

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

DSP – PLEASANTON ROAD WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AT HUME ROAD

Solicitation No.: PS-00024-SM

Questions and Answers | February 11, 2016

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Is this a DSP project:

Yes

2. What size mains are involved?

The diameters of the existing water mains range from 2 inches to 8 inches. The proposed water mains diameters will range from 8 inches to 12 inches.

3. Can you clarify project description provided in Objective on page 1? Camelot Lane is south of Hume Road, but description states “The project extends along Pleasanton Road from north of Hume Road, crossing Camelot Lane and then to Trumbo Road.”

The project limits will extend near the intersection of Pleasanton Road and Peaceful Lane headed south along Old Pleasanton Road to where it intersects Camelot Lane. Then from the intersection of Old Pleasanton Road and Camelot Lane head west for approximately 8400 linear feet (LF) until the road ends. At the west end of Camelot Lane, head north along undeveloped area loosely matching alignment with Trumbo Road for approximately 6180 LF, passing Big Leaf Road. Then continue north along Trumbo Road for approximately 7900 LF to end near its intersection with Black Powder Road.

4. Is the Form 1295 to be included in the SOQ? If so, where should we include this form?

No, Form 1295 should not be included in the Respondent’s Statement of Qualifications (SOQ). The selected firm will be required to submit Form 1295 with the signed contract.

5. Can sub-consultant project(s) be used for the “Past Performance of Firm” section?

Yes

6. Can the proposed Project Manager’s project(s) that were performed with another firm be used for the “Past Performance of Firm” section, as long as this information is disclosed in the write up?

Yes

7. Our archeological subconsultant has brought to our attention a few potential conflicts with the code in the current RFQ. The most problematic is the Ownership of Documents on page 36. The Antiquities Code of Texas, its implementing regulations, and/or the current Texas Historical Commission rules under the code require consultants to obtain and complete a Texas Antiquities Permit for projects like this one, including collection and permanent curation at a THC-approved curation facility of certain artifacts, if found, submission of reports of findings and recommendations directly to the Commission for review and comment, and permanent curation of all our original project-generated field notes, reports, and other documents. Such consultants must also be able to communicate freely with the THC as needed during work on permitted projects, to which SAWS strenuously objected in one instance just a few years ago. We would not like to risk the ire of the THC. Therefore, would SAWS consider altering this requirement?

The Professional Services Agreement attached to the RFQ is the standard form SAWS utilizes for professional engineering design services. At this time, SAWS will not alter the language.

8. The Rights of Termination and Suspension for Convenience starting on page 40 might also be problematic for similar reasons, but they would probably not be separate deal killers if other problems like the Ownership of Documents might be waived by SAWS.

Please see response to Question #7.

9. In most cases we understand the rationale behind and our archeological subconsultant is willing yield to SAWS requirements, except when they directly conflict with the code and THC requirements. In all cases involving Texas Antiquities Permits, the subconsultant must contractually reserve the option to do whatever they believe necessary and sufficient to complete permits in spite of anything SAWS might or might not do or risk being effectively put out of business because of THC's suspension or permanent termination of our ability to get future permits.

Please see response to Question #7.

10. Could the project limits please be clarified? Hume Road does not currently cross Pleasanton Road, and Camelot Road is south not north of the location where Hume Road would cross Pleasanton Road (at Spur Ridge).

Please reference Attachment 1 for additional clarification on the project limits.

11. What is the southern limit of the project?

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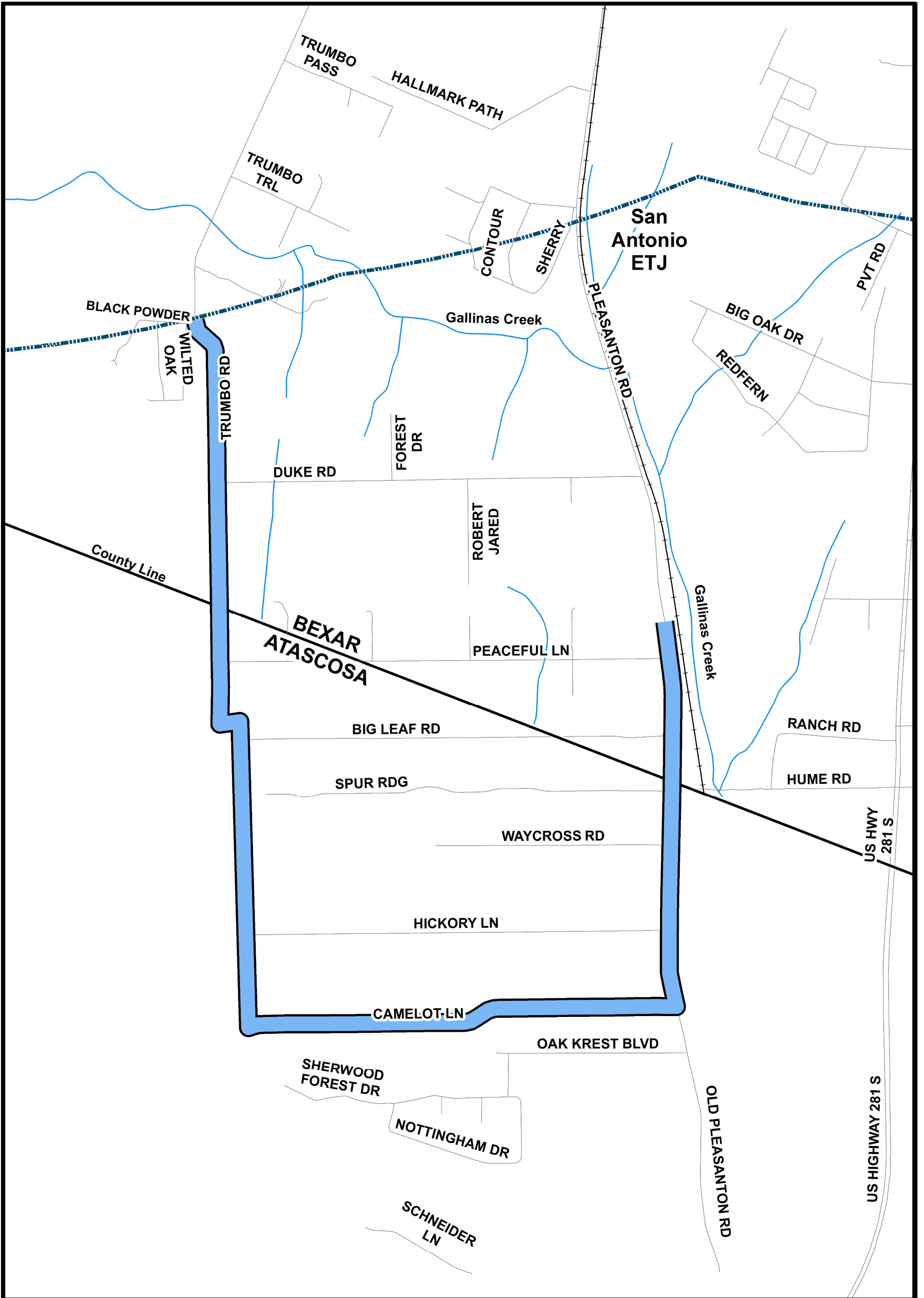
12. Is Englehart Road included in the project limits?

Englehart Road is not included in the project limits. The project limits end south of Englehart Road.

13. What is the northern limit of the project on Pleasanton Road and Trumbo Road?

Please reference Attachment 1 for additional clarification on the project limits.


END OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



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Legend

 Pleasanton Rd Water Main Replacement at Hume Rd

