

Wastewater Department

To: Dee Johnson

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We budgeted \$64,000 for the purchase of a Raptor Boom Mower with Sickle bar this year. The attachment would attach to the skid steer and be use for mowing around the wetlands to cut back the invasive cattails and willows that are encroaching on the slopes of the wetlands as well as mowing fence lines and trimming roads. As you know due to the price of the unit we had to put it out for bid. The bid for the Raptor came in at \$48,150 but there was 2 other similar units that came in lower. The other units are not comparable to the raptor as shown in the specifications below.

Raptor

- Rotation of 180 degrees
- 12.4" reach with 48" mower deck
- 20' reach with 9' sickle bar attachment
- Boom moves up, down and rotates

Eterra

- Tilt 110 degrees
- 96" reach
- Only moves up and down but does not rotate
- No mower deck

Blue Diamond

- 96" reach with 44" mower deck
- Tilt 125 degrees
- Moves up and down but does not rotate
- No sickle bar

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