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May 28, 2020  
Subject: Cupsuptic Bridge Substructure  
Rehabilitation  
State WIN: 023547.00  
Location: **Lower Cupsuptic Township  
Amendment No. 1**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Will the state accept alternative concrete mixtures and additives, provided they meet the minimum requirements?

**Response:** The Department is willing to consider alternate mix designs.

**Question:** Are the bottom elevations given for placement target points, or will 1 foot below current bottom be sufficient?

**Response:** One foot below current bottom is sufficient.

**Question:** What is protocol for maintaining marine navigation during construction? Will partial or full closures for marine traffic be acceptable?

**Response:** The Contractor should plan on maintaining half of the channel for boats.

**Question:** Is there a separate specification for pile cleaning and preparation other than what is found in the "PILE CASING NOTES" found on page 4 of 4 of the provided project plans?

**Response:** No.

**Question:** Are site visits and or exploratory dives permitted?

**Response:** Yes.

**Question:** Are there any previous inspection notes or picture/video that are available for review?

**Response:** The inspection report has been uploaded to the MaineDOT web site, under the heading "Bridge Inspection Report".

**Question:** Will there be a maximum allowable time frame between cleaning and prepping of piles and placement of jacket until concrete placement.

**Response:** No.

**Question:** Will there be a designated area for clean out of concrete truck, pump truck and related equipment, or will the contractor be responsible for containment and removal?

**Response:** The Contractor is responsible for containment and disposal.

**Question:** Will the state allow the use of underwater cementitious grout solely for the purpose of bottom form plugs, prior to concrete placement?

**Response:** Yes.

**Question:** What are the insurance requirements, Standard Specification 110.3.1 – 110.3.3?

**Response:** Yes, Standard Specification 110.3.1 – 110.3.3, as well as Performance and Payment Bonds.

**Question:** What is the anticipated start date?

**Response:** The Contractor can start as soon as the Contract has been signed and a preconstruction meeting has taken place.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **June 3, 2020**.

Sincerely,



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