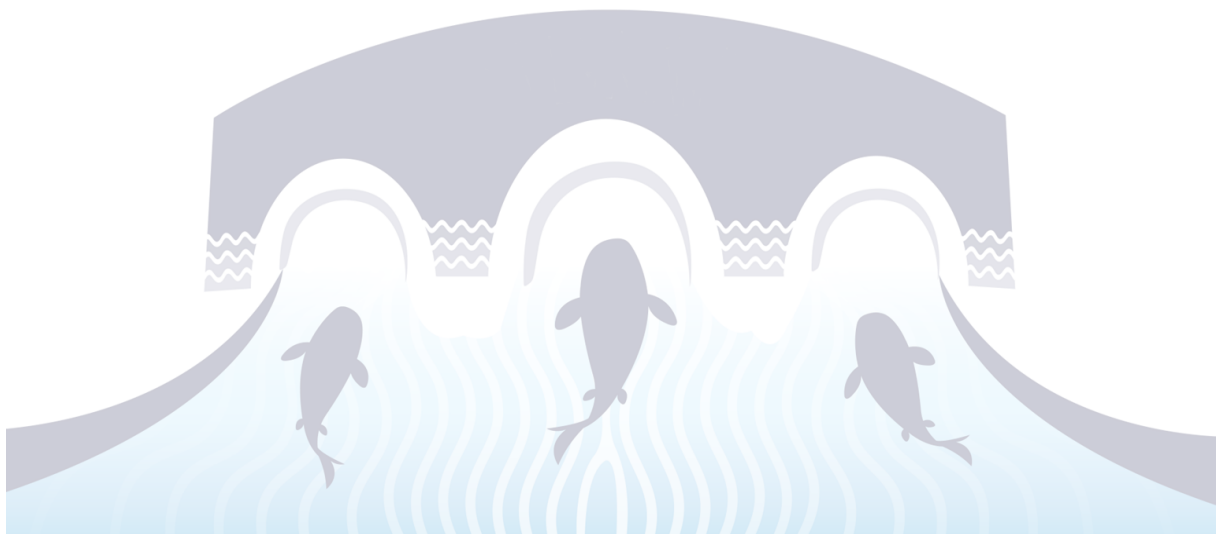




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1 Introduction

Inland Fisheries Ireland Invites Framework members to compete for the Tender entitled: **‘Ballyragget Weir Barrier Mitigation Project’** in accordance with this document and the enclosed instructions to Tenderers and accompanying Tender package.

1.1 Type of Procurement

Inland Fisheries Ireland wishes to commission Engineering Consultancy Services to undertake the feasibility study, option selection, preliminary design, planning surveys & reports and planning application for the above project, within the required quality, budget and programme requirements.

The Conditions of Engagement are; the Standard Conditions of Engagement of Consultancy Services (Technical) (COE1) including Schedules A & B.

The Tender package for a Consultant to complete CWMF Stages I – II for the barrier mitigation works is as follows:

- Stage I Feasibility Study/Preliminary Report: IFI Phase 1 – Feasibility Study and Option Selection
- Stage II - i (a) Outline Design: detailed hydrological and hydraulic studies (including flood risk analysis), sketch scheme designs, liaise with ecology team
- Stage II – ii (b) Statutory Process: planning final design drawings (or exemption application) application to the Local Authority.

A detailed breakdown of Client requirements is given in the Scope of Services document.

This formal appointment to each stage will be on a sequential basis at the Employer's discretion. For example, Stage II (b) of the Consultancy commission will not be awarded until Stage II(a) has been completed.

1.2 Background

The proposed barrier mitigation project to be undertaken in this tender are scheduled for construction during the fisheries environmental window for working in-stream (1st July and 30th September) 2027. The site is located within a SAC, SPA and pNHA and are subject to regular statutory environmental protection.

1.2.1 Ecological/Environmental

The Client intends to separately appoint an Environmental Consultant to undertake the ecological surveys and environmental assessments associated with the project. The Engineering Consultant shall cooperate and coordinate fully with the Environmental Consultant and any other specialist consultants appointed by the Client. Each Consultant shall remain responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of their respective professional services.

The Engineering Consultant shall ensure that the design, construction methodology and project description used for engineering purposes are consistent with those assessed in the environmental and statutory consent documentation. No material change to the design, construction methodology, access arrangements or programme that could affect the environmental assessment shall be made without notifying the Client and Environmental Consultant.

1.3 Tender Documents

The tender documents included within this package are detailed in the Instructions to Tenderers Section 1.2.

1.4 Indicative Programme

The draft timetable for Contract Award and Completion is as follows. These dates are indicative and may be subject to change. All tender returns and programme delivery dates shall be determined with reference to the Contract as a whole.

Activity	Target Date
Tender published	11 th September 2026
Closing date for submissions	As per instructions to Tenders (2 nd October 2026 at 15:00)
Anticipated tender award	2 nd October 2026
Completion of Works	Phase 1 Feasibility Study & Option Selection – 8 weeks Phase 2 Preliminary Design – 12 weeks Phase 3 Statuary Process – 8 weeks

Table 1 Project Delivery Dates

2 Documents Required for Tender Submission

The documentation required for tender submission is provided in the Instruction to Tenderers Particulars and is summarised below;

- Tender and Schedule;
- Standard Conditions of Engagement for Consultancy Services (Technical) Schedules A & B;
- Tender Response Document

The above documents shall be completed in full and submitted with the tender. Omission of any of the above documents will disqualify the tender from the mini-competition.

All tender documents to be returned using www.etenders.gov.ie portal, no hard copy or email submissions will be accepted.

3 Tender Evaluation of Qualifying Tenders

The tenders shall be evaluated on a Quality/Price assessment (40:60), the quality assessment associated with this tender is worth 40% and shall be scored in accordance with the following table:

% of Marks	Description
100% Excellent	Overall, the response is excellent and relevant. The response is comprehensive and demonstrates a thorough understanding of the criterion and provides details on how the criterion will be satisfied to a extremely high standard.
90% Very Good	Overall, the response is very good and relevant. The response demonstrates a very good understanding of the criterion and provides details on how the criterion will be satisfied to a very high standard.
80% Good	Overall, the response is good and relevant. The response demonstrates a good understanding of the criterion and provides details on how the criterion will be satisfied to a good standard.
70% Reasonably Good	Overall, the response is reasonably good and mostly relevant. The response demonstrates a reasonably good understanding of the criterion and provides details on how the criterion will be satisfied to an moderate standard.
60% Reasonable	Overall, the response is reasonable and partially relevant. The response demonstrates an understanding of the criterion and but lacks some detail on how the criterion will be satisfied.
50% Fair	Overall, the response is fair and partially relevant. The response demonstrates a limited understanding of the criterion and lacks detail on how the criterion will be satisfied.
40% Acceptable	Overall, the response is acceptable and minimally relevant. The response demonstrates an acceptable understanding of the criterion but lacks significant detail on how the criterion will be satisfied.
20% Poor	Overall, the response is poor and not relevant. The response demonstrates an unacceptable understanding of how the criterion will be satisfied.
0% Extremely Poor or no submission	Overall, the response is extremely poor or no submission. The response demonstrates an unacceptable understanding of how the criterion will be satisfied.

Table 2 Quality Marks Criteria