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ADDENDUM #1 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS For Professional Services

Southern Jasper County Drainage Study

There have been several questions that have been asked related to the information outlined in the RFP advertisement and instructions. Consequently, we are providing the questions and the answers to those questions to all who requested information. Additionally we are delaying the submittal to Jasper County to August 14, 2018 at 2PM to the same address as in the original offering:

358 Third Avenue, Courthouse Square

POB 1149 Ridgeland, SC 29936.

Questions as posed are in **bold** and answers are below in *italics*.

- Does the project have a maximum budget? It appears this can be a very high level study, or a very detailed level of study, depending on budget.

 The county was awarded \$50,000 in CDBG funds to conduct the study and provided a required 10% match.
- Are the cover letter, RFP covers, tabs, etc., part of the 15 page page count? For the purposes of this RFP, we won't count your brief cover letter, the covers, or the tabs as part of the 15 page limit. If you are including a map and it is larger than letter size 1 map equals 1 page.
- The RFP mentions wetland identification. Are we thinking more National Wetland inventory data for now? Or do we need a wetland consultant to assist?

 For the purposes of the study we are not necessarily looking for a wetland delineation to be completed. However, if your recommendations include working within a wetland area then as part of your estimated costs for that particular phase of work please include the cost to have a delineation completed.
- Can you please provide a digital boundary of the project area (shape file)? We do not have a shape file available however the vast majority of the boundary coincides with census tract and block group boundaries.
- Does submitting on the study preclude our team from submitting on future design work identified in the study?

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That will depend on the estimated costs of the phases, what additional funding outside of CDBG will be used and the direction we receive from the owner as we work on the recommendations of the study. If the work of the study is pursued for CDBG funding and if engineering has to be included to be paid for even in part with CDBG funds it is possible that the firm could be disqualified from the work. However that will depend on how a project is designed after consulting with the owner.

- Is a copy of the grant application available for viewing?

 The grant application is public information and is available for review at the grantee's offices at 358 Third Avenue or at the offices of Lowcountry Council of Governments.
- Does the end product report include individual or phased drainage projects with planning level budgets for LoCOG/Jasper County use in future bidding?

 The end product report should include individual or phased work with general maps and cost estimates that can be used to pursue funding for the recommended work through grant and or loan resources. The estimates would be used for budgeting purposes for applications but not for actual bidding of construction work.