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Addendum # 2 Lewis Road Gravity Sewer System and Pump Station

Date of Addendum: 1/24/2025

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS AND PLANHOLDERS

The Bid Documents for the above-referenced Project are modified as set forth in this Addendum. The original Bid Documents and any previously issued addenda remain in full force and effect, except as modified by this Addendum, which is hereby made part of the Bid Documents. Vendors will take this Addendum into consideration when preparing and submitting a bid, and shall acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in the space provided in the Bid Documents.

BID SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

The Bid submittal time has been changed to 2:30pm on Wednesday, February 5, 2025.

The last day for questions is noon on January 29, 2025.

1.0 – ATTACHMENTS

Item	Description
1.1	Q. Confirm work hours are 8am to 4pm M-F, and will night work be permitted? A. Please see Page 27 of the General Conditions, and page 14 of the Supplementary Conditions, Section 7.03.
1.2	Q. Will daily work zone closures, or long-term detours be permitted, especially with the use of well point systems? A. Any proposed work zone closures or detour requests will need to be submitted to the County for review/approval. Local access for residents and emergency personnel must be available at all times.
1.3	Q. Will the County be providing any Staging Areas? A. Yes, there is a staging area available at the Landings Wastewater Treatment Plant property, located at 8731 Stephen Decatur Hwy, Berlin, MD, 21811.
1.4	Q. Confirm substantial completion duration is 240 Calendar Days and not Working Days. A. Confirmed
1.5	Q. What will justify substantial completion? A. Substantial Completion for the project will be issued upon the entire system becoming operational and sites/roads/properties restored to pre-construction conditions. Punchlist items may be performed beyond the substantial completion date.
1.6	Q. 022500, 2.2, A, 2 indicates that Borrow Material will be paid at the contract unit price, however there is no contingent item for Borrow Material. Will the County add a contingent item to the Bid Form for Borrow Material? A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.
1.7	Q. Will the County be offering any Geotechnical Reports or other information? A. Provided with Addendum #1.

1.8	Q. Will the County be providing specifications for the Submersible Sewage Pumps? A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.
1.9	Q. How will Temporary Asphalt Patching be paid? A. This is incidental and should be included under the lump sum for Bid Item 20 – Erosion/Sediment Control, Site Restoration, and Stabilization.
1.10	Q. Standard Detail G-2 calls for 6” Stone Road Base, however Bid Item 18 calls for 8” Road Base. Please clarify the item requirement. A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.
1.11	Q. Standard Detail G-2 calls for a 6’ minimum overlay across the centerline of the trench. Will the Contractor be paid if additional overlay width becomes necessary? A. If additional overlay width is necessary, the quantity as measured per the Measurement and Payment Specification Section 01 20 00 will be applied against the unit price of Bid Items No. 17 – 2” Surface Superpave Asphalt 9.5mm.
1.12	Q. Will the county allow groundwater discharge directly into roadside swales, or into existing drainage structures? A. The ditches out there are in good shape and should be able to accept dewatering. However, we do not know at what flowrate the swales would be overwhelmed. The Successful Vendor will have to adjust the pumping rate to ensure the water in the swales does not spill over onto the road, even in rainy conditions. Also, any discharged water has to meet sediment and erosion control requirements.
1.13	Q. Please confirm that the County will be responsible for the cost of daily Geotechnical Testing and Inspection pursuant to Section B, Article 14.02. A. The cost of geotech testing & inspection is the responsibility of the Successful Vendor, unless otherwise explicitly stated on the Contract Drawings or Specifications.
1.14	Q. Will any temp construction signs be required? A. Temporary traffic control signage will be required.
1.15	Q. Is Contractor’s Surveyor required to be MD State Certified? A. Yes
1.16	Q. Please confirm that Abandonment of existing Septic Systems are incidental to Bid Item 6. A. It is to be included within Bid Item No. 19 - Demolition and Abandonment of Septic Tanks, Plumbing, Connections, and Appurtenances.
1.17	Q. Will Plumbing & Electrical from Homes to Grinder Pumps be incidental to Bid Item 2? A. Correct.
1.18	Q. How will 1.5” HDPE Sewer Services be paid? The additional quantity is not reflected in Bid Item 3. A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.
1.19	Q. Note 2 on sheet 10 of 22 offers a Directional Drilling alternate to bidders for the 4” F.M. Will the County offer the same for the 1.5” F.M. on sheet 11 of 22? A. The Contractor can elect to install the 1.5” forcemain via directional drill as an alternative.
1.20	Q. Is it possible to extend the contract duration to 365 days? The current 240 calendar day duration does not allow enough time to complete this project especially with the lead time for pump station materials. A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.
1.21	Q. Is it possible to close Lewis Road every day and allow local traffic only? A. Any proposed work zone closures or detour requests will need to be submitted to the County for review/approval. Local access for residents and emergency personnel must be available at all times.
1.22	Q. Please provide details for the terminal flushing connection as seen on plan sheet C-502. A. The Details on Drawing C-502 is the County Standard for a terminal flushing connection.
1.23	Q. Please provide details for the concrete slab around the new PS as seen on plan sheet C-302. No thickness, rebar detail or base material type & thickness provided. A. Please see notes on Drawing C-302. The structural is specified as precast concrete. The top slab is dimensioned as 1’ thick, base 2’ thick, resting on 12” of #57 stone.
1.24	Q. Do the new manholes in Lewis Road HMA need a concrete pad around them ? A. No.
1.25	Q. MOT question; Lewis Road will have to be closed to facilitate construction of the new sewer line. The proposed sewer line and manholes are in the center of the road or in the travel lane. With the required well point system, heavy equipment for the deep excavation, there will not be enough room to safely pass traffic with a one lane road MOT set up with flaggers. Local traffic can come and go from either end of the moving road closed area. Will we need to put up message boards before starting the road closed with detour ? A. Message boards will be required to be put up 2 week ahead of any road closure / detour

1.26	<p>Q. Will the Contractor be required to temporarily patch the road surface with HMA base course on a daily basis or can this be done once a week or at the end of the work ?</p> <p>A. Will be addressed in Addendum 3.</p>
1.27	<p>Q. Is this project wage rated?</p> <p>A. There are no State or Federal wage rates for the project.</p>
1.28	<p>Q. Are there any MBE/WBE/DBE Requirements?</p> <p>A. See Page 23 of the Supplementary Conditions.</p>
1.29	<p>Q. Can the bid date be extended an extra week?</p> <p>A. The Bid due date has been extended to February 5, 2025.</p>
1.30	<p>Q. Please confirm YES or NO if there are any MD or Federal wage rates.</p> <p>A. There are no State or Federal wage rates for the project.</p>
1.31	<p>Q. Please also review the response from the insurance agent regarding the terms of the Builder's Risk that could present an issue, he needs more detail on the scopes to determine if it is insurable, but he has indicated definite parts that need to be stricken if possible.</p> <p>We don't see the "all risk" terminology as an issue. It is not correct verbiage in today's insurance industry, its an old term.</p> <p>Commonly accepted would be "special form", which they to hint at in 6.04B Such property insurance will be written on a special perils (all-risk) form</p> <p>We don't like the terminology "without limitation" because every exclusion is a limitation, so we would recommend striking that if you can.</p> <p>A. This language is a required revision to the standard EJCDC General Conditions as imposed by the funding partner, USDA. No revisions have been made.</p>
1.32	<p>Q. Please confirm that bid item 6 is limited to only those Sewer Laterals that are shown on the plans to extend beyond the Cleanouts.</p> <p>A. Confirmed.</p>
1.33	<p>Q. Please confirm that for Item 6, the Contractor is responsible to include the connection to the existing gravity sewer at a point above the existing Septic Tanks, and not at the house foundations.</p> <p>A. Correct. Please see Coded Note 5 on Drawings C-201 to C-207.</p>
1.34	<p>Q. What size is the Main Breaker? Is it 200 amps? Reference E-101 / E-102</p> <p>A. The enclosure (CB-1) shall be rated for 200 amps with the mains breaker being 50 amps.</p>
1.35	<p>Q. What size is the Panel P1? Is it 200 amps? Reference E-101 / E-102</p> <p>A. The panelboard (PP1) shall be rated for 200 amps with the circuit breaker being 50 amps.</p>
1.36	<p>Q. Is the equipment in the enclosure rated for NEMA 1 or weatherproof.</p> <p>A. The enclosure shall be NEMA 4x per the Equipment Enclosure details on Drawing E-102.</p>
1.37	<p>Q. Can you clarify that a daily detour will be acceptable for gravity sewer installation throughout Lewis Rd. just allowing access daily to homeowners?</p> <p>A. Any proposed work zone closures or detour requests will need to be submitted to the County for review/approval. Local access for residents and emergency personnel must be available at all times.</p>
1.38	<p>Q. Has radio test been performed, or is it part of this bid? If not; what if there is no good path for signal? Section 27 27 10-2.1 E</p> <p>A. A radio test was conducted during the design stages to verify signal strength. The contractor shall conduct a test to verify signal strength.</p>
1.39	<p>Q. Will the contractor be charged for overtime wages beyond 40 hours a week worked on site?</p> <p>A. We are not requiring work beyond 40 hours a week. If bidders believe they will need to include overtime to meet the project schedule, bids need to reflect those wages.</p>

END OF ADDENDUM