

DECEMBER 21, 2018 POSTING

**REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION AND RESPONSES FOR RFP NO. 180  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT AND UPGRADE  
OF THE RIO HONDO PUMP STATION**

TO ALL VENDORS:

1. **Q:** Does Central Basin intend on conducting a pre-proposal meeting? If so, can you please share the details?  
**A:** Addendum No. 1 addressed the Pre-Proposal Meeting. It took place at the Rio Hondo Pump Station on 12/18/2018 from 10:00A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
  
2. **Q:** Does Central Basin intend on entertaining a pre-proposal site visit?  
**A:** Addendum No. 1 addressed the site visit. It took place at the Rio Hondo Pump Station on 12/18/2018 from 10:00A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
  
3. **Q:** I would appreciate consideration regarding page 9, 4. Section 2 – Firm and Key Personnel Experience (10-page max):
  - Provide a table listing all relevant distribution systems that the Company has provided services for over the last 10 years. Include:
    - Name of client and location of system
    - System service area
    - Basic description of services provided, assets evaluated, or design projects, including miles of pipeline and number of pump stations
    - Basic description and annual budget of service provided
    - Dates of contract initiation and completion, including if they were completed on time, if there was delay, or if services are still ongoing

You are requesting a lot of information for each project and we have worked on hundreds of “distribution systems” projects in the past 10 years. Would you consider refining the request to pump stations in California in the past 5 years? Or, several projects demonstrating 10 years of experience? I laid out one project (below) and it takes up a 1/5 of the page. In addition, this section includes an understanding of several 3 service areas, detailed project descriptions for 3 contracts, and qualifications and experience of the key management team

**A:** Selection and inclusion of the most relevant pump station projects within the last ten (10) years will be acceptable. If information requested is non-existent or irrelevant to a pump station project; do not include it (i.e. miles of pipeline). In addition, you may also mention the number of overall relevant projects without providing all information requested.
  
4. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** The first part of the proposal is for a conditions assessment. If we do not know the extent of the improvements needed before the assessment is completed, how do we know how to propose the second part which is the design?

**A:** Please look for a modified Exhibit D – Scope of Work under a future addendum posted to our website.

5. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** Are you open to other options or technologies if you need to replace the chemical equipment onsite?

**A:** We are open to consideration of other options or technologies available.

6. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** What are the estimated costs for the scope of work under this contract?

**A:** We estimated this work to be between \$300,000 and \$400,000 for budgeting purposes. We understand the possibility of this work being much less or much more depending on the conditions assessment.

7. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** What is the onsite battery sized at?

**A:** Power Rating = 200kW, Energy Capacity = 340 kWh, Rated Current = 241A @ 480 VAC, AC Voltage = 380-480 VAC 3-Phase, Frequency = 50 & 60 Hz, Roundtrip Efficiency = 87%.

8. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** During regular operations are the two large pumps rotated?

**A:** Yes; however, in previous years one of the larger pumps experienced a much higher number of operating hours.

9. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** What is the horsepower of the larger pumps?

**A:** 700hp each.

10. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** Are we keeping the original conditions assessment and recommendations?

**A:** If the consultant awarded a contract agrees with recommendations from the Hazen and Sawyer report, then they may include those recommendations in their PDR and design. If the consultant awarded a contract has different recommendations, they may choose to include all, some, or none of the Hazen and Sawyer recommendations in their PDR and design.

11. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** Can we get the site plans?

**A:** Yes, we will post on our website the original as-built plans from 1993 and the plans for the upgrades in 2010.

12. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** What assumptions should we make on the scope of work that you want us to address? The scope is not detailed.

**A:** Please look for a modified Exhibit D – Scope of Work under a future addendum posted to our website.

13. **Q(Pre-proposal Meeting):** Do you require consultants to be a Small Business?

**A:** No.

**14.Q:** Section 4 – Project Approach and Methodology as currently outlined in the RFP includes the scope of work. The scope will be 5 – 6 pages in length and the total section 4 page limit is 10 pages. Will the District consider allowing the scope to be included as an appendix so the full 10 pages can be used for the approach and the other required information for section 4?

**A:** Yes.

**15.Q:** Section 4 – Project Approach and Methodology states to specifically identify additional services that exceed the services requested. Does the District request for the fee to include “additional services” that may be suggested? Or, should the fee only include the base scope items included in Exhibit D.

**A:** Include fees for anticipated additional services as separate additional task items. Clearly identify itemized and total fees for the base scope and additional tasks separately on the same fee proposal.

**16.Q:** What is being evaluated under the evaluation criteria item “Evaluation of scope of work, deliverables, quantitative, timelines for milestones”? Is the technical approach included in this evaluation criteria item? What is “quantitative” referring to? Does the District have a timeline for completion of the project for us to base our schedule and timelines for milestones on?

**A:** Information provided to address Section 4 requirements on page 10 of the RFP will be evaluated under the Weighted Evaluation Criteria item “Evaluation of scope of work, deliverables, quantitative, timelines for milestones”. The term “quantitative” means that we are looking for measurable metrics within the methods and timelines proposed. We do not have a pre-determined timeline for this scope of work. We are looking to consultants to propose a realistic schedule to complete the scope of work.

**17.Q:** What is to be included in scope item 2.3(g) referring to construction inspection. Does the District require full time construction inspection for the entire project including mechanical, electrical, I&C, HVAC, etc?

**A:** The District will require a full time inspector for the entire project.