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February 19, 2020

REGARDING: IDL ITB 21-205 – EXCAVATOR & DOZER PILING 2020 - ADDENDUM 1

This ADDENDUM 1 is sent with answers to questions received for the original solicitation released on February 10, 2020.

- 1) **QUESTION:** With a Sole proprietorship, no employees, is contractor required to have worker comp insurance?

ANSWER: No, any contractor identified as a Sole Proprietor will complete a Workers' Compensation Exemption Affidavit and not be required to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance. See Idaho Code 72-212.

- 2) **QUESTION:** If bid is "considerably below Department estimates" bid could be rejected. What are the "Department estimates"?

ANSWER: This language refers to the evaluation of a bidder's responsibility in the scenario when the bid submitted insignificantly below IDL's reasonable estimate to complete the project(s) pursuant to the required specifications. IDL does not provide project estimates to potential bidders during the solicitation phase.

- 3) **QUESTION:** Scarification preferred, or avoided?

ANSWER: Scarification is preferred but not required.

- 4) **QUESTION:** The dozer piles, can a few long random pieces of logging slash extend from the piles? Or do the pieces need to be broken/cut and pushed into the piles.

ANSWER: Longer pieces of logging slash extending from the piles will not be required to be broken/cut or piled.

- 5) **QUESTION:** Have the dozer piling units been slashed? If so, or the pieces bucked into shorter lengths?

ANSWER: The dozer piling projects will be slashed prior to the start date of the Piling Project. If the units are slashed earlier than the project description start date, the FIC will approve an earlier start time for the Piling Project. The slashing will not be lopped.

6) QUESTION: "PUBLIC RECORDS, THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN YOUR RESPONSE TO THE STATE'S SOLICITATION WILL BE A PUBLIC RECORD SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW." Any way to protect our tax numbers, i.e. SS#, from public disclosure?

ANSWER: In the event of a public records request, all information requested will be subject to Idaho Code Title 74, Chapter 1 (Public Records Act).

7) QUESTION: Unit #2 & #3 at 5,000ft Oct 1st start date. Any provisions for weather related delay/stoppages, i.e. snow?

ANSWER: Yes. After the Notice to Proceed is issued, the contractor and the Forester-in-Charge will have a pre-work meeting and the period of performance is discussed at that time. Any weather related factors will be considered.

All other terms and conditions remain the same.

These questions and answers do not change the due date of the ITB. **This solicitation closes: March 10, 2020 @ 3:00 p.m., PT**

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