August 25, 2020

ADDENDUM No. 1

RE: Addendum to Request for Quotation S2021-01 On-Call Habitat Maintenance

Bid Due – by 2:00 PM on August 31, 2020

Clarification only: This addendum will need to be returned with your bid response.

1) Is it necessary for the Foreman to be bilingual English/Spanish if the Foreman and all staff that would be working onsite speak and fully understand English as their primary language?
   Answer – No, If all staff are English language fluent, the bilingual requirement will not apply.

2) If the 8-hour work day starts when on Sweetwater Authority property would it be possible to store any equipment on Sweetwater Authority property?
   Answer – Yes, equipment can be stored on Sweetwater Authority in areas designated by Sweetwater Authority staff. Most likely these will be intern gates areas. Any Service Provider equipment can only be stored for the duration of the specific job being worked on and would be required it be removed at the end. Sweetwater Authority also claims no liability for allowing storage or Service Area equipment in case if damage, vandalism, or theft, including and up to complete loss. Such allowance will be reflected in the contract agreement.

3) Would there be parking onsite or outside the Sweetwater Authority property if staff have to begin their 8-hour day on Sweetwater Authority property?
   Answer – Typically, parking would be inside gated areas of Sweetwater Authority Property (e.g. Sweetwater and Loveland Reservoir site). The 8-hour shift, plus 1/2-hour lunch, will begin at the scheduled gate arrival time (e.g. 8:00AM). There will not be individual ingress and egress to the gate access location other than the start and end of the shift.

4) To clarify the Foreman needs to have an authorized QAC for any work done when on Sweetwater Authority property or only when doing pesticide application?
   Answer – Pesticide application is often known in advance of our jobs, but not always if problematic invasive species are encountered in the course of other work. Therefore, we require that a Service Provider Foreman or at least one Service Provider crew laborers have a valid pesticide application from the Department of Pesticide Regulation at all times for our assignment projects.
5) Or does only one staff member need to have a QAC if it weren't the Foreman?
Answer – Refer to question #4, of this addendum, for our response.

6) Are there any points awarded for CA State certified Small Businesses?
Answer – If a Local, Small, and/or Disadvantaged Business is not the lowest bidder, then Authority staff may provide a preference of up to 10 percent over the lowest procured price when awarding a purchase involving Local, Small, and/or Disadvantaged Business.

This addendum consists of one page(s). All other terms and conditions remain unchanged. All questions concerning the bid specification or Scope of Work must be submitted in writing either by mail, facsimile, or e-mail, and received no later than the date noted in the above referenced RFQ.

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Sincerely,
SWEETWATER AUTHORITY

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