September 14, 2020

Request for Proposal
Living History Farms is soliciting proposals from qualified farm operators to engage in a multi-year renewable cash rent farm lease agreement (3 years).

Farm: #6843
Tracts: 11587 and 11588

Purpose:
A total of approximately 100 acres of farmland is available for modern farming on two tracts.
Field 1 - It has been on a corn/soybean rotation for the past 6 years.
Field 2 -- Grass/Alfalfa Hay mixture.
All crop production expenses are the responsibility of the Operator.
Certificate of Insurance is required.
Transfer and/or sublet of interest is not permitted.
Subcontractors are not permitted.
Hunting rights belong to the owner.

Term:
2021-2023 (Renewable)

Minimum acceptable coverages of Insurance:
- Workers Compensation as required under Iowa law
- Comprehensive General Liability Insurance with limits no less than $1,000,000 per occurrence.
- Automobile Liability Insurance on all owned, non-owned, hired or leased automotive equipment in conjunction with operations in an amount no less than $500,000 per occurrence.
- Policies must be issued by those insurers authorized to do business in Iowa with a “B” rating or better.

Any interested party should submit a resume/bio outlining previous relevant experience and three references (preferably landlords) and sign an authorization form for a background check to:

Ruth Haus
President
Living History Farms
rhaus@lhf.org

Responses are due no later than 4:00pm on October 30, 2020.

Proposal Evaluation Criteria:
Years of farming experience
Meets insurance criteria
Experience working with a not-for-profit organization preferred.

Living History farms reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. Proposals will be evaluated after the proposal deadline in private. No formal “opening” will take place. The selected party will be informed by November 30, 2020.

Lease Agreement rates:
Lease agreement rates will be based upon the most recent available survey from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach using the average cash rental rate per acre for Polk County in District 5 at the time of the agreement signing and/or renewal year.

Attachments:
Authorization for background check
Tract Map(s)
Tract Cropland Total: 34.17 acres