Applicant Questions and Responses Request for Proposals: Contractor to Support Ecological and Economic Monitoring for the *Deepwater Horizon* Oceanic Fish Restoration **Project**2/26/2021

Does the Understanding of the Scope count toward the 6 page limit of the Technical Proposal?

The Understanding of the Scope can be included outside of the technical proposal page limit if the offeror prefers. If included separately, it should be of a reasonable length $- ^1$ page or less.

It appears that Task 3 and 4 will be more completely defined during execution of the project. Will there be any further guidance on those items and how to cost them?

Offerors should indicate their proposed approach for evaluating the project's overall performance, building on the methods proposed for Task 2. Offerors should clearly outline their assumptions in both the narrative and budget. NFWF and NOAA will work closely with the selected contractor through the development of the Task 1 work plan and will adjust the Task 3 scope of work as required based on mutual agreement of terms and cost. The contract will be a time and materials contract and thus offerors should estimate hourly rates and associated staff to support Task 4, clearly outlining any assumptions.

Is there a budget cap you could provide for this contract?

NFWF does not have a predetermined cap on either time or costs for this contract. Please prepare the budget based on the estimated level of effort for the personnel needed to complete the tasks. Offerors should clearly outline their assumptions in both the narrative and budget.