



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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ADDENDUM # 1

Contract No. DN01074
TIP No.: R-2588BA
Federal Aid No.: State Funded
WBS Element: 34473.3.6
County: Henderson
Description: Tree Clearing Operations Along NC-191 (Haywood Rd) From SR 1381 (Mountain Rd) To NC-280 In Henderson County

Letting Date: January 28, 2025

Plan Holders

Content Summary: Pre-Bid Meeting Minutes and Sign in Sheet, update contact information for Mandatory Pre-Bid Point of Contact, Bidder Questions/Concerns

The above contract has experienced the following revisions:

1. Pre-Bid Meeting Minutes
2. Pre-Bid Sign in Sheet
3. Revise Point of Contact information in **SPD 1-310 MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE (Prequalifying To Bid)** provision

Question/Concern 1: For Certified Erosion Control Super, Foreman, Installer, and Designer. Could you please specify which of these roles will need level 1 and level 2?

Department Response 1: See Levels listed below:

Installer Level I
Foreman Level II
Super Level II
Designer Level III

Question/Concern 2: In the chance of a rain event with low visibility or heavy fog will the inspector shut us down. Or is that a case-by-case thing?

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Department Response 2: This will be handled on a case-by-case basis. The work is expected to take approximately a month and should be completed by April 1 to avoid the moratorium. Due to the time-sensitive nature of the project, the Inspector will evaluate conditions and determine if a shutdown is necessary. With easements throughout the corridor and ample space to work, the Department doesn't foresee this to be a major issue.

Question/Concern 3: Can the contractor clear all trees and come back at a later date to pick it up all at once? Even in the event after the 3/31 deadline, if necessary. Due to the Bat Moratorium timeline restrictions.

Department Response 3: Yes, this is allowed, even if pickup occurs after the March 31 deadline. The priority is to ensure all tree clearing is completed before the moratorium begins. This was also clarified during the mandatory pre-bid meeting. The contract provides sufficient time for clearing the NC-191 corridor; however, if the deadline is approaching and all trees and shrubs have not been cleared, the contractor must prioritize cutting trees before the moratorium and can return to collect them afterward.

Question/Concern 4: Instead of "hand" strawing then going back with tackifier, is it possible to hydra mulch since a hydroseeder will already be at use?

Department Response 4: Yes, hydro mulch is an acceptable alternative.

Question/Concern 5: Is storm debris dump sites along 191 permitted sites for NCDOT?

Department Response 5: No, the Department will not provide specific FEMA-approved sites for debris disposal along NC-191. It is the Contractor's responsibility to either haul the debris to a landfill or identify another FEMA-certified disposal site. While the choice of location is up to the contractor, please ensure proper tracking of debris hauling and disposal, as required by the resident office.

Question/Concern 6: Is there any way we can chip up the brush and leave it spread out in some spots rather than hauling it off?"

Department Response 5: Yes, chipping the brush and spreading it on-site may be an option. In this case, it's important to notify the inspector and the resident office beforehand.


These revisions do not change bid items or the associated quantities.

There is no ebsx addenda file associated with this addendum.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

If you have any questions, please contact the Division Proposal Engineer at (828) 331-5200.

Sincerely,

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January 21, 2025

CONTRACT NO.: DN01074
TIP NO.: R-2588BA
FEDERAL: State Funded
WBS: 34473.3.6
COUNTY: Henderson
DESCRIPTION: Tree Clearing Operations
LOCATION: 2.270 MI of US64 from Slick Rock Rd down to US64/74 Bridge Approach

SUBJECT: Mandatory Prebid Meeting

A Mandatory Prebid Meeting was held from 9:00 AM – 9:51 PM on January 21, 2025, at the Resident Engineer's Office – Horseshoe 4142 Haywood Rd., Mills River, NC.

Meeting Notes:

- Patrick Eubanks provided some instructions on tree clearing and traffic control required.
- Justin Brook, the utility coordination representative, confirmed the presence of both transmission and distribution lines on the project.
- NCDOT representative, Patrick Eubanks, reviewed the standard tree-clearing plans and explained how contractors should focus on areas clearly marked on the exhibits.
- Measurement for cleared areas will be calculated in square feet and converted to acres for payment.
- Contractors should be attentive to sensitive areas, if encountering any, to contact NCDOT engineer.
- ROW certification is complete, parcels have been acquired, and easements are in place. Still, contractors are encouraged to show politeness and professionalism when working near property owners.
- The contractor will provide locations for waste and borrow material disposal.
- Existing storm debris encountered during clearing must be removed promptly without waiting for county staff, due to the sensitive project timeline. The contractor shall notify the resident office on that.

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- Contractors must provide certified personnel to install and remove traffic control devices.
- An inspector will review and approve all traffic control setups. Type 7 devices are required for traffic control.
- Install high-visibility safety fencing to prevent unauthorized impacts: along jurisdictional areas (top of bank or wetland edges). The corridor consists of four archeological sites and two historic sites.
- Three clearing activities must be completed before April 1 due to the Bat Moratorium.
- If needed, erosion control measures must be installed immediately following clearing and grubbing.
- Contractor to follow USFWS Biological Opinion requirements, avoiding grubbing within 50-foot Environmentally Sensitive Areas until grading begins.

Clarifications during the meeting:

- Stump Removal Pay Item:
 - Discussed the process for stump relocation in cases where conflicts with power poles may arise.
- Measurement and Payment:
 - Explained how pay item measurements will be calculated in square feet and converted to acres for payment purposes.
- Equipment Use:
 - No specific restrictions on equipment; contractors are expected to exercise common sense in equipment selection and use.

Rectification:

Point of Contact: Patrick Eubanks (828) 891-5367 (Page 7 – G-1)

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PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS**GENERAL****MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE (Prequalifying To Bid):**

(7-18-06) (Rev. 3-25-13)

SPD 1-310

In order for all prospective bidders to have an extensive knowledge of the project, all prospective bidders shall attend a mandatory pre-bid conference on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

Location: **Resident Engineer's Office – Horseshoe
4142 Haywood Rd.
Mills River, NC 28759**

Point of Contact: **Patrick Eubanks**
(828) 891-5367

The pre-bid conference will include a thorough discussion of the plans, contract pay items, special provisions, etc.

Only bidders who have attended and properly registered at the above scheduled pre-bid conference and who have met all other prequalification requirements will be considered prequalified to bid on this project. A bid received from a bidder who has not attended and properly registered at the above scheduled pre-bid conference will not be accepted and considered for award.

Attendance at the pre-bid conference will not meet the requirements of proper registration unless the individual attending has registered at the pre-bid conference in accordance with the following:

- (A) The individual has signed his name on the official roster prior to the above noted time for the beginning of the conference.
- (B) The individual has written in the name and address of the company he or she represents.
- (C) Only one company has been shown as being represented by the individual attending.
- (D) The individual attending is an officer or permanent employee of the company they are representing.

Any individual arriving after the official roster has been received by the Engineer will not be eligible to bid. Attendance at any prior pre-bid conference will not meet the requirement of this provision.

BOND REQUIREMENTS – No Bonds Required

(6-1-16)(Rev. 1-16-24)

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The provisions of Articles 102-10 and 103-7 of the *Standard Specifications* are waived for this project. No bonds required.