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Subject: Control Access Highway and  
Interstate Mowing Including Litter Removal  
State WIN: PH20230419MOW  
Location: **Regions 2, 4 & 5**  
**Amendment No. 2**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** I am interested in region 5, yet I do not see mowing for the area, only litter removal. Can you explain that?

**Response:** Interstate mowing is being handled by Maine DOT in Regions 1 & 5.

**Question:** The litter removal is to start the in April and go to the end of May. The bid will not be awarded until the second week of May. How can we plan properly and only complete in two weeks what is normally given 7-8 weeks to complete?

**Response:** Allowances will be given for the first season to get the litter removal done. Litter removal shall be completed no later than 6 weeks after award, and otherwise according to the schedule outlined on page 39 of the Contract. If the Contract is renewed, the schedule will be as outlined in the Contract for 2024 and subsequent years years.

**Question:** The mowing(I realize they are not asking for Reg 5 mowing) says to trim around all delineators and signs with trimmer if needed. Yet I can not recall one time in Reg 5 that grass/weeds were ever cut around the posts other than what the tractor mounted cutter could touch. Weeds reamind, sometimes as tall as the post for the season. Is the requirements for mowing changed(concerning the sign post trimming) from what is in the spec documents?

**Response:** The requirement for maintaining around delineators started in 2014. The current requirement is on page 43, under Requirements of Operations, last full paragraph beginning with 'The Contractor may choose to weed whack vegetation...'.  
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Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **May 10, 2023**.

Sincerely,



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