



REQUEST FOR BIDS

LAND CLEARING, TREE REMOVAL, STUMP GRINDING AND FENCE CONSTRUCTION

RFB 24BCP05B

May 7, 2024

ADDENDUM #1

Notice to Respondents:

This addendum will be considered a part of Bastrop County's Request for Bids for Land Clearing, Tree Removal, Stump Grinding and Fence Construction. Where provisions of this addendum differ from those of the original Request for Bids, this addendum will govern.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Printed Name of Respondent

Authorized Signature

Date

RETURN ONE COPY SIGNED COPY OF THIS ADDENDUM TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE WITH YOUR SEALED BID. FAILURE TO DO SO, MAY AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE FROM CONSIDERATION FOR AWARD.

ITEMS FOR ADDENDUM #1:

Q. Is the bid response due on **May 14th** as stated on the cover page, or **May 21st** as stated in the Key Events Schedule (Section 4 of Appendix A)?

A. **There are conflicting due dates listed in the request for bids document (Cover Page, page 7 – submittal deadline, page 9 – key events schedule). Bastrop County is extending the due date to allow time for all potential bidders to be able to prepare their bids. The new deadline for bids to be submitted is:**

Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

Q. Can you please confirm that no bid bond is required, only a Payment and Performance bond?

A. **There is NO requirement for a bid bond. Payment and Performance bonds will be required when a requested project exceeds the State of Texas threshold for public works projects. All requested work under this contract shall have a written estimate of cost provided to Bastrop County and that estimate will determine the need for bonds.**

Q. Are there any federal funds being used for this project?

A. **At this time there are no anticipated projects utilizing federal funding.**

Q. Are there any HUB goals for this project?

A. **Bastrop County, to the greatest extent feasible, strives to obtain the goals of its approved Section 3 Resolution.**

Q. In order for our firm to best respond to the needs of the County, can you please specify the relative weights in percentage form of each of the seven criteria listed in Section 6 of the RFB (Bid Evaluation and Contract Award)? How would the County prefer we address items 2-7 in the bid submittal?

A. **Any bid submission missing the required forms listed on “APPENDIX B – BID VERIFICATION” will be considered non-responsive. Bastrop County will utilize the SAM.Gov website to verify debarment status. After that, all bids will be evaluated on price per requested service:**

- **Land Clearing and Burning**
 - **Debris Hauling**
 - **Fence Construction**
 - **Tree Removal**
 - **Stump Grinding**
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Q. What is the expected lead time between a request for estimate from the County and the contractor providing a written estimate on an individual project (Appendix A, Section 5 Scope of Services)? Will there be time to thoroughly evaluate and measure the service units required for each project?

A. Bastrop County will allow five (5) working days between request for services and submission of written project estimate. Once approved, Bastrop County will issue a purchase order to the awarded contractor and the Contractor will have 15 calendar days to mobilize and start work.

Q. Can you provide some clarity on the anticipated frequency and typical project size for the services requested in the RFB (Appendix A, Section 5 Scope of Services)?

A. Bastrop County does not guarantee frequency or size of any projects as the need for these services typically arises after a storm or during road expansion. Examples of the previous land clearing projects for road expansion are as follows:

- **Saegert Road ≈ 3300 Linear Feet of clearing and fence construction.**
 - **Autumn Ridge Road ≈ 1450 Linear Feet of clearing and fence construction.**
 - **Maple Street ≈ 670 Linear Feet of clearing and fence construction.**
 - **Hellinger Road ≈ 4500 Linear Feet of clearing and fence construction.**
 - **High Crossing Road ≈ 600 Linear Feet of clearing and fence construction.**
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Q. Can you characterize the type of non-vegetative debris that the County anticipates an awarded contractor might encounter during this project (Appendix A, Section 5 Scope of Services)?

A. County roadways may contain any number of items that have been dumped and have been overgrown by grass, vines, and brush such as tires and household trash.

Q. Should we estimate based on a particular minimum when determining pricing for linear feet of fence?

A. Bastrop County request for services will be sent to the contractor with an approximate linear footage with location markers such as intersections or driveways. The contractor will be responsible for verifying the linear footage.

Q. Is fencing work expected to be completed at the time of land clearing or after subsequent work on the road is completed?

A. Fence shall be replaced or constructed at the time of land clearing. Should there be a specific reason that this cannot occur on a project, Bastrop County will address this with the Contractor at the time of project request.