

ITB #2023-002 DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL & DISPOSAL SERVICES

ADDENDUM 1

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Bid Closing Date:	February 9, 2023 at 2:00 PM, EDT
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(A copy must be attached to the Addenda Acknowledgement)

QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

- 1. The unit is blank for Silt Removal and Putrescent Removal. Please confirm the unit for Silt Removal is per CY. Please confirm the unit for Putrescent Removal is per Pound.
 - a. Yes. Those have been corrected on the unit sheet.
- The Established Total Units column is blank. Are we to put a quantity of 1 for all line items?
 a. Yes.
- 3. Does the County encourage company qualifications to be submitted with our proposal?
 - a. Qualifications would be a welcome addition but not required.
- 4. Does the pre bid meeting have an option to attend remotely?
 - a. No.
- 5. Please explain specifically how the proposal will be evaluated? What criteria will be used? How are these criteria weighted against the whole proposal?
 - a. It is a bid so typically the low bidder is the apparent winner. We will use a single unit test for lump sum total.
- 6. Are there any pre-identified DMS locations? If so, can you please provide the locations?
 - a. Yes, it is located off Blackburn Road, located in southern Lumpkin County. GPS coordinates are -84.028589 34.451359
- 7. Will the payment for hazardous trees and limbs be for the cut only and placement of debris safely onto the ROW for collection?
 - a. Yes, cut and place on shoulder to be removed at same cost of removing regular debris.
- 8. Will the payment for Hazardous Stumps include hauling?
 - a. Yes, if a stump is deemed dangerous and must be removed by contractor then the price should include hauling to the DMS site as well.

- 9. Will annual contract price increases based on Consumer Price Index (CPI) be allowed?
 - a. The County currently has contracts that include provisions for annual increases based on a variety of measures. We do not foresee an issue with similar terms if this is how companies set their prices. This information should be requested for inclusion in the contract negotiation phase.
- 10. Are the two (2) additional one (1) year optional periods exercised mutually between both parties?a. Yes.
- 11. Payment and performance bonds are a hard cost to the contractor for a contract that may not be activated. Can the County confirm that if P&P bonds are required, they will be due upon issuance of a notice to proceed?
 - a. P& P bonds will be required at the time of damage assessment and notice to proceed based on that assessment.
- 12. Does the County have any pre-designated debris management sites?
 - a. Yes.
- 13. If the answer to the above question is no, who is responsible for finding debris management sites?a. N/A.
- 14. The pricing sheet states that tipping fees are a passthrough, but is still requesting a price. These prices fluctuate significantly, particularly after a storm event. Is it acceptable to just right "Passthrough" for these line items?
 - a. Yes. The County will be directly billed for the tipping fees.
- 15. How soon does the contractor have to mobilize following activation?
 - a. Our current contract states that "within 48 hours of receipt of the Notice to Proceed, contractor shall commence the work described in the Notice to Proceed."
- 16. Can the County confirm that debris from demolishing of structures can be placed on the right of way and removed as C&D debris?
 - a. No. Debris from structures will not be placed in the right of way.
- 17. Will the County consider making the pre bid meeting virtual?
 - a. There is no option for the pre-bid to be virtual. All questions and clarifications from the pre-bid will be captured and included on the Addendum.
- 18. There is a column for quantities, but no numbers in this column. Can we use a quantity of 1 for this column?a. Yes.
- 19. How will pricing be evaluated? Will all line items be added up for a total or will certain line items have more weight than others?
 - a. It will be evaluated under a single unit test.
- 20. There are currently no units for "Putrescent Removal" and "Silt Removal". What is the preferred unit of measure for these line items?
 - a. Silt Removal is CY and Putrescent Removal is per pound.
- 21. Can you please confirm if the debris resulting from cutting Hazardous Trees and Dangerous hanging Limbs are to be placed in the ROW for collection under line item 1 as vegetative debris? If the Scope of work dictates that the debris resulting from the removal of hazardous trees and hanging limbs is to include hauling the resulting debris to DMS or final disposal site then the contractor would need dedicated collection trucks to follow the tree removal crews and ONLY pick up debris from their work, thereby skipping piles of debris and leaving it on the street to be picked up by another collection truck. If there is a major event, collection trucks will be more efficiently used if they could travel the ROW and pick up ALL debris rather than skipping piles and only following the tree crew. ALSO, the proposed rates will be higher to include the transport and disposal of debris. The typical method is to price hazardous trees and hanging limbs as a cut only rate and to place the resulting debris in the ROW for collection as vegetative debris. This method frees up collection trucks and expedites the collection process.

a. Yes, cut and place on shoulder to be removed at same cost of removing regular debris.

- 22. Traffic Control specifications?
 - a. All Traffic Control on these projects shall be done in accordance with part 6 of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and will be strictly enforced.