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Subject: Snow Fighter Services  
State WIN: PH20221019SSF  
Location: Statewide  
**Amendment No. 1**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Page 7 of the special provision's states 'bidder and key employees that will be assigned to the Work in this contract shall have successfully completed projects of similar size and scope.' Does this requirement mean snow plow removal projects/contracts or completed projects of similar size with MDOT or others? Is this intent for the Contractor to have had projects that required CDL drivers?

**Response:** The Department requires the Contractor and /or its employees to have experience operating with a minimum of Class B CDL license. The Contractor does NOT have to have had projects that require snow and ice control experience; however, drivers must meet the CDL requirements as stated in Appendix A.

**Question:** How much time is required for the Snow fighter and loader training? 1 day? 2 days? 1 week? Etc. We are currently working on various MDOT projects until the first week of December, making CDL drivers available for training prior to this would prove difficult. Will there be more than one training class offered? Is the training time paid?

**Response:** The amount of training is dependent on each individual and their past experience, however, the Department expects that each position will require roughly 1 day for loader training, 1 day for plowing basics, 2-3 additional days for plowing with a mentor, and 1 final day for plowing certification. Additional training classes will be offered and/or required for some individuals as determined by the Department. Training and/or certifications may take place anytime day or night dependent on weather conditions. Training will be paid for at the Hourly Rate Per Position, per hour, at the rates bid in the Schedule of Items.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **November 02, 2022**.

Sincerely,



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