

## Sonoma Clean Power Local Resource Plan Request for Offers

Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) is pleased to announce a Request for Offers (RFO) solicitation to develop local renewable and storage resources to meet the demands of SCP's EverGreen customers. EverGreen is SCP's 100% local renewable 24x7 energy supply in Sonoma and Mendocino counties.

The EverGreen program was established in May 2014 when SCP first began serving customers. It is an option for customers who wish to upgrade from SCP's standard CleanStart Program. SCP's CleanStart program utilized 50% renewable energy in 2019 from resources located across the state and neighboring states that supply energy to California. EverGreen uses 100% local renewable energy both day and night using local solar renewable energy by day and local geothermal from the Geysers at night.

SCP's EverGreen program is the first of its kind for California, being the only program to offer 100% local, renewable power that runs 24x7. EverGreen does not rely on natural gas or other non-renewables as it uses both solar and geothermal renewable energy.

Participation in EverGreen supports local renewable energy development. SCP has built 6 MW of new local solar in Sonoma and Mendocino counties as the result of EverGreen customers and with growing EverGreen participation and the decisions of the City of Santa Rosa in 2020 and City of Petaluma in 2021 to participate in EverGreen, SCP can now further develop local renewable and storage resources.

SCP will use the following qualitative measures to assess potential local resource supply projects:

- Location- Projects must be located in Sonoma and Mendocino counties.
- Constructability- Projects must demonstrate that they can be permitted, interconnected with the grid, and constructed.
- GHG Emissions mitigation- SCP has established a goal of mitigating 110 metric tons of hourly CO<sub>2</sub> system emissions per GWh of EverGreen demand. Projects must contribute to this goal.
- Renewable energy-SCP seeks to increase our renewable portfolio for this RFO with the exception of biomass development.
- Cost- SCP has set a priority for the EverGreen premium rate to be at or below the current rate of 2.5 cents per kWh. Projects must be competitive from a cost perspective and contribute to this goal.
- Demand Matching- The project or the combination of selected projects must closely match the needs of SCP's EverGreen net open position on an hourly basis. Projects or the combination of selected projects must contribute to the goal of minimizing over-generation during periods of low demand and maximizing generation during periods of high demand.

- Resiliency/Reliability: Projects will be evaluated in terms of the ability or contribution to the future ability to provide SCP customers with reliable energy during peak demand periods, periods of Public Safety Power Shutoffs, rolling blackouts, planned outages, and other unplanned outages such as storms.
- Value of total pricing, pricing structure and contract term.
- Environmental impact on undeveloped land.
- Impacts on and benefits for low-income and disadvantaged communities.
- Impacts on and benefits for businesses owned by women, minorities, disabled veterans, or members of the LGBTQ community.
- Contribution to local workforce and local economy.
- Completeness and quality of proposal.
- Respondent experience developing similar projects.
- Respondent's competence and previous experience:
  - a. interconnection progress
  - b. permitting progress
  - c. control over land
  - d. construction timeline and anticipated COD
- Quality of references.
- Any other factors SCP deems relevant.

The total resource MW and portfolio for the Local Resource Plan will be determined based on the evaluation metrics above and will remain flexible as any additional EverGreen load is added. For more information on the 2021 Local Resource Plan, please visit our EverGreen website page [here](#).

### 2021 Local Resource Plan Solicitation Key Dates

TIMELINE	EVENT
June 1, 2021	Solicitation Release
Ongoing	Question Submittal
June 15, 2021 9:00am PPT	Participants' Webinar Link to pre-register for Zoom webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_878sjPnrRJmEluO2Qlh4Eg">https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_878sjPnrRJmEluO2Qlh4Eg</a>
June 17, 2021	Responses to Questions published if not answered in the webinar
July 16, 2021 COB	Deadline to Submit Proposals
September 1, 2021 or sooner	Project(s) Shortlisting
September-December 2021	Contract Negotiations
December 2021	Contract Execution Target

Respondents are encouraged to submit questions about this RFO to SCP at [Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org](mailto:Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org). All questions regarding this RFO must be submitted by email.

SCP intends to post all questions submitted by Respondents, as well as the responses to those questions, on the SCP website. Due to confidentiality concerns, all questions will be posted anonymously in order to shield the identity of Respondents who posed the questions. Responses to questions will be posted by June 17, 2021, and we will continue to post answers as questions are received.

Please respond to the questions on the attached Cover Sheet and submit along with your proposal no later than 5 p.m. PST on July 16, 2021 to [Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org](mailto:Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org).

Respondents will each bear the risk of any failure to submit the completed proposal package by the required deadline as required by this RFO. SCP reserves the right to reject any offer that does not comply with the requirements identified herein.

Depending on the responses to this RFO, SCP may choose to contract with more than one Respondent. Issuance of this RFO does not constitute an offer to buy or create an obligation for SCP to enter into any agreement with any party, and SCP shall not be bound by the terms of any offer until SCP has entered into a fully executed agreement. SCP reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to waive irregularities in offers, offer requirements, to request modifications of any offer, to accept or reject any or all offers received, and to cancel all or part of this RFO at any time prior to awards without liability to any organization or individual.

If a Project is shortlisted by SCP, Respondent will be required to execute an Exclusivity Agreement with SCP which gives SCP exclusivity in negotiating with Respondent for the Project. A deposit in the form of cash or Letter of Credit in the amount of \$3.00/kW will be required to secure the Exclusivity Agreement.

Direct all questions, requests and other inquiries or communications to SCP at [Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org](mailto:Procurement@SonomaCleanPower.org)

For more information and to be directed to our company website, please click [here](#).

Sincerely,  
SCP Procurement Team