

REPORT DATE: 16 July 2025 **REPORT NUMBER:** ES018-25
DEPARTMENT: Engineering Services
PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Cr Jason Watts
REPORT TITLE: **COMMERCIAL IN CONFIDENCE - RFT2425-136 April 2024 Flood Restoration Works – Pushing Gravel for Roadworks East**
PREPARED BY: Director Engineering Services – Dion Jones

SUBJECT:

Council has recently called tenders for the pushing gravel for roadworks East of Yelarbon from the April 2024 flood event. This report is for Council to consider this tender.

REPORT:

Council has approved flood damage works from the April 2024 flood event. Pavement materials are required to be sourced prior to the undertaking of the actual flood damage works. RFT 2425-136 April 2024 Flood Restoration Works Pushing Gravel for Roadworks East was called to allow suitable qualified and experienced contractors to push gravel in readiness of these works, with the tenders closing on Friday 11 July 2025.

The tender called for Gravel Pushing Contractors to access various gravel pits in the Council area East of Yelarbon to rip and push gravel from white rock borrow pits. The equivalent to a D8 or larger will be required for ripping and stockpiling gravel materials and clearing overburden and various float movement will be required between locations.

Proterra Group were engaged by GRC to produce, research, distribute, collate, evaluate and provide recommendations to Council to award the tender (**see Attachment B**). This report is seeking an endorsement from Council to award the tender so Council may begin flood damage reconstruction works which are due to be completed by June 2026.

The Tender Administrator was Proterra Group via VendorPanel. Due to the nature of the required works and expected value, Proterra Group and Goondiwindi Regional Council released this tender to the public marketplace. The public tender fulfills Council's obligations under its purchasing policy and the Local Government Act 2009.

Tenders opened on Wednesday 11 June 2025. VendorPanel statistics show 425 Suppliers read the tender document and when the tender closed at 4:00pm Friday 11 July, seven (7) submissions were received via VendorPanel, which is shown below:

Contractor Name	Conforming (Y/N)	Tender Price (excl. GST)
A&A Illing Earthmoving	Y	\$245,900.00
Culleton Contracting Pty Ltd	Y	\$190,200.00
Gore Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Y	\$299,920.00
South East Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Y	\$282,740.00
The Trustee For the Bomford Family Trust	Y	\$213,950.50

Tuckwell Transport And Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Y	\$216,520.00
Lewis Machinery Repairs Pty Ltd	N*	*

*Lewis Machinery Repairs Pty Ltd's tender was deemed non-conforming and not included in the evaluation process. The tender was submitted after the closing time via email, the tenderer claiming they experienced technical difficulties. The submission only included an hourly rate and not a detailed schedule of rates in the documents we received.

All conforming tenders were evaluated against the following criteria specified in the tender through a Weighted Offer Evaluation Matrix (*Attachment B*)

Criteria	Weighting
<i>Price and Value for Money</i>	50%
<i>Delivery Methodology, Approach, Risks, Issues and Departures</i>	20%
<i>Capabilities, Experience and Resources and Management Systems</i>	15%
<i>Local Business and Industry</i>	15%

Culleton Contracting Pty Ltd submitted the lowest tender price of \$190,200.00 excluding GST. Although they provided a brief Statement of Approach outlining a basic operational sequence, including site assessment, confirmation of work areas and distances, and stockpiling in suitable locations to ensure sufficient space for machinery and truck operations, the company did not submit any supporting documentation with the tender, such as a detailed methodology, risk assessment, or identification of potential issues or departures. As a result, limited insight is available into their project management framework, safety planning, or risk mitigation strategies, which restricts evaluation of their preparedness and compliance with project requirements.

Many of the other tenderers also did not submit sufficient supporting documentation with their tender response. The absence of these details makes it difficult to confidently recommend the submitter's capability, compliance, and alignment with project requirements. The exception was Gore Earthmoving who are a well-known local company who submitted a comprehensive tender covering all required aspects very well.

In accordance with weighted offer evaluation (***Attachment A***), the best ranked submission was from Culleton Contracting Pty Ltd and it is recommended that Council accept their quotation for RFT2425-136 April 2024 Flood Restoration Works – Pushing Gravel for Roadworks East.

This report is seeking an endorsement from Council to award the tender so Council may begin flood damage reconstruction works as under the funding arrangements all works for the April 2024 event must be completed by June 2026.

ASSOCIATED RISKS:

Delays to awarding works may impact the contractor's ability to deliver the works within the funding timeframes.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS:

Works are funded by REPA (Restoration of Essential Public Assets) utilising DRFA (Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements) delivery model administered by the QRA (Queensland Reconstruction Authority).

CONSULTATION:

Proterra Group performed the role of Tender Administrator.

LEGISLATION/LEGAL/POLICY:

- *Local Government Act 2009*
- *Local Government Regulation 2012*

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resolves to accept the best ranked tender from Culleton Contracting Pty Ltd for RFT2425-136 April 2024 Flood Restoration Works – Pushing Gravel for Roadworks East of \$209,220.00 (incl. GST).

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A Proterra Group Weighted Offer Evaluation RFT2425-136

Attachment B Proterra Group Evaluation Report RFT2425-136

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OFFER DETAILS															
Number:		RFT2526-136													
Name:		April 2024 Flood event - Gravel Pushing East													
Closing Date:		45849.66667													
Contract Type:		Contract Above \$200,000 - Price and Criteria													
EVALUATION PANEL MEMBERS															
Evaluation Panel Member 1		Civil Engineer (Proterra Group)				Probir Kumar Saha									
Evaluation Panel Member 2		Project Manager (Proterra Group)				Peter Collins									
Evaluation Panel Member 3		Manager Works (GRC)				Luke Tanner									
SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED															
Weighted Scoring (Non-Price)				Supplier 1		Supplier 2		Supplier 3		Supplier 4		Supplier 5		Supplier 6	
Criteria	Maximum score	Weighting	A & A Illing Earthmoving		Culleton Contracting Pty Ltd		Gore Earthmoving Pty Ltd		South East Earthmoving Pty Ltd		The Trustee For The Bomford Family Trust		Tuckwell Transport And Earthmoving Pty Ltd		
			Average Score	Weighted Score	Average Score	Weighted Score	Average Score	Weighted Score	Average Score	Weighted Score	Average Score	Weighted Score	Average Score	Weighted Score	
Delivery Methodology, Approach, Risks, Issues, and Departures	5	20	1.33	5.33	1.33	5.33	5.00	20.00	4.00	16.00	2.33	9.33	2.00	8.00	
Capabilities, Experience, Resources and Management Systems	5	15	3.00	9.00	3.00	9.00	5.00	15.00	3.33	10.00	3.00	9.00	1.67	5.00	
Local Benefit - Local Supplier/Contractor	4	15	4.00	15.00	2.00	7.50	4.00	15.00	2.00	7.50	0.00	0.00	4.00	15.00	
Total Weighting Percentage (Non-price)		50													
Total Weighted Score			29.33		21.83		50.00		33.50		18.33		28.00		
Normalised Total Weighting Score			29.76		22.62		50.00		33.33		19.05		27.38		
Weighted Scoring (Price)															
Submitted Price			\$ 245,300		\$ 130,200		\$ 299,920		\$282,740		\$ 213,951		\$ 216,520		
Lowest Price		\$ 130,200													
Total Weighting Percentage (Price)		50													
Total Weighted Score			69.54		100.00		40.00		49.33		87.01		85.61		
Normalised Total Weighted Score			34.77		50.00		20.00		24.70		43.51		42.80		
TOTAL WEIGHTED SCORE & RANKING															
Total Weighed Score		100		64.53		72.62		70.00		58.03		62.56		70.18	
Ranking				4.00		1.00		3.00		6.00		5.00		2.00	