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**DATE:** February 4, 2011

**TO:** All Prospective Bidders

**SUBJECT: Response to Bidders' Inquiries No. 4**  
**Green Valley Road at Tennessee Creek Bridge Replacement**  
**Project**  
**(Contract No. PW 09-30407, CIP No. 77109)**

This version of Response to Bidders' Inquiries No. 4 replaces the previous version, which inadvertently contained an incorrect footer.

ITEM NO.	LOCATION, PAGE OR DRAWING NO.	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
4.01	N-1	<p><b>Question:</b> Will this be the only pre-bid meeting?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Yes</p>
4.02	N-1	<p><b>Question:</b> Are there any plans to extend the bid opening date?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> No.</p>
4.03	N-1	<p><b>Question:</b> Are the cross sections available?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Yes, the cross sections in pdf format are posted on the following website:  <a href="http://www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx">www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx</a></p>
4.04		<p><b>Question:</b> Are there any addenda in process and if so what is the nature of the issues?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> At the time of the pre-bid meeting there was no addendum in process. Addendum No. 2 will be issued to respond to questions posed at the pre-bid meeting.</p>
4.05	Plan Sheet TH-2	<p><b>Question:</b> The Staging Plans are calling for temporary shoring for the bridge. Are the locations at which the shoring is noted arbitrary, or is there somewhere that more specific locations are addressed?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The limits shown in Note A are the approximate limits where either shoring or grading</p>

		will be required to support the widening.
4.06	Plan Sheet S-2	<p><b>Question:</b> Can the falsework be released earlier than indicated on S-2 in order to get to Stage 2 sooner?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Please refer to the two alternatives shown on S-2 for the release of falsework.</p>
4.07	Plan Sheet S-2	<p><b>Question:</b> At one location on S-2 the concrete strength limits are shown as 5000 psi, but in another location 3.6 ksi is shown. Is 5000 psi really necessary?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The 5000 psi is for the pre-stressed concrete deck. The 3.6 ksi is for reinforced concrete (e.g. abutments/wingwalls and footings)</p>
4.08	N-1 and SP-46	<p><b>Question:</b> Is the soils report also posted on the website?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Yes</p>
4.09	N-1 and Addendum No. 1	<p><b>Question:</b> What is the process for RFIs during the bid process?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> See the PROJECT ADMINISTRATION section of the Notice to Bidders and Item 1.04 of Addendum No.1 both of which are posted on the website listed above.</p>
4.10	N/A	<p><b>Question:</b> Has a lead or an asbestos study been done on the bridge?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> No, the bridge is a diaphragm abutment and has no joints that would contain these materials.</p>
4.11	Plan Sheet S-1	<p><b>Question:</b> Plan Sheet S-1 Typical Section shows bridge work in Stage 2, but elsewhere it is shown in Stage 3.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The stage references on the bridge sheets refer to the bridge stages which do not necessarily correspond to the traffic handling stages.</p>
4.12	Plan Sheets TH-5, TH-6, and DE-1; SP-13, SP-14, SP-	At the pre-bid meeting DOT staff pointed out the time frames for the Stage 2 road closure/detour and the tie-in for the 20" waterline which are the two most critical pieces of work.

	68, and SP-139	<p><b>Question:</b> How flexible is the County regarding the 4-day closure? Will the County consider any RFIs prior to the bid opening that indicate the 4 days are inadequate?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> If a bidder submits an RFI with specifics to demonstrate its position, the County will consider and respond to the RFI prior to the bid opening via either a Response to Bidders' Inquiry or an Addendum.</p>
4.13	SP-13	<p><b>Question:</b> Will the County impose penalties on the Contractor if the deadline for reopening the road after the 4-day closure is not met?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> See Section 4 "Beginning of Work, Time of Completion and Liquidated Damages" in the special provisions.</p>
4.14	Plan Sheet U-2	<p><b>Question:</b> I can't tell if the overhead utilities shown on U-2 east of the bridge are to remain or are to be relocated.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Please refer to the legend on the upper left side of U-2 indicating that none of the utilities east of the bridge will be relocated.</p>
4.15	Plan Sheets X-2, L-4, and C-1	<p><b>Question:</b> How does GVR-2 connect to GVR-1 after STA 13+32.17?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> See Intersection Detail 1 on C-1.</p>
4.16	N/A	<p><b>Question:</b> Will the inspection be performed by County staff or by an outside Consultant?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> This has not yet been determined.</p>
4.17	N/A	<p><b>Question:</b> Are the plan sheets available in electronic format?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The County does not make the plans available electronically, but does send the plans electronically to the Builders Exchanges and Trade Journals. A list of Builders Exchanges and Trade Journals that have plan and specifications on file is on our website  <a href="http://www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx">www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx</a></p>

Holders who have already mailed their proposal can contact Janel Gifford at (email: [Janel.Gifford@edcgov.us](mailto:Janel.Gifford@edcgov.us)) to arrange return of their proposal.

Inform all suppliers and subcontractors as necessary.

The DOT is only sending this addendum by posting on the following website:  
<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx>.

**Responses to bidder inquiries, unless incorporated into formal addenda to the contract, are not a part of the contract, and are provided for the bidder's convenience only. In some instances, the question and answer may represent a summary of the matters discussed rather than a word-for-word recitation. The availability or use of information provided in the responses to bidder inquiries is not to be construed in any way as a waiver of the provisions of Section 2-1.03, "Examination of Plans, Specifications, Contract, and Site of Work," of the Standard Specifications or any other provision of the contract, the plans, Standard Specifications, or special provisions, nor to excuse the contractor from full compliance with those contract requirements. Bidders are cautioned that subsequent responses or contract addenda may affect or vary a response previously given.**

Sincerely,



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