REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

for

Bedford Canyon Channel, Stage 1

ADDENDUM NO. 1
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1.0 This addendum is part of the RFQ. All other terms of the RFQ remain unchanged and in effect. This addendum is intended to provide additional information and/or to change requirements in the above referenced RFQ. Any information contained herein will be considered part of the RFQ and as such will be used in the evaluation of the bid responses. Attention all potential bidders, if you have already submitted your quote prior to the bid closing date, please review this addendum and resubmit your bid response, should this addendum modify your initial bid response.

2.0 Respond to the quote at:

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2.1 The bid response shall be submitted electronically to mcweisen@rivco.org by 1:30 p.m. PST on the closing date of 11/04/2020. Bid responses not received by the District by the closing date and time indicated above will not be accepted. The District will not be responsible for and will not accept late bids due to slow internet connection or incomplete transmissions.

3.0 Questions:

1. On the Bedford RFQ we have a question regarding the number of submittals for each benchmark submittal. The RFQ states that three (3) submittals should be expected for the 30%, 60%, and 90% submittals. In the vast majority of our past projects working with the District we have typically had an average of a little less than two (2) submittals for each benchmark. This would result in at least ten (10) submittals for the project. Our experience on similar projects is typically six (6) total submittals. I guess what we would like to know is a little bit more of the background on this seemingly new recommendation. Any insight that you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

   a. The reason to assume three (3) submittals for each benchmark is to make sure we allow enough time for other stakeholders that may also be reviewing the plans. The project upstream limit is connecting to Caltrans and the downstream channel is currently operated and maintained by the City of Corona. The actual project sits on Riverside County Transportation Commission's (RCTC) property. There is also a requirement that the project accommodate a trail system that will get some input from the County's Regional Park District (County Parks). All four (4) project stakeholders may or may not have some comments on the project plans/specifications.

   b. The first submittal is for District review only, the second submittal is to be sent out to partners, and the third submittal is to the District to confirm comments were addressed. There will be three (3) submittals, but only two (2) rounds of comments. The third submittal will serve as a final file to include all comments from the previous two (2) submittals.

2. Section 3.0 Scope of Services: Do we assume Bid and Construction support is not included in this contract, or can we add an optional item for this task?

   a. That is correct; the bid and construction support is not included in this RFQ.

3. Section 7.3 "Provide certifications and resumes of key personnel." May we provide the resumes in an appendix? Or are they to be included in Section H Project Team?

   a. The resumes should be included in Section H.
4. Can our firm send a hard copy of the financial information (coming from our Accounting/Finance Department)? *Please do not send a hard copy of the RFQ.*
   
a. The Financial Information file can be sent from a different email address coming from our Accounting/Finance Department. The preference would be that all the PDFs from a firm are submitted in one email. If this is not possible, the email with the PDF for financials needs to meet the RFQ deadline and be very clear that it should be included with firms other half of the submittal under a separate email.

5. Are all meetings assumed to be virtual utilizing Zoom or other platform? Please specify which meetings are in person such as a field meeting with O&M personnel?
   
a. Virtual meetings will be used in most situations. The District uses Microsoft Teams or Skype. However, some in person meetings in the field should be anticipated for site reconnaissance, as well as other circumstances that may require in person meetings.

6. Could you clarify precisely the upstream limit of the project boundary? Is at the east side of the off ramp, or at the west side of Interstate 15?
   
a. The upstream limit of this project is the east side of the offramp. However, the hydraulic model has to extend upstream and connect to the existing improved channel.

7. May we attach subcontractor's scope of work and fee to (e.g., geotech) our proposal and assume it does not count towards page limits?
   
a. Yes, but please keep the expected hours of work/schedule separate from the total and unit costs proposal as mentioned in Sections K and Q.

8. Has survey control already been established for the project site? Does consultant need to provide surveyors?
   
a. The project area has been surveyed, and a survey control has been established.

9. Task 3.1: Please expand upon the objectives for development of the "Design Memorandum of Understanding".
   
a. The Design Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be completed once the Preliminary Design Report (PDR) has been completed by the Consultant. The MOU will clarify the design scope of work for this project. This is typically done prior to the start of any work; however, this project is different in that the scope of design is not yet defined and agreed upon by all project sponsors (District) and Stakeholders (City of Corona, RCTC and County Parks).

10. Task 3.4: What level of effort is expected for preparation of parcel boundary map? Is a licensed surveyor expected to produce this map?
    
a. All deliverables associated with this task are anticipated to be 'exhibits' in nature, prepared from parcel linework provided by the District. These consultant-provided exhibits are not required to be prepared by a licensed surveyor. Based on the exhibits provided by the consultant, District surveyors will develop the official documents for review by the consultant for conformance to project needs and purposes.

11. Task 3.5: Has an Environmental Information Package (EIP) been prepared for Form #1 and if so, can you provide a copy?
    
a. An EIP has not been prepared for any alternative.
b. This will be completed by the consultant once the project form has been determined by the PDR and 30% plans.

12. Task 3.5: If Form #1 is not chosen as the project geometry, should we include a scope and budget to create and submit a Long-Term Management Plan?
   a. The task for creating the Long-Term Management Plan can be presented as an optional task.

13. Task 3.5: What baseline environmental studies have been completed for the study area, and can you share them? (Biological surveys, vegetation mapping, cultural resources, Phase 1 ESA, etc.)
   a. As of now, there have not been any environmental studies. The necessary studies will be identified and performed by District staff and are not part of this RFP. The consultant should plan for necessary coordination with District staff to ensure that the progress of the work is coordinated appropriately with such studies.

14. Task 3.7 and 3.11: Could you clarify the extent of the traffic control plan needed?
   a. Minimal traffic control plan is expected for ingress/egress during construction via Cajalco Road and/or Temescal Canyon Road depending on City of Corona approval.

15. Task 3.8 Please elaborate on whether design of a bridge is anticipated within this scope.
   a. The design of a bridge is not within the scope of this project. However, it is understood that RCTC desires the wash design to accommodate a future bridge crossing within their property. The location of the future bridge within the RCTC property, as well as any specific design accommodations within the project, will be a topic for discussions with RCTC and the City. Examples of the types of design accommodations that may be discussed are a narrower crossing location or conservative free board requirements to allow for a future bridge deck.

16. Section H. Project Team, bullet #2: Are resumes included in the 12-page limit for sections G-J? If not, are resumes able to be included as an appendix?
   a. Resumes may be appended separately; however, the project team and relevant experience should still be within the 12-page limit.

17. Section H. Project Team, bullet #2: Can you provide clarification on what is meant by "Items 2 and 3 above"?
   a. This is an error, please ignore the reference on page 20 of the original RFQ.

18. Section 3.7 Geotechnical Investigation. The listed scope of work includes water infiltration tests. What will be the purpose of this tests? If needed at which locations and depth will the tests be performed?
   a. The infiltration testing will no longer be needed in the geotechnical scope of work.

19. Section 3.7 Geotechnical Investigation. For any of the proposed alternatives listed in the RFP documents, would seismic refraction survey be needed?
   a. Seismic refraction would only be needed if the contracted geotechnical firm believes there will be considerable bedrock below the project's excavation limits – found either by onsite borings, soil maps or historical aerial photos.