

PRE-BID REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Project No.: 42250042/42110320
Project Name: FTIG Waterline Replacement - Area 8 & 13

RFI #	Submitted By	Point	Date Submitted	Description	Discipline	Assigned To	Response	Addendum No.
001	C&R Directional Boring - Kelton Rishel	1 - General	6/3/26	The plan drawings show piping listed as D.I.C.L for pipes 4-10 inch. Spec section 221113 describes several types of pipe. Specifically 221113-2 2.1 D. describes PE DIPS DR 11 for pipes 4-10 inch, in addition to DICL elsewhere. Are contractors able to use HDPE DIPS DR 11 for installation of main lines 4-10?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	No, PE pipe is not acceptable for Mains, 4-10 inches. Please revised page 22113-2 of the specification and remove section 221113.2.1.D.2 and replace with "All water mains (4" thru 10") shall conform to AWWA C151, Ductile Iron, AWWA C-104 Cement Lined. All fittings shall be Ductile Iron, no PE fittings will be permitted."	3
001	C&R Directional Boring - Kelton Rishel	1 - General	6/3/26	Is there a DeMinimus list that could be utilized for the project? Romac Industries makes a gate valve equivalent to the one specified in all functionality and characteristic, except it uses the ALPHA restraint joint, rather than megalug type gland paks. These valves fall just shy of BABA requirements.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	No, there is no DeMinimus list for the project. Gate valves are specified for uniformity throughout the installation.	3
001	C&R Directional Boring - Kelton Rishel	1 - General	6/3/26	At areas of deflection or at newly installed Tee locations, Could molded fittings be used? The use of molded fittings will allow for the use of electrofusion couplings. Allowing this will overall greatly reduce the bolts required in the system, allowing for less opportunity of future pipe failures, and eliminate the need for MJ adapters, that will likely be fused to the pipe with EF couplings anyway.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Areas of deflection and water main intersections shall be made per shown and specified method, molded fitting are not acceptable.	3
001	C&R Directional Boring - Kelton Rishel	1 - General	6/3/26	The service saddles described in part 2.5 of the same section describes copper saddles, traditional with DICL or C900. If HDPE is indeed an acceptable material, could these saddles be Electrofusion style, again reducing the dependency of mechanical restraints? If these were to be considered as acceptable substitutions, far more of the proposed pipeline will be molecularly welded together rather than bolted together.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Service saddles shall be as specified. Electrofusion style is not acceptable.	3
001	C&R Directional Boring - Kelton Rishel	1 - General	6/3/26	Would Horizontal Directional Drilling be an acceptable method of installation, should HDPE also be acceptable? Utilizing these industry leading techniques can greatly reduce the daily impacts and inconveniences faced by owners and residents compared to traditional open cut.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Horizontal Directional Drilling is not specified, and is not acceptable.	3
002	Iron Eagle Excavating - Jon Martzall	1 - General	6/15/26	Is there a set of E&S drawings we should reference throughout this project?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	There are not separate E&S plan drawings. Please reference E&S notes and details issued with the bid set.	3
002	Iron Eagle Excavating - Jon Martzall	1 - General	6/15/26	Is compaction testing the owner's responsibility? I see it listed throughout the specifications that the contractor must provide.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Compaction testing is the Contractor's responsibility. Contractor shall engage third-party.	3
002	Iron Eagle Excavating - Jon Martzall	1 - General	6/15/26	Are there established control points within or near the project that the contractor can use?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Control Points and CAD file will be provided to the selected contractor. Please see plan notes regarding the accuracy/precision of the plans (GIS, Aerial, etc)	3
003	C&R Directional Boring - Heather Cutler	1 - General	6/3/26	Regarding the bid bond, should this be for the total contract amount or a specific percentage? Additionally, should we use a general form, as I did not see one included in the bidding documents?	General Conditions	Tina Rebuck	There is no bid bond required to bid. Bid bond will be required from the awarded contractor only.	3
003	C&R Directional Boring - Heather Cutler	1 - General	6/3/26	Is there a defined maintenance period for this project?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	There is a one-year warranty period. Maintenance should be provided within the limits of disturbance until final stabilization is achieved - final asphalt pave, final gravel pave, final vegetation (70%), E&S Controls, etc. See sheet C.3.0 BMP Sequencing, Note 18.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Are the 16% SDB and 3% VBE goals a requirement and must be met for this project? Or just the good faith efforts required if such businesses are not cost effective?	Procurement	Tina Rebuck	The goals are a requirement, and the paperwork must be completed and submitted with your bid submission. if you have any additional questions, please contact BISSD using the email from the presentation in eMarketplace as an addendum.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Is a professional surveyor required to stake the project out prior to construction?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	No	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will engineered plans and CAD files need to be provided at the end of the project or just redlined drawings?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	Per Section 01789, Paragraph 2.1, all red-lines shall be transferred to CAD	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will compaction testing of backfill and/or pavement be required?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Per Section 321216, Paragraph 3.9, and Dwg G.2.0, project note 4, testing required.	3

004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Are there any workday or time limitations/restrictions that we should be aware of? What would a typical weeks timeframe look like when crews could be working on site?	Procurement	Tina Rebuck	We will address this with the awarded contractor. See Section 011200, paragraph 1.4	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Can you please confirm that this project and all associated materials are tax exempt?	Procurement	Tina Rebuck	We will address this with the awarded contractors.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will the contractor be required to obtain and pay for any permits? If so, could you please clarify what permits and their amounts?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	PA One-Call and FTIG Dig Permit. See Drawing sheet G.2.0 project notes 12 & 13.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Are there any inspection fees that will need to be paid for by the contractor? And if so, in what amounts?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	See Drawing Sheet G.2.0, Project note 4. Contractor is to engage the testing agencies.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Do you have a tabulation of quantities that you might be able to provide that we could use to double check our quantity counts for materials?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	The project is lump sum bid . The contractor is responsible for providing the quantity to perform the work	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will a field office be required to be installed for this project?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	No. It is not required. A contractor may use a field office per the specifications.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Could you please advise as to if any training will be required by our personnel before any work shall begin? And if so, could you please advise to the cost (if any) along with timeframe to complete said trainings?	General Conditions	Tina Rebuck	Yes. Those trainings are listed in the general conditions of the construction contract – Article 20 (20.28, 20.29, 20.30, and 20.31) – no cost associated.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Is a superintendent required to be on site daily and for the entirety of active work throughout construction?	General Const.	Dottie Sterner	A superintendent or responsible designee (identified in advance to the DMVA PM) must be on site daily for the entirety of active work.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Can you please advise confirm the warranty/correction period and bonds must be maintained for a period of 1 Year? Will a bid bond be required for submissions of this project? And if so will an AIA bond suffice and in which % amount of the bid should be used?	General Conditions	Tina Rebuck	We will address this with the awarded contractor. Bid bond is not required for bid submission.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will all abandoned pipe be cut and capped or will any flowable fill need to be utilized?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Abandoned pipe must be cut and capped. Flowable fill is not required.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Are all Tie-Ins for this project connection to Existing Cast Iron or Ductile Iron Main? Any other pipe type that we will be tying into?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Tie ins to Mains are cast Iron or ductile iron. Tie ins to service connectios are listed in the tables on sheet G.2.0	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	There are no wet taps on this project correct?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	Wet taps are not required, but the contractor may propose a wet tap - at no additional costs	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Do you have any geotechnical reports that you could provide to allows us to have a better anticipation of rock that may or may not be encountered in the project areas?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	No. Per section 312000, paragraph 3.3, the excavation is unclassified.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Will there be any roadway overlays on this project? Or just Trench/Ditchline Restoration with 1' Cut Backs? If any roadways are to receive an overlay, could you please advise as to which roads?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	No. There is no full roadway overlay. Asphalt restoration per the details as described.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Are there any E&S plan sets to delineate what (if any) E&S controls should be installed for the project? There doesn't appear to be any shown on the provided plan set.	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	There are not separate E&S plan drawings. Please reference E&S notes and details issued with the bid set. The notes and details are self explanatory where the E&S Controls are needed.	3
004	EK Services Inc - Walker	Tyler	1 - General	6/19/26	Could you please advise as to where the AASHTO #3 ground cover detail on page C-2.1 of the plan set should be utilized?	Site/Civil	Dottie Sterner	The detail is provided if needed. It is anticipated that restoration of all areas will be asphalt pave, gravel pave, or vegetation.	3