



Memorandum

To: POTENTIAL OFFERORS

Date: September 26, 2017

Re: PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

On September 25, 2017 a Pre-Proposal Meeting was held with several potential offerors. Below you will find questions that were asked at this meeting, and MRGCD responses.

1. When will the water be shut off?

RESPONSE:

The District normally shuts off water October 31. Irrigation season runs from March 1 through October 31. But we usually run water in November at the request of the Pueblos through mid-November. So some areas may be wet until November 15

2. There was a report from Colorado State University (CSU) will that information be available?

RESPONSE:

CSU did provide a lengthy report with a lot of documentation, but the model was not implemented. The documentation information may be available. It has not been determined if the model itself would be provided. But the information that went into that model was derived from District records, so everything that is in it should be available from other sources.

3. If a Firm/Individual is proposing on both Schedules do they have to provide the same information if the boiler plate is the same for both schedules?

RESPONSE:

If the boiler plate information provided with your proposal is the same you can provide complete detail on Schedule I and for Scheduled II "Refer" to Schedule I Boiler Plate and identify the specific page, etc.

4. Under the term "Creative Options" would Green Infrastructure be considered?

RESPONSE:

The proposals are related to the distribution and delivery of irrigation water, not M&I water. The "green infrastructure" we are familiar with typically involves structures such as office buildings, etc. and I am not sure how that relates to gravity flow in irrigation canals. But maybe there could be a "green component"

For example; if a pumping project was proposed and it was powered by alternative energy.

Any Offeror who proposes Green, the Offeror “Must” provide complete detail, examples, etc., and it will be reviewed and evaluated. We are open to any and all creative proposals.

5. The MRGCD ISO's already have existing ideas, has the MRGCD brain stormed with the ISO's to get their feedback, and will the contractor need to meet with the ISO's?

RESPONSE:

Interviewing the ISO's is not necessary their operations are day to day, operating under normal, not drought conditions. Although ISO's might have specific and useful suggestions on efficiencies, in general I think we are looking at other sorts of suggestions on drought planning. What challenges might be faced during drought and what might we do to prepare ourselves. More likely we would be interested in how people in other irrigation districts or even other countries have responded to these challenges.

6. Will New Mexico Preference apply to this RFP?

RESPONSE:

The Infrastructure and Vulnerability Assessment Project is being funded with federal dollars, and as per NMSA 13-1-21(J) Application for Preference SHALL NOT APPLY when the expenditure includes federal funds for a specific purchase. Therefore, disregard Appendix 3 it will not be applicable to this RFP process.

7. On Schedule II Evaluation Criteria; cost is listed an evaluation criteria, and in reading Evaluation Criteria Item 1 - Development of Project Requirements are you requesting Engineering Work?

RESPONSE:

The MRGCD is not requesting any engineering for Schedule II Vulnerability Assessment, requesting potential cost i.e. pumping plant, delivery rate, etc.

Also attached you will find a corrected Evaluation Criteria Form for Schedule II

8. The Deadline to submit proposals has not changed it will COB 4:30 p.m. Wednesday October 4, 2017