

**Specifications  
For Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA)  
Live "Pure" Channel Catfish**

This solicitation is for purchase and delivery of live "pure" channel catfish, no hybrids shall be accepted.

**A. General Requirements**

1. Fish shall be delivered to each of the four regions of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA). See Appendix for map.
2. Request for delivery of fish shall be made between March and October, although most request for fish will be April through June.
3. Bids shall be based on a delivered price per pound for catfish meeting the Specification requirements.
4. Bidders shall submit separate bids prices for each region. The lowest bid price for each region shall be awarded.
5. At least fifty percent (50%), by weight, of the delivered catfish shall be produced by the contracted vendor.
6. Thirteen thousand (13,000) pounds of catfish shall be delivered to each region during the one-year term of the contract for a total of fifty-two thousand (52,000) pounds.
  - Region 1 – 13,000 pounds
  - Region 2 – 13,000 pounds
  - Region 3 - 13,000 pounds
  - Region 4 - 13,000 pounds
7. Channel catfish shall have an average weight of three-quarter (0.75) to one and a half (1.5) pounds each, with the maximum acceptable variance outside this weight range being no more than ten (10) percent.
8. Prior to off-loading/stocking, fish shall be made available to TWRA for inspection.
9. TWRA shall evaluate the quality and weight of the fish being delivered and check for the presence of non-target fish species.
10. Non-Target species shall not be included with the delivery of live channel catfish. If non-target species are found, the entire load shall be denied by TWRA, and the amount/poundage shall be replaced, or the entire amount (\$) shall be deducted.
11. Channel catfish shall be healthy and disease free, with no visible external lesion or sores. TWRA shall not pay for dead or diseased fish. For any dead/sick fish, the amount/poundage shall be replaced or that amount (\$) shall be deducted.
12. Fish shall be tempered. There shall be no more than six (6) degrees difference between the tank and receiving water. The temperature shall be gradually adjusted no more than one (1) degree every two (2) minutes.

**B. Delivery**

1. Shall ship F.O.B. Destination.
2. All delivery charges shall be included in bid price.
3. Delivery dates and times shall be established by mutual agreement between the contractor and the TWRA Regional Personnel once a purchase order is issued to the contractor.

4. Delivery shall be made to the designated location during regular business hours. Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (CST) for all regions or as agreed upon between Contractor and TWRA Personnel.
5. Contractor shall notify TWRA at least three (3) business days in advance of expected delivery.
6. Fish shall be ready for delivery within fourteen (14) days of purchase order receipt by the contractor. Delivery shall occur within thirty (30) days of purchase order receipt by the contractor or as agreed upon between Contractor and TWRA Personnel.
7. Hauling tanks shall be adequate for the load/poundage and have oxygen and aerators (agitation) available for transport.
8. TWRA shall not pay for dead or sick fish.
9. Deliveries shall require the contractor to meet a TWRA hatchery truck at a designated location within the region.
10. The contractor shall be responsible for off-loading fish from their transport vehicle to the TWRA hatchery truck and/or waterbody.
11. The contractor shall be responsible for delivering and off-loading the live channel catfish to the specified regions with the appropriate nets, tubes/pipes, etc.
12. Bidding shall be made for delivery of live channel catfish to any or all regions to the following four TWRA Regions and the corresponding counties. (See below and reference attached region/county map).
13. Up to three (3) deliveries shall be requested to TWRA Regions 1, 2, and 4, with up to four (4) deliveries to TWRA Region 3.
14. Thirteen thousand (13,000) pounds of fish shall be requested for delivery to each Region listed for the one (1) year contract.
  - a. **TWRA Region 1 – West Tennessee** - The counties include Benton, Carroll, Chester, Crocket, Decatur, Dyer, Fayette, Gibson, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Henry, Houston, Humphries, Lake, Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy, Obion, Perry, Shelby, Stewart, Tipton, and Weakly. **(Note: Most likely delivery location(s) for TWRA Region 1 is Humboldt Hatchery – Gibson County.)**  
**Humboldt Hatchery**  
 221 State Route 152 West  
 Humboldt, TN 38343  
 Tom Pratt, Manager  
 PH: 731/784-3889
  - b. **TWRA Region 2 – Middle Tennessee** - The counties include Bedford, Cannon, Cheatham, Coffee, Davidson, Dickson, Franklin, Giles, Hickman, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Marshall, Maury, Montgomery, Moore, Robertson, Rutherford, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, Wayne, Williamson, and Wilson. **(Note: Most likely delivery location(s) for TWRA Region 2 is Normandy Hatchery – Bedford County.)**  
**Normandy Hatchery**  
 380 Huffman Road  
 Normandy, TN 37360  
 Nathan Singer, Manager  
 PH: 615/981-9320

- c. **TWRA Region 3 – Cumberland Plateau** - The counties include Bledsoe, Bradley, Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Grundy, Hamilton, Jackson, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Overton, Pickett, Polk, Putnam, Rhea, Roane, Sequatchie, Van Buren, Warren, and White. **(Note: Most likely delivery location(s) for TWRA Region 3 shall be within the region, including off-loading to TWRA hatchery trucks or waterbodies.)**

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- d. **TWRA Region 4 – East Tennessee** - The counties include, Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Carter, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Loudon, Scott, Sevier, Sullivan, Unicoi, Union, and Washington. **(Note: Most likely delivery location(s) for TWRA Region 4 is Eagle Bend Hatchery – Anderson County)**

**Eagle Bend Fish Hatchery**  
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 Clinton, TN 37716  
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Appendix

