

FM 1097

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To: Anderson Rd

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Contractor Questions During Advertisement

1. The Please provide the cross sections for the project.
Will be posted to the FTP.
2. Please provide the Time Determination Schedule for the project.
Will be posted to the FTP.
3. Is there any additional Geotech information aside from the boring logs that are included in the plan set? If so could you please provide that information?
Will be posted to the FTP.
4. On sheet 17 please confirm all bid items labeled “** for contractors information only”, are part of established bid items.
The quantity for Item 530-6017 is included in Item 360-6043(under Roadway Quantity Summary). All other Items with ** can be found under the Drainage Summary.
5. Is item 110-6002 is for ditch excavation?
Item 0110-6002 EXCAVATION (CHANNEL) is included in the contract to compensate for the removal / disposal of materials that are unsuitable for use as roadway embankment. This item will be used in any situation, natural or manmade, where typical 6-inch depth drying or reworking of existing materials is not sufficient and requires the materials beyond 6-inch depth to be removed
6. Can you please provide the XSR Files?
We don't have the XSR files as this project was designed using Geopak SS4. The earthwork report excel sheet is attached herewith.
7. Traffic Control Plan: Phase 2A (Alternative Phase) The note on sheet 37 A says “In the case utility has not been cleared, construct portion of phase 2 pavement as shown in this plan”. Will the utilities be cleared? Should we expect a delay from the utilities being relocated?
Utilities are expected to clear by the date listed on the SP 000-896. The alternative phase was provided for a worse case situation such hurricane that may prevent any utilities from completely relocating their facility by the specified date on SP 000-896.
8. What is the 6,058 SF of Temporary Special Shoring for? Can a detail be provided?
The Temporary shoring is to temporary hold cut and fill areas and keep the road integrity during different phases of construction. On locations where a temporary shoring is provided, the cut/fill is more than 5 ft and the space between the existing and newly constructed roadway is not sufficient enough to allow a 3:1 slope to hold the embankment in place.
9. Does your excavation quantity include the excavation of the existing roadway?
No, the excavation quantity is done excluding the existing roadway. Removal of the existing roadway will be paid under Item 105 6094- Removing Stab Base & Asph Pav (12”-27”)
10. Are the Cross Sections that were provided all up to date? They all say Preliminary-Not for Bidding Purpose.
Yes, the cross section is up to date. The cross-section data provided is for non-construction purposes only and it is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to validate the enclosed data with the appropriate plans, specifications, and estimates for the projects

11. Where does the cut and restore for the cross culverts pay for?
After reviewing the TCP, the drainage designer doesn't think Cut & Restore would be needed in this project and therefore, didn't show any quantity on the summary sheet.
12. Can a bid item be added?
The contractor should bid this project as is.
13. Will the utilities in Phase 2A be relocated by the time we begin? It is important because we will have to bring in additional material to make our fill requirements because of the unbalanced cut and fill by phase.
Utilities are expected to clear by the date listed on the SP 000-896.
14. Will Phase 2 and 2A be able to be done together? Because we will have to import quite a bit of additional material and then export it if we can't do them together.
No, the Phases will be done separately.
15. Please double check your earthwork quantities. I'm coming up with higher quantities of cut and fill.
The earthwork (Cut and Fill) has been recalculated and it matches with the excavation and embankment quantity on the roadway quantity summary. Existing roadway removal is excluded from excavation and is paid under Item 105 6094- Removing Stab Base & Asph Pav (12"-27").
16. If Phase 2 A is utilized will days and extended overhead be able to be added to the contract?
No time will be added to the contract as Phase 2A was considered when determining the contract time.
17. Sheet 82 in the Demo Sheets shows to remove a concrete driveway at Station 291. There is an existing fence and gate there currently. Will these have to be removed/replaced? Also, where would this pay for?
The existing fence and gate will be removed by the property owner.
18. Is the ditch work included in the Roadway Excavation and Embankment quantities?
Yes, all excavation and embankment needed for this project is included under Item 110-6001 and Item 132-6004.
19. Based on your answer to question 5 regarding Item 110-6002 Excavation (Channel): Is the 8,269 CY an arbitrary number with no way to quantify that may not happen at all?
The quantity is estimated from proposed right of way or existing ditch locations which are at elevations where unsuitable materials may be present. Depending on weather patterns or phasing of work, the areas may be more or less likely to be unsuitable.
20. Sheet W in the General Notes Item 504: Field Office and Laboratory- It looks like we need to supply 1 EA Type A Structure for the laboratory, 1 EA Type D structure for the Asphalt Mix Control Laboratory, and 1 EA Type E structure for the Owner's field office. Will both of these labs be needed?
Per the General Notes "if an asphalt mix plant is located at the project site, provide a Type D structure with the dimensions of a Type C structure, at the project site to perform the asphalt mix quality control tests."