



RFB 2025-04, Addendum No. 2

Rancho Cañada del Oro Stock Pond Restoration Project

To: Request for Bids Recipients
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Date: 3/21/2025
Re: Addendum 2 for RFB 2025-04

Summary

Since the posting of Addendum 1, the Authority received additional questions listed in this document. All questions received before the deadline have now been answered. Additionally, the Authority has made changes to the Base Bid Table in Part C of the Bid Package. Tracked changes and clean versions are attached to this Addendum. Bidders shall now use the revised clean version when submitting their bid.

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- Attachment 1 – Revised Base Bid Table
 - 1(a) – Tracked Changes Version
 - 1(b) – Clean Version

Question and Answer

General Project Information

- 1. The current bid schedule indicates the final Addendum with answers will be issued on Friday 3/21 at 3 pm which is one week in advance of the bid due date. If the issuance of the final Addendum is delayed, will the final bid due date also be delayed to maintain that one week period so bidders can revise their bids accordingly?**

The final Addendum has been issued on time, and bids are due on Friday 3/28 at 3pm PST.

- 2. What are the available working hours on the project?**

Regular working hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Government holidays. Contractor may arrive, set up, and prepare for work, but the actual start of work at the site cannot commence until 7:00 a.m. No construction shall be permitted on Saturdays, Sundays, or Holidays unless pre-approved in writing by the Authority's Representative. See Article 4, Section G of Part D.3 of the Bid Package (Supplemental Conditions).

- 3. Are Saturdays available to work?**

See Addendum 1, Question 6.

- 4. Are there any noise restrictions?**

Noise is to be kept to a minimum, but there are no special noise restrictions beyond the Contractor following working hours on the project.

- 5. Are there any noise concerns or restrictions relative to leaving the dewatering pump power source(s) (diesel motor) running 24 hours per day?**

No, there are no noise concerns or restrictions related to a generator or diesel motor on site. Fire safety and pollution prevention are relevant concerns, however. The pump/diesel motor should not be left unattended, but a siphon could be used overnight.

- 6. Please specify how Contractor will be compensated for standby time borne from archeological or biological monitors.**

See Addendum 1, Question 5. See Article 4, Section J of Part D.3 of the Bid Package (Supplemental Conditions) for further Detail.

- 7. What special fire prevention/protection measures are required?**

The Contractor may not operate equipment during a red flag warning from the U.S. National Weather Service. The Contractor shall avoid activities in or adjacent to dry grass or brush-covered areas that could produce a spark or flame, and park vehicles with hot catalytic converters on paved or dirt areas rather than on grass. Also, see Section 4.20 in Part D.2 of the Bid Package (General Conditions) and Article 4, Section F of Part D.3 of the Bid Package (Supplemental Conditions).

Question and Answer

SITE ACCESS

- 8. With respect to the 7 Ton weight limit on Casa Loma Road and the 5 Ton weight limit on the bridge, how do you recommend that the Contractor mobilize heavy machinery and materials to the project site(s).**

Currently the Authority is not aware of a weight limit on Casa Loma Road or bridge. Please see Addendum 1, Question 7.

- 9. Regarding construction access to the Pond 1 site, a temporary access road along the existing slope may need to be constructed. Would it be acceptable to leave this road in place after completion of construction to facilitate maintenance access to the Pond site?**

The Contractor should utilize the existing roadbed as much as practical, including making improvements to it. The Contractor must leave the roadbed in stable condition but does not have to restore it to its prior condition. New road cuts would be considered through a submittal and would be required to be returned to their prior condition.

- 10. Are there any restrictions in terms of access along the road specifically related to the residents and private properties along Casa Loma?**

No. The Contractor may access the site anytime and conduct work during regular working hours. As long as vehicles and equipment do not block resident access anywhere on Casa Loma Road, no issues are anticipated.

CONSTRUCTION PLANS – GENERAL

- 11. Where is the contractor's nearest water source to the project?**

No water is available on site. The contractor is responsible for procuring water for the project. Prior contractors working at the site have used Great Oaks water, located in the general vicinity of Coyote.

- 12. *Question 20 from Addendum 1* Is the Contractor responsible for repairing the existing berm failure on RC-07?**

Yes, the Contractor is responsible for repairing the existing berm failure on RC-07. Berm condition and repair will be evaluated by Geotechnical Engineer at time of construction.

- 13. Please confirm that the Upland Seed Mix will be furnished by the Authority. If mix is to be furnished by Contractor, please provide contact information for seedbanks familiar with this specific requirement.**

Yes, the seed mix has already been selected and purchased by the Authority and will be provided to the Contractor.

Question and Answer

14. Will the Contractor be required to seed the soil disposal areas in addition to the upland areas disturbed during grading/construction activities?

Yes. Based on the Engineer's estimate of ~230 cubic yards of net cut for the project, the Authority estimates the soil disposal areas to be approximately 6,210 square feet or 0.14 acres, at 1-foot depth, in total.

15. Please confirm that all native planting will be performed by SCVOSA after the completion of construction.

Yes, all native container plantings will be performed by the Authority after construction.

16. Please specify any specific maintenance or post construction activities that the Contractor is responsible to complete.

Per the Construction Plans, the Contractor must conduct erosion control, site cleanup, and removal of equipment/materials from the site. The Contractor will coordinate with the Authority and its Engineers on the As Built documents. Upon final inspection and completion of the work, the Contractor is responsible for the work and materials furnished under contract (including erosion control measures) for one year. See Part D.2 of the Bid Package (General Conditions), Sections 6.4 and 6.5 for further information.

17. Is tree pruning or removal anticipated and/or allowed when needed to achieve reasonable site access?

Vegetation removal is not anticipated to be necessary for project access. Minor pruning is allowed within the Preserve when required for site access, in coordination with the Authority. Contractor must coordinate with the City and/or County for vehicle/equipment access outside of Authority-owned lands.

18. Please confirm that all native soil and stripped vegetation are to remain within the area of each work site. Specifically, if soil or stripped vegetation needs to be transported to any location other than immediately adjacent to the work site (e.g. transporting it along the road in a truck), please provide a map and photos of those sites.

The Contractor will move the organics and soil from RC-07 and RC-10 to the ridgeline between the two ponds. Materials will be placed adjacent to the road within flat and stable areas approved by the Authority. Disposal locations will therefore range from 0.10 miles to 0.50 miles from the ponds.

19. Can the owner provide historical inflow data into each pond?

The Authority does not have inflow data into each pond. Ponds RC-07 and RC-10 are typically dry by mid to late-summer, depending on the quantity of spring rain. RC-01 remains relatively full throughout the year; groundwater inflows in the summer and fall therefore roughly equal evaporation. See Sherwood's technical memorandum on pond water balances at the end of Exhibit 6 of the Bid Package.

Question and Answer

CONSTRUCTION PLANS – DETAILS

- 20. Please confirm that a turtle ramp per Sheet C7.0, Detail 1 is only required at RC-10 per Sheet C5.0. If turtle ramps are required elsewhere, please specify overall quantity per pond number.**

Three (3) total turtle ramps are required. Two will be placed in Pond RC-01 (Sheet C3.0) and one will be placed at Pond RC-10 (Sheet C5.0)

- 21. In reference to Sheet C6.0, Detail 4, please provide a quantity of trees to protect.**

See Sheets C3.0-5.0. There are no trees located within the estimated limits of grading or disturbance at any of the ponds, though several are nearby. Therefore, the plans do not call for protection of any specific trees at this time. However, if the Contractor proposes work or equipment access adjacent to any of the trees shown on the plans outside the limits of disturbance, then this detail would apply.

- 22. Sheet C3.0, Details 1 and 2, call out a cutoff trench (C7.0, Detail 7) along the toe of the new bentonite pond liner. Please clarify the contents of this trench. The call out indicates CMP with slurry but that does not seem to belong there. Alternatively, should this 5-foot-deep trench only consist of bentonite clay liner?**

The correct call out for Details 1 and 2/Sheet C3.0 should be Detail 2/C7.0. Detail 7/7.0 is for ponds RC-07 and RC-10. There is no CMP or slurry in the trench cutoff for RC-01. See Detail 2/C7.0, Note 4 which indicates materials for the cutoff trench in RC-01.

- 23. Sheet C-4.0, Detail 3: There is a note referencing “CONSTRUCT SEEPAGE CUTOFF WALL” at STA 2+15 and STA 2+55. Is there a typo in that note? Should that note actually reference Detail 5 on Sheet C7.0?**

Yes, the correct detail is Detail 5/C7.0.

- 24. At Pond RC-07, is the Contractor to replace the 379 LF of cattle fencing after demolishing the original? Or is the only install going to be the 353 LF of resource protection fence? If the cattle fence is a separate type of fence and will be replaced, please provide construction Detail.**

See Addendum 1, Question 22. The estimate of fence removal and replacement is based on the entirety of the fencing -379LF; the Contractor need only remove and replace fencing necessary for the construction, so final quantities will be determined by the means and methods of the Contractor. All fencing should be replaced with Sheet C7.1, Detail 1, “Resource Protection Fence.”

- 25. Sheet C6.0, Detail 1 and C7.0, Detail 2 call out two different types of erosion control blanket among the 3 ponds. Are the two names for the same blanket?**

Both erosion control blankets shall be Tensar Bionet S150BN or approved equivalent.

Question and Answer

- 26. Please confirm if the existing 15” CMP storm drain in Pond RC-07 is to be slurry plugged only at the cut end, or to be slurry filled completely. If only plugged at the cut end does the Contractor remove and dispose of the remainder of the pipe?**

Yes, the pipe should be completely slurry filled.

- 27. Is there flexibility in the use or elimination of the floating strainer on Sheet C3.0, Detail 3?**

The Contractor may propose a substantially similar equivalent for the Authority’s review. The strainer prevents the entrainment of protected wildlife species.

- 28. Sheet C8.0, Note 9.2 instructs the Contractor to provide a field surveyor for layout and staking. Does this surveyor have to be a PLS (Public Land Surveyor), or can the Contractor self-perform under the direction of a PE (Professional Engineer)?**

Construction layout and staking must be performed by an appropriately licensed engineer or land surveyor.

- 29. Sheet C7.0, Detail 5, Plan View, looks to be misdrawn. The intent seems for a Profile View, not Plan View. Please review and provide a revised Detail if you agree. Also, please confirm that these cutoff walls are to be constructed of slurry and not concrete.**

The “plan” view was mislabeled. This is a profile view which was intended. See detail notes which indicate materials for cutoff trench.

- 30. Sheet C9.0, Note 5.1 mentions the requirement of a SWPPP, but Article 4.10 mentions compliance with an Erosion Control and Pollution Prevention Plan, which is a less formal type of document. Please confirm which is required.**

A SWPPP is not required for this project, as the limits of disturbance are less than 1 acre. The Erosion Control and Pollution Prevention Plan is the cumulative requirements set forth in the Construction Drawings/Notes and General/Supplemental Conditions in the Bid Package. See Exhibit 2 of the Bid Package for further information. All dewatering activities shall conform with any governing permit requirements relevant to the project. Contractor shall provide a submittal for any dewatering activities.

- 31. Should bid item 3(c) be removed? The soil balance table on Sheet C1.0 shows net zero cut/fill for Pond RC-01. Or if this bid item remains, please provide volume quantity that bidders should assume.**

Bid item 3(c) will be removed in the revised bid table.

- 32. Sheet C7.0, Detail 7: Please specify sizes and materials for warning tape and tracer wire.**

The Contractor can provide a submittal. The Authority does not have a standard for this.

Question and Answer

33. D.3 Supplemental Conditions, Article 4, Section R mentions work plans the Contractor will be responsible for. Which specific work plans are those going to be?

Under D.3 Article 4, Section **S**, the Contractor is required to submit workplans. These typically include a master submittal list, a preliminary construction schedule, and a schedule of values, which should be submitted prior to the project's kickoff meeting. The Authority also anticipates having weekly field meetings, with a biweekly "look ahead" schedule submitted by the Contractor each week. More detailed workplans may be required as the project progresses. See D.2 (General Conditions), Section 4.17 for more information on Submittals.

34. What material specification is there for the slurry?

If not indicated in plans and specs, Contractor to provide a submittal or RFI.

35. Sect 7.2.2 of the Geotechnical Report specifies that engineered fill will only be permitted for re-use if the moisture content is 1-3% above the optimum. If existing soils are found to exceed this moisture content will the Contractor be required to be process and spread for drying before re-use? Will this extra effort be a changed condition and qualify for a change order?

Means and methods are the responsibility of the Contractor. Stated geotechnical requirements will need to be achieved unless otherwise advised by Geotechnical Engineer during construction. The Contractor's bid shall assume whatever means and methods may be necessary to achieve the outcome.

36. Please confirm the Contractor can assume no offsite disposal nor import (other than the bentonite for RC-01) to achieve the physical properties described in Section 7.2.2 [of Exhibit 5 of the Bid Package].

The Contractor will not need to dispose or import any soils from off-site beyond the bentonite.