

# Ohio Department of Transportation

## Prebid Questions

Project No. 080419

Sale Date - 6/18/2008

Question Submitted: 5/21/2008

Question Number: 1

Question#1: After reviewing the plan notes and spec restrictions involving the seeding, tree and shrub plantings, and the Bald Eagles; we don't find the completion date to be viable. When all of the items of work and the restricted issues are combined and compared to each other in a rough progress schedule, the project cannot be completed within the specified time frame.

Question#2: Additionally, it may be impossible to attain the 7% DBE goal considering the items of work included in this project. Please review.

Question Submitted: 6/10/2008

Question Number: 2

Item 690 Special- Misc: Grading As Per Wetland Specialist is listed in the General Summary as a Lump Sum while the note describing the work on sheet 5 of the plans lists it as a unit bid with an estimate of 8 total units. It appears the General Summary is in error. Secondly, how is the contractor supposed to bid this item without knowing what piece of equipment will be used as directed by the Wetland Specialist? This is too open and too general to put a unit price on it, let alone the Lump Sum shown in the General Summary. Finally, each unit is described as 4 hours of grading. For the purpose of simplicity and the elimination of any dispute involving when the next unit is paid when a partial unit is performed, it would be far easier to make each unit equal to one hour of grading similar to what is done for hours of Proof Rolling under Item 204 in the ODOT spec book.

Question Submitted: 6/11/2008

Question Number: 3

Question 1: The notes on drawing 6 call for the use of "photo-degradable tack netting" to keep the straw mulch in place. Is it a plastic netting held in place with wire staples, a chemical tackifier, a combination of a chemical tackifier and fibers, or some other product? Please provide a more clear description. Question 2: On drawing 7 Item 659 Seeding Misc.: Seed Oats does not mention if straw mulch is required. If it is required, is it paid as reference 0034 Straw Mulch? Question 3: On drawing 7 do the Items 661 Tree Seedling, As Per Plan; Deciduous Shrub, As Per Plan; and Deciduous Tree, As Per Plan( 1" Caliper); listed under Basis of Payment completely replace Item 661 of ODOT C&MS 2008, or is C&MS 2008 to be used whenever the plans do not specifically change the sections and requirements of C&MS 2008?

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Question Number: 4

Where is the SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATION 800 FOR THE 2008 Specifications, which is dated 4/18/08.

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Question Number: 5

Page 5 of the plans shows a detail of the "FIXED STEEL BOLLARD" and the size of the sch 40 galv. steel pipe is 3'-0". Should this be 0' - 3"?

Question Submitted: 6/12/2008

Question Number: 6

Addendum #2 includes the statement, "Additional Paragraph added to Note: Clearing and Grubbing, As Per Plan." It then lists the note. Addendum #4 has the statement, "Remove the Note "Item 201 Clearing and Grubbing, As Per Plan. Replace with the following note:". Since the note in Addendum #2 became a part of the sheet 5 note in the plans and since Addendum #4 included a note removing the sheet 5 note, does that mean that the note in Addendum #2 is also removed?

Question Submitted: 6/16/2008

Question Number: 7

Can I get a clarification on Addendum #5 Question 4-2? Is mulch required on the seed oats area and is that already included on the line item 34 misc straw mulch?

**A:2 Per addendum 5 Seed Oats are to be planted and mulched as per 2008 CMS 659. Item 659 Seeding, Misc.: Seed Oats, is a contingency quantity and shall only be used if directed by the engineer. The mulch is included in the pay item Line 32: Item 659 Seeding, Misc.: Seed Oats.**

Question Submitted: 6/16/2008

Question Number: 8

Is photo degradable tack netting ok to use instead of the biodegradable or does it have to be the biodegradable and not photo degradable?

**A:1 Plan calls for Photo-degradable, bid according to plan A:2 Per addendum 5 Seed Oats are to be planted and mulched as per 2008 CMS 659. Item 659 Seeding, Misc.: Seed Oats, is a contingency quantity and shall only be used if directed by the engineer. The mulch is included in the pay item Line 32: Item 659 Seeding, Misc.: Seed Oats.**

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Question Submitted: 6/2/2008

Question Number: 9

Can we arrange a site visit for this wetland mitigation project? Thank you, Marissa

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Question Number: 10

LINE NO.0006-203E10001-EXCAVATION, AS PER PLAN- 122,863 CYSDO WE HAUL ALL EXCESS EXCAVATION OFFSITE OR CAN WE WASTE OR STOCKPILE IT ONSITE ? LOOKS LIKE OVER 100,000 CYS OF EXCESS EXCAVATION IF I READ THE PLANS CORRECTLY.

Question Submitted: 6/5/2008

Question Number: 11

Addendum Number 3 changed the Completion Date to October 15, 2009. There are several plan notes that control the completion date on this project. Page 5 under "ITEM 201 CLEARING AND GRUBBING" AS PER PLAN there are time limits of when this work can be done. Page 6 under "SITE PREPARATION" there are time limits when this work can be done and time limits between different operations. Page 7A under "ENDANGERED SPECIES HABITAT - BALD EAGLE" there are time limits of when areas can be worked in. ODOT specification 661.17 requires plant care through one growing season. The WETLAND SITE PW-A on page 23 needs to be cleared, excavated, place tied concrete block mat, seeded with scrub emergent, planted with shrub, and cared for through one growing season.

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