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DATE: December 8, 2022

TO: Prospective Respondents

FROM: Amy Lucey, Procurement Specialist

SUBJECT: Addendum #1 to Quote Request 38344, Redeck Wooden Walkways - BCMCA and

FDMCA.

As a result of inquiries, the following clarifications/changes are provided for your information. Please make all appropriate changes to your bid documents. Note: changes are reflected with original language shown with strike-through and new language is underlined.

Q1: Composite replacement is mentioned many times. Composite has become synonymous with a wood/plastic mix product such as you would find at Lowes or Home Depot. Common to find, but has all the same problems as wood and not a long term solution. In many cases 10yrs is about average life. Our product is 100% HDPE plastic and will stand up to your environment. So much so, that when your frame finally rots, you can reuse the deck boards as these are 50yr+ products and can be used in water. We might be slightly higher priced for materials, but you will never have labor cost in replacement or the future material costs.

A1: The composite deck boards shall be Trex Select or approved equal.

Q2: Is the current wood decking nailed or screwed down? It will make a difference in labor costs for removal

A2: The existing decking is screwed down, however some nails maybe encountered.

Q3: What is the distance between posts?(8ft on all?) Handrail considerations for too wide a distance.

A3: Eight (8) feet between posts is the standard distance between posts.

Q4: We can install with gaps between deck boards, but having lots of success with having no gaps. Since ours does not require gaps, like wood or composite, we can protect the wood frame and you will get extra years life from them. We also have a process to protect the wood before installation that should prevent rot except at ground level.

A4: The District takes no exception to having no gaps between deck boards as long as this is indicated in the manufacturer's literature. The District will consider additional protection of the substructure after the decking has been removed and the condition of the substructure is evaluated (not part of the bid price). However if the manufacturer's material installation requires a "protective" barrier or product be used, this shall be included in the bid cost. No expectation should be assumed that additional "protective" work will be undertaken.

- Q5: We can also offer an all plastic 4x4x10 that is reinforced to be structural and replace your rotted ones. Those would never need to be replaced. Is that acceptable?
- A5: At this time, we do not expect any structural work to be undertaken. If this work is required it will be identified after the deck boards have been removed and the substructure evaluated. For the purposes of this bid, the four posts associated with the L-77W walkway shall be marine grade pressure treated wood.

Attachments:

Pre-bid sign in sheet – separate cover Pre-bid meeting recording – separate cover

NOTE: The Quote Due Date remains 3:00 p.m., Monday, December 19, 2022

Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum on the Quote **COST SCHEDULE** FORM provided in the proposal package.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at <u>alucey@sirwmd.com</u>.