



**CONTRACTS NOS. 200060 & 200070
DC WATER CLEAN RIVERS PROJECT**

**GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE
ADDENDUM NO. 1**

September 18, 2020

Proposers shall acknowledge receipt of this Addendum on Acknowledgement of Addenda form in Attachment E of the Request for Proposal (RFP).

This Addendum is hereby included in and made a part of the Contract Documents.

This Addendum is being provided to all Proposers.

All requirements of the original Solicitation shall remain in force except as amended by this addendum.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

All communications related to this solicitation must be directed to Narcisse Atchamou, Category Manager Capital Procurement as the single point of contact (POC). Interested Prime and Sub-Consultants should email an intent to respond to Narcisse.Atchamou@dcwater.com as soon as possible with the Proposer's contact information to assure that future communications and addendums are received timely. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in rejection of your firm's proposal.

The following corrections, changes, additions, deletions, revisions, and/or clarifications are hereby made a part of the Contract Documents for the above referenced project. In case of conflicts between this Addendum and previous issued Documents, this Addendum shall have precedence. Proposers shall make the following changes to all pertinent sheets, pages, and paragraphs of the Request for Proposal. Addendum No. 1 consists of the following:

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Rev. A: Cover Page. Closing RFP date (REVISED) **October 15, 2020**

Rev. B Delete Section 4. Procurement Process, Subsection 4.2 Procurement Schedule, Paragraph C in its entirety and replace with the following:

Section 4.2 – Paragraph C (REVISED):

Procurement Schedule Proposals electronically submitted to DC Water no later than 2PM (EST) October, 15, 2020.

Rev. C: Question and Answers – Pre-Proposal Meeting.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WATER AND SEWER
AUTHORITY

DC CLEAN RIVERS PROJECT GREEN
INFRASTRUCTURE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE

CONTRACT A NO. 200060 &
CONTRACT B NO. 200070

Issue Date: September 01, 2020

Deadline for Questions: September 22, 2020

Closing RFP Date: **October 15, 2020**

Prepared for:



Prepared by:



Program Consultants Organization
Blue Plains Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant
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B. Pre-Proposal Meeting – September 14, 2020, 9:30-11:00am

This meeting will provide interested parties with an overview of the anticipated Scope of Services, RFP response requirements, and any necessary clarifications prior to the response deadline.

Although not mandatory, attendance/participation by contractors and subcontractors is strongly recommended.

Attendees are strongly encouraged to submit the company name, attendee name, and contact information (including e-mail address) to the DC Water Point of Contact (POC). RSVP at least three days before the day of the pre-proposal conference to the DC Water POC. The subject line of the RSVP e-mail shall say “Contract Nos. 200060 and 200070 Briefing RSVP.” Space is limited to two (2) attendees per firm.

C. **Proposals electronically submitted to DC Water no later than 2 PM (EST), October 15, 2020**

D. Notice of Intent to Award – November 2020

E. Notice to Proceed – December 17, 2020

4.3 DC Water’s Point of Contact (POC)

Questions regarding this RFP may be submitted in writing by email to **Narcisse Atchamou the designated Point of Contact, at the following email address:**

Narcisse.Atchamou@dcwater.com. DC Water disclaims the accuracy of information derived from any source other than the Point of Contact, and the use of any such information is at the sole risk of the Proposer.

5 GENERAL PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Requests for Information/Comments on the RFP Process

No later than 10 days in advance of the submission date of the proposal, a Proposer may, among other things: (a) request additional information or clarification relative to the RFP process; (b) comment on the RFP process or any component of the process, including any allegation that the process is contrary to applicable legal requirements; or (c) make suggestions or recommendations on the RFP process. All such requests, comments and suggestions or recommendations shall be directed to the Point of Contact in writing.

NO ORAL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION WILL BE ACCEPTED. Written responses, if warranted and as time allows, will be issued to all firms known by DC Water to have received the RFP.

The failure of a Proposer to raise an issue or concern regarding any part of the RFP process shall preclude consideration of that issue or concern after the date of submission of the proposal, unless DC Water determines, in its sole discretion, to do so.

5.2 Clarifications

DC Water, at its sole discretion, shall have the right to seek clarifications from any Proposer to fully understand information contained in the Proposal and to help assist in the evaluation.

Question and Answers

#	Section	Question	Response
1	Section 3.7.1	Will there be an opportunity to see sites before the bid is due?	Yes, proposers can visit sites that are open to the public, however sites such as the pumping stations and JBAB are not open to public. Nevertheless, drawings and photos of all GI facilities are provided as Attachment A-1. Site visits will be provided for the selected contractors after award of the contracts. Refer to RFP Section 3.7.1 Kickoff Meeting, Training and Initial Site Walk.
2		It is unclear if the GI installations to be maintained will generate SRCs and if the SRCs will be allocated to the Prime. If this is the case, then we are seeking to be a Prime. Can you please confirm if these are SRC-generating Green Infrastructure installations?	Further evaluation and consideration revealed that we cannot apply for SRCs for GI used for CSO control or that were constructed under the MS4. Also, maintaining the GI facilities does not generate SRCs.
3	Section 3.1	Must a contractor bid both A and B?	No. Refer to RFP Section 3.1. DC Water reserves the right to award the two contracts to a single or multiple awardees.
4	Section 4.2	Please consider extending the response date. 4 weeks might result in better response	Solicitation has been extended to October 15, 2020. Refer to Addendum 1, RFP Section 4.2 Procurement Schedule.
5		Will there be a complete list of firms interested in the project or at minimum a list of contacts with firm names on this pre-bid Teams meeting.	Yes. The plan holders list has been uploaded to DC Water's vendor portal.
6	Section 6	Do you require Contractors to have DC Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) Storm Water Management/ Green Infrastructure Approval for this project?	No. Refer to RFP Section 6 Required Contents of Proposal.
7	Section 3.10.3 and 3.10.5	Are the GI graduates from the DCW training at DC Infrastructure Academy?	No. The graduates from the DCW Training received training at the University of District and Columbia, College of Agriculture, Urban Sustainability and Environmental Sciences (CAUSES).
8		How do you plan to encourage prime contractors to reach out to qualified CBE firms that do not have working relation in the past with them?	DC Water encourages all bidding primes to reach out to District Department of Small & Local Business Development (DSLBD) to identify CBE firms. DC Water is available to provide assistance to prime contractors who are seeking potential new business partners. https://dslbd.dc.gov/service/find-certified-companies
9	Section 6.9	When you said 1 million for the bond is that for 5 years in total or is it 1 million annually? Also you are asking for the bonding capacity without any of this work being guaranteed? Why are we getting bonded for 2 million\$ with no work guarantee?	Refer to RFP Section 6.9.B Bond.
10	Section 3.7.2.5	If one of the maintenance site requires additional work that is on the scope of work, what is the process for a contractor to get paid for this additional work	All required work outside of the Preventative Maintenance scope of work is handled through the corrective maintenance process and is paid using a combination of the As-Needed maintenance line items and the BID Allowance. Refer to RFP Section 6.9 Corrective Maintenance and RFP Section 3.7.2.5 Work Change Directive.
11		How do the prime contractors connect to the subcontractors?	There are several ways in which prime contractors can connect to subcontractors. First, the list of firms who attended the outreach event on Monday, September 14, 2020, will be posted on the DC Water website. Included on the list are CBE firms who have expressed an interest in working as a subcontractor on the project. Prime contractors are encouraged to utilize that list as a resource. Secondly, DC Water encourages all bidding primes to reach out to the District Department of Small & Local Business Development (DSLBD) to identify CBE firms. DC Water is available to provide assistance to the prime contractors who are seeking subcontractors. Please see the link below for DSLBD https://dslbd.dc.gov/service/find-certified-companies Lastly, for specific needs, prime contractors may contact DC Water for assistance in identifying CBEs.
12	Section 3.7	Is this an IDIQ contract?	No. This is a unit price contract. Refer to RFP Section Section 3.7 Overview of Maintenance Activities
13	Section 3.7	Is there a guaranteed amount of work	Yes. Refer to RFP Section 3.7 Overview of Maintenance Activities (Tables 8 and 9)
14		Can you elaborate on the apprenticeship and mentor internship program requirements?	Pursuant to the Green infrastructure MOA, contractors performing on this project are required to operate a mentor/internship program for District of Columbia residents. The goal of the program is to supporting the development and participation of District of Columbia residents on the Authority's GI projects and give them lasting skills and work experience. Mentor/internship programs should be structured such that participants will have specific project responsibilities assigned to them by their mentor. Daily activities should include hands on experience and fundamental exposure to pertinent aspects of many GI types including bio-retention practices, pervious pavement, green roofs, and cisterns or rain barrels. For more information, please review the Mentor Internship Program Manual at the following link: https://www.dewater.com/sites/default/files/Green_Infrastructure_Mentor_Internship_Program.pdf Regarding the Apprenticeship requirements, contractors with a contract over \$500,000 as appropriate must have an Apprenticeship Program which is approved by the United States Department of Labor or their home state. The Program must also be registered with the District of Columbia Apprenticeship Council. Moreover, at least 35% of the apprenticeship hours are to be performed by District Residents.