

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 16 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0016

Bruce A. Van Note

June 3, 2024

Subject: Instream & Wetland Culvert

Replacements

State WIN: 027872.00

Location: Morrill & Waldo

Amendment No. 1

Dear Sir/Ms.:

In the Bid Book (page 11) **CHANGE** the bid opening date in the first paragraph from "June 5, 2024" to read "June 12, 2024". Make this change in pen and ink. Any Bidders that have previously submitted Bids may choose to revise or not to revise their Bids. If the Bidder chooses to revise their Bid, they must resubmit a complete Bid Package including a Bid Bond and all other documents required. Upon request, the Bidder will have the original Bid returned to them otherwise it will be discarded. The Bid Package with the latest (newest) date shall replace all previously submitted packages.

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Is there any chance a complete detour can be done? This would drastically decrease the cost of this project

**Response:** A detour was considered for this project but we determined it was not warranted. Factors considered in this determination was the length of a detour remaining on State owned roads and the feasibility of construction without a detour.

**Question:** If one way traffic is to be maintained, are MUTCD traffic lights acceptable in lieu of flaggers?

**Response:** Yes, temporary traffic signals could be used, provided they meet our specifications.

**Question:** Is road plate a acceptable method to close up hole for vehicle traffic after work day has ended?

**Response:** Yes, we would consider the use of steel plates provided, a sketch plan stamped by a licensed professional engineer shall be provided. The sketch shall provide detailed dimensions of the maximum allowable excavation, any shoring or trench box requirements, minimum steel cover plate thickness, length and width, and any other construction element necessary to provide a covered trench that is safe for the traveling public. If the plates will be in the travelled lane the method of securing the plates so that they can not move also needs to be detailed.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on June 12, 2024.

Sincerely,

George M. A. Macdougall P.E. Contracts & Specifications Engineer

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