

State of New Mexico General Services Department Purchasing Division (505) 827-0472

Amendment No. **TWO**

Date: March 28, 2023

To: All Potential Bidders

From: Michael Saavedra Date:

Re: Invitation to Bid: 30-52100-23-06101

Department: Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Title: **Boston Hill Safeguard Project**

Opening date: Wednesday, April 5, 2023

This Amendment is issued to reflect the following:

- 1.) Questions and Answers from Pre-Bid Meeting
- 2.) Bid opening date is revised to Wednesday, April 5, 2023

A Bidder must acknowledge receipt of this Amendment. Electronic bidding — If you have already submitted a bid, you will need to acknowledge this amendment by resubmitting your bid. Your bid has changed from 'submitted' to 'in progress' and will not be accepted if you don't acknowledge this amendment. Click the link to get started:

https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=StateOfNewMexico

All other items, terms and conditions shall remain the same.

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BOSTON HILL MINE SAFEGUARD PROJECT- PHASE I QUESTIONS/ANSWERS FROM PRE-BID MEETING

- 1. Fencing is missing from the bid items. Is this an error, and will it be included?

 Section 1028 Prices includes verbiage for each bid item stating that included is the "site preparation" and "tasks necessary to access the mine feature". This includes the temporary removal and replacement of chainlink fencing where needed. Also, the first paragraph of Section 2800 Site Improvements states "cattle guards, curbs, fences, gates, gutters, sidewalks, and other road or street improvements destroyed, removed, or damaged during construction shall be replaced with the same type and dimensions of units removed and shall be equal to and consistent with the undisturbed portions of the improvements existing before the project." Also, see Note 3a on sheet 2 of the drawings. This specifies that fence temporarily removed or damaged shall be reinstalled to the attached fence standards, and also specifies temporary fencing in place of removed chainlink fencing for public access control. Plastic high visibility fencing is sufficient for temporary purposes. The fencing removal, replacement, and temporary safety fencing should be priced into the unit price for each appropriate bid item.
- 2. Could the 90-calendar day project completion window be extended in case there are conflicts with wildlife, or to avoid performing construction in the heat of the summer due to safety issues?
 - The project time will be extended to 240 days.
- 3. Do mesh closures need support cables? What is the required support cable spacing? The use of support cables will be at the contractor's discretion. Mesh closures may benefit from support cables for installation purposes or to minimize the sag of the mesh. Support cable spacing should be determined by the contractor to best support these purposes.
- Should cables be left in or pulled after mesh installation?
 Support cables may be left in after installation at the contractor's discretion.
- 5. Does the mesh quantity account for sag? See Note 6 of Sheet 10 of the drawings which reads "Estimated lengths do not account for sag of mesh." Based on this, the quantities will also not account for sag. The contractor will be compensated for the extra mesh due to sage since the mesh is paid for on a per unit basis.
- 6. Can AML provide the underground mine workings LiDAR? We will provide LIDAR imagery to the winning bidder.

7. What is the required setback for equipment away from the underground mine workings line?

There is no required setback. All heavy equipment shall remain on the adjusted access road near the Legal Tender Mine shown by the solid purple line on Sheet 4, and shall remain outside of the red dashed line representing the extents of the underground workings shown on Sheets 5 and 6.

- Will AML be providing water for construction?
 No. The contractor is responsible for securing a water source and means of conveyance to the site.
- 9. Where is the bat maternity colony and bat hibernaculum located?

 The Bat Conservation International (BCI) report for will be provided to the winning bidder. BCI indicated in their report that a feature with multiple openings was being used as a day and night roost, and has the possibility of being used as a hibernaculum.
- 10. Can weathering steel be used on the gates if the contractor has some available from a previous project?

Weathering steel may be used if it is used in entirety on an individual feature. Mild steel and weathering steel should not be mixed on an individual feature. If left-over steel is used, there must be proof submitted that it was made in America.

11. Can AML provide the project AutoCAD drawings for the bidders to estimate mesh quantities?

Yes. These will be sent out early next week. However, the contractor should bid on the quantities of mesh specified in the plans and specifications. If the quantity needs to be changed, they will be compensated through a change order, adding additional units.

- 12. Can the staging area shown on the project plan set be moved?

 The staging area is a proposed area. If the winning bidder would like to use other areas they would submit a proposal in writing for approval by the property owner, AML Project Manager and/or Project Engineer, Cultural Resources Manager, and the Environmental Manager. The city has indicated they will work with us for approving staging areas where needed.
- 13. Can an additional staging area be located by the truck bypass gate? See previous answer.
- 14. Can AML provide an electronic copy of the pre-bid meeting agenda? Yes. An electronic copy will be provided.

15. Could there be an allowance for work on weekends for concrete work or masonry wall work?

Waste rock mortared walls may be worked on during weekends or when an AML representative is not on site. These walls should not be backfilled with waste rock prior to observation of the wall by an AML representative. Concrete work for footings for gates should only be worked on when an AML Project Manager or Project Engineer is on site. This change will be included in changes to be submitted to the State Purchasing Department prior to the bid due date.