



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### PROPOSED CONTRACT

**Department(s):** Animal & Rabies Control

**Vendor:** Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation, Dundee, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Environmental Impact Study

**Contract Value:** \$1,215,341.00

**Contract period:** 12/1/2022- 11/30/2027

**Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:** FY 2023 \$243,068.20, FY 2024 \$243,068.20 FY 2025 \$243,068.20, FY 2026 \$243,068.20, FY 2027 \$243,068.20

**Accounts:** 11323.1510.33925.521313

**Contract Number(s):** 2123-10283

**Concurrences:**

The contract-specific goal set on this contract was zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** Animal & Rabies Control requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute a contract with Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation for a long term and nationally recognized study, which allows, the County to determine population characteristics of Coyotes and wildlife. This will help to minimize conflicts and guide the management programs relating to wildlife and the public. This study also utilizes surveillance of wildlife for zoonotic diseases that may threaten Cook County residents and their companion animals.

Details of specific study areas:

- Wildlife disease monitoring will be conducted each year
- Monitoring of coyote and wildlife behavior
- Extensive field project, designed to evaluate effectiveness and consequences of TNR colonies for feral cat management.
- A major objective of the study is to document fates of radio collared coyotes, particularly with respect to disease and conflicts with people and pets

No other wildlife surveillance providers in the United States apply radio collars and contact collars to all wildlife types. No other wildlife surveillance provider in the United States, Canada or Australia collects and does antibody

evaluation for diseases in wildlife. No other wildlife surveillance provider in the U.S., Australia or Canada does analysis on ecto and enteroparasites. No other wildlife surveillance provider in the U.S., Canada, or Australia maintains a library of historical sera to determine trends in disease processes. Max McGraw provides all of them.

This is a Sole Source procurement pursuant to Section 34-139 of the Cook County Procurement Code.