

## ADDENDUM #1

Project: **Sander's Circle Open Bottom Arch Culvert**

Date: August 27, 2024

1. Following are questions received during the bid period and their respective answers:

a. Q: Are there any bonding requirements (bid bond, performance/payment bonds) for this project?

A: The Town of East Montpelier will require a bid bond and performance bond in the amount of the contract price. A copy of the contract that the Town plans to execute with the selected bidder is attached to this addendum.

b. Q: Can bids be based on unsealed culvert design drawings?

A: Culvert design drawings will be reviewed for conformance with the contract documents by the project engineer after the contract has been awarded. Unsealed drawings are suitable for bid pricing, with the understanding that changes may occur during the shop drawing review process.

c. Q: Is it your intent to have bids due on Labor Day September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024?

A: The bid date is hereby extended to September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, at 10:00 am. The public opening will be at the next Selectboard meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:30 pm. All other submission requirements remain as stated in the RFP.

d. Q: Sheet# C1.02 culvert is shown as 16' wide 7'1" high 48' long page 2 scope of work is shown as 14' wide, 6'6" high and 48' long, can you advise as to which is correct?

A: The detail on sheet C1.02 shows the basis of design culvert dimensions, which is a culvert manufactured by Contech Engineered Solutions. Alternate culvert manufacturers and designs are acceptable, provided they meet the minimum opening requirements of 14' wide and 7' high as noted in the hydraulics report. The hydraulics report was inadvertently omitted from the RFP and is attached here.

e. Q: Are new guardrails and anchors to be installed?

A: Yes, new guardrails and anchors shall be installed.

f. Q: Power pole on west inlet side of culvert, in order to maintain legal slope down to new culvert foundation, this pole would have to be moved or secured by power company unless new culvert can be moved to the east. What is the plan for this?

A: Protection of the power pole is a means and methods item that will be the responsibility of the contractor. The Town can assist with coordination with the pole owner, assumed to be Washington Electric Cooperative. The culvert shall be constructed in the location and at the elevations shown on the design plans.

2. A geotechnical report for the project was issued by Sanborn, Head & Associates on August 27, 2024, and is hereby included in the contract documents. A copy of the report is attached to this addendum.

3. Based on the recommendation of the geotechnical report, all bidders shall include a unit price for ledge removal (per cubic yard). This will only be paid with authorization from the Town prior to rock excavation as defined in section 31 00 00, 3.2 of the project specifications.

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