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Addendum No. 1

SUBJECT: Contract No. 11-03-097-349
WBS Element No. To Be Assigned
Long-Arm Mowing on Various Routes upon request in Ashe and Wilkes Counties,
North Carolina

March 6, 2014 Bid Opening

To Whom It May Concern:

Reference is made to the Contract Proposal recently furnished to you on the above-mentioned project. The following revisions have been made to the Contract Proposal:

Page 21, *LONG-ARM MOWING*, has been revised. This revision clarified the mowing limits and requirements. Please void **Page 21** in your proposal and staple the **Revised Page 21** thereto.

Page 22, *EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACTOR*, has been revised. This revision added minimum equipment specifications. Please void **Page 22** in your proposal and staple the **Revised Page 22** thereto.

The Acknowledgement of Receipt for this Addendum shall be signed by an authorized agent of the company and returned with the bid proposal. Bid Proposals submitted without this Addendum shall be considered irregular and will not be considered for award.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at 336-903-9138.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe L. Laws".

Joe L. Laws, PE
Division Project Manager

Acknowledgement of Receipt

Company Name

Signature

Date

DRIVEWAYS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY

The Contractor shall maintain access to driveways for all residents and property owners throughout the life of the contract. The Contractor shall not perform work for private citizens or agencies in conjunction with this project or within the project limits of this contract.

MOBILIZATION

The contractor will be notified of the required “Low-Arm Mowing” by the Engineer and shall begin work within **fourteen (14) calendar days** after notification or as determined by the Engineer. Failure to respond within the designated time frame or as approved by the Engineer may result in cancellation of this contract.

No direct payment will be made for Mobilization as it shall be considered incidental to other bid items in this contract.

LONG-ARM MOWING

Description

The work covered by this section shall consist of vegetation trimming using long arm mowers from the routine mowing limits to the R/W limits or the entire reach limits of the mower along designated routes. The County Maintenance Engineer will select and coordinate the locations to be mowed and provide a map of mowing routes to the contractor.

All work must be accomplished during daylight hours. No night work is permitted. A Truck Mounted Impact Attenuator (TMIA) shall be required for long-arm mowing operations not performed within a flagging operation or lane closure and is incidental to the operation being performed.

All routes shall be mowed to the top of the cut slope, to the bottom of the fill slope, or to the limit of the equipment. Vegetation hanging over the cut slope shall be mown to the limit of the mower. All vegetation **five inches (5’’) in diameter or less** shall be cut. Any and all vegetation including brush, limbs, saplings, etc. that are knocked down during the mowing operation shall be mulched. All brush or debris which falls into the roadway shall be immediately removed by the Contractor.

Given the nature of the work, operators shall take great care not to damage or destroy property owners’ landscaping. Routes should be reviewed by the contractor prior to mowing operations and any questions should be discussed with the County Maintenance Engineer or his duly authorized representative.

All routes shall be mowed to the satisfaction of County Maintenance Engineer. Decisions regarding re-mowing of routes or portions thereof are the responsibility of the Engineer and his decision shall be final. **Any routes or portions requested to be re-mown by the Engineer will be done so at no further expense to the department.**

Any routes that require a “Full Lane Closure” shall be discussed and approved by the County Maintenance Engineer prior to the work being performed.

The Contractor is advised that there are no guaranteed minimum quantities and this should be considered prior to bid submittal.

Method of Payment

Payment for the work covered under this provision will be paid for as the actual number of Shoulder Miles as measured to the nearest one-tenth (.10) mile. There will be four separate pay items based on the type of route in which the work is performed.

Payment will be made under the following items:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Long-Arm Mowing – Primary Routes	SMI
Long-Arm Mowing – Secondary Paved Routes	SMI
Long-Arm Mowing – Secondary Unpaved Routes	SMI
Long-Arm Mowing – Divided Highway	SMI

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACTOR

A minimum of one long arm-mowing tractor will be required to be present and operating within any work zone.

All contour mowers provided under this contract shall be hydraulic powered, and shall contain a mowing deck of at least **five (5) feet** in width and have a minimum reach of **twenty-two (22) feet**, measured from the center of the steering wheel. The tractor shall be of sufficient size and shall have a horsepower rating of **100 HP** or greater. Mower hydraulics shall be controlled from within the driver compartment. Mowers are to be equipped with shields, which preclude foreign objects from being thrown out from the cutting unit enclosures. Tractors shall be equipped so as to conform to the prevailing Occupational Safety Health Act Standards. Tractors shall also be equipped with a minimum of two outside blinking amber lights, visible from both directions and one top of the cab mounted amber rotating light, visible from both directions. The Contractor must furnish, mount, and maintain a “Caution Mower” sign on the rear of each mower. In addition, the Contractor shall display his company name on each tractor. The Department will not be responsible for damage to the Contractor’s equipment.

The Contractor shall furnish all equipment in good operating condition and operated by properly trained and qualified personnel. There will be **no payment for mobilization** of labor and equipment, as it will be **considered incidental** to the bid items of this contract. The Contractor shall be responsible for all costs or charges incurred in the operation and maintenance of the equipment during the performance of this contract.

NOTE: The bidder shall attach to his bid a complete description of the equipment which he plans to use to accomplish the work. This description shall include the horsepower of the tractor(s), model, year, reach and mowing deck size.