

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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February 19, 2014

## CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

WBS:

12C.055075

COUNTY:

Lincoln

ROUTE:

SR 1361 (Paysour Pond Road)

DESCRIPTION:

Grading, Asphalt Removal. Pipe Installation, Paving and Erosion

Control

SUBJECT:

Addendum #1 - Pre-Bid Conference Minutes

To whom it may concern:

A pre-bid conference for the above project was held Monday, February 17, 2014, at 2:00 PM onsite at the project location along SR 1361 (Paysour Pond Rd.). The following personnel from the Department of Transportation were in attendance:

Michael Poe, PE – District Engineer Greg Brittain – Engineering Technician (J) Jeff Kanipe – Engineering Technician (C)

In addition, contractors in attendance are shown on the attached sign-in/sign-out sheet.

All prospective bidders should read this addendum carefully as several items discussed during the pre-bid have been further discussed by Department staff and changes have been incorporated herein.

The following items concerning the contract were discussed:

- General Provision on page 3 of the contract proposal
- Pre-Bid Conference Provision on page 5 of the contract proposal
- Sealed bids for this project are to be opened at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at the Division Office located at 1710 East Marion Street, Shelby, NC.
- A 5% bid bond or bid deposit is required for this contract
- The date of availability for this project is April1, 2014, and the contract completion date is June 30, 2014. No work can begin until the issuance of a purchase order.
- Contract Payment and Performance Bond provision on Page 7 of the contract proposal
- Discussed MBE/WBE provision on pages 7-22 of the contract proposal

- Erosion and Sediment Control/Stormwater Certification provision on pages 24-30 of the contract proposal
- Reviewed the Preparation and Submission of Bids provision on pages 30-31 of the contract proposal
- Borrow and Waste Site Reclamation Procedures on page 40 of the contract proposal
- Indicated that all work from approx. Sta. 0+00-35+85 must be performed within existing maintenance limits right of way.
- Questions from Contractors in attendance:
  - o Is the 2400 yds. of fabric for undercut excavation?
    - Answer No, the 2400 square yards of fabric is for permanent soil reinforcement matting, an erosion control line item.
  - O How much asphalt removal will be required in terms of depth and how will the vertical grade line be established? Is any subsurface information available?
    - Answer The depth of existing asphalt material is believed to be in the range of 4-12". NCDOT expects all of this material to be removed. The vertical grade of the road shall be reestablished during the fine grading operation, and possibly through the use of incidental stone. No vertical grade line will be surveyed by NCDOT's survey party. The grade will be established by the contractor and the Engineer and should match that of the existing roadway, to the greatest extent practical. No subsurface investigation information is available for the contractors to review. NCDOT did mention that it had performed ground penetrating radar and there are some areas where boulders are present within the top 1-ft of existing roadbed.
  - Will the removal of existing road material be classified as undercut or pavement removal?
    - Answer The removal of existing asphalt will be paid for under the lump sum grading line item.
  - o Is there a required depth the subgrade needs to be stabilized to or does it just have to be proof rolled?
    - Answer In accordance with Article 500-2(C) of the Standard Specifications, the subgrade material shall be compacted to a depth of 8" below the finished surface of the subgrade to a density equal to at least 100% of that obtained by compacting a sample of the material in accordance with AASHTO T 99 as modified by the Department. Proof rolling was discussed during the pre-bid meeting, however, proof rolling is not included in the Comprehensive Grading line item and a separate line item for

proof rolling was not included on the bid sheet. The
Department has decided that proof rolling in accordance with
Article 260 of the Standard Specifications will not be required
on this project. The Engineer will determine during the fine
grading operation whether or not proper compaction is
achieved in accordance with Article 500-2(C) of the Standard
Specifications and if the subgrade requires repair, restoration,
or perhaps stabilization with aggregate.

- Can proof rolling be performed with a loaded dump truck?
  - Answer —At the meeting, the Department indicated that proof rolling shall be performed in accordance with the Standard Specifications. However, in as stated in the previous answer, proof rolling will not be required on this project. The Engineer will determine during the fine grading operation whether or not proper compaction is achieved in accordance with Article 500-2(C) of the Standard Specifications and if the subgrade requires repair, restoration, or perhaps stabilization with aggregate.
- o How many passes will be required for proof rolling?
  - Answer—At the meeting, the Department indicated that proof rolling shall be performed in accordance with the Standard Specifications. However, in as stated in the previous answer, proof rolling will not be required on this project. The Engineer will determine during the fine grading operation whether or not proper compaction is achieved in accordance with Article 500-2(C) of the Standard Specifications and if the subgrade requires repair, restoration, or perhaps stabilization with aggregate.
- o What are the proposed expectations on Clearing limits?
  - Answer At the pre-bid meeting, it was stated that clearing on this project shall be by Method II in accordance with Standard Drawing 200.02. To clarify this is further detail, the contractor should use Method II clearing on properties that have been developed for residential areas. However, in areas on the project that have not been developed, the Department would like the contractor to clear in accordance with Method III (Standard Drawing 200.03).
- o Can wood chips from clearing debris be thrown into the adjacent woods?
  - Answer No, clearing debris must be disposed of in accordance with Article 200-6 of the Standard Specifications.

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- o What will happen to the brick mailboxes located on the project? Will they be reinstalled?
  - Answer No, the property owners have been notified that the brick mailboxes will be removed and disposed of during the construction of the project. The contractor should coordinate closely with NCDOT when the brick mailboxes will be removed so that NCDOT Maintenances forces can install a new, mailbox that complies with NCDOT policies and procedures, and any disruptions to the property owner's mail service can be kept to a minimum.
- Will DOT require project to be paved in sections since traffic has to be maintained or will traffic be maintained on subgrade?
  - Answer The contractor is not required to place asphalt base in sections but he may do so if desired. The Department supports this approach but it is not required per the contract. The contractor will need to maintain the subgrade so that traffic can be maintained at all times. Incidental stone can be placed in the roadbed during fine grading operations to maintain traffic provided prior approval is obtained from the Engineer.

These minutes are prepared as they are documented and are hereby part of the contract document. Minutes are being distributed to all pre-bid conference attendees by certified mail.

Sincerely,

M. L. Poe, PE District Engineer

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cc: Reuben Chandler, PE, Interim Division Engineer Jackie McSwain, Division Contract Officer Greg Frye, County Maintenance Engineer Paysour Pond Road - Secondary Construction

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