



Town of Charlemont – Long Bridge Deck Repairs
FRCOG IFB 2023-2081

ADDENDUM 2 – May 18, 2023

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO REVIEW THIS INVITATION FOR BIDS; **HOWEVER THIS IFB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED INFORMAL AND ONLY BIDS FROM MASSDOT PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS IN THE REQUISITE CLASS OF WORK WILL BE OPENED AND CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.** ALL CONTRACTORS SHOULD CONFIRM THEIR ELIGIBILITY BEFORE BIDDING. A BIDDER MAY OFFER BIDS UP TO THEIR PREQUALIFICATION AMOUNT.

PREQUALIFICATION AMOUNT: \$427,000.00
THE CLASS OF WORK IS: Bridge Deck Repairs

Please note the following:

1. Q: Item 994.1 Temporary Protective Shielding – The third paragraph in the special provision for this item states “It is the intent to shield those areas under the deck that are close to the repair work area only.” Under bullet number 4 this special provision also states “The shielding shall extend the entire length of the bridge span and shall completely over the waterway and bank areas below. The first statement limits the area of shielding and the second statement covers the entire bridge. The quantity for this bid item seems to cover the entire bridge. The lump sum set up fees involved in the installation and removal of this shielding is a relatively expensive cost and will greatly affect the unit price. Could you please clarify the area to be shielded?

A: The intent is to install protective shielding under the entire bridge. The original plans indicate that the deck is only 6 1/2" inches thick. The MassDOT inspection report indicates that the deck is in poor condition. These two factors make it very difficult to accurately estimate the deck area that will need to be excavated full depth versus partial depth. Hence the decision to shield the entire underside of the deck.

2. Please acknowledge ADDENDUM 2 on the bid signature page.

All other provisions of the Invitation for Bids remain unchanged.

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