

Ohio Department of Transportation

Prebid Questions

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Item 806 - Field Office, Type B - This project should only take 5-6 weeks to complete. The question is for a project of this short duration is a field office of this size and type necessary?

Item 254 - Pavement Planing, Asphalt Concrete - The plans call for planing butt joints into the existing pavement at the beginning and end of the project and all bridge decks for transition. The micro surfacing will be placed at approximately 3/8" to 1/2" thick. With this thickness we feel a smoother transition can be achieved without the milling of the butt joints.

Item 253 - Pavement Repair - This item is very vague in the description of where it will be used. If some description of location and size of possible repairs could be given a more accurate bid price can be placed on this item.

Item 881 - Micro surfacing with warranty, single or multiple course, as per plan - A couple of additional plan notes have been added to this project that raise the following questions:

Note: "The aggregate mix shall be a 50/50 blend of Ontario Trap Rock and Limestone." Is this required in courses of the multiple course areas? Normal practice in the state of Ohio has been to place this 50/50 blend of stone in the surface courses only and the leveling courses being 100% limestone.

Note: "Depressions caused by the removal of the RPM shall be hand-filled/compacted with virgin micro surfacing material prior to the application of the first micro surfacing course." Normal construction practice is to remove the RPM's just prior to the application of the leveling course allowing this to fill the depression. The placement of the surface course would remove any remaining depressions. Also under this requirement the Contractor would have to make additional lane closures and added time in filling each of the 1400 depression by hand prior to applying the leveling course. This requirement will greatly increase the cost of this project and provide no additional benefits.

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