



ADDENDUM # 1

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To: All Respondents
Project: RFQ-Motts Creek Restoration and Bank Stabilization
Date: August 25, 2020

This addendum is related to the County's Request for Proposals "**RFQ- Motts Creek Restoration and Bank Stabilization**" and is hereby made a part of said Request for Bids to the same extent as though it were originally therein.

1. Page 5 of the RFQ states Permits and the Bid for Construction will begin in Spring 2020. Should both activities take place in Spring 2021? **Yes, the intent is for both activities to take place in 2021.**
2. Due to the Covid pandemic, should we deliver our submittal electronically via email, or should we still provide hard copies as outlined in the RFQ? **If you submit your submittal electronically, no need to provide hard copies. Some still prefer submitting hard copies, so the office is open to accept those submittals. Hard copies as outlined in the RFQ will be necessary unless the information is also submitted on a travel drive or other electronic media.**
3. The third bullet of Section 6 on page 6 asks for our "estimated time that would be devoted to this project." Would you like us to provide project hours or a timeline? **Please provide anticipated schedule and availability to perform the work.**
4. Should Section 7 the Minority & Women Business Enterprise Form be filled out by subconsultants as well or just the prime? **Yes, the form should be completed by the sub-consultants.**
5. Are any photos or other documentation of the conditions at this site during Hurricane Florence and/or associated flooding/floods stages available? **Due to the widespread damage from Hurricane Florence, photographs and videos were not able to be captured when the creek was at flood stage.**

6. Has New Hanover County Carried out any regulatory review to identify the permits required or are identifying the permits require a component of the request? **The consultant is to advise on the permits required based upon the solution.**
7. What types of underground and overhead utilities have been threatened or are of concern to be threatened? **Underground telecommunication and water and sewer infrastructure has been identified to be potentially impacted.**
8. Does the county have a budget set for this project in relation to the USDA NRCS funding mentioned? **There is not a set budget at this time. The budget will need to be established based upon the solution and associated design.**
9. The RFQ mentions identifying additional recommendations immediately upstream and downstream of the stream segment as part of the project goals. Are there any *specific* concerns for the upstream and downstream areas? **This can be discussed in further detail during project scoping with the selected firm. The County is seeking a resilient and sustainable solution. A significant amount of development has occurred over the years within the watershed and future improvements will be likely needed over time. Additionally, it is anticipated that there are culverts and drainage paths within the watershed that are potentially undersized. The County desires that the solution and the design will be able to accommodate potential capacity and erosion issues that may arise due to capacity improvements upstream that may be made in the future. Potential capacity improvements immediately upstream and downstream could potentially be identified during analysis of the stream segment when evaluating solutions.**
10. Have sections of this stream been restored prior to 2018? **No**
 - If yes, when was the restoration performed? **N/A**
11. Does this stream routinely flood? **It is expected that it floods regularly during tropical storm and hurricane events. During typical afternoon thunderstorm events, the stream has been observed with fairly high velocities on a regular basis.**
12. Under Scope of Work, Project Timelines, G. Permits timeframe is listed as Spring of 2020. Please confirm that this is Spring 2021. **It is intended to read 2021.**
13. Under Scope of Work, Project Timelines, H. Bids for Construction timeframe is listed as Spring of 2020. Please confirm that this is Spring 2021. **It is intended to read 2021.**
14. Is there a page limit for our response to this RFQ? **Please limit the response to no more than 20 pages, single-sided.**
15. The project background mentions NRCS funding, does this project need to meet any conservation practice standards? **This can be discussed further with the selected consultant during project scoping. It should include NRCS conservation practices and USACE standards.**

16. Is hand delivery acceptable, do the firms need to coordinate with anyone with regards to office status during COVID? **Hand delivery is acceptable. The Finance Office is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM -5:00 PM to accept submittals.**

17. Does the County expect any geotechnical exploration, with regards to the travel way on the upstream end between Lowes Food and PetSmart? It appears this area has been damaged and repaired in prior storm events. Additionally, a similar repair method appears on the downstream side of Antoinette Dr. **If geotechnical exploration and engineering is necessary for the design of the stream restoration and bank stabilization, then it will need to be part of the project. The County will not be repairing/replacing any culverts or structures as part of this project.**

18. What are the limits of the project, does it include the small section of stream between Antoinette Dr and Carolina Beach Rd? **The limits of the project include the approximately 700-feet between Antoinette and S. College Road behind the Lowes Foods. This can be discussed in further detail during project scoping with the selected consultant.**