

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD CONTRACT No. 20-032**

Issued: April 22, 2020

Vendors are advised the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) intends to direct award a contract to ESRI for licencing, maintenance, and technical support for the Regional District of Nanaimo's Information Services Department.

Services include, but are not limited to ESRI's proprietary software that supports its:

- Desktop Software and Extensions;
- Enterprise Software and Extensions;
- Developer Tools.

The estimated value of the agreement may be greater than \$75,000.00.

The RDN wishes to direct award for the following reasons:

- Available only through ESRI to the best of the RDN's knowledge;
- The RDN believes no other reasonable alternative exists in the marketplace that meets the requirements.

Vendors wishing to challenge the RDN's intention to direct award a contract to ESRI must submit their objection, in writing, via email to the following person on, or before 3:00 p.m. PST on May 6, 2020:

Gary Jurasek, Manager, Information Technology & Geographic Information Systems  
Regional District of Nanaimo  
Email: [gjurasek@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:gjurasek@rdn.bc.ca)

Objections must be submitted on company letterhead and be signed by an individual authorized to represent the company submitting the objection. Vendors must clearly state the reasons why they believe they are qualified to supply the services that are being proposed to be direct awarded and why the services should be competitively tendered.

The RDN retains the right to determine its future course of action depending on any responses received and to perform its due diligence as required prior to making a final decision.