

Forsyth County Procurement

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ADDENDUM #3 RFP No. 21-201-3300

For: Sanitary Sewer Flow Monitoring Services

This addendum supersedes and supplements all portions of the bidding documents and becomes part of the contract documents for the above-referenced project.

Where any item called for in the specifications or indicated on the drawings is supplemented hereby, the original requirements shall remain in effect.

Where any original item is amended, voided or superseded hereby, the provision of such item not so specifically amended, voided or superseded shall remain in effect.

Clarification on Bidder Questions:

- 1. Q: Is the Cover Letter limited to one page or can it be two or more pages?

 A: The cover letter may be more than one page.
- 2. Q: On page 11 of the RFP in the Evaluation Criteria table, Price is listed at 25 points. Please explain how the points will be calculated, i.e., will the lowest price get 25 points and the next get points based on the % above the lowest total? A: The Committee Members will score all criteria based on the points system stated on page 11 of the RFP. The individual members will score each category at their own discretion.
- 3. Q: On page 10 under the pricing table, the RFP states that the contingency funds can be used for data analysis upon request. Since there is already data review and analysis referenced on page 7 of the RFP, what does this additional analysis include that would be used under the contingency funds? Is this I/I evaluation, or used to evaluate data from other monitors, etc.?

A: FCDWS can request additional reporting besides that was stated in Scope of Services, part C. Most likely, it would be I/I evaluation in the basins and recommendation for investigation, maintenance or repair approach.

4. Q: Scope of Services, part A. Flow meter installation states:

"Provide an updated schematic map of collection system showing all LTM flow monitors with flow directions"—

Does Forsyth provide a base schematic from which the corrections or additions are made?

What format is this base schematic and what format is expected for updates?

A: The contractor can create the schematic map using any program (Word, Adobe, etc.). The map shall include the sewer basin name, metering MH# (based on county GIS facility ID), incoming/outgoing sewer lines with the flow direction, and schematic connection to other significant infrastructure such as manhole or pump station.

- 5. Q: Scope of Services, part D. Software/Web-based data management states: "software will automatically collect data from all telemetered sites at a minimum of 15 minute intervals each day and whenever an alarm occurs."
 - Does this mean the data will be updated on the website every 15 minutes, or the data will be updated to the website at a non-specified interval (we would recommend every 12 hours) and the data will be in 15-minute intervals?
 - A: The data shall be collected remotely every 24-hours or less. Data shall be collected remotely when an alarm occurs. The data recording interval shall be 15-minutes.
- 6. Q: Scope of Services, part E. Data Analysis states:
 - "P.E. registered in Georgia reviews and analyzes data and provides recommendations upon request by Forsyth."
 - Shall this analysis be quarterly, seasonal (two times a year,), or monthly, etc?

What frequency is expected for request of analysis of data? What frequency has been the norm over the course of the previous contract?

Can the daily review of the data be performed by an experienced analyst, who generates work orders and calls the attention of the P.E. to anomalies for further review?

A: The analysis under the Scope of Services, part E. is "as-needed" and separate from the effort required under part C. Data analysts do not need to be a registered PE, but their work must be under direct supervisory control of a licensed professional engineer in Georgia.

7. Q: For the four additional years of the contract, is price escalation permitted or is the initial price for the entire 5 years?

A: Page 21, under Term of Agreement, section 2, the pricing for renewal is addressed.

8. Q: The RFP specifies three digital copies, one per USB drive. So to confirm, is one original paper proposal and three USB drives with one electronic (PDF) proposal on each drive?

A: Yes, this is the required submittal.

9. Q: Is a bid bond required? It is mentioned in the terms and conditions. If yes, what is the amount of the bid bond?

A: No, a Bid Bond is not required for this RFP.

10.Q: Are any bond, including bid bonds, required?

A: No

11.Q: Can the proposer state with its bid that no exceptions are taken, but would like to request the right to negotiate the indemnification provision if awarded the project?

A: See item 9 in Standard Terms and Conditions for clarification.

12.Q: Within the RFP, the Liquidated Damages amount are not specified. Do Liquidated Damages apply to this project? If they apply, what is the daily amount and is there a cap?

A: Liquidated Damages do not apply to this Service Agreement.