

International Bridge Administration  
Sault Ste. Marie Building and Plaza Project  
Q&A #3  
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Q: It is noted that only Goals 1 and 4 are part of this project. Are goals 2, 3, and 5 to be completely deleted from both the pre-construction and construction phases of the project?

A: Goals 2, 3, and 5 will remain in the bid plans and contract documents; however, they will not be performed as part of the pre-construction or construction phases of the project.

Q: We noticed both federal and state wage decision information in the proposal...is this project considered state-funded, federally-funded, administration-funded (revenues) or all of the above?

A: While the International Bridge Administration (IBA) is an administrative entity within MDOT, it is governed by an independent board and all projects are funded with toll revenue.

Q: What authority will the selected team have to change the design of the project?

A: The selected team may make recommendations/requests for design changes; however, all such changes must be approved by the IBA Project Manager.

Q: Will the designer team (civil and architect) be involved in the value engineering process? Will they be able to reject/approve changes?

A: The Project Designer will be involved in an informative capacity. All changes must be approved by the IBA Project Manager, who may base his decisions on information or recommendations made by the Project Designer.

Q: There are 5-meetings stipulated in the RFQ as "coordination meetings with the Project Team." Does MDOT/IBA expect to participate in these meetings at the IBA site?

A: IBA will participate. It is the intent to have meetings at the project site; however, IBA does not preclude the use of teleconferencing or meetings in other locations as may be deemed beneficial to the project.

Q: Is a soils report available in addition to the boring logs?

A: No soils report is available.

Q: Who holds risk for sub-grade undercutting and non-haz materials disposal?

A: Sheet 39 of the Civil plan set lists pay items for sub-grade undercutting and non-hazardous materials disposal. While these items are not anticipated to be present, a unit cost for each will be part of the CMGC project estimate of costs, and the owner will pay for these items if they are encountered.