



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

SANITARY SEWER CLEANING AND INSPECTION OF ASSETS AT THE LEON CREEK WRC CONSENT DECREE RELATED BID NO: 18-18015 ADDENDUM 1

RFP DUE: March 14, 2018 @ 3:00 PM Central Time

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Addendum 1 is issued to:

1. **Change the RFP Due date from March 7, 2018 @ 3:00 PM central time to March 14, 2018 @ 3:00 PM central time.**
2. Provide the questions received and the responses to those questions.

The questions received and the responses to the questions are as follows:

1. What is the minimum daily flow required to flow through the headworks of the plant? **Answer: Approximately 12 MGD to 15 MGD.**
2. Can the gates in front of the bar screen be closed to isolate flow from the headworks? **Answer: Yes.**
3. Can flow diversion be performed during non-peak hours as opposed to the “normal” work times outlined in the specifications? **Answer: Yes.**
4. Is sonar data available for the sections upstream from the project area? **Answer: No.**
5. Can the chlorine evacuation safety training be performed on line or following mobilization? **Answer: The Vendor’s personnel shall complete the one-hour classroom training prior to personnel mobilization, and preferably before the pre-work meeting. Ms. Veronika Williams with SAWS has openings for April 6, 9 and 10, although she is flexible and can provide the training on other days as well. All Vendor personnel shall receive this training prior to working at the site.**
6. What is the capacity of each EQ basin? **Answer: 3.3 million gallons each.**
7. How long does it take SAWS to drain the EQ basins? **Answer: Approximately three days.**
8. What is the maximum flow that can be supplied to the plant at the headworks? **Answer: The permitted 2-hour peak capacity is rated at 92 MGD.**
9. Does the road adjacent to the work area need to remain open or can traffic be diverted? **Answer: Traffic can be diverted.**
10. Are there any underground utilities adjacent to the berm that may be impacted by the weight of the equipment? **Answer: There are other underground utilities in the area. The vendor shall take all precautions as necessary to perform a safe and nondestructive project site. SAWS will mark utilities prior to commencement of work.**
11. For the structure inspections, is an inspection above the flow line acceptable or will the sewer flow need to be dropped below the normal flow level on the Primary bid or below 50% on the Alternate bid in order to perform the inspection?

Answer: The RFP doesn't specify the flow level in the structures for achieving either the primary or the secondary objective. It is expected that the means and methods for structure inspections will be articulated in the proposal, upon which the respondent will be evaluated.

12. Can we install a bypass into the equalization basins?

Answer: Yes, provided that the minimum daily flow to the plant is maintained.

If we can bypass into the basins will the plant allow us to block the road between the starting box structure to the basins. (This will reduce cost and minimize impact to the headworks into the plant)

Answer: Yes, the road can be blocked.

13. What is the maximum wait time for the drainage of the equalization basins, if filled to capacity?

Answer: Approximately three days.

14. Is there a minimum flow that the plant requires?

Answer: Approximately 12 MGD to 15 MGD.

15. Can we cut into the starting box structure to allow for the installation of rails or straps for the removal of the box tops?

Answer: Yes, but the cutting shall be kept to a minimum and any cuts shall be repaired by the Vendor. The respondent shall include in the proposal a detailed description of the intended cuts and an explanation of the proposed means, methods and materials to repair the cuts.

16. There is a monitor on the north side of the starting box structure near the 78" pipe, can that be removed to take off the box top? If so does SAWS have a contractor for removal and install?

Answer: Yes the monitor can be taken off and SAWS will remove and reinstall.

17. Will the SAWS full bypass specs be required since this is not going to be planned to be a full bypass?

Answer: No. However, notwithstanding any other specified requirements, the Vendor shall conduct a hydrostatic test on the discharge piping of each bypass pumping setup prior to commencing bypass pumping operations in order to ensure the diverted flows are contained.

18. Can the Bid deadline be extended a week to give more time for planning secondary option?

Answer: Yes, it will be extended.

19. What is the max load recommended for placement above the mainlines?

Answer: No max load is recommended. It is the Vendor's responsibility to comply with **Section 1000.2.7 Existing Utilities**.

Please note San Antonio will be on Spring Break March 12-16, 2018, due to the high volume of traffic in our area please give yourself enough time to drop of your bid. Bids are due by 3:00 p.m. on March 14, 2018.