

Master List of Q&As for Madrid Stormwater and Erosion Control Project

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1	Q	As contractors will be required to open NM14 to install the culvert, will Jersey Barriers and other traffic control measures be included in the bid?
	A	Yes, these should be included in the Traffic Control Plan & Implementation bid item.
2	Q	Are there contours for the disposal area?
	A	Yes, the soil disposal area will require contractors grade the area per the contours shown on Sheets C222 and C223 in the For-Bid Drawing Set.
3	Q	Will there be requirements to clean the fill dirt placed in the soil disposal area?
	A	Not in general, however, contractors should be selective when burying material containing large rocks and other debris from the arroyo.
4	Q	Will EMNRD award based on base bid, or the base bid plus alternates?
	A	Bidders must bid on all Bid Lots and all Bid Items. Failure to do so will result in rejection of the bid. The base bid includes Bid Lots 1, Bid Lots 2, Additive Alternate 1 amounts. The bid evaluation will be based on the sum of these three amounts.
5	Q	Can the contractor remove the landowner's fencing to do the channel work between NM 14 and Cave Road?
	A	Yes. The contractor can remove the landowners fence between NM14 and Cave Road. All fences must be replaced or reinstalled to match existing conditions or better.
6	Q	What are the existing water lines constructed out of?
	A	We understand that all water lines are PVC. The existing line in the arroyo includes 2" PVC near the houses, 3" PVC crossing the arroyo, and an 8" PVC for the primary fire suppression line.
7	Q	What is the process if a water line is broken?
	A	The AML Program will be in contact with Madrid Water Board and will contact the Madrid Water Operator for emergency repairs. If a waterline is broken, the contractor shall repair as instructed by the Water Operator. Make every attempt to avoid waterline breaks by verifying the position of the pipes using exploratory excavation methods ("pot holing").
8	Q	How much spoil is estimated for the project?
	A	Excess soil to be placed in the soil disposal area per the For-Bid Drawing Set is estimated to be 13,000 CY.
9	Q	Are there people who park at the lot above the ballfield? Will the town move campers out of the area?
	A	The AML will work with the Town to move people and/or consolidate campers to a corner of lot during construction.
10	Q	Are there contours for the coal gob grading?
	A	Instructions for coal gob grading can be found on pages C222 and C223 of the For-Bid Drawing Set.
11	Q	Must all excess soil be disposed at the lot above the ballfield?
	A	Yes, all excess soil is to be hauled to the soil disposal (ballfield) area and graded to match the For-Bid Drawing Set.
12	Q	Will the list of possible quarries have rock that will meet the specifications?
	A	The rock quarries provided in the Project Manual are potential sources, however it is the contractor's responsibility to determine if the produced rock will meet the specifications.
13	Q	Will there be any archaeological conflicts?

	A	No archaeological conflicts are anticipated at this time and an archaeologist will be on-site during all construction to review any potential cultural conflicts. The AML Program is actively working to complete most of the archaeological excavations prior to construction.
14	Q	Can we use fill material to build up cave road temporarily during construction?
	A	Yes, construction contractors can add fill to Cave Road to create a smooth roadway for heavy machinery/trucks.
15	Q	Can we sort rock in the arroyo?
	A	Review question 23 for further information.
16	Q	What shall we do with all the green waste?
	A	Green waste will need to be hauled offsite for disposal at an approved green-waste disposal facility.
17	Q	Will mulch be part of the reseeding?
	A	Yes. Hydromulch and composted mulch are prescribed in both the Seeding Plan (page C227) of the For-Bid Drawing Set and in Attachment C: Technical Specifications of the Project Manual.
18	Q	What bid item should potholing for utilities go in?
	A	Include potholing in the work to be performed such as Unclassified Excavation or Major Structure Excavation and Subgrade Preparation (Abutments). No additional payment will be made.
19	Q	Will the contractor be responsible for moving the utility lines, or will the utility owners be responsible?
	A	The contractor will be responsible for moving all water utility lines as shown on the Drawings. Relocation of electrical, communications, and gas lines will be the responsibility of the utility owner.
20	Q	What are the working days and hours restrictions?
	A	<p>Regular work hours will be limited to no earlier than 7:00 am and no later than 5:00pm, Monday through Friday unless approved by AMLP in advance.</p> <p>Though the project is expected to start in early January 2026, due to the extensive tourism industry in Madrid, no work will be allowed during the following holidays and events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -New Years Day -Martin Luther King Day -Memorial Day -Independence Day - Labor Day -Indigenous Peoples Day -Veterans Day -Thanksgiving Day -Friday After Thanksgiving -Presidents Day -Balloon Fiesta Week - 2025 October 4th through 12th , 2025 and October 3rd through 11th, 2026 -First and Second Saturdays of December. -No work between December 22, 2024 and January 2, 2025 -No work between December 21, 2025 and January 1, 2026. <p>See Section 01.14.00 WORK RESTRICTIONS of Attachment C: Technical Specifications of the Project Manual for additional information.</p>
21	Q	The construction window goes into monsoon season. Is dewatering a bid item?

	A	Dewatering is not a bid item for this project. The contractor is responsible for protecting the work shall schedule work in the arroyo to avoid construction in the arroyo during monsoon season. Controls may be necessary to prevent stormwater from damaging the work. Should flood damage occur during construction, the contractor will be financially responsible to remedy any damage.
22	Q	Has AML secured funding for both the main scope of work and the alternates?
	A	Yes, funding is in place for the main scope of work and alternates. Funding was based on the engineering cost estimate for the project.
23	Q	Can the contractor reuse rock excavated from the arroyo if it is screened and tested?
	A	<p>No. Due to the proximity to the town of Madrid as well as the potential significant negative impacts of dust, noise and public perception, the AML Program will not allow potential contractors to screen and sort rock excavated from the arroyo. However, large rock collected from the arroyo work area may be used in the project provided it meets all of the material hardness, size and shape requirements set forth in the technical specifications. Additionally, recycled large rock may only be used for grade control structures in the arroyo north of Cave road or in the soil disposal area.</p> <p>Note that any rock used in the project shall be approved by the engineer for conformance with the hardness standards specified in the project manual. If rock doesn't meet the specifications then additional rock must be imported.</p>
24	Q	If rock is screened on site, is an air quality permit required? Who will cover the cost?
	A	Please refer to question 23.
25	Q	Is there a utility allowance bid item for broken utilities during the project? If not, what bid item should it be included in, and will AML cover the cost?
	A	There is no bid item allowance for broken utilities. As stated in the Project Manual; The Contractor shall be responsible for locating and avoiding all underground utilities at the contract work site. If damage to the utilities occurs during the contract work, the damage shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense.
26	Q	It was stated on the tour sandstone was not preferable as a boulder option. If we find a source of sandstone which meets the hardness requirements, would this stone be permitted?
	A	Section 31 of the technical specs, paragraph 3.1.4 states "Large rocks must conform to the density, hardness and wear requirements of NMDOT Section 602". That's the riprap rock DOT spec, and its hardness requirements are sufficient. If a contractor's sandstone can meet those durability requirements, then it would be suitable.
27	Q	It was mentioned a couple of times regarding Class A wire-enclosed riprap being placed at certain locations. There is no bid-items for any class A riprap. Is this item included in another bid item?
	A	No, any reference to Class A riprap is an error and should be assumed to be reference to Class B riprap for bidding purposes.
28	Q	Looking at the wage decision, it looks like it may have expired on July 11 of this year. Do you have a new or renewed wage decision?
	A	We acknowledge the wage decision is expiring. We don't plan to renew it until we are closer to a signed contract. The rates should remain the same upon renewal as long as the contract is signed by the end of 2025. If for some reason the rates did change, we would increase the compensation accordingly through a change order.
29	Q	Item 33 Boulder Channels is a Lump Sum Item and a Bid Quantity of 2. Is it the intent to pay the Contractor twice for this item of work?

	A	There are two grouted boulder channels used as grade control structures. The quantity is correct, but the unit of measure should be changed to EA, instead of LS.
30	Q	The Subgrade Preparation Column on Roadway Surfacing Schedule on Sheet G006 totals 7,307SY. The Bid Schedule has a quantity of 5,819SY. We understand that Fire House Lane, Bethlehem Road, and Ice House Road Extension are not included in this contract. If we delete these roads from the surfacing schedule the schedule totals 5,737SY which is less than the bid quantity. Could you clarify which roads on this schedule should be included in the project?
	A	On Sheet G-006, only NM-14 Culvert Crossing, Cave Road, and Bridge Street in the Surfacing Schedule are included in the Contract. The total bid quantity also includes the work in the Madrid Arroyo and Ballpark disposal area which is not itemized on G-006.
31	Q	Is the 2" of ¾" minus crushed gravel, shown on the typical roadway sections on Sheet G012, incidental to the aggregate base?
	A	Yes. As described on the Bid Form for Bid Lot 1 (Additive Alternate 1): Bridge Street Project Area.
32	Q	Will you issue an Addendum that corrects the unit of measure for Bid item 33 from LS to EA?
	A	Since no further addenda will be issued, the bidder should treat Bid Item No. 33 as a Lump Sum to construct both Boulder Channels.
33	Q	Could you clarify the scope of work to be included in bid item 7, Blading and Shaping? There is no description for this work in the II. Unit Prices of the project manual.
	A	Bid lot 1, Item 7 "Blading and Shaping" will entail 1. arroyo channel and floodplain grading, shaping and compaction, and 2. regrading of the existing parking lot that will be used for contractor staging. This bid item does not include importing or exporting soil material, but could be used to pay for finish grading of soil imported or exported under a different bid item.
34	Q	Can you provide the stationing or location of the two Boulder Channels (Bid Item 33)?
	A	Please see the construction drawings, sheets C202, C215, C217.
35	Q	What is the location of the 1,370 LF of Boulder Walls (BI 32)? How tall are these walls?
	A	The walls are at various location and vary in height. Please review the construction drawings carefully.
36	Q	The 1,616 Landscape Boulders (BI 31) are they part of the walls or are they truly a landscaping feature placed around the project?
	A	Bid Item #31 is to furnish and deliver the landscape boulders, the installation is covered in other bid items, including #32.
37	Q	Our Bridge Supplier is confused on the length of the pedestrian bridge. On sheet C216 of the plans, the Pedestrian bridge is called out as being 26-feet long. In the Project Manual it states that bridge is to be 30-feet long (page DIV 1-5) . What is the correct length for the Pedestrian Bridge?
	A	The length of the pedestrian bridge is 30 ft.
38	Q	BI 68: What Water Tank are we refilling? Is it potable water?
	A	The water tank is located in the Madrid Arroyo (see Sheet C226 and C228). See Bid Item 53. The water tank will be 1,500 gallons and can be refilled with non-potable water as it will solely be utilized for irrigation purposes.
39	Q	Given the upcoming holiday weekend, will you be delaying the bid opening?
	A	We are keeping the original bid opening date of September 4th at 2:00 PM.
40	Q	The bridge material and finish is unclear in the drawings and specs. Is this a weathering steel bridge or is the finish something else?
	A	The pedestrian bridge will have a "weathered steel finish" with a "synthetic decking material, Trex or engineer approved equal".