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.

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**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 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.