



INVITATION TO TENDER

PROJECT BRIEF – WAUN GRIAFOLEN

(Dogfen hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg)

Please fill in:

Company Name	
Total Quoted Price	

TITLE

Invitation to tender for the provision of peatland restoration works on Waun Griafofen, Llanuwchllyn: between SH813320 and SH814274.

TIMESCALE

10/12/2025 to 20/03/2026

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF GOODS AND SERVICES REQUIRED

Provision of peatland restoration works for Eryri National Park Authority (ENPA) Mawn Eryri+ Project on behalf of Wales Peatland Action. The works will be carried out on five sites within the Migneint-Arenig-Dduallt Site of Special Scientific Interest. Peatland restoration will consist of blocking and re-profiling artificially made ditches and naturally forming gullies for the purpose of re-wetting the peatland, re-profiling and re-vegetating peat hags.

The following documents are enclosed and must be, where applicable, completed and signed on behalf of the supplier:

Document A	Instruction and Terms & Conditions
Document B	Specification of Goods / Services
Document C	Company Information
Document D	Attachments
Document E	Form of Offer and References
Document F	Certificate of Bona Fide Offer

CONTRACT VALUE

A realistic costed breakdown of activity, including expenses and expected duration of works is expected. Suppliers may also include additional services / benefits that might add value to the project. It is highly recommended that prospective contractors carry out a site visit prior to submitting a tender.

FUNDING INFORMATION

The contract will be financed by Eryri National Park Authority as part of Wales Peatland Action, a climate and nature emergency response, funded through the National Peatland Action Programme and Natural Resources Wales, on behalf of the Welsh Government.

APPLICATION

Your tender response should be **posted in a sealed envelope** to the Eryri National Park offices by **10:00am on Monday 8th December 2025**. Please see the instructions below for details.

Only tenders submitted in accordance with the Terms and Conditions will be considered. Any tenders that are incomplete, or received after the time indicated may be disregarded.

If you require any further information or clarification regarding this tender prior to tendering, please contact Rachel Harvey on Rachel.harvey@eryri.llyw.cymru / 07464492647 or Tudur Parry on tudur.parry@eryri.llyw.cymru / 07393 007390. Suppliers should ensure that their tenders are clear and concise and are advised that any approaches to the SNPA following the opening of tenders could lead to disqualification.

Map Lleoliad a Mynediad / Location and Access Map

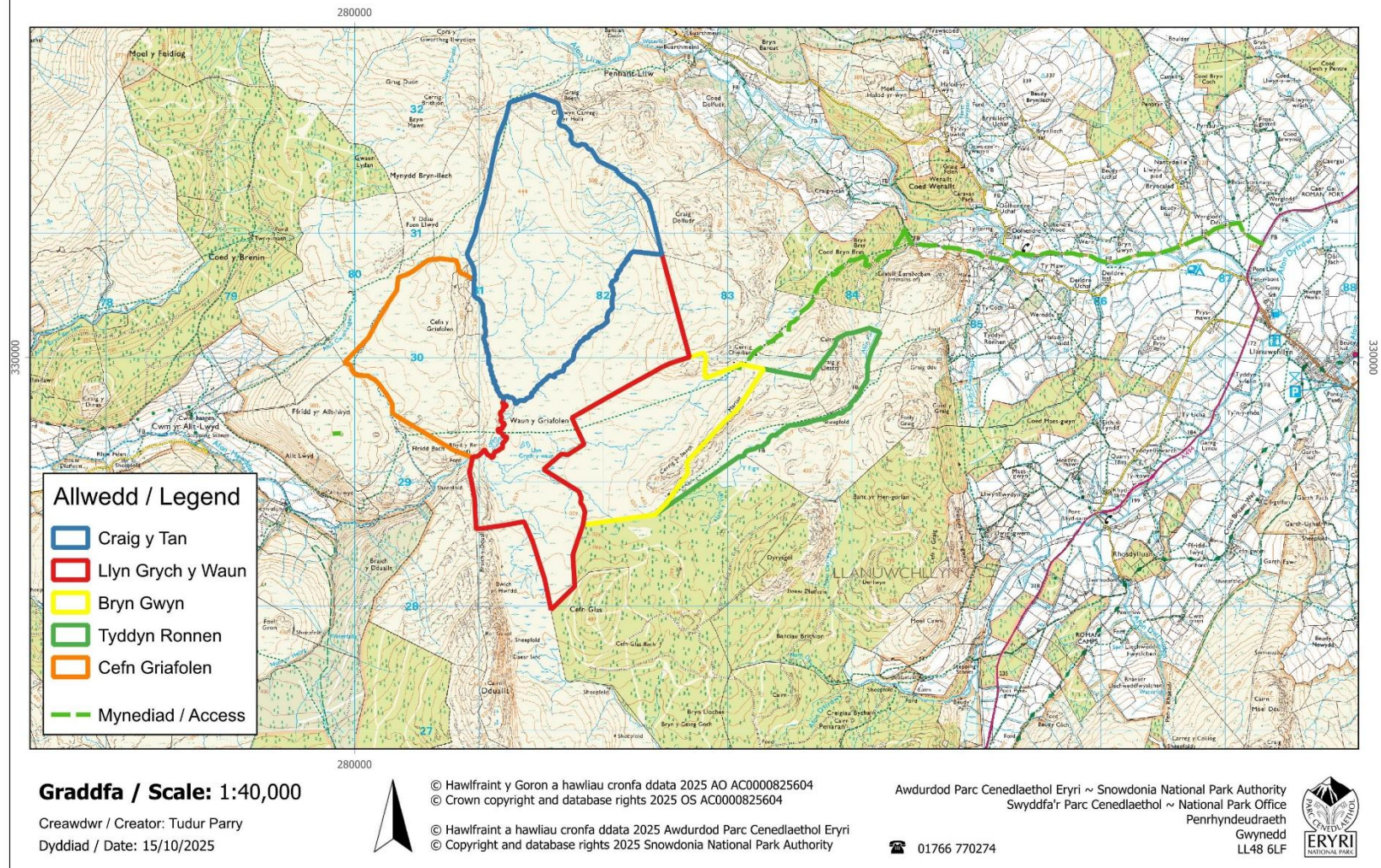


Figure 1 | Site Location and Access onto Waun Griafolen work site

Cynllun Adfer - Waun Griafolen - Restoration Plan

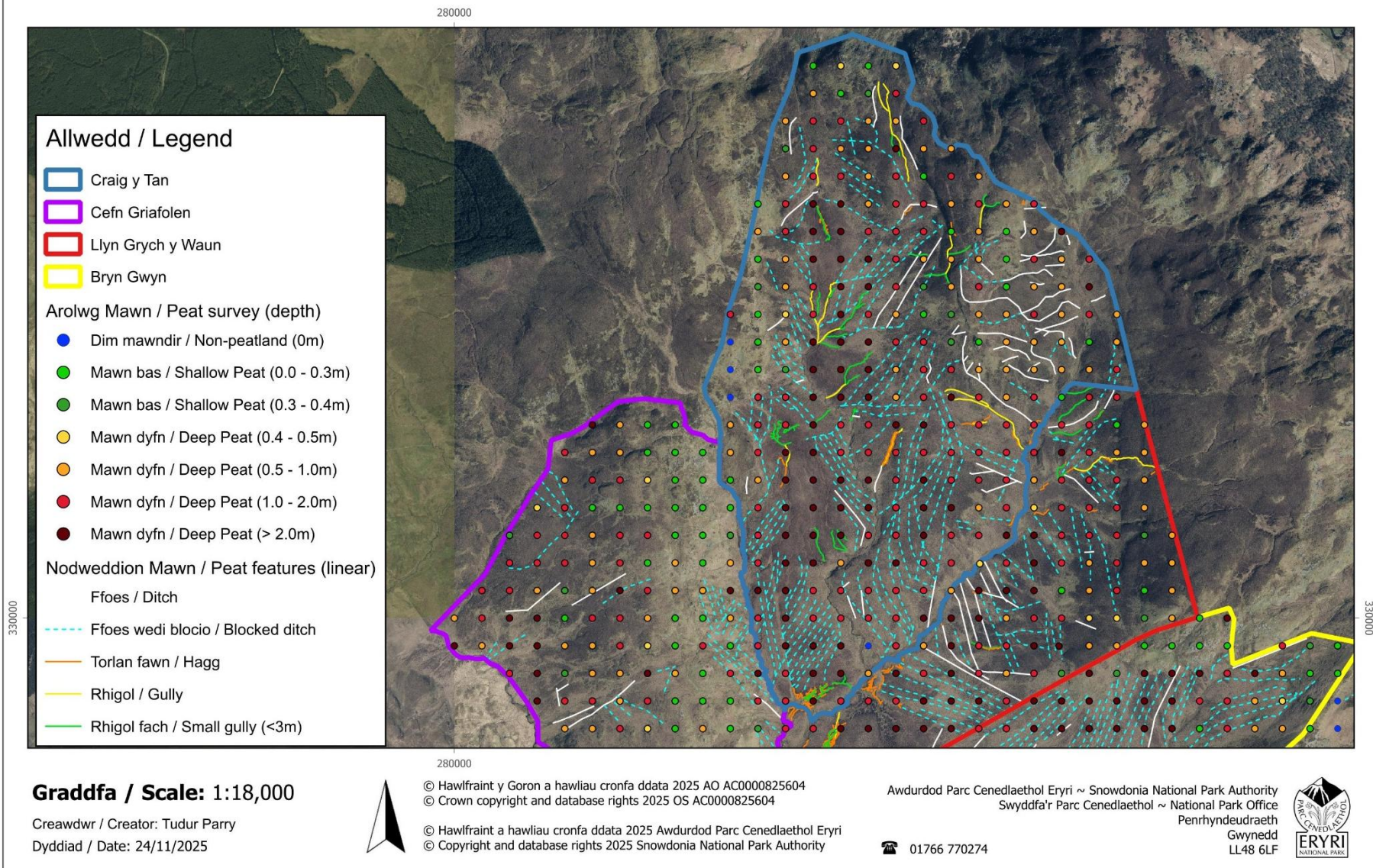


Figure 2 | Waun Griafolen Restoration Plan prt 1.

Cynllun Adfer - Waun Griafolen - Restoration Plan

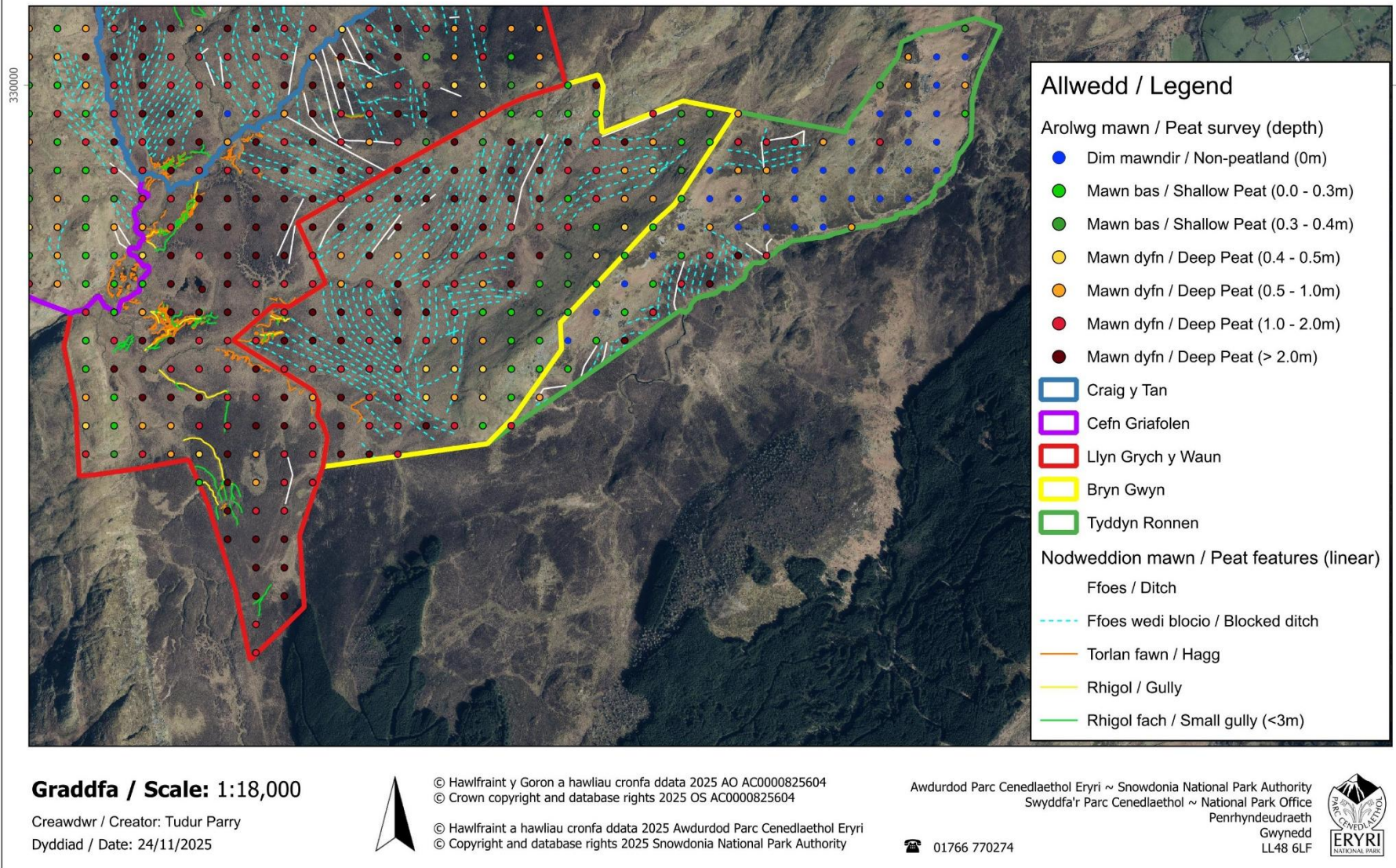


Figure 3 | Waun Griafolen Restoration Plan prt 2.

DOCUMENT A

INSTRUCTIONS AND TERM & CONDITIONS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This document is designed to be completed electronically before being printed and posted in. You are required to mark boxes, insert information or submit additional documentation in response to the questions herein. Whilst the text boxes should expand as you add text, if there is insufficient space for your response please attach a separate document clearly marked with the name of your Company, the reference number and the number(s) of the question(s) to which it relates. Please provide copies of insurance documents, valid first aid certificates, risk assessment and methods statement with Document E. Please sign this document at the end of Document F.
2. If you are unable to comply with a request for information or provide documentation requested, then a written account explaining the absence of the information must accompany the return of this tender. Please be aware that the failure to respond to any of the questions, without a written reason, may result in a negative evaluation of that element within the overall evaluation of this questionnaire.
3. All tenders must be received by Eryri National Park Authority by **10:00am on Monday 8th December 2025**. Tenders must be **submitted by post** in a sealed envelope **labelled with “Tender, Do Not Open – Waun Griafolen - NPAP”** and addressed as follows:
FAO Director of Corporate Services
Eryri National Park Authority
National Park Offices
Penrhyndeudraeth
Gwynedd
LL48 6LF

The tender may be completed in Welsh or English. Please allow sufficient time before the deadline for postage.

4. Tender Evaluation Process:

Timetable

Invitation to Tender document sent out	24/11/2025
Tender documents to be returned	08/12/2025 (10:00am)
Award of contract	10/12/2025
End of contract	20/03/2026
Invoice deadline	25/03/2026

Tenders that fail to meet essential requirements may be excluded from consideration

Tenders that fulfil essential requirements will be evaluated on the basis of the weightings detailed below:

Criterion	Weighting
Specification Delivery – this will be assessed by whether or not the specification can be met and the details of methods used	30%
Tender price	40%
Relevant experience	20%
Ability to complete within the time scale	10%

SCORING MATRIX FOR QUALITY CRITERIA

Quality Scoring Matrix (Minimum Threshold = 3)			
Capability	Evidence Provided	Score	Remark
Bidder is likely to be able to meet the needs of the Authority.	Evidence is consistent, comprehensive, compelling, directly relevant to the project in all respects and highly credible (by being substantiated by independent sources where possible.)	10	Absolute Confidence
	Evidence is sufficient (in qualitative terms), convincing, and credible.	8	Confidence
Small risk that bidder will not be able to meet the needs of the Authority.	Evidence has minor gaps, or to a small extent is unconvincing, lacks credibility or irrelevant to the project.	6	Minor Concerns
Moderate risk that the bidder will not be able to meet the needs of the Authority	Evidence has moderate gaps, is unconvincing.	4	Moderate Concerns
Significant risk that the bidder will not be able to meet the needs of the Authority.	Evidence has major gaps, is unconvincing in many respects, lacks credibility, or largely irrelevant to the project.	2	Major Concerns
Bidder will not be able to meet the needs of the Authority.	No evidence or misleading evidence.	0	Not acceptable

TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The ENPA may require supplementary information or clarification or further evidence of the information given. The SNPA may wish to visit reference sites given as evidence of relevant experience.
2. The ability of suppliers may be determined by, amongst other factors, references, certification and site visits.
3. Please answer the questions specifically for your company, NOT for the group if you are part of a group of companies. Please note the term "Company" refers to: Sole proprietor, partnership, incorporated company, co-operative, or voluntary organisation as appropriate.
4. No charge will be made to the SNPA by applicants for any preparation costs accrued during the tender process, whether the applicant was successful or not.
5. You are invited to submit your best offer for the work as detailed below. The SNPA reserves the right to undertake post-tender negotiations.
6. It should be noted that in any formal contract that is subsequently entered into, reference will be made to the detailed information provided in the formal response to this tender document provided by the successful organisation. Thus answers and information given in your reply will become a binding part of the contractual relationship between yourselves and the SNPA.
7. The SNPA does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender, and reserves the right to accept only part of a Tender. The SNPA reserves the right to procure individual elements of the required solution from one or more supplier as appropriate.
8. Whilst the SNPA aims to provide feedback on failed submissions this may not always be possible, and the SNPA is under no obligation to do so.

DOCUMENT B

SPECIFICATION OF GOODS / SERVICES

The information below is a statement of minimum requirements and is not intended to limit creative or original thinking in the preparation of proposals.

INFORMATION ON THE SITE

Healthy peatlands provide a range of important benefits; they store huge amounts of carbon, reduce flood risk, and provide habitat for wildlife and stunning landscapes for people to enjoy. However, many peatlands in the UK are in poor condition, with an estimated 78% of peatlands in Wales in 'unfavourable condition'. Therefore, it is important that they are restored back to a healthy state that enables them to provide for society in the long-term.

The Waun Griafolen restoration sites, situated between Trawsfynydd and Llanuwchllyn is an expansive piece of upland heath and blanket bog that is part of the Migneint-Arenig-Dduallt SSSI. The site is protected for its breeding populations of hen harrier (*Circus cyaneus*) and merlin (*Falco columbarius*) of European importance. The area is also of special interest for its breeding assemblage of upland bird species, which includes black grouse, red grouse and short-eared owl. The site is around 450 metres in elevation with the highest point 500 metres at Cefn y Griafolen.

Most of the work site is peat with many areas over 3 metres deep, but with some deeply eroded parts especially at Llyn Grych y Waun.

Waun Griafolen has been heavily modified with artificial ditches on all 5 sites. Ditch blocking work has been done in the past, but this was prior to 2015 and although many of the ditches remain blocked, several are still open and eroding in places. There are also some natural gullies linked to the old ditch system where the water flow needs to be managed through blocking or baffles, and some large peat hags in some small areas of the site.

THE RESTORATION WORK

Blocking and re-profiling artificially made ditches and naturally forming gullies, and re-profiling / re-vegetating peat hags.

Ditches

There is an estimated **12,725m** of ditches marked on the map above that will be both blocked and re-profiled where necessary. Dams will be made from peat available on site, peat can be taken from borrow pits but must be landscaped afterwards to leave as little exposed peat as possible. Dams need to be keyed in into the banks of the ditches to make them stable and so they knit into the peatland tidily. Waun Griafolen is an expansive site with variable ditches, but many are deep and narrow with flowing water in them, care should be taken so that dams are made strong enough to hold back water. Some of the ditches mapped below may be down to the mineral layer and may not be possible to securely instal dams in them, these should be left but logged accordingly.

The pools created behind the dams will ideally be less than 30cm deep, but where peat pipes may be present these pools may need to be deeper to stop the flow off the site. The sides of all pools need to be re-profiled for live-stock safety. There are some natural streams running through the site, but these will not be blocked – indeed by blocking the ditches and reducing erosion on the site, water quality should improve in these streams. The general guidance for dam spacing is 7 – 12 metres, the contractor will decide on how often to install blocks in these ditches depending on the gradient and water flow in them.

As part of this work, we are asking contractors to assess and where necessary amend previously made ditch dams in the remaining 59km of old ditches if they are damaged, leaking excessively or the pool behind them is deemed too deep and potentially hazardous for livestock. These ditches were surveyed over two summers so to the best of our knowledge don't need much, if any, extra work. However, winter conditions may highlight water flow or peat pipes that weren't evident during the summer months. These ditches are noted on the map as 'blocked ditch' and full notes from the survey will be provided for each ditch on a shape file.

Gullies

There is **9,807m** of gullies across the sites as shown on the map above, the ones marked green being smaller gullies (less than 3 metres wide) and the yellows being wider than 3 metres. Similar to the ditches, the small gullies need to be blocked with peat dams where possible. These dams may need to be wider if they are to be

holding large areas of water back but shouldn't be built up too high so that deep pools are forming behind them, pools ideally should not be deeper than 0.5m. With some wide gullies, baffles may be more suitable to slow down the water movement, these are peat dams that do not carry across the whole width of the gully, baffles should be put in from alternating banks.

Haggs

Only the peat haggs that are mapped need to be re-profiled and re-vegetated. There are dendritic areas of haggs on Llyn Gwrych y Waun that won't need restoring during these works.

The peat haggs need to be re-profiled with an excavator, peeling back the over-hanging vegetation at the top, then lessening the gradient of the hagg before placing the peeled back vegetation back onto the bare peat, turf will then need to be borrowed to re-vegetate the rest of the exposed peat. Strategically placed baffles may be needed at the base of the haggs to deflect water and to protect them against future erosion.

Equipment

Works will be carried out using low ground pressure tracked excavators and using bog mats where necessary to protect the vegetation and the peat. All machinery will need to be cleaned before coming onto site to ensure good biosecurity. Contractors will use GPS devices to locate the ditches, gullies and haggs and to record the restoration locations. Contractors will use a pump system to re-fuel, minimising the risk of fuel spillage, and will re-fuel away from the main peatland area. As the site is remote and expansive, ATV's or similar can be used to access the site.

Site	Grid Ref	Size	Ditches/gullies	Haggs	Blocked Ditches
Cefn y Griafolen	SH805298	123 ha	1,322m	627m	4,420m
Craig y Tân	SH815308	224 ha	11,014m	1,596m	25,000m
Llyn Grych y Waun	SH814292	162 ha	7,800m	3,920m	7,296m
Bryn Gwyn	SH822293	121 ha	1,364m	672m	19,220m
Tyddyn Ronnen	SH834296	67 ha	1,068m	-	2,963m

Prices can be calculated per working day, by the metre, or by site, but **as a minimum please quote each site individually in the tables provided in Document E**, and the **total project cost must also be noted** at the top of page one of this document in the table provided. Please use the following pages to detail your methods, and / or attach a detailed methods statement.

TIMESCALE

The works on this site should be carried out between the 10th December 2025 and 20th March 2026, applicants should ensure they have the means to complete the proposed works to an acceptable standard within the given timeframe.

Please include a clear contingency sum in the tender for unforeseen inflation of costs e.g., fuel, labour, that may be utilised with supporting evidence of increased costs incurred beyond a 5% variation on cost.

ACCESS TO THE SITE

There are different ways to access the site, this is to be discussed and agreed with the landowners. One possible access is noted on the map above: from A494 by Llanuwchllyn and then onto B-road westerly towards Trawsfynydd before un-loading and taking machinery up to the work site on the track through Coed Bryn Bras (as seen on map).

After entering the work site, care must be taken to avoid any flushes and wet heath, and also not to track over the same areas of heath multiple times so that surface damage is limited.

CONTRACTOR SITE VISIT

It is highly recommended that a site visit is conducted prior to submitting this tender application. If you would like more information about access to the site or wish to attend the site visit, please contact Rachel Harvey on Rachel.harvey@eryri.llyw.cymru / 07464 492647 or Tudur Parry on Tudur.parry@eryri.llyw.cymru / 07393 007390.

SPECIFICATIONS (PLEASE COMPLETE EACH BOX OR ATTACH AN EXTRA DOCUMENT)

1. Creating ditch blocks / dams and re-profiling the edges of ditches for the purpose of re-wetting the peatland, the on-site peat resource is the favoured material for creating blocks / dams where practical.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

2. Re-profiling and re-vegetating peat haggs, vegetation can be taken from nearby borrow pits to re-cover bare peat. Baffles may be needed at the base of some haggs to deflect water and prevent future erosion.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

3. The contractor is to ensure that as little exposed peat as possible is visible on completion of any rewetting or peat-moving feature, and that no permanent erosion is caused by conducting the works.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

4. Means of access to and from the site will use sufficient means to prevent damage to access routes, habitats and terrain along the access route to the site, including by access on ATV's or quad bikes.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

5. Completion of this work should be affected using at least one excavator, not exceeding 10 tonnes and on low ground pressure tracks. The approach is flexible but be aware that this site is predominantly blanket bog and ground pressure exerted must be minimised as far as possible.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

6. The contractor will have measures in place for safely re-fuelling the machinery used on site, avoiding environmental contamination and danger to the contractor(s) and the public. Ideally a fuel pump will be used to re-fuel. Please provide information on re-fuelling measures and spillage protocols. Furthermore, the contractor will follow health and safety guidelines to avoid danger to both contractors and the general public.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

7. The Contractor will complete the work within the specified time frame. Works at the site will be completed by 20/03/2026 and SNPA will be invoiced before 25/03/2026.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

8. The Contractor will complete this work as a self-employed contractor or limited company. They will indemnify Snowdonia National Park Authority against any costs, claims or demands arising from the carrying out of the Management Works or any breach of the conditions of this work on the part of the Contractor that can be reasonably held to be the responsibility of the Contractor. The Contractor is required to produce evidence of public liability insurance and employers' liability insurance in respect of the works being undertaken to a minimum of £5,000,000.

Are you able to meet this specification in full?

If so please give details below. If not please state any differences in service offered.

Specification met? Yes ☐ / Part met ☐ / No ☐ (tick as appropriate)

Details

DOCUMENT C

COMPANY INFORMATION

1	Company name
	Registered Name
	Trading Name (if different)

2	Correspondence Details
	Name of person applying on behalf of the company
	Address:
	Telephone:
	Mobile:
	Email:
	<u>Registered office Address (if different from above)</u>

3	Company Registration
	Company Registration No (if applicable)
	VAT registration number (if applicable)
	Certificate of Incorporation number

5	Company structure and nature of company
	Please outline the nature of the company, whether it is a partnership, sole trader, plc etc.
	Is the company proposed as party to the contract part of a larger organisation? If so please explain the relationship between the various parts of the organisation, up to the ultimate holding company.
	Current number of full time equivalent staff currently employed by the company (not larger parent company)

DOCUMENT D

ATTACHMENTS

1	Insurance				
	Insurances (please tick and supply copy of each certificate where appropriate)				
		Insurer	Policy No	Value of Cover	Expiry Date
	Employers Liability				
	Public Liability				
	All Risks (if applicable)				

2	First Aid		
	Please list qualified first aiders that will be working on the site and the date and type of their last first aid course (please supply a copy of each certificate)		
	Name	Date of last course	Type of first aid (e.g. REC Outdoor, First Aid at Work, FAW+F)

3	Risk assessment		
	Please provide a copy of your risk assessment for the contract.	Attached:	Y / N

4	Methods statement		
	Please provide a copy of your methods statement for the contract.	Attached:	Y / N

DOCUMENT E

FORM OF OFFER AND REFERENCES

COST

Fill in specifications as required and please provide estimate of number of days. 'Total Cost' is a mandatory field.

Works at Cefn Griafolen	£	+ VAT
<i>Number of 8-hour equivalent days:</i>		
Blocking and re-profiling 1,322m ditches and gullies		
Re-profiling 627m hags.		

Works at Craig y Tân	£	+ VAT
<i>Number of 8-hour equivalent days:</i>		
Blocking and re-profiling 11,014m ditches		
Re-profiling 1,614m hags		

Works at Llyn Grych y Waun	£	+VAT
<i>Number of 8-hour equivalent days:</i>		
Blocking and re-profiling 7,800m ditches and gullies		
Re-profiling 3,995m hags		

Works at Bryn Gwyn	£	+VAT
<i>Number of 8-hour equivalent days:</i>		
Blocking and re-profiling 1,364m ditches and gullies		
Re-profiling 672m hags.		

Works at Tyddyn Ronnen	£	+VAT
<i>Number of 8-hour equivalent days:</i>		
Blocking and re-profiling 1,068m ditches and gullies		

PROPOSED PROJECT TEAM

Please indicate personnel expected to carry out management and delivery of this contract with SNPA and their areas of responsibility. Include technical qualifications and details of experience. (Attach separate document if needed)

PROPOSED TIMESCALE

AFTER SALES SERVICE

Please indicate details of any warranty period associated with the works, and how any such work will be carried out. Include details of contingency planning in case of disaster (such as fire, strikes, flooding, snow etc). (Attach separate document if needed)

REFERENCES

Suppliers are requested to provide details of up to three references from their existing clientele. Attach additional documents if required. In supplying this information, Suppliers shall have granted SNPA permission to seek such information as deemed necessary, in relation to the Suppliers performance with their nominated references.

Reference 1

Company Name		
Address		
Telephone No		Ext
Email		
Contact		Dates of work
Nature of work done		Value of contract

Reference 2

Company Name		
Address		
Telephone No		Ext
Email		
Contact		Dates of work
Nature of work done		Value of contract

Reference 3

Company Name		
Address		
Telephone No		Ext
Email		
Contact		Dates of work
Nature of work done		Value of contract

DOCUMENT F

CERTIFICATE OF BONA FIDE OFFER

We certify that this offer is made in good faith, and that we have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the offer by or under or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person. We also certify that we have not, and we undertake that we will not:

- 1 a) communicate to any person other than the person inviting these offers the amount or approximate amount of the offer or proposed offer, except where the disclosure, in confidence, of the approximate amount of the offer was necessary to obtain insurance quotations required for the preparation of the offer;
 b) enter into any agreement with any other person that they shall refrain from making an offer or as to the amount of any offer to be submitted;
- 2 pay, give or offer or agree to pay or to give any sum of money or other valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any offer or proposed offer for the goods/services any act or thing of the sort described in 1 a) or 1 b) above.

We acknowledge that if we acted or shall act in contravention of this certificate, SNPA will be entitled to cancel the agreement and to recover from ourselves the amount of any loss and expense resulting from such cancellation.

I state that everything in this tender submission is truthful, that if found to be untruthful SNPA can terminate any agreement between SNPA and the company formed on the basis of this tender, and we will pay to SNPA any loss or expenses SNPA suffers as a result of such untruthfulness, whether an agreement is entered into or not.

In this certificate, the word “person” includes any persons and any body or association, corporate or unincorporated; “any agreement or arrangement” includes any transaction, formal or informal, and whether legally binding or not.

Signed	
On behalf of	
Date	

Please note: a name added in an electronic document is functionally equivalent to a signature