STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Natural Resources Division of Support Services



INVITATION TO BID (ITB) 2025-1000-0368 BUSINESS PARK WETLANDS CLEAN-UP

ADDENDUM 1

ISSUED MAY 30, 2025

This addendum is being issued to answer questions from vendors.

Important Note to Offerors: You are required to sign and return this page of the addendum document with your bid. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of your bid. Only the ITB terms and conditions referenced in this addendum are being changed. All other terms and conditions of the ITB remain the same. This Addendum is hereby made part of the ITB and is a total of three pages.

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QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY OFFERORS AND ANSWER FROM THE STATE

<u>Question 1</u>: Are the services encompassed under this ITB currently under contract with a vendor? If so, please provide the company name and current rates.

Answer 1: There is not a contract currently in place.

<u>Question 2</u>: Have there been previous cleanups at this business park wetlands? If so, can the State post the historical waste volumes and types collected?

Answer 2: Yes, there has been, but it varies greatly from a couple of bags to camps consisting of multiple tents and miscellaneous household items.

Question 3: Does the State have any recent pictures of the site it can share?

Answer 3: We do not.

Question 4: Can the State provide an estimate as to the size of the wetlands?

<u>Answer 4</u>: The wetlands are roughly 8.4 acres.

<u>Question 5</u>: Can the State provide additional information on scheduling of the bi-weekly cleanings? Does the contractor just pick a date every other week, is the scheduling more formal, does the State set the schedule, etc.?

<u>Answer 5</u>: It is up to the contractor to pick the dates; it just needs to be bi-weekly.

Question 6: Section 2.01 of the bid references potential occupation of the wetlands. Are contractors to cease operation if they come across homeless individuals in the wetlands (and if so, will the contractor still charge for a visit)? Will police accompany the contractor if there are individuals in the wetlands—our history with encampment cleanouts has shown that its inhabitants are reluctant to vacate when a technician asks and substance abuse and mental illness often create a dangerous environment for unescorted technicians

Answer 6: If the contractor comes across an encampment, they are to notify DNR at which time DNR staff will trespass the items. Once the items are trespassed by DNR, the contactor will then, without police or DNR staff aid, remove the items. As for charging for the visit, that is for the contractor to decide, but likely there will be other areas within the wetlands that could be attended to.

- Question 7: A maximum of \$30,000/year for 26 cleanings (\$1,153/maximum per cleaning for each of the next 5 years) does not go far when factoring in inflation/depreciation, transportation, fuel, labor, supplies, PPE, waste disposal (needles, bio waste, partial drums with unknown constituents, batteries, illegal drugs) etc.
- <u>Answer 7</u>: This is the current budget we are allocated.
- Question 8: Would the state consider separating waste disposal from the per visit cost? Providing a per visit cost that includes waste disposal is incredibly risky for the contractor, especially if illegal dumping at the site increases once word spreads that the site is being cleaned on a biweekly basis.
- Answer 8: The waste disposal is the reason for the contract, DNR staff can and do visit the site. Currently there has not been an issue of dumping since the site is monitored regularly.
- **Question 9:** What party claims responsibility of the waste as the generator?
- <u>Answer 9</u>: The State of Alaska is the generator.
- <u>Question 10</u>: How will the waste be containerized? (Drums, Overpacks, Supersacks, Roll-off Bins, etc.)
- Answer 10: It will be up to the contractor to decide how to contain and remove the waste.

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