



City of Tacoma

Questions and Answers

Facilitation and Stakeholder Engagement Services RFP Specification No. PG21-0457F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Seth Hartz, Senior Buyer by date questions were due. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org. Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities](#) / *Services Solicitations*, and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

Question 1: Section 6. Example Project includes a scenario of an engagement for which Tacoma Power might request services. It reads "Provide your approach..." in the first paragraph. In Section 11. Evaluation Criteria, the RFP lists the criteria and points. Though we didn't see a requirement that mirrored Section 6. One of the Section 11 criteria includes Examples of Projects. Though this seems to refer to a description of actual projects in which we've been engaged rather than a hypothetical scenario for which we would write about our approach. Would you clarify whether or not Section 6 is a part of the RFP, and if so, in what section of the proposal do we include it?

Answer 1: Please include a sample project utilizing the scenario in Section #6 and also three actual projects as well per section 11.

Question 2: Who are the primary stakeholders Tacoma works with in relation to these hydroelectric projects (Projects)?

Answer 2: Regulatory agencies, tribes, and the public.

Question 3: What work has the City of Tacoma/ Tacoma Power done with stakeholder /community engagement, especially around the development of the current FERC licenses?

Answer 3: We conduct public meetings for input on license implementation strategies for natural resource protection and mitigation.

Question 4: What work has been done to engage and develop a relationship with Tribes along Project Rivers?

Answer 4: We have a focused effort on the Cushman Project, but we need to expand our efforts around the other projects.

Question 5: Are the studies, projects on the ground, or operational changes being proposed part of your current license requirements? If so, for which of the four Projects?

Answer 5: Currently studies and projects are focused around the Cowlitz, Cushman, and Nisqually Projects.



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Question 6: As part of this RFP, is there a need for technical support, and if so, is there a team already in place and what type of technical support is anticipated from the Consultant?

Answer 6: No additional contract technical support needed from this RFP that is already covered.

Question 7: What is the expectation regarding intersections of this effort with Section 106 of the NHPA and the need for this from the Consultant team?

Answer 7: Not applicable.

Question 8: A project example was shared as part of the RFP (Section 6). Do you want us to respond to the RFP as if we were addressing that specific example or should we focus on demonstrating our capabilities for the services outlined in Section 5?

Answer 8: See response to answer #1

Question 9: For Section 14.2 Examples of Projects. There is a reference to "In the fields below," however there are no fields to fill in. Could you provide the desired format if there is one?

Answer 9: There is not a desired format for the examples of projects and also see answer #1 for additional clarification.

Question 10: For Section 14.3 Reporting Capabilities. What kind of reporting capabilities are you looking for? Is this reporting to you on project/task status? Or is this reporting as part of the facilitation?

Answer 10: Both, there will be reporting to me on status as well as part of the facilitation.