

Ohio Department of Transportation

Prebid Questions

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Question Number: 1

Reference is To Addendum #2, Answer given to pre-bid question #8. I can not find the "link" that provides surveyed elevations of the river bottom at two sections. Please review and clarify. Thanks.

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Would it be possible for ODOT to supply the drawings for the existing Town Street Bridge on the web site so that we could download and print the drawings?

<ftp://ftp.dot.state.oh.us/pub/Contracts/Attach/FRA-83763/>

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1) I notice on your plans and also on the underwater bridge inspection report that there is an abundance of existing steel sheetpiling, even H-pile and timber piling found. I am assuming that the removal of these items is not a part of this contract since they cannot be quantified. Is this assumption correct?

Removal of existing steel sheetpiling, H-piles and timber piling found in the river are not a required part of this contract.

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When does ODOT anticipate receiving the 404 permit for this project? There is a milestone for this project on June 1, 2009 to have the last two spans removed with Liquidated damages incurred if this does not happen. We would need to have the 404 permit well ahead of this date in order to demo these last two spans.

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1. Please make a copy of the existing bridge plans available online for the contractors to download.2. Please make a copy of the soils investigation report available online for the contractors to download.3. The note for Temporary Fence on sheet 7 states that snow fence shall be placed by the contractor when directed by the engineer. This should be a separate pay item by the linear foot rather than paid as part of the lump sum MOT. The bidders cannot possibly estimate how many linear feet of this the engineer will direct to be used.4. Does any of the existing sheet piling shown on sheet 17 need to be removed under this project?5. The note on sheet 17 regarding the limits of existing sheet piling states that it is unknown if the sheet piling encases all four sides of the pier below the river bed. If the sheeting does need to be removed under this contract, we request that the Department make a separate pay item to remove sheeting in order to establish a unit price for this work. It is unrealistic to make the contractor assume the risk of a condition that the Department does not know.

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Note 1 on sheet 17 requires the contractor to place the embankment and RCP in front of the east abutment prior to removing the arch from Pier 6 to the abutment. Due to the existing floodwalls, there is no way to access the area in front of the abutment to place this material until the arch is removed. Please remove this requirement or clarify how the contractor shall access this area.

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Are the original trolley tracks still embedded in the bridge deck under the asphalt overlay?

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Since no mudline elevations are provided in the plans, the only river depth data available at this location is the Underwater Inspection Report provided on the ODOT website. Unless clarified otherwise by addendum, we will use this data to determine the average normal water depth.

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The answer to Question 8 in Addendum 2 states that there are surveyed elevations linked to the addendum. We can not find any links provided in the Addendum text. We also can not find any elevations given in the 401/404 permit. Please provide this information or tell us where it is located in the 401/404 permit or allow us to use the Underwater Inspection Report as previously stated.

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1. Addendum No. 1 Revises the note Item Special- Structure, Misc. Sewer Extension to require sheet piling. Is the sheet piling to be left-in-place for removal by others? 2. Are the sheets to extend upward to elevation +/-716.10? (the top of the new stone) 3. Is the area between the sheets to be backfilled with stone and embankment as per Section A-A on drawing sheet 20/22? Or is the area between the sheets to contain only the sewer pipe extension?

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Plan sheet 4/22, last paragraph of the second column, states that the causeway is to be constructed according to 207.03.B.8.B. This spec states that the diameter of the requisite culvert pipes are to be 2x the depth of the river channel at the mid-point of the structure. This depth, as shown in the Underwater Bridge Inspection Report approximates 4'. This would require that any culvert pipe used would be 8' diameter. In shallow areas, the pipe would extend as much as 8' above Ordinary Water, including the fill that would be required over the pipe. Is this the intent of the plans? The 404 permit application depicts the pipes in a submerged condition. From observation, the causeways for the Main Street bridge (and prior Broad Street bridge) did not appear to have this elevated condition. Please clarify.

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Please make available any information that indicates existing river bed elevations under or adjacent to the existing Town Street Bridge. Thanks.

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