smaller GSP budget, should we propose the same number of events or less?  
A: (Parks) Develop your proposal based on your organization’s availability to provide a service. We will then determine if it’s a service we’re interested in as part of the proposal review, and the quantity will be determined as part of the contract negotiation process.
- Q: (Cascadia) Broadly, are you looking for similar work or status quo?  
A: (Parks) There are a number of tasks listed in the scope of work that will remain status quo (i.e. leading volunteer events), but the RFP process is a good opportunity to generate new ideas; we depend on partner organizations to get creative and provide innovative programming. Some things that have come up in our work planning conversations include how to engage volunteers better beyond initial restoration; how to meet volunteer hours goals that are usually bolstered by large events while also focusing work efforts on areas that need help moving through the phases of restoration to long-term stewardship status. We can also add that we are eager to consider how to better engage young people in Forest Steward roles and how to help make the transition for stewards looking to “retire”.
- Q: (DIRT Corps) Are there populations that you are looking at engaging more?  
A: (Parks) Youth engagement is always something were looking to boost. We encourage you to reference the GSP Strategic Plan to look at engagement goals (hard copies of the executive summary provided/available here: [https://www.greenseattle.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/GSP\\_Exec\\_Final\\_01.23.18-Digital.pdf](https://www.greenseattle.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/GSP_Exec_Final_01.23.18-Digital.pdf)). Low income populations and people of color are target audiences for increasing engagement.
- Q: (DIRT Corps) Broadview Consulting has been involved with outreach at Westcrest. Is that something we should count on next year? Or should we include this type of support in our proposal?  
A: (Parks) Parks contracts Broadview to provide outreach and engagement support. Their work has focused on parks where we need to improve neighbor relations or parks where we have professional crew work occurring. We cannot guarantee that they’ll be involved at Westcrest next year.
- Q: (Nature Consortium) Do you want a list of the parks/zones that we are interested in working on next year?  
A: (Parks) If it makes sense with the work you are proposing to do (i.e. lead volunteer events at specific parks) then it would be helpful to include in the proposal for our review and planning. It would be a draft list and would be finalized as part of the contract negotiation process.
- Q: (DIRT Corps) Should we identify other areas we want to work?  
A: (Parks) That would be fine if it supports your explanation of what you are proposing to accomplish. Don’t spend too much time drafting an extensive list.

**Attendees:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization/Affiliation</b>
Ruth Bell	Cascadia Consulting Group
Ed Dominguez	Seward Park Audubon Center
Mackenzie Dolstad	Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust
Caroline Borsenik	Delridge Neighborhood Development Association – Nature Consortium
Cari Simpson	Urban Systems Design – DIRT Corps