

CONTRACTOR’S INQUIRY RESPONSES

**THE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON
CROW CANYON ROAD AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS
ALAMEDA COUNTY AND CITY OF SAN RAMON, CALIFORNIA**

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UPDATED (05-25-2023): (Legend: T = telephone; PBM = pre-bid meeting; E = email)

Inquiry No.	Inquiry	Response
1PBM	➤ Will this presentation be made avail as a pdf?	Yes; the (power point) presentation will be made available via County's project website.
2PBM	➤ How long does it take to obtain permits?	Assume 1-2 weeks (for Caltrans and City of San Ramon). County has obtained administrative (encroachment) permits from Caltrans for placement of CMS signs on State Right way. Permit acquisition times for other permits may vary.
3PBM	➤ What is the anticipated start date?	At this time, it is anticipated the Notice to Proceed will be issued July 21, 2023 for a start date the following week.
4PBM	➤ The Bid due date falls on the Tuesday after a holiday weekend. Will the county consider pushing the bid date a week to allow subcontractors time to get their quotes submitted?	The County will review this request; there is no guarantee the bid extension date will be extended.
5E	➤ This projects bids after a holiday weekend. Will the County consider moving the bid date to give subcontractors time to submit their quotes?	The County has extended the bid opening date to Thursday, June 1, 2023. Refer to Notice to Bidder page N-1 (Addendum 1)

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6E	➤ Please identify the location where contractors can access Construction Water for this project?	The Location is to be obtained by contractor through the local water agency.
7E	➤ I found the attached Alameda County: Project Stability/Community Benefits Agreement on your website that can be relevant to this project we are bidding. It requires county residents to work 40% of all work hours. Please confirm it is mandatory for contractor to have 40% of work hours from the county residents.	The Project Stability/Community Benefits Agreement does apply to this project. Please refer to the agreement for details.
8E	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan Sheet #30, Construction note #9; Details that “ Contractor shall open both lanes (Northbound and Southbound Directions) to traffic at the end of the work shift.” • Specification Section 12, 12-4.01A(6) Open Traffic Lane Requirements; Details that “All lanes must be made safe and open to two-way public traffic at the end of each work shift or when construction operations are not actively in progress.” <p>Please confirm that this does not apply to the staged work behind K-Rail (i.e., cold plane, FDR, HMA, etc..) and that one lane will be closed in one direction at a time until the staged work in that lane is completed. During this closure, a detour will be in place as shown on the project plans.</p>	<p>Both lanes (including the staged work behind the K-rail) must be made safe and open to two-way public traffic at the end of each work shift or when construction operations are not actively in progress.</p> <p>Detours will take place during work hours.</p>
9E	Please provide the existing roadway structural section for the Alameda County portion of the Project between Sta 274+54 to 361+08.	<p>the existing structural section varies between:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AC: 5” – 11.5” - AB: 5” – 10” <p>Refer to Attachment 2 of Addendum 2: Boring Data for more detailed information.</p>

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10E	Please advise if any Good Faith Effort documentation is required post bid. If so, please advise when it will need to be submitted and on what forms.	No Good Faith Effort documentation is required.
11E	The bid date is directly after Memorial Day weekend when many subcontractors may still be on vacation. Would it be possible to move the bid date by one day?	See response to 5E above.
12E	<p>Plan sheet #34 to #38, Stage Construction Plan & Sub Stage Construction Plans; Plans do not currently show a set Flagger at each open Driveway that is located behind Krail.</p> <p>Please confirm that the County will not require a flagger to be set at each Driveway during the working shift to control the flow of traffic in one direction. Majority of the project will not have enough room for both directions of travel behind Krail, so please provide traffic plans with more of a set coordination of Flaggers, or a Pilot car pay item to maintain the flow of traffic behind Krail during the working shifts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Refer to Sub-Stages A & B on sheet 38; (Typical) Detail 3 shows a flagger at each driveway. - The staging plans indicate that driveway access should be maintained at all times (sheet 30, note 5). - "Maintain access to driveway" callout is placed at each driveway access (sheets 30-37). - A Flagger will be required at each Driveway during the working shift to control the flow of traffic in <u>one</u> direction behind the Krail. - Refer to Sub-Stages A & B on sheet 38; (Typical) Detail 3 shows a flagger at each driveway. - Per note 2 on sheet 3, "Contractor shall submit traffic handling plans...." And note 5, "....provide access to private properties at all times". - The payment for flaggers (and pilot car, if needed) is to be included in the LS payment for Traffic Control System.

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13E	<p>To confirm, your answer to bid question 6E states the location is to be obtained by the contractor through the local water agency.</p> <p>Who is the local water agency?</p> <p>Please provide contact information to all the contractors.</p> <p>Has the county been in contact with the local water agency?</p> <p>Has the county confirmed that the contractor can use local fire hydrants for construction water?</p>	<p>- East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) is the local water agency.</p> <p>- Our latest contact information is (Contractor is responsible for obtaining latest contact info):</p> <p>- <i>Nicole Douglas</i> <i>Field Services/Hydrant Meter Representative</i> <i>Field Services Department</i> <i>MS 45</i> <i>(510) 287 1761</i> nicole.douglas@ebmud.com fldsvc@ebmud.com</p> <p>- No, the County has NOT contacted EBMUD regarding this project.</p> <p>- The County has NOT confirmed the use of local fire hydrants.</p>
14E	<p>The county is closing Crow Canyon Rd down to one-way traffic during the construction process. The stage construction plans show flagmen, I would assume directing traffic for the driveway effected by the construction.</p> <p>Please tell the contractor when these flagmen are required.</p>	<p>- Flagger will be required at each Driveway during the working shift to control the flow of traffic in one direction.</p> <p>- Per note 2 on sheet 3, "Contractor shall submit traffic handling plans...."</p> <p>- And note 5, "....provide access to private properties at all times".</p> <p>- The payment for flagger is included in the LS for Traffic Control System</p>

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15E	<p>Is it the county’s intent to allow traffic to access these driveway through our construction site?</p> <p>How is this local traffic managed during after hours and weekends?</p> <p>Will 24/7 flaggers be required to handle local driveway traffic?</p> <p>Will breaks in the K-rail at each effected driveway location be allowed?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The staging plans indicate that driveway access should be maintained at all times (sheet 30, note 5). - “Maintain access to driveway” callout is placed at each driveway access (sheets 30-37). - Refer to Sub-Stages A & B on plan sheet 38: Detail 3 shows a flagger at each driveway. - Both lanes are to be made safe and open to all thru traffic (NB and SB) at the end of each work shift, Per note 9 on sheet 30. - Refer to spec section 12-4.01A(6) - Flagger will be required at each Driveway during the working shift to control the flow of traffic in one direction. - Refer to Sub-Stages A, B, & C on sheet 38; (Typical) Detail 3 shows when a flagger at each driveway is required. - Refer to spec section 12-4.01A(5) for work days and hours. - Breaks in the k-rail are not allowed.
16E	<p>Your Detour plans on sheet 39 places a flagman at each end of the detours. When are these flagman required?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When construction is in progress. - Refer to Sub-Stages A, B, & C on sheet 38; (Typical) Detail 3 shows when a flagger at each driveway is required.

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17E	<p>There is a bid item for construction area signs, #13 & #14 Plan sheet 01 shows 14 each construction signs needed. How does all the required temporary detour signage get paid?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Detour signs shown on detour plan on sheet 40 for the freeway/Bollinger Canyon Rd/Norris The temporary signage are to be included in the lump sum payment for traffic control system. - Refer to spec section 7-1.04, Public Safety
18E	<p>Does the roadway excavation take place before or after roadway pulverization? If it takes place after pulverization, how deep is the pulverization?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The order and method of operations are to be determined by the contractor. Pulverization will be required to a depth to achieve the pavement sections as shown in Typical Sections.
19E	<p>Detail 1 on plan sheet 04 shows a 1.0” HMA over pavement grid. 1” depth is too thin to overlay pavement grid.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pavement section 1 is 2” mill and 2” fill and pavement grid is not needed - Refer to Addendum 2, Plan Sheet 4 (Revision 1) – Typical Sections for more information.
20E	<p>Can the county please give the contractor more time and postpone the bid date a week. Next Monday is a holiday and a lot of suppliers and subcontractor will not be around on Friday.</p>	<p>See Response to 5E.</p>
21E	<p>Please clarify the permitted time before the road will need to be paved following the completion of the Cold Plane operation?</p>	<p>Per the project specification Section 39-3.04C(1), Place HMA by the third calendar day from when you commenced cold planing at the same location.</p>
22E	<p>Please clarify if there is any existing Paving Fabric within the Existing roadway.</p>	<p>Refer to the specification Section 39-3.04A.</p>

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23E	<p>Plan Sheet 38, Detail Section A-A of the Sub-Stages at Driveways; Please clarify to which pay item will the Temporary Portable Delineators that are shown on both sides of the Work Area will be paid under. Please also confirm that the Temporary Portable Delineators will be required for the entire 8,800 LF of Krail that will be used during construction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Refer to Addendum 2 for inclusion of additional pay item for Portable Delineators - Temporary Portable Delineators will be required for the entire length of Krail.

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24E	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The existing pavement thickness is provided between 361+09 to 388+39 (City of SR Limits). Can you provide existing pavement thickness from 274+54 to 361+09? 2. The work hours mentioned are from 8am-5pm. Is night work permitted on instances like grinding, k-rail, paving etc, allowing operations to be productive with less traffic interference. 3. Will Section 39 compaction requirements needed for levelling course also? 4. Is there a breakdown for bid item#57-1100CY of remove Temp conforms. 5. Can identify only 1EA location of Headwall to be removed at MM5.91. Please confirm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See response to 9E. - No - Night work is not permitted. - Yes, refer to spec section 39-2.01C(15)(b) - The same quantity of Temporary pavement will be placed at end of each workday and removed at the next construction workday. Refer to Attachment 3 of Addendum 2: "Temporary HMA Conform Paving" for more information. - There are two (2) headwalls to be removed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MM 5.91 @ (approx.) Sta 1+14 2. MM 6.10 @ (approx.) Sta. 1+70
25E	<p>This question is in regard to the SAMI. Since traffic is not allowed on the SAMI, will HMA have to be placed in the same shift on top of the SAMI or will the work be behind K-Rail where there is no traffic?</p>	<p>It is expected that the Leveling course, SAMI, and HMA (minus the final lift) will be placed in the same shift.</p>

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26E	<p>I have question regarding the lane closures during the stage construction.</p> <p>We are placing temporary K-Rail along the entire length of the roadway at the FRD section separating the one-way traffic from our work site per the stage plans.</p> <p>During the stage construction we are installing SD, pulverizing, cement mixing, grading, and paving.</p> <p>Note 9 on sheet 30 states we must open both lanes of traffic northbound and southbound at the end of each work shift.</p> <p>Is this note intended for the local driveway traffic or all thru traffic?</p> <p>It appears that the intent is to close the roadway to through traffic for the duration of each stage.</p>	<p>This note is for thru traffic; Both lanes are to be open to all through traffic (NB and SB) at the end of each work shift.</p> <p>Refer to stage construction notes (Note 9, Sheet 30) and Spec section 12-4.01A(6).</p>
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