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May 3, 2024
Subject: Down East Sunrise Trail Repairs
& Culvert Replacements
State WIN: 028730.00
Location: **Machias**
Amendment No. 1

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

Question: Are we able to build a turn out on the trail large enough to turn trucks or will they all have to back from the road?

Response: No, all work must stay in the original footprint of the trail .

Question: Would we be able to use a 4" ledge for the base on the trail to prevent washing during construction with the tide. We have concerns that the trail will wash during the tide.

Response: No, work will need to be staged to best limit any washing .

Question: Could you please clarify what the 656.05 Temporary soil erosion and water pollution control soil erosion and water pollution control we assume this is for temporary silt fence each side of the rail bed.

Response: Refer to see Section 656 of the Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications March 2020 Edition for more details : available here : [Standard Specification - MaineDOT Contractor Info.](#) If the Schedule of Items contains Pay Item 656.75 for Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control, payment will be made on a Lump Sum basis, payment of which will constitute full and complete compensation for all labor, equipment, materials, inspection, professional services, and incidentals necessary to prepare, submit, obtain approval of, and properly implement the Contractor's SEWPCP. The Lump Sum will be payable in installments as follows: 10% of the Lump Sum once the final SEWPCP is approved and the initial soil erosion and water pollution controls are in place and certified by the Contractor, with the 90% balance to be paid as the Work progresses at a rate proportional to the percentage completion of the Contract.

Question: Do you need to have a DOT vendor number to bid on the job. or if one of my subs have one would that be adequate?

Response: The Prospective Bidders must register as a vendor with the Department of Administrative & Financial Services if the vendor is awarded a contract. Vendors will not be able to receive payment without first being registered. Vendors/Contractors will find information and register through the following link – <http://www.maine.gov/purchases/venbid/index.shtml>.

Question: Could you please clarify the warranty that is mentioned in the proposal?

Response: Refer to Section 106.9 Warranty Provisions of the Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications March 2020 Edition for more details : available here : [Standard Specification - MaineDOT Contractor Info](#)

Question: Does the material washed away from trail footprint have to be recovered?

Response: No, The Department will not allow equipment to work in tidal areas to retrieve washed out material.

Question: While the bid calls for pricing on specific equipment, can we use any mix we deem appropriate? For example, not use a skid steer.

Response: Yes, These items were included to potentially compensate the Contractor if needed to perform additional work as directed by the Resident.

Question: What is the anticipated need for a large dump truck?

Response: This item was included in case an unknown circumstance was encountered that would require trucking and thus gives the ability to potentially compensate the contractor for this time/work .

Question: Confirm that aggregate subbase course gravel is 6”minus screened gravel.

Response: Aggregate Subbase Course gravel shall meet MaineDOT D gravel specifications. Refer to Section 703.06c [Aggregate Subbase Course](#) the Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications March 2020 Edition. Available here : [Standard Specification - MaineDOT Contractor Info](#)

Question: Confirm that untreated aggregate surface course is 1”minus crushed gravel

Response: Refer to Section 703.10 [Aggregate fo Untreated Surface Course and leveling Course](#) the Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications March 2020 Edition. Available here : [Standard Specification - MaineDOT Contractor Info](#)

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **May 8, 2024**.

Sincerely,

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