



January 2, 2025

**TO: Holders List**

**SUBJECT: 900000001 Port of Tacoma Middle Blair and Pierce County Terminal Maintenance Dredge**

**Responses to Bid Questions # 02**

1. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002809 12/19/2024)

Is the Pre-Bid meeting mandatory?

[RESPONSE \(12/30/24\)](#)

The Pre-Bid meeting is not mandatory.

2. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002810 12/19/2024)

The Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for 12/27/24. That is in between Christmas and New Year. Our offices are closed that week. Any chance you can move the meeting to either to 12/23 or after New Years?

[RESPONSE \(12/30/24\)](#)

The meeting is scheduled for 12/27/24 to allow for site visit and questions to be answered prior to the bid date of 1/7/25.

3. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002811 12/19/2024)

Section 3.0 of the Agreement states, "The Contractor shall achieve all interim milestones as set forth in the Contract Documents and Substantial Completion of the entire Work not later than February 14, 2024 for dredging and open water disposal operations and not later that 120 calendar days from execution of the Contract for transload, subject to adjustments of this Contract Time as provided in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall achieve Final Completion of the entire Work within 30 calendar days of the date on which Substantial Completion is achieved."

[RESPONSE \(12/30/24\)](#)

Confirmed

4. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002812 12/19/2024)

SECTION 00 52 00 - Agreement Form, paragraph 3 states "Substantial Completion of the entire Work not later than February 14, 2024", Is that supposed to be February 14, 2026?

RESPONSE (12/30/24)

The Substantial Completion date should be February 14, 2025. This will be corrected in Addendum #1.

5. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002813 12/19/2024)

Bid form, Bid Item 4 and 5 should they have the same quantity?

RESPONSE (1/2/25)

See Addendum 01

6. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002814 12/19/2024)

SECTION 01 20 00 - Price and Payment Procedures, Paragraph 1.07, E. Item #5: Transport for Disposal - Middle Blair. The measurement is based on the measured weight of materials disposed at LRI Subtitle D Landfill. Payment will be paid for at the unit price indicated on the bid form and actual quantities. The bid form has cubic yards as unit of measurement. Is it the intent that the item is measured in tons but for payment a conversion factor is used to transfer the tonnage reported at landfill into cubic yards?

RESPONSE (1/2/25)

See Addendum 01

7. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002815 12/19/2024)

What is the anticipated start date? And the duration of the project?

RESPONSE (12/30/24)

Bid opening is scheduled for 1/7/25. It is anticipated to execute the contract within 10 days and Notice to Proceed as quickly as the successful contractor can provide the pre-work submittals noted in Section 01 33 00 – Submittal Procedures. The duration of the project is described in Section 00 52 00 – Agreement Form.

8. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002817 12/26/2024)

We understand that the Port intends to utilize Waste Connections for the disposal of the Middle Blair dredge spoils. Please confirm the location of the facility where the Middle Blair dredge spoils are to be trucked to for disposal.

RESPONSE (12/30/24)

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9. BIDDER QUESTION (Q-002818 12/19/2024)

We understand that all in-water work (dredging, sand capping, open water disposal) must be complete no later than February 14th, 2025 as outlined within Specification 00 52 00.

There are a multitude of issues which will make this schedule nearly impossible to complete:

- \* January 7th Bid Date with 90-day bid validity period.
- \* Period to provide bond and insurance documentation following notice of award.
- \* Time for creation, submission, and Port of Tacoma review/approval of detailed work plans and pre-construction submittals required by specifications.
- \* Time for the review and approval of the Dredging & Disposal Work Plan by the regulatory agencies prior to the start of dredging operations. Specification 35 20 23-1.03.A states that the work plan must be submitted to USACE "at least two weeks prior to the pre-dredge conference. "Generally agency review takes 30-45 days to complete.
- \* The need for a pre-dredge conference with the agencies which must occur after submission, review and approval of the Dredging & Disposal Work Plan prior to the start of in-water work.

Furthermore, we understand that the Port has not yet received the necessary project permit from USACE.

Due to the multitude of schedule issues associated with this project we request that the prescribed schedule for this project be altered to occur during the 2025/2026 in-water work window to ensure there is sufficient time to complete this project.

[RESPONSE \(12/30/24\)](#)

Concerns noted.

10. BIDDER QUESTION (Email 12/31/2024)

1. When can contractors expect to receive responses to the questions submitted via the procurement portal?
2. Is the Port considering an extension of the bid submission deadline?

[RESPONSE \(1/2/25\)](#)

1. Posted Question 01 Tuesday, December 31, 2024.
2. No

11. BIDDER QUESTION (Email 12/30/24)

Is it a requirement to have Washington Employment Security Department (ESD) prior to award?

[RESPONSE \(1/2/25\)](#)

Yes

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12. BIDDER QUESTION (Email 12/20/24)

Does the project currently have a mobilization date, and completion date? Also, does there happen to be any union or labor requirements?

RESPONSE (1/2/25)

No set Mobilization date, Completion date in section 005200 Agreement Form (See Addendum 01).

13. BIDDER QUESTION (Email 12/19/24)

The project documents show a completion date of Feb 14th, 2024. Please confirm the project completion date. With the short bid window (bids due Jan 7th) we need to understand the completion date to evaluate available equipment.

Additionally, we request the bid date be extended to account for Christmas and New year work disruptions. A 1-week extension would greatly increase our ability to coordinate with service providers.

RESPONSE (1/2/25)

See Addendum 01

No extension.

14. BIDDER QUESTION (Email 12/18/24)

Does the scope include maintenance of the fendering and piling system?

Also, can I have more information on how to arrange to have the site visit on December 27th?

RESPONSE (1/2/25)

No

Site Visit not mandatory. See section 001113 Advertisement for bids on instructions on how to attend site visit.