## **Questions & Answers**

## DOT-RFP-19-1111DR: Due on 2/15/2019 @2 PM

## Roadway Characteristic Inventory (RCI) Data Collection & Data Entry

- Can you list which contracts (title, number, etc.) and/or contractor are precluded from bidding this RFP as specified in Paragraph 5.0 in Exhibit "A"?
   1A. E Sciences, Inc. is precluded from bidding on this RFP as they are the Department's current Districtwide NPDES Stormwater contractor under contract C9N49.
- 2. Can you specify which type of mulch shall be required, such as pine straw, pine bark, melaleuca, etc.?

The type of mulch requested will vary depending on the need/site conditions. However, if mulch is required, it will most likely (but not guaranteed) be pine straw or pine bark.

- 3. Are there estimated minimum orders? No. There is no guaranteed work under this contract.
- Section 3.B.5 mentions trash removal. Can you please specify a weight limit? Is this strictly for litter or will this include discarded appliances, mattresses, tires, etc.?
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No, I cannot specify a weight limit. The amount of trash removal varies based on need. Trash removal is typically limited to "normal" roadside litter like plastic water bottles/bags, paper products, and beverage containers. Under the existing contract BE148, the contractor has collected dumped materials including a mattress and a few tires.

5. There are line items for mulch and plants but not for fertilizing as shown in Section 3.E. Can you tell us where we should account for this?

The pay item for fertilization was removed from the contract. We try to minimize fertilizer applications in the FDOT Right-of-Way to help meet our commitments for nutrient reductions with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

6. For wick application, is this for hand-held, wand type wicks, or wicks attached to a tractor or ATV?

Hand-Held.

7. Article 1.F – What metrics, if any, will be used to measure the FDOT's satisfaction? This seems like an open-ended specification that may never be met by the contractor. Also, this clause states that disputes will be settled by the client. It seems that the outcome of a dispute should not be decided by the client, but rather by a neutral third party.

A Letter of Authorization (LOA) is issued for tasks under this contract. The Project Manager determines if the specific tasks in each LOA are completed to the Department's satisfaction based off of Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services. If disputes cannot be settled by the Project Manager and the Contractor, the language in the Standard Written Agreement applies.

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- 8. Can FDOT provide a more detailed frequency for the mowing services and for the anticipated sites? As stated in the Price Proposal, "This is not intended to be a routine mowing contract; however, some sites require the berm/access roads to be mowed approximately 4 times per year. (as designated by the Department's Project Manager)." The list of mitigation sites includes a column which denotes which sites that are mowed. We typically mow the access berms for these mitigation sites 2-4 times per year.
- In the per acre pricing for Exhibit C, is this per treatment event? How many treatment events are anticipated per year?
  Yes. The pricing in Exhibit C is per treatment event. The number of treatment events varies each year. Attached are the Letters of Authorization issued to date under the existing mitigation contract BE148.

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_