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Purchasing Services

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RE: **ADDENDUM 3**
 RFB 13102-0-2024-TJ
 2025-2026 Ecological Restoration and Maintenance

Notice to All Bidders:

Please note the following responses to the questions received:

Question 1:

Are subcontractors allowed to be utilized for this project?

Answer 1:

Yes.

Question 2:

Rx Fire bids: Example for East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway, RFB says prescribed fire is included in 1 of 5 events in bid item 1, but then also is listed under bid item 3 (both 2025). Please provide clarification for this.

“For the following sites, a prescribed burn is required as part of the tier 1 invasive removals in the years as described. The prescribed burn shall be considered one of five site visits.”

- 2025 Prescribed Burns
 - o VM00234 (GR 2355-033) East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway South Tree Lane
 - o VM00311 (GR 2355-032 East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway Mineral Point Rd

Project Area	Parent Asset Name	Address	Parent Asset ID	Bid Item 1 - Tier One Invasive Removals				Bid Item 2 - Tier Two Invasive Removals				Bid Item 3 - Prescribed Burn Only				
				BID ITEM 1 2025	2025 Unit Price	BID ITEM 1 2026	2026 Unit Price	BID ITEM 2 2025	2025 Unit Price	BID ITEM 2 2026	2026 Unit Price	BID ITEM 3 2025	2025 Unit Price	BID ITEM 3 2026	2026 Unit Price	
				QTY		QTY		QTY		QTY		QTY		QTY		
VM00246	Allied Drive Bio Pond	2419 Dunns Marsh Ter	PD 3670-012													
VM01125	Ashworth Drive Pond	2009 Hawks Ridge Drive	PD 1868-045													
VM00249	Ashworth Drive Pond	2009 Hawks Ridge Drive	PD 1868-043													
VM00255	Battles at SW Blue Path - SE Odana Golf Pond	ROW adjacent to 859 Cabot Ln	PD 3554-028													
VM00386	Big Stone Trail Pond	614 Big Stone Trl	PD 1550-005												1	
VM00350	Caldera Street Bio-retention	6031 Caldera St	PD 7242-030												1	
VM01139	Crimson Leaf Lane Channel	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	GR 1560-004	5		5										
VM01137	Crimson Leaf Lane Pond Cell 1	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	PD 1559-026	5		5										
VM01138	Crimson Leaf Lane Pond Cell 2	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	PD 1559-027	5		5										
VM01140	Crimson Leaf Lane Pond Cell 3	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	PD 1560-007	5		5										
VM00285	Crimson Leaf Lane Pond Cell 4	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	PD 1560-002	5		5										
VM01141	Crimson Leaf Lane Pond Cell 5	701 Crimson Leaf Ln	PD 1560-006	5		5										
VM00134	East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway - Lower Old Sauk Road Section	7236 Old Sauk Road	GR 2449-006					3		3						
VM00135	East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway - Lower Old Sauk Road Section	1005 N High Point Rd	GR 2347-029					3		3						
VM00594	East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway - Lower Old Sauk Road Section	1005 N High Point Rd	GR 2449-006					3		3						
VM00311	East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway - Mineral Point Rd Section	7932 Tree Ln	GR 2355-032	5		5									1	
VM00234	East Mendota Pheasant Branch Greenway - South Tree Lane Section	7931 Tree Ln	GR 2347-028	5		5									1	

Answer 2:

We have removed these two prescribed burns from the bid sheet, please see updated form D1 excel workbook.

Question 3:

Please confirm that this is not prevailing wage.

Answer 3:

There is no prevailing wage.

Question 4:

Please confirm there is no bonding.

Answer 4:

There is no bonding.

Question 5:

Can you please share the GIS Shapefiles for the addendum 2 areas?

Answer 5:

We do not have these readily available.

Question 6:

Do you think the city is looking to award this contract (2025-2026 Ecological Restoration and Maintenance) in full to one bidder, or would it consider dividing it amongst several contractors?

Answer 6:

This will only be awarded to one bidder. It will not be subdivided.

Question 7:

Can small trees/brush be basal barked rather than treating cut stumps?

Answer 7:

Tree of Heaven must receive basal bark treatment, approaches to other species may be considered on a site-by-site basis. The Contractor shall bid assuming that treating cut stumps is the required method.

Question 8:

For complete eradication of cattails, we generally suggest following up the next growing season. It would be our recommendation that an initial treatment be done for all units in 2025 to allow for follow-up in 2026. Would that be an acceptable method?

Answer 8:

Yes, please see updated form D-1 excel workbook.

Question 9:

Typically, our protocol leaves cattail refuse to lie rather than removing it, would this be acceptable?

Answer 9:

This is acceptable, as long as leaving the refuse does not impede future treatment abilities.

Question 10:

The form D1 doesn't show burns for the Starkweather sites (2025) or Blackhawk & regional east (2026), but they are listed as desired in the text at the bottom of page 11. Should a quote for burning those units be included in the D1 form or not?

Answer 10:

For Sites that are identified for Tier 1 invasive removals such as Starkweather and Blackhawk a prescribed burn (if required in the contract) shall be considered one of the 5 site visits for the bid items.

Question 11:

Bid item 9 calls for mowing with a flail or brush hog capable of mowing woodies up to 3" diameter. If we do not have appropriate equipment, can we skip that bid entry?

Answer 11:

Yes, but this may impact the bid selection if the City decides this bid item is needed. If Contractors omit this bid item, bid prices will be with this consideration so that no Contractor has a lower bid price because an omitted bid item.

Question 12:

For the undistributed bids, can we assume that it is for one site when considering mobilization costs?

Answer 12:

This price will be used for all undistributed work based on square footage. The Contractor shall bid understanding that no additional compensation will be provided for multiple sites.

Question 13:

Will there be any invasive species management in 2025 of sites that are still under development (ex. Feather Edge & Mendota Greenway)?

Answer 13:

There will be invasive species management in 2025 of these contracts by others, but not with this contract.

Question 14:

Some sites that call for cattail removal seem to exclude the bodies of water that contain cattails. Are we expected to eradicate cattails in standing water?

Answer 14:

If a site is listed for cattail removal, the expectation is that all cattails on the site, including those in standing water would be removed.

Question 15:

Can we make minor adjustments (smaller or larger) to burn units to take advantage of naturally present burn breaks as long as they stay on Madison Stormwater property?

Answer 15:

Yes.

Question 16:

Not all the Segoe Road medians looked like they had been seeded yet, is that accurate?

Answer 16:

The Segoe Rd medians were mistakenly sowed with turf grass during the late growing season 2024. The Contractor responsible for the sowing is supposed to be treating/removing turf and resowing with specified native seed mix fall/winter 2024/2025.

Question 17:

There were some sites with a significant amount of trash in the burn unit. Is the city planning to do any cleanup or should we consider that we would need to do that prior to a burn?

Answer 17:

The Contractor shall remove trash prior to burning.

Question 18:

There are some sites with erosion control fencing in them (ex. UMBC) or landscape cloth down (Starkweather Dixon). Will that be removed prior to spring 2025 burn season?

Answer 18:

We assume this question meant LBMC and not UBMC. Silt fence at LBMC will be removed prior to burn by others in 2025. For Starkweather Dixon, the landscape cloth should be avoided during the prescribed burn.

Question 19:

Allied drive had a large oak tree down across the firebreak. Is that something you will have dealt with or how would you like that situation handled?

Answer 19:

This large oak tree will be removed in 2024.

Question 20:

On page 8, the bid specifies we will be responsible for interseeding. What sites shall we interseed? Do you have a preferred mix, or shall we suggest recommendation.

Answer 20:

There shall be no interseeding included with this contract.

Question 21:

We understand that we must follow Prevailing Wage Laws. Do you consider this project meeting the criteria for Prevailing Wage?

Answer 21:

The city does not require prevailing wage, this is only a federal requirement.

Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this addendum accordingly on RFP Form B, Receipt Forms and Submittal Checklist.

Please direct any other questions to the Purchasing contact person below.

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