

June 29, 2016

TO: ALL POTENTIAL PROPOSERS

RE: RSIQ NO. 2503-16-31
“Golden Triangle Marsh Creation (PO-163)”

CLARIFICATIONS

THE AGENCY HAS REMOVED THE PAGE LIMIT FOR THIS RSIQ.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. **Q.** Can associate employees under 1099 status be included in the prime firm’s 24-102 or must they develop their own?
A. **Employees under 1099 status must develop their own SF 24-102.**
2. **Q.** We understand that this project is to be a marsh restoration, yet the RSIQ references barrier island restoration, shoreline protection, and Barataria Bay hydrodynamics (page 7). Please clarify.
A. **This is a marsh creation project located adjacent to Lake Borgne.**
3. **Q.** Page 8 of the RSIQ states that “Submittals should be no more than fifty (50) pages in length including contents pages, and SIQ supporting appendices and resumes.” The 24-102 already includes resumes. Are the 50 pages exclusive of the CPRA 24-102 forms?
A. **Per Addendum 1, the Agency has removed the 50 page limit.**
4. **Q.** Must all subcontractors provide a separate and discrete 24-102?
A. **Yes, all subcontractors are required to provide SF 24-102.**

5. **Q.** **Section 4.0:** Minimum Requirements Item A - states *One Landrights Manager with at least 15 years of experience and whom is responsible for project landrights oversight, coordination, schedule, budget and QA/QC of landrights deliverables. Land Rights Manager must have experience in federal acquisitions and relocations and leads a team of qualified and experienced personnel further identified under Appendix C.* This appears to conflict with the Land Professional Requirements qualifications listed in Appendix C which read: *Requirements for consideration of Contracting Party and any subcontractors: either a bachelor's degree and seven (7) years of professional experience as a landman, right-of-way agent, or negotiator or ten (10) years professional experience as a landman, right-of-way agent, or negotiator.* Please clarify.
- A.** **The requirements in Appendix C should be followed.**
6. **Q.** **Appendix C. Section V.** *The Contracting Party shall provide the following staff classifications with the stated experience levels that will include, but will not be limited to, the following responsibilities* which is followed by a list of twenty Staff Classifications. Are respondents required to provide individuals for each staff classification in the 24-102 format or, if required, will a simple table suffice?
- A.** **All personnel types listed in Appendix C are Key Personnel and resumes, provided in the SF 24-102 format, are required.**
7. **Q.** **Section 7.0**, second bullet item states *Major components of the engineering and design phase process and course of action necessary for completion of the design phase as it relates to barrier island restoration and shoreline protection.* Is it correct to assume this was intended to state *marsh creation* rather than barrier island restoration and shoreline protection? Please clarify.
- A.** **Yes, this is a marsh creation project.**
8. **Q.** **Section 7.0**, third bulleted item states *Expertise and experience working in a coastal and marine environment with an emphasis on the Louisiana coast and Barataria Bay hydrodynamics and coastal systems.* Is this accurate?
- A.** **The reference to Barataria Bay is inaccurate. This is a marsh creation project located adjacent to Lake Borgne.**
9. **Q.** Regarding RSIQ Section 4.0, Minimum Requirements, Item C., “One Professional Engineer holding a current license from the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, with a Master’s Degree in Civil or Coastal Engineering”, we have the question below.
- **QUESTION:** Will a Professional Civil Engineer holding a current license from the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, with a Master’s Degree in Oceanography and Coastal Sciences meet this requirement? This engineer has the experience requirements in all of the

coastal engineering areas specified as well as additional training in numerical modeling of coastal processes.

- A. A Master’s Degree in Oceanography and/or Coastal Sciences is sufficient, provided that the engineer is a registered Professional Civil Engineer in the state of Louisiana.**

10. Q. Regarding RSIQ requirement that prime and subcontractors submit complete CPRA 24-102s separately.

- **QUESTION:** Are subcontractors of subcontractors required to submit complete CPRA 24-102s separately as well?

- A. No**

11. Q. In reference to the Standard Form CPRA 24-102, Item 6 (“Do you presently have sufficient staff to perform the entire suite of services designated in the advertisement?”), we have the following question:

- o **QUESTION:** Is the question referring to the sufficiency of staff for the entire suite of services of the team as a whole (combined Prime and Subconsultant staff) or each team member individually?

- A. Item 6 of the SF 24-102 refers to the capacity of the team as a whole.**

12. Q. Are the entities performing land rights services under this contract required to complete the 24-102 forms?

- A. Yes**

13. Q. If a construction contractor is a member of the Engineering and design team, will that construction contractor be precluded from bidding on construction of the project? If so, would CPRA be willing to consider options that would essentially firewall the construction contractor from the final engineering and design work that would still let the construction contractor participate in initial scoping and costing of the project? Alternatively, if the construction contractor was listed on the team but not being paid to assist with development of the project, would they still be eligible to bid on construction of the project?

- A. Any construction contractor involved in the Engineering and Design portion of the project will not be allowed to bid on the construction of the project.**

- 14. Q. Section 5.1, page 3:** “providing itemized task schedules in a P6 format...”
Q. Please clarify that the intent of the contracting party’s Project Manager is to provide input to CPRA Project Controls staff to create and revise the project schedule in P6 on a routine basis? Or, does CPRA expect the contracting party to perform this scheduling action independent of CPRA?
- A. The contracting party should perform this independent of CPRA.**
- 15. Q. Section 4, page 2:** Minimum requirements
Q. For qualifications of the Professional Engineer, please confirm that 10+ years of Louisiana coastal experience with a professional license will meet the minimum qualifications?
- A. One Key Personnel shall be a Professional Engineer licensed in the state of Louisiana with a Master’s Degree in Civil or Coastal Engineering from an ABET- accredited engineering program, with at least 5 years of experience in the following areas: design and analysis of sediment dredging, conveyance, and containment; numerical studies of coastal processes including wave modeling. A Master’s Degree in Oceanography and/or Coastal Sciences is sufficient, provided that the engineer is a registered Professional Civil Engineer in the state of Louisiana.**
- 16. Q. Section 7.0, page 7:** Third bullet states, “emphasis on the Louisiana coast and Barataria Bay...”
Q. Will CPRA please clarify?
- A. This is a marsh creation project located adjacent to Lake Borgne.**
- 17. Q. Section 7.0, page 7:** Second bullet states “barrier island restoration and shoreline protection.”
Q. Will CPRA please clarify?
- A. This is a marsh creation project located adjacent to Lake Borgne.**
- 18. Q. Section 7.0, page 8:** SIQ submittal requirements
Q. Will the Standard Form CPRA 24-102 (SF 24-102) be required for subcontractors hired by subcontractors (aka “second-tier contractors”)?
- A. Subcontractors are required to submit the SF 24-102; subcontractors of subcontractors are not required to submit separate SF 24-102 forms.**

- 19. Q.** **Appendix A:** The project map does not delineate the potential borrow area, but *the application* to the RESTORE Council does.
- Q.** Is that the general area (illustrated in RESTORE application) from which borrow would be expected to be obtained? Has any exploratory testing or data collection been done on this area?
- A.** **The Golden Triangle RESTORE application is not available for public review at this time. However, the Golden Triangle RESTORE proposal does include a graphic depicting a potential borrow area located in Lake Borgne. This area was identified through the Borrow Area Monitoring and Maintenance (BAMM) study. However, the selected contractor will be responsible for delineating the project borrow area.**
- 20. Q.** **Appendix C:** Personnel types
- Q.** Are the personnel types listed in Appendix C considered “key” and are resumes required?
- A.** **Yes**
- 21. Q.** The RSIQ does not specifically call out public outreach in the scope of work. However, “Outreach & Education” are a prominent section in the *RESTORE Council application*.
- Q.** Will the contractor be responsible for public outreach activities, or just NEPA-required public document review meetings? If so, to what level?
- A.** **The Golden Triangle RESTORE application is not available for public review at this time. The Golden Triangle RESTORE proposal discusses Outreach & Education as it relates to the State’s Master Plan. NEPA outreach will be accomplished through the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice on the Section 10/404 permit application; the contractor will be required to address, in writing, any comments. Additional public outreach will be conducted by the contractor as needed.**