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REQUEST FOR QUOTE FOR HURON RIVER AQUATIC WEED HARVESTING

Issue Date: May 4, 2026

Proposal Deadline: **May 28, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time**
Hamburg Township
Special Projects Coordinator
10405 Merrill Road, P.O. Box 157
Hamburg, MI 48139

Purchasing Contact: Brittany K. Campbell
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DESCRIPTION: Quotes are being solicited for the purpose of securing contractor services for the mechanical harvesting of aquatic weeds in the Huron River within the Township boundaries.

This solicitation, along with all attachments and addenda may be downloaded from the Hamburg Township website at www.hamburg.mi.us. Copies of this solicitation document and any issued addenda may also be obtained from the Special Projects Coordinator, Hamburg Township Utilities Department, 10405 Merrill Road, P.O. Box 157, Hamburg, MI 48139, (810) 231-1000 Ext. 210. Please note that if a vendor elects to obtain documents directly from the Utilities Department, it is then the responsibility of the vendor to contact the Special Projects Coordinator to find out if any additional addenda or attachments have been issued.

Quotes must be time-stamped by the Special Projects Coordinator by the exact date and time indicated above. Late quotes will not be accepted.

**REQUEST FOR QUOTE
TOWNSHIP OF HAMBURG
CONTRACTORS SERVICES FOR PROJECT**

A. Introduction

A section of the Huron River, a distance of approximately 3,000 feet west of the Hamburg Road Bridge from Ore Lake to Strawberry Lake, is prone to experiencing extensive aquatic weed growth which can block the free flow of the river channel in the spring and early fall periods of the year.

B. Project Background

The aquatic weed blockages can be a contributing factor to flooding on sections of the Huron River at the Hamburg Road Bridge, Little Ore Lake and Ore Lake during periods of significant high levels of precipitation when the ground becomes saturated.

In the springtime, the river becomes clogged with curly leaf pondweed (mid-April to end of June). In the late summer to early fall, the river becomes congested with eel grass (*Vallisneria Americana*). Removing the aquatic weed restrictions helps to minimize river flooding.

C. Project Description

The Township is proposing to have "on stand-by status" aquatic weed harvesting services for the above-mentioned segment of the Huron River that may be activated in the event of significant high levels of precipitation during a several day time period when the ground is saturated and there is significant height and breadth of aquatic weeds in the river channel blocking free flowing of river waters.

D. Scope of Work

The Contractor shall be required to submit a quote to provide aquatic weed harvesting services necessary for the clearing of the above-mentioned segment of the Huron River on an as-needed/stand-by basis.

Services shall include the following items (not in any particular order):

1. The ability to respond within 48 business hours of notification through a phone call or written request to harvest received from the Township Supervisor or Clerk with date and time options for the Contractor to perform the work.

2. Moving necessary equipment and personnel to the work area designated by the Township with commencement of the aquatic weed harvesting and removal of spoils upon approval from the Township of the proposed dates/times.
3. Removal of harvested spoils to a location on Township property as designated by the Township Supervisor or Clerk for composting purposes.
4. Removal of equipment and personnel after work is completed.
5. Restoration of any ingress/egress point along the Huron River to the original level prior to commencement of the work of the owner of the ingress/egress point.

E. Contract Time Period

- Request for Quote released 05/04/2026
- Proposals due 2:00 pm on 05/28/2026
- Planned Award Date on or around 06/02/2026
- Project Completion Date within 7 days after Township authorization to harvest weeds.

F. Contractor Selection

The Township Special Projects Coordinator will review the proposals and make a recommendation of award to the Township Board of Trustees. The responses to the Request for Quote shall be forwarded along with their endorsement to the Township Board of Trustees for final selection of the Contractor and award of the contract. To the extent that any proposals are over budget cost may be a determining factor.

G. Submissions

Contractors wishing to be considered for this project should submit two (2) written copies and one .pdf electronic file of their proposal to:

Brittany K. Campbell
Hamburg Township Special Projects Coordinator
10405 Merrill Road, P.O. Box 157
Hamburg, MI 48139
Email: bcampbell@hamburg.mi.us

Proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages with the following information clearly printed on the outside:

1. Name and address of prime contractor
2. Due date and time
3. Envelope contents (technical and cost proposals)
4. Project name

Questions about the project should be directed to Tony Randazzo, Director of Technical and Utility Services, at the above address or at:

Telephone: (810) 231-1000 Ext. 214
Direct Line: (810) 222-1191
Email: trandazzo@hamburg.mi.us

H. Proposal Terms

Contractors are hereby advised that Hamburg Township is a public body and its records, including statements submitted in response to this request are considered public records. All requests for quotes become the property of the Township upon submission. The expense of preparing and submitting a quote is the sole responsibility of the company. The Township reserves the right to waive or not waive informalities or irregularities in submittals, and to accept or further negotiate costs, terms, and conditions of any quote determined by the Township to be in the best interest of the Township even though not the lowest cost proposal. All bidders shall be advised that the Township is not bound in any manner to automatically accept the lowest bid. This solicitation in no way obligates the Township to award a contract.

If a proposal is selected, it will be the most advantageous quote with respect to price, quality of service, and other factors that Hamburg Township may consider. The Township reserves the right to consider quotes for modifications at any time before a Contract is awarded, and negotiations would be undertaken with that provider whose quote is deemed to best meet the Township's specifications and needs.

Quotes submitted to Hamburg Township must indicate a not-to-exceed project cost.

The Township must receive all quotes no later than **2:00 PM on Thursday, May 28, 2026**. Quotes received after this time will not be accepted or reviewed. No facsimile-machine produced or email quotes will be accepted.

I. Terms and Conditions and Proposed Agreement

The selected Contractor will be asked to enter into an Agreement that may include, but is not limited to, the following contract provisions:

- The Contractor will provide the required services personally and will not subcontract or assign the services without the Township's written approval.
- The Contractor will not hire any Township employee to provide any of the required services.
- The Contractor will maintain, at its own expense during the term of the Contract, Liability Insurance in an amount acceptable to Hamburg Township.

**REQUEST FOR QUOTE AND STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION
FOR AQUATIC WEED HARVESTING IN THE HURON RIVER
WITHIN HAMBURG TOWNSHIP**

TO THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMBURG, MICHIGAN

The undersigned as Bidder hereby declares that this Quote is made in good faith without fraud or collusion with any person or persons bidding on the same Contract; that he has read and examined the Request for Quote and understands all of the same; that he or his representative has made personal investigation of the work area and has informed himself fully with regard to the requirements to be met in the execution of this Contract, and the undersigned proposes to furnish all staff, materials, transportation, and equipment necessary for the completion of the aquatic weed harvesting services.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder based on total bid price for all work as specified.

PROPOSAL PRICE: The Bidder agrees to complete the Project for the following sums:

The Contractor shall be required to submit a quote to provide aquatic weed harvesting services necessary for the clearing of the above-mentioned segment of the Huron River on an as-needed/stand-by basis.

Services shall include the following items (not in any particular order):

Item	Specifics	Cost
1. The ability to respond within 48 business hours of notification through a phone call or written request to harvest received from the Township Supervisor or Clerk with date and time options for the Contractor to perform the work.	See accompanying PLM proposal for scheduling, mobilization, and operational details. No additional fee is associated with responding to notification requests or coordinating scheduling in accordance with RFQ requirements.	\$ 0.00
2. Moving necessary equipment and personnel to the work area designated by the Township with commencement of the aquatic weed harvesting and removal of spoils upon approval from the Township of the proposed dates/times.	Includes mobilization of harvesting equipment, transportation of personnel, commencement of harvesting operations, and spoil removal coordination in accordance with the attached PLM proposal and operational requirements.	\$ Included in hourly harvesting rate and minimum project cost.
3. Removal of harvested spoils to a location on Township property as designated by the Township Supervisor or Clerk for composting purposes.	Includes transport and offloading of harvested aquatic vegetation to a Township-designated disposal or composting location in accordance with the attached PLM proposal. Disposal location must provide suitable access and conditions for unloading operations.	\$ Included in hourly harvesting rate and minimum project cost. \$400.00 / hour with 10 hour minimum

Item	Specifics	Cost
4. Removal of equipment and personnel after work is completed.	Includes removal of harvesting equipment, support equipment, and personnel from the project site following completion of harvesting activities.	\$ Included in hourly harvesting rate and minimum project cost.
5. Restoration of any ingress/egress point along the Huron River to the original level prior to commencement of the work of the owner of the ingress/egress point.	Access locations shall be mutually approved prior. PLM will make reasonable efforts to restore approved access areas to substantially similar conditions following operations. PLM shall not be responsible for pre-existing conditions, weather-related rutting, erosion, or long-term stabilization.	\$ Included in the hourly harvesting rate and minimum project cost.
	TOTAL COST	\$ Per attached proposal and hourly rate structure.

List any additional services/steps that you as the Contractor believe should be included with this Quote that are not listed above:

ITEM	SPECIFICS	COST
See attached PLM proposal and Mechanical Harvesting BMP Fact Sheet for additional operational procedures, scheduling considerations, invasive species prevention protocols, and harvesting limitations.		\$
		\$

The undersigned agrees that if the foregoing Quote shall be accepted by the Owner, he will commence work as specified when notified by the Hamburg Township Supervisor or Clerk

The Bidder shall acknowledge that he/she is an equal opportunity employer and that they do not discriminate due to race, age, gender or physical conditions.

In submitting this quote, it is understood that the right is reserved by the Township to accept any bid, to reject any or all bids, and to waive irregularities in bidding in the interest of the Township.

Dated and signed at PLM Lake & Land Mangement
this the 18th day of May, 2026.

OFFICIAL ADDRESS

10785 Bennett Drive,
Morrice, MI 48857

[REDACTED]
Telephone

BIDDER'S NAME

PLM Lake & Land Managment

BreAnne Grabill

By BreAnne Grabill

Senior Regional Manager

Title

Proposal Accepted:

By: Jason B. Negri,
Hamburg Township Supervisor

Date:



PLM
LAKE & LAND
MANAGEMENT CORP

May 18, 2026

Huron River/Hamburg Township
Attn: Brittany Campbell
10405 Merrill Road
PO Box 157
Hamburg, MI 48139

RE: RFQ- Huron River Aquatic Weed Harvesting (2026 season)

Dear Ms. Campbell,

Please accept the enclosed proposal from PLM Lake & Land Management Corp. for mechanical harvesting services associated with the Huron River Aquatic Weed Harvesting RFQ for the 2026 season.

PLM has provided aquatic vegetation management services throughout Michigan for more than 40 years and has extensive experience conducting mechanical harvesting operations on lakes, rivers, and inland waterways. Our team understands the operational and environmental considerations associated with maintaining water flow, reducing nuisance vegetation, and supporting flood mitigation objectives within sensitive aquatic systems.

Enclosed for your review are:

- PLM Mechanical Harvesting Service Agreement / Proposal
- PLM Mechanical Harvesting Best Management Practices (BMPs) Fact Sheet
- Pricing and operational information requested within the RFQ

PLM maintains trained harvesting staff, dedicated harvesting equipment, and operational procedures designed to support efficient project completion while implementing best management practices intended to minimize environmental impacts and reduce the potential spread of invasive aquatic species.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit a proposal for this project and look forward to working with Hamburg Township. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or if additional information is needed.

BreAnne Grabill, Environmental Scientist
Senior Regional Manager
PLM Lake & Land Management Corp.

May 18, 2026



PLM
LAKE & LAND
MANAGEMENT CORP

Huron River/Hamburg Township
Attn: Brittany Campbell
10405 Merrill Road
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Hamburg, MI 48139

RE: RFQ Mechanical Harvesting Program – Huron River (2026 Season)

PLM Lake & Land Management Corp. ("PLM") will provide a mechanical harvesting program for Huron River for the 2026 season.

Contract Qualifications

PLM Lake & Land Management Corp. has provided aquatic vegetation management services throughout Michigan for more than 40 years and has extensive experience conducting mechanical harvesting operations on lakes, rivers, and inland waterways. PLM currently operates multiple aquatic vegetation harvesters and maintains trained field staff experienced in nuisance aquatic vegetation management, equipment transport, spoil handling, and environmentally responsible harvesting practices. PLM maintains all required licensing and insurance and implements best management practices designed to minimize environmental impacts and reduce the spread of invasive species. PLM has experience conducting harvesting operations intended to improve water flow, reduce channel obstruction, and support flood mitigation objectives in inland waterways. PLM maintains specialized harvesting support equipment, including aquatic transfer barges utilized for efficient transport and offloading of harvested vegetation. These systems improve operational efficiency, reduce shoreline congestion, and support effective spoil management during large-scale or high-volume harvesting operations.

Scope of Work

PLM will mechanically harvest aquatic vegetation to a maximum cutting depth of five (5) feet, with a minimum operational water depth of approximately twenty-four (24) inches required for safe harvester operation. Harvested vegetation will be transported and deposited at a predetermined disposal location designated by the client, typically within a ten (10) mile radius of the waterbody. PLM will transport harvested material to the designated area at no additional charge; however, all disposal fees, landfill costs, towing fees, and access-related expenses shall remain the responsibility of the client. No mobilization, set-up, or breakdown fees will be charged provided that a suitable access site is available at the time of service. A designated representative of the client will:

- Periodically evaluate workmanship during operations
- Sign a completion acknowledgment ("release form") following each harvest event

Pricing Schedule

Item Specifics:	Cost:	Note:
Mechanical Harvester:	\$400.00 per hour	per machine
Transfer Barge Support unit:	\$175.00 per hour	if required for operations, project efficiency and approved
Minimum Harvesting Event	\$4,000.00	

Unless otherwise authorized by the Township, harvesting activities performed under this agreement shall not exceed the approved project cost authorization.

Access & Permitting

Michigan EGLE permits are not currently required for mechanical weed harvesting. Proper access sites are a requirement and the responsibility of the client. The client is responsible for ensuring access sites are available, safe, and suitable for equipment operation. PLM reserves the right suspend or decline harvesting operations if access conditions are deemed unsafe or pose a risk of damage to equipment. If PLM mobilizes to the site and determines the access conditions are unsuitable or unavailable, a fee of \$500.00 will be charged to cover mobilization and travel costs.

Access Site Restoration

PLM will make reasonable efforts to restore ingress/egress areas disturbed during harvesting operations to substantially similar condition as existed prior to access. PLM shall not be responsible for pre-existing site conditions, saturated soils, rutting caused by weather conditions, or long-term erosion stabilization unless specifically included within the scope of work.

Submerged Obstructions

PLM shall not be responsible for delays, incomplete harvesting, or equipment damage resulting from submerged obstructions including, but not limited to, rocks, stumps, cables, pipes, debris, docks, or unmarked structures located within the work area.

Water Level Requirements

If water levels are not suitable for safe harvesting operations upon PLM's arrival, a fee of \$500.00 will be charged to cover mobilization and travel time.

To avoid unnecessary charges and scheduling conflicts, water levels must be verified and approved prior to dispatch.

Scheduling

Harvesting schedules are subject to change due to weather conditions, equipment maintenance, travel logistics, and regional workload. While PLM will make every effort to accommodate preferred timing, specific dates or weeks cannot be guaranteed. Projects will be scheduled as efficiently as possible, often when crews are operating within the region. Advance communication will be provided prior to service.

Per RFQ specifications, PLM will respond within forty-eight (48) business hours of notification with a proposed scheduling options for project completion.

Harvesting services are being provided on an as-needed basis and stand-by basis in accordance with the RFQ specifications and subject to operational availability, weather conditions, and site suitability.

Weather / Force Majeure Clause

PLM shall not be held responsible for delays or inability to perform due to weather, water conditions, or circumstances beyond its control.

Multiple-Year Program (Optional)

As an incentive for a multi-year agreement:

- 2027 pricing will remain the same as 2026
- 2028 pricing will increase by no more than five percent (5%)

If regulatory agencies (including EGLE) significantly alter approved harvesting procedures, either party may terminate this agreement with ninety (90) days written notice.

Invasive Species Disclaimer

PLM implements best management practices to minimize the spread of invasive species during harvesting operations; however, complete prevention of fragmentation-based spread cannot be guaranteed due to environmental conditions.

Vegetation Management Limitations

Mechanical harvesting is intended to reduce nuisance aquatic vegetation present at the time of service. Emergent vegetation (e.g., cattails, bulrush, purple loosestrife, and lily pads) and beneficial native plant species will not be removed unless specifically included in the scope of work. Mechanical harvesting provides temporary vegetation reduction and is not intended to serve as permanent eradication of aquatic vegetation. PLM does not guarantee long-term control or prevention of future plant growth, as regrowth is influenced by environmental conditions, lake ecology, and ongoing nutrient inputs.

Harvesting Operations and Floating Vegetation

Mechanical harvesting operations may result in incidental floating plant fragments or residual vegetation following completion of harvesting activities. While PLM utilizes collection methods and best management practices designed to minimize floating vegetation, complete removal of all fragments cannot be guaranteed due to water flow, currents, wind, vegetation density, and environmental conditions.

The presence of limited residual floating vegetation or plant fragments following harvesting activities shall not, by itself, constitute incomplete work or grounds for non-payment.

Invoicing & Payment Terms

Invoices will be issued following each harvesting event and will include:

- Waterbody serviced;

- Date(s) of service;
- Description of work performed.
- Payment terms: Net thirty (30) days

PLM reserves the right to apply:

- A fuel surcharge of up to 1.5%
- Interest charges of 1.25% for balances unpaid after sixty (60) days

Liability & Insurance

PLM maintains all required workers' compensation and liability insurance for the duration of this agreement.

PLM shall not be held responsible for:

- Fish loss or aquatic impacts associated with low dissolved oxygen levels, particularly during warm water conditions
- Conditions outside of PLM's control, including weather events or natural lake dynamics

Acceptance – Huron River Harvesting Project _ Hamburg Township

Please indicate your participation in the optional multi-year program (if desired), sign below, and return one copy of this agreement by June 15, 2026.

This document will serve as the formal contract for services.

Program Selection

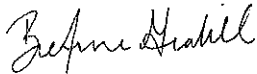
- ☐ Multiple-Year Program
☐ One-Year Program

Accepted by:

Print Name Date

Signature

For further clarification or modifications, please contact:



BreAnne Grabill, Environmental Scientist
Senior Regional Manager
PLM Lake & Land Management Corp.