

Ohio Department of Transportation - Prebid Questions

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Many of the bearings called out to be refurbished are the old expansion bronze bearings (standard dwg. FSB-1-62). It has been our experience that this type of bearing is not practical/ feasible to refurbish given the intricacies of their design/ construction combined with their condition (state of disrepair).

The Refurbish Bearing note grants the contractor the option to replace these bearings in lieu of refurbishing them (at no additional cost to the state) the problem is that this costs a moderate amount more than a typical bearing refurbish. Given the competitive bid process, all bidders will likely not carry the additional cost of replacing the bearings despite the fact it is the most direct and best end result for the State.

Would the department consider REQUIRING this type of bearing to be replaced (either in kind or preferably with elastomeric) to level the bidding field and guarantee the optimum finished product?

The Department feels the bearings on this project can be successfully refurbished. If the contractor chooses to replace these bearings, they are to be replaced in kind. We are not interested in requiring replacement on this project.

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Due to the large number of project sites and the amount of painting involved at each site, can the completion date be changed to 9-30-13?

Yes.

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Structures CLA-70-1101L&R (I70 over US68) are called out to receive bearing and end crossframe work performed on them; however, per existing drawings (PID 17063- from 1998) these abutments were converted to integral with elastomeric bearings. Please advise/ clarify.

The abutment conversion was never made in the field.

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Can the department review the feasibility and appropriateness of the DBE goal for this project given the fact that all work will likely be performed by only 2 contractors/ trades?

The bidder must make every effort to secure adequate DBE subcontracting participation which includes identifying items of work that might be self-performed. The entire listing of DBE firms can be found at www.OhioUCP.org.

Those DBE firms that are prequalified with particular work types can be found on ODOT's website at: <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ContractAdmin/Contracts/PQDocs/PQFiles/Pre-qualCert.htm>

If the awarded contractor is unable to meet the assigned DBE goal, a request for a partial waiver of the goal may be submitted to the Deputy Director for the Division of Construction Administration. The process is detailed in Proposal Note 13 of the bid document.

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Can the pertinent existing dwgs be made available online? thanks.

<ftp://ftp.dot.state.oh.us/pub/Contracts/Attach/AUG-85247>

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The contractor is given the option of replacing the bearings instead of refurbishing. Please provide the type of bearings used on structure # AUG-33-1310 LEFT, AUG-75-0754 LEFT, AUG-75-0754 RIGHT, CLA-70-1101 LEFT, CLA-70-1101 RIGHT, CLA-70-1208 LEFT, CLA-70-1208 RIGHT, AND MIA-48-1548.

THANKS

If the bearings are replaced, they are to be replaced in kind.