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Mountain Road (M109) over White River Bridge Project Question and Answer

Q1: What's the flow rate needed for the temporary water diversion?

A: *County has published the Bridge Hydraulic Study Report under Supplemental Project Information on Project link. The hydraulics report provides information for typical flow rates that can be expected on site.*

Q2: Are there any special requirements for when work can be completed inside the channel?

A: *There are no special requirements for this channel.*

Q3: Are cross sections for the road available for publishing?

A: *County has published the road cross sections in the Project Link.*

Q4: Can the County please provide any available foundation/soil reports for this project?

A: *The Foundation report has been published under Supplemental Project Information in the Project Link.*

Q5: Standard Plans B11-83 to Type 85 Barrier show both an upper and lower Tubular Rail as part of the Bid Item. The lower rail is not shown on the Contract Bridge Plans. Does the Engineer require the lower Tubular Rail?

A: *The lower tubular rail is required.*

Q6: Is Item 53 a "Final Pay" Item?

A: *Bid item no. 53 "Concrete Barrier (Type 85)" is a Final Pay item per the Bid Item List following page 4 of the Notice to Bidder. The Bid tabulation sheet shown in the Bid Proposal does not show Final Pay items, County will issue addendum to show final pay items on the Bid tabulation sheet matching the Bid Item List.*

Q7: Are there no date restrictions for working within the creek? We didn't see any date restrictions in the specifications or within the various permits. Please confirm.

A: *Confirmed, neither the Special Provisions nor the project permits list any date restrictions for when work within the creek can be performed.*

Q8: Will aerial photographs (Spec Section 10-1.05) be required?

A: *Yes, aerial photography per Section 10-1.05 of the Special Provisions is required. See paragraph 3 of Section 10-1.05 for payment provisions.*

Q9: Spec Section 13-12.03A, paragraph 6. Does this paragraph apply to the TCDS (piping & cofferdams)? It is unrealistic to remove these items from the creek within 72-hours of a 50 percent chance of rain. If they have to be removed, how will re-installation be paid for?

A: *Paragraph 6 of Section 13-12.03A of the Special Provisions requires that all material (including the piping and cofferdam material) for the TCDS, be removed if the 72-hour forecast for rain predicts a 50% or greater chance of rain such that the design capacity of the TCDS is exceeded. As the response to Q1 above states, it is the Contractor's responsibility to adequately size the TCDS for the anticipated flows using the hydraulic information provided. Should the TCDS need to be removed, removal and re-installation shall be paid for by the Contractor and no additional compensation will be provided.*

Q10: Spec Section 14-12.04B, 6th paragraph under "Comply with the following CRWQCB requirements:" on page 66. Obviously, the installation and removal of the TCDS would be considered in water work. We currently have a project underway with another owner and they are requiring surface water sampling even after the TCDS is installed. They are interpreting that when the TCDS is in place, this is also considered "in-water" work. Please advise how the County of Tulare interprets this issue. After the TCDS is installed will surface water sampling be required until such time as the TCDS is removed? How is the surface water sampling paid for?

A: *Per measure XIV.C.1.b on page 14 of the 401 Water Quality Certification (page 169 of the Special Provisions – Permits Section), surface water sampling is required "during the entire duration of the temporary surface water diversions." This is interpreted to mean that sampling will be required at all times following installation of the TCDS and may only stop following removal of the TCDS. Per paragraph 7 (last paragraph) of Section 14-12.04 of the Special Provisions, "Payment for conforming to the requirements in these permits is included in the prices paid for the various contract items of work and no additional compensation will be allowed therefor."*

Q11: Please confirm the quantity for Bid Item 28 - Structural Concrete, Bridge Footing. The amount appears to be incorrect.

A: *The amount for Bid Item 28 had an error and the total quantity should read 53 CY (in lieu of 35 CY). County will issue addendum to show the correct quantity on the Bid tabulation sheet.*

Project Link: <https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/rma-at-work/request-for-bid-proposals-construction-projects/m109-over-white-river-bridge-replacement-project/>