

September 15, 2022

## Addendum 2 Invitation to Bid # 22-51-209888 2022 Seward Gravel Relocation

**This addendum is being issued to provide information as follows:** THE CLOSING DATE FOR THIS SOLICITATION HAS CHANGED AS FOLLOWS, BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 3:00 PM LOCAL TIME ON, **SEPTEMBER 22, 2022** 

## APPENDIX B – SCOPE OF WORK:

The Period of Performance for this Work is being modified as follows

Period of Performance: Upon Notice to Proceed (NTP) to excavated material, the Contractor shall excavate and stockpile material before October 31 *May 31, 2023*, for each established locations and quantities between 30,000-70,000 CY. The period of performance is NTP to October 31 2022 May 31, 2023

## **BIDDER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

1. Were there no questions asked at the Prebid Meeting on Sep 7th that are being answered by the AKRR?

A: As instructed at the pre-bid meeting, questions need to be formally submitted in writing if they are to be addressed.

2. Will AKRR accept material sourced from an alternative location other than the three locations listed? If so, how should this be bid without being considered unresponsive?

A: If material acceptable to ARRC is made available from an alternative location, ARRC will negotiate with the contractor to establish a unit price, substantiated on costs, on which a change order to the contract will be executed.

3. If the AKRR chooses to add additional years -up to 2years- does the contractor have the option to optout of the extension without breach of contract? Reason being is that the base bid is for 30,000 yards in one year with the possibility of 202,265 yards over three years making this difficult to forecast.

A: Option years will be exercised if mutually agreeable.

4. "Residual Coal is anticipated to be between 8-18"" Is the contractor not responsible to remove in excess of 18" of existing material regardless of the material status?

A: For the bid basis, assume a depth of 10 inches. If amount as found is substantially greater, contractor may request a revision to the contract based upon substantiated costs.

5. Performance period is covered however If additional year(s)/quantities are exercised by AKRR what is the notification deadlines for the notification to the contractor for the extension and quantities?

A: Notification will be given no less than 60 days from the NTP for that option year.

6. "The period of performance is NTP to Oct 31 2022" However in Appendix A section 16 "The performance period is 3-months from NTP" Which is accurate?

A: Anticipated NTP is revised to Oct 31, 2022 with period of performance being revised to "NTP to May 31, 2023."

7. After Oct31st there is traditionally freezing weather, snow, Ice, frozen ground issues. Also stockpiling material can be difficult to keep in a neat and CAT-track. Should these items be taken into account for this bid as it will add additional time and expenses to fulfil the project?

A: Transport of fill may be performed at the schedule of the Contractor throughout the period of performance which includes seasonal weather inclusive of traditionally freezing weather, snow, and ice. Contractor may elect to perform the work in more favorable conditions at either end of the period of performance.

8. Excavation and Stockpiling is to exclude "Rock or Muck" please provide definitions of these items.

A: Transported material is, as directed, all excavated material allowable without blasting or ripping. Should blasting or ripping be required, ARRC will negotiate a mutually agreeable unit cost based upon specific conditions to include location and distance from stockpile location.

9. Nowhere in this spec does it give material specifications or requirements to sift or sort the materials and it is implied that it is purely excavation, transport, and stockpiling. Depending on the answer to the above question it may add additional cost to the pricing.

A: No sifting or sorting of material is required.

10. Is AKRR confident of the quantities stated are available for removal from these locations? *A: The period of performance has been revised to include seasons where, traditionally, material has accumulated at Lowell Creek.* 

- 11. Does AKRR have removal boundaries for these locations? *A:* See attached images providing general boundaries. Specific direction will be provided after award.
- 12. Does AKRR have max dig depths and site requirements for removal of material? *A: Max dig depth will be not below MHHW at the base bid location. Max dig depth will be not greater than six feet below finished grade at all other locations.*

13. Is the contractor responsible for the material costs "royalties" to the city and Alaska DNR for quantities removed from the Spring Creek Quarry and Japanese Creek? *A: Contractor is not responsible for material cost or royalties.* 

14. Is the 24" thick stockpile base material included in the material quantity covered in Base Bid Item 3 (30,000 cubic yards)? This will be roughly 13,000 cubic yards of ether additional material OR material reduction for the proposed 4-acre stockpile base.

A: 24" thick stockpile base material is included in the base bid item 3 quantity.

15. If this material is not included in Base Bid Item 3 is the material meant to be coming from the same location at Lowell Creek Waterfall area?

A: Not applicable.

- 16. Have you checked recently each site has the minimum 30,000 yards still available? *A:* The period of performance has been revised to include seasons in which material accumulates at the base bid location; thereby increasing the likelihood that material in excess of 30,000 yards will be available.
- 17. If any addendums are sent out after the 12th, is the bid due date changing? A: Yes, the bid due date was changed to September 22, 2022 per addendum 1

18. Work is to be completed by October 31 2022. Is the requirement before that date minimum 30,000-70,000 from each location or total? During the pre-bid conference a figure seemed to be thrown out of 300,000 cu yards being needed overall. The contract states no more than 202,000 yards.

A: ARRC will required substantially more than 30,000 yards of material. ARRC anticipates using this contract to assist in stockpiling a portion of the required material for Seward Port projects. The additive alternate locations may be exercised during the Period of Performance, at which time the amount of material to be excavated from the noted location will be reconfirmed with Contractor.

Additionally, ARRC may request transport of material from sources other than those identified and in larger quantities at a mutually agreeable unit price to be negotiated at that time. If these changes result in considerable impact to the Contractor's cost, a mutually agreeable revision to the unit cost will be negotiated based upon the Contractor's substantiated costs.

Please acknowledge receipt of this and all addendums in your firm's **Construction Bid Form (Form 395-0121)**. <u>All other dates, terms and conditions remain unchanged</u>.

Please direct all responses and/or questions concerning this solicitation to Timothy Bates, Alaska Railroad Corporation, Contracts, 327 Ship Creek Avenue, Second Floor, Anchorage, AK 99501, telephone number 907-265-2355, fax number 907-265-2439 or at email address <u>BatesT@akrr.com</u>.

Sincerely,

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