

Date: July 12, 2013
To: Potential Bidders of the Route 1 Infrastructure Plan RFP
From: Jay Reynolds
Re: Summary of Questions/Answers/Clarifications at the Pre-Bid Meeting

Please find the following questions/answers/clarifications that were discussed at the July 11 pre-bid meeting:

1. Has the Town mapped any wetlands? No. The Town has not anticipated any wetland alterations as part of this project. If a bidder anticipates this as part of their analysis, they should include a budget price to perform any needed mapping services.
2. With regards to the individual site's traffic movement permits, with the engineer be required to obtain approvals for each site through the DOT or the Planning Board? The intent of this project is to apply for one review/approval for all sites to amend any/all traffic movement permits. This will involve one submittal to DOT's regional traffic engineer and also one application to the planning board for multiple site plan amendments.
3. Has the Town met with private property owners regarding curb cut closures and access management? What level of endorsement is there for some of the changes? Theo provided a site-by-site summary of what discussions/negotiations/and levels of support for each property with regards to both curb cuts and on-site parking lot connections.
4. What is the Right of Way Survey's level of accuracy? Northeast Civil Solutions' survey has a high level of confidence in the survey. They performed a great level of deed research to verify the ROW lines shown and their accuracy.
5. The Town will negotiate any temporary grading easements that are needed. The engineer will provide the necessary drawings (with limit lines and square footage amounts) needed to be included in the easement negotiation process.
6. Will any private property ('cross-easements') easements be negotiated by the design engineer? No. These will be handled similarly to temporary grading easements.
7. The November 15th deadline is to have all plans, specifications, permits, approvals, etc. in place and ready for bidding. The deadline does not include the bidding process.
8. Will there be public meetings as part of the design process? Yes. How many does the Town anticipate. The Town anticipates 'a few/couple' of public meetings as well as a CDC meeting and/or Council public hearing.
9. What is the permitting timeline for DEP, DOT, and Planning Board. The Town is seeking to have all approvals secured by November 15th.
10. The Town does not anticipate any significant drainage system survey/analysis as part of the stormwater retrofit work.
11. The Town estimates that there are approximately 7-10 traffic movement permits held by private properties within the project area.
12. The RFP mentions alterations to the existing catch basins. The intent is to raise the frames more flush to the pavement elevations to provide a safer paved shoulder for bicyclists.
13. How aware are the utilities of this project? A representative from Woodard and Curran responded that Central Maine Power, Time Warner Cable, and Fairpoint have all been involved preliminarily in order to scope the project and provide a planning level estimate. CMP has been the most actively involved in the project to date.

Cc: Nathan Poore, Town Manager
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