

City of Tacoma TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES / TACOMA RAIL

TRACK MAINTENANCE

SPECIFICATION NO. TR22-0247F

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Tisha Rico by 3:00 pm on September 7, 2021. 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 / Supplies, 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.

Directions: Use Tab to turn Question to Answer and Shift-Tab to move Answer to Question

Question 1: Section 19. Technical Provisions of the RFP indicate that all work shall be

in accordance with Standard Plans, Specifications. Please provide Standard Plans and Specifications associated with the work on this

project

ANSWER: This is an on-call contract, necessary documents would be provided based on

the type of work requested. TR accepts industry standards/AREMA guidelines.

Question 2: What is the period of performance for this contract? How many Calendar Days

will this contract be in effect for?

ANSWER: Three years, with two additional one-year renewal options. This is an on call,

as-needed contract. Bid as specified.

Question 3: How many mobilizations/demobilizations should the contractor anticipate for

each piece of equipment identified in the Bid Form? This is necessary to

properly estimate the correct hourly rate for equipment.

ANSWER: Hard to say, this is an on-call contract. It is unknown how often TR will need

will need specific equipment. Some line items will be used more than others.

Question 4: The maximum response time to reach any site shall be 3 hours. Does this

include the mobilization of necessary tools, equipment, and/or material

required for the situation?

ANSWER: The 3-hour response time would be expected for a qualified worker(s) and

some basic RR tools. It would be understandable that a tamper or other

equipment may not be able to get to a job site in 3-hours or less.

Question 5: Will a contractor located more than 3 hours outside of any project site be

granted an exemption to this rule?

ANSWER: No blanket exemptions will be given. Case by case scenarios are considered

during the contract term. The majority of the work scheduled.

Question 6: Would Tacoma Rail be able to provide track charts for the property?

ANSWER: Yes, track maps. The majority of the work will fall within the City of Tacoma.

limits.

Question 7: Were there any derailments on the property within the last 12 months? If so,

how many?

ANSWER: Yes. The number of derailments doesn't correlate to this bid request

Question 8: Will this project will require the General Contractor to supply temporary

fencing or portable restrooms?

ANSWER: No, it will not.