

Ohio Department of Transportation

Prebid Questions

Project No. 090230

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Question Number: 1

Reference #53, Pre-engineered Superstructure. Delivery schedule for the structure is as follows: Shop drawing preparation: 3 to 4 weeks Review of Drawings: 2 weeks Schedule for fabrication and delivery: 8 to 12 weeks. Therefore delivery would at best be 13 weeks. Assuming award of the project by the last week of April, delivery of the structure would be late July, 09. The completion date is July 31, 2009. We therefore ask consideration in moving the completion date to Sept. 30, 2009 in or to complete this project.

Please see addendum for revised completion date.

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Note on P-3, "Waterway Permit Determination" indicates the permit does not allow cofferdams or access fill in the stream. If so, one must submit a preconstruction notification (PCN) and allow 60 days "minimum" for processing. Page 5 of the plans show Pier No. 1 within the limits of Raccoon Creek, this access to the stream will be required. Will this require a PCN? If so, the completion date needs to be extended the amount of time it takes to process the permit.

There has already been a pre-construction notification sent to the CORPS of Engineers for this project. Please see Special Provisions NWP#14 for temporary fill needed to construct the Pier. If you require more than what is shown in the Special Provision NWP#14 then you will have to submit a new PCN. Please see addendum for the revised completion date.

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A recent bid we submitted on a similar fabricated steel structure received several quotes, all indicating a completion & delivery date in August/Sept. Unless there is an over-riding need to construct this structure in an unusually short time-frame, the published contract completion date will likely either limit competition or significantly increase fabrication costs. We would urge ODOT to consider extending the contract completion date.

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1. The plan shows several trees to be removed, does any of these trees required to be removed prior to April 15 for the Indiana Bat? If so, then these trees must be removed prior to the sale of the contract. 2. The note on sheet 3/21 for the Instream Work Restriction makes the completion date very unrealistic. Will this restriction be waived, or do you expect us to construct the pier, set the truss, and complete the work after June 15th? 3. I have spoke with several manufacturers of the prefabricated truss bridge; no one will guarantee a delivery time that will meet the current completion date of the project. Can you please extend the completion date a minimum of 6 weeks to allow for manufacturing and delivery of the truss bridge along with all the work required after the setting of the truss?

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Sheet #13 outlines the items to be included with the prefabricated truss bridge bid item. However, the bearing pads and the expansion joint items have been separated out as their own bid items, but the concrete and the reinforcing steel for the prefabricated truss have not been separated out. Is it your intention for the bidder to include the cost of the concrete for the deck and the reinforcing steel for the deck be costed in the prefabricated truss item?

Yes, the cost for the concrete and the reinforcing steel shall be included in the cost of the prefabricated truss. Those items of the truss will be designed by the truss manufacturer; therefore we have no way of knowing what the quantities will be. As for the bearing pads and expansion joints being separately itemized those items can be quantified by the details shown in the plans.

All prospective bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, materialmen and all others who have an interest in these prebid questions and answers are advised that these items are being provided for informational purposes only and are not part of the bidding documents. If a question warrants a clarification, the Department will issue an addendum addressing the request for clarification to all plan holders. If the Department believes that the bidding documents adequately address the request, the contractor will be advised accordingly.