

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT				1. CONTRACT ID CODE J	PAGE OF PAGES 1 6
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0003	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 14-May-2020	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.		5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable)	
6. ISSUED BY US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW YORK 26 FEDERAL PLAZA, RM 16-300 NEW YORK NY 10278-0090	CODE W912DS	7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than item 6)  <b>See Item 6</b>		CODE	
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., Street, County, State and Zip Code)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. W912DS20B0009 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 17-Apr-2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO. <input type="checkbox"/> 10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)		
CODE	FACILITY CODE		11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of offer <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning _____ copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AMENDMENT BY DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.					
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)					
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.					
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A. B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B). C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF: D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)					
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.					
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)					
The purpose of this amendment is to: 1. Answer questions from prospective bidders for informational purposes only. 2. Bid due date remains 21 May 2020 at 2:00PM EST. Please submit an email to monica.c.chahary@usace.army.mil, mohenda.r.surage@usace.army.mil and nicholas.p.emmanuel@usace.army.mil to request a link to DoD Safe for electronic bid submissions.					
NOTE: Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this amendment by date specified in the bid (or as amended) by one of the following methods: In the space provided on the SF 1442, by separate letter, or by signing block 15 below. FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AMENDMENT BY DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LATE BID, LATE MODIFICATION OF BID, OR LATE WITHDRAWAL OF BID (FAR 14.304).					
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.					
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)			
		TEL: _____ EMAIL: _____			
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR  (Signature of person authorized to sign)		15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  (Signature of Contracting Officer)		16C. DATE SIGNED 14-May-2020

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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

SECTION 00 21 13 - INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

The following have been modified:

**ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSIONS**

The bidder shall be submitted electronically, as described below. The IFB will provide the Government address and receipt date for bid submittal. The bid shall not contain classified data. The use of hyperlinks in proposals is prohibited.

**NOTE:** Notice of Intent to Bid must be submitted to Monica Chahary

[Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil](mailto:Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil), Mohenda Surage [Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil](mailto:Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil) and Nicholas Emanuel [Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil](mailto:Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil) two (2) days before the bid opening.

Bids are due 21 May 2020 at 2:00 P.M. EST, however the reading of the bids will happen at 2:30 P.M. to allow for time to download the bids before they are read.

Bids received after 21 May 2020 at 2:00 P.M. est on <https://safe.apps.mil/> will be considered late.

It is recommended that bidders submit their bids at least 2 hours before to allow enough time for the bid to be uploaded. Please note that bidders do not need to wait until the day of bid opening to submit their bids.

The only authorized transmission method for the bid in response to this solicitation is electronically via SAFE online submission. NO OTHER TRANSMISSION METHODS (EMAIL, FACSIMILE, REGULAR MAIL, HAND CARRIED, ETC.) WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The bid must be received by the Government by the date/time specified in the solicitation. The Bidder shall submit their bid using the following link:

<https://safe.apps.mil/>

**NOTE:** Problems accessing the DoD SAFE site by external (non-CAC) users are typically due to SSL and/or client certificate issues. If the user receives a warning about a problem with the website's security certificate, this is because their browser is not configured to trust the DoD certificate authorities. The user can either import the DoD certificate authorities by following the instructions in the DoD PKI PMO's guide on Install Root or they can accept the risk and click on the option to continue to the website. The current guide on Install Root can be found Problems accessing the DoD SAFE site by non-CAC users - <https://safe.apps.mil/about.php>

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS:**

In an effort to reduce paperwork and cost, all bids shall be submitted electronically through the SAFE site. Submission shall be in Adobe PDF format. You are limited to five (5) maximum files per upload (total size cannot exceed 2GB). If you have a large number of files, recommend that you combine or ZIP your files before uploading to the SAFE site. Bidders may use compression utility software such as WinZip or PKZip to reduce file size and facilitate transmission.

**REQUEST FOR UPLOAD CODE:** Offerors must email Contract Specialist Monica Chahary [Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil](mailto:Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil), Mohenda Surage [Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil](mailto:Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil), and Nicholas Emanuel [Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil](mailto:Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil) no later than two (2) working days prior to the bid due date to receive a request code which will allow for file uploads via the SAFE site. Bidders that fail to email for request a code two (2) working days before bid submission date may not be able to receive a request code in

time to upload their submission.

**FILE DESCRIPTION:** Include a “File Description” for each file(s) you upload. The “File Description” will be included in the email notice to each of the recipients you choose to have access your file(s). **NOTE:** Do NOT enter Privacy Act Data (Personal Identification Information (PII)) in the File Description.) Submission shall be in Adobe PDF format.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO FOLLOW ON THE SAFE WEBSITE:**

1. Once at the SAFE website select the “Drop-off” icon. This allows users without a CAC or users whose computer is not configured to read a CAC the option to access the SAFE site as a guest.
2. After selecting the “Click Here” link you will be prompted to add your personal information, file information, recipient (Government representative) information and email settings.
3. When completing your file information for transmittal via the SAFE website, you will be required to enter the email address for all recipients. For this solicitation, the recipients are the Contract Specialist and the Contracting Officer. The Contract Specialists for this solicitation are Monica Chahary, [Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil](mailto:Monica.C.Chahary@usace.army.mil), Mohenda Surage, [Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil](mailto:Mohenda.R.Surage@usace.army.mil), and the Contracting Officer is Nicholas Emanuel, [Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil](mailto:Nicholas.P.Emanuel@usace.army.mil). The E-Mail address of the Government Employee who initiated the request code will be automatically entered. The Proposer must enter the E-Mail address for both the Contracting Officer and Specialist. The Proposer can enter an additional E-Mail address if desired. After entering the email address, click the ADD button to add the person(s) email to the “Recipients List” of your response. When your proposal is submitted, a notification will be sent to the recipients you added.

**NOTE:** Do NOT send the SAFE site packages to group email accounts.

Even if you successfully upload your proposal to the SAFE site, notification will not be sent to the government recipients until you verify your email address. Entering an incorrect email may result in the rejection of your submission for lateness. A Proposer can confirm proper submission by the ‘Drop-Off Completed’ screen which generates based on proper file submission.

**NOTE:** It has been reported that documents are more quickly uploaded into the SAFE website when using a Firefox web browser. The Government cannot verify that this is true and offers no guarantee that Offerors will have more success utilizing any particular browser.

**RECEIPT OF SUBMISSIONS:**

For the purposes of establishing whether a proposal submission is considered timely, the government considers the date and time the submission is completely uploaded into the SAFE website. For proposals larger than the 2GB capacity of the SAFE website and require multiple submissions, the Government will consider the date and time the last submission is completely uploaded into the SAFE website. Do not assume that electronic communication is instantaneous. It can take several minutes or even hours in some cases.

The government will not be responsible for submissions delivered to any location or to anyone other than those designated to receive proposals. Offerors are responsible for ensuring that proposals are submitted so as to reach the designated recipient. Offerors are responsible for allowing sufficient time for the proposal to be received in accordance with the instructions provided.

Bidders are encouraged to call into the following teleconference line to listen to the bids being read:

- 1) Call number:  
USA Toll-Free: 888-684-8852  
OR USA Caller Paid/International Toll: 215-446-0155
- 2) Type in Access code: 2944873#

3) Type in the Pass Code 2020#

Bidder must keep their phone on mute as to not disrupt the reader. Please limit the amount of company employees calling into the line so that the line does not disconnect. The abstract of bids will be posted to the beta.SAM.gov website.

SECTION 00 73 00 - SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

The following have been added by full text:

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**BIDDER'S QUESTIONS AND GOVERNMENT REPLY:**

Questions that may be of general interest to all Bidders and/or the Government and that are not readily answered by the proceeding changes will appear below. These questions may have been paraphrased or altered to represent several questions regarding the same subject and/or simply revised to clarify and simplify the question(s). Questions and answers are issued to the Bidders "for information only" and do not revise the solicitation, plans or specifications.

QUESTION 1: As the Water Quality certificate requires the contractor to utilize a material handling barge which is water-tight, can the contractor employ the use of pocket scows whose doors have been sealed and made water-tight??

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE: The use of pocket scows are permitted. All scows must be sealed and made water-tight.**

QUESTION 2: As the geotechnical report shows this material to be predominantly sand and gravel, which settles out of suspension quickly, can the contractor discharge decant water in less than the 24 hour hold time if it has sufficiently clarified? We have found this to be the case in other sandy gravel projects.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE: The Contractor must comply with all conditions of the Federal Consistency Determination and Water Quality Certificate (FCD/WQC). All water shall be held in the decant holding scow a minimum of 24 hours after the last addition of water to the scow. The decant water may only be discharged after this 24-hour retention period. If, after the contract has been awarded and dredging has begun, it is proven that water can be sufficiently decanted with less time or alternative processes, the NJDEP may be willing to amend the FCD/WQC.**

QUESTION 3: Could decant water be run through a suitable filtration system during the removal process, in lieu of the 24 hour hold requirement?

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE: See Answer 2 above.**

QUESTION 4: As this is a shallow draft project, with a finished depth of -5'+2'OD, available small scows appropriate for this constrained area are difficult to procure in large quantities.

Multiple of these small capacity scows would be required to be sourced and mobilized in order to meet the mandated 1,000cy/day production rate, when factoring in the required 24 hour holding period before dewatering. The small scows applicable to this project's water depth will hold approximately 500 cubic yards each while the "industry standard" scows can hold 3,000-6,000 cubic yards. These "industry standard" scows would draw too much water to be applicable to this work. Contractor requests that the hold time be reduced or that the production rate be adjusted to account for the 24 hour holding period while utilizing a smaller number of small scows for the dredging project.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE: Due to the draft restrictions for this project, the production rate is lowered to 500 cubic yards per day.**

QUESTION 5: Please confirm that there is no material requiring removal inside the Rt 35 bridge.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE: No material inside the RT 35 Bridge is required to be removed.**

QUESTION 6: Plan set provided does not have scale bars for quick reference. Contractor requests drawings be revised to include scale bars.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:** Channel charts have a scale of 1 inch to 50 feet, as stated on the drawings. Any drawings without a scale identified are not drawn to scale.

QUESTION 7: Upon closer review of the specifications and particularly the material characteristics, can a digging bucket versus an environmental bucket be utilized? Gravel exceeds the design specifications for penetration of the environmental bucket.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:** As stated in the FCD/WQC all sediments from this project shall be removed using a closed clamshell bucket. An environmental bucket is not required to be used for this project.

QUESTION 8: Is it possible to extend the due date for the bid for an additional week?

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:** The bid opening date will remain May 21<sup>st</sup> 2020.

QUESTION 9: Can you please supply me with Attachment J NJDEP Water Quality Certificate for W912-DS-20-B0009 for Maintenance Dredging of Cheesquake Creek? I didn't see Attachment J as an item I could download.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:** The Water Quality Certificate was posted with Amendment 0002 on May 1st. It was referred to as Attachment L. Attachment J is the Sampling and Testing Results.

(End of Summary of Changes)