

New Jersey Turnpike Authority
Engineering Department

Order for Professional Services No. T4169
Supervision of Construction Services for Contract No. T100.723
Construction of Grade Separated U-Turns at Milepost 6.40 and 19.00

Responses to Inquiries
Request for Expressions of Interest

1. **Inquiry:** Schedule:

Per the Phase D Schedule provided by the Authority, NTP is 10/23/25 and Project Completion Is 10/6/28 which relates to 35.5 months. No reference to a closeout period is given.

- a. Per the RFP page 13 of 40, NTP is March 2026 and Completion of Services is June 2029 plus 3 more months for closeout which relates to 40 months construction plus 3 closeout.
- b. Per the RFP page 14 of 40, paragraph 3 states "an estimated total duration of forty-two (42) months, including contract closeout."
 - i. For the duration of construction, are we to assume 35.5 months, 39 months or 40 months? 3 months for closeout is understood.

Response: The anticipated construction duration is about thirty-eight (38) months. Please refer to the updated Phase D Construction Schedule for more information.

2. **Inquiry:** Specification:

Contract Item #30 – Dewatering.

- a. Supplementary Specification section 216.06 (F) advises
 - i. "Discharge to surface water will require a New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) Discharge to Surface Water (DSW) Permit issued by the NJDEP Division of Water Quality."
 - ii. "If the dewatering effluent requires treatment prior to discharge to surface water or discharge to groundwater, it is likely that a Treatment Works Approval will be required from the NJDEP Division of Water Quality prior to application for the discharge permit."
 - iii. "The Contractor shall apply for and obtain a Construction Dewatering General Permit (B7) from the NJDEP Division of Water Quality for the authorization of a short term groundwater discharge for lowering the groundwater table during construction related dewatering of uncontaminated groundwater."
 - iv. "The Contractor shall also apply for and obtain a Water Allocation Permit from the NJDEP's Division of Water Supply and Geoscience, when the pumping or lowering of any groundwater at an average rate of 100,000 gallons per day, over a 30-day period."
- b. The Phase D Schedule provided by the Authority does not include any activities related to the acquisition of these permits. Also, it seems these cannot be acquired in parallel as the Treatment Works approval is required before applying for the discharge permit.
 - i. What is the typical duration for acquiring these permits and does the NJTA wish to reconsider the overall contract duration based on this?
 - ii. Given the extent of this item, does the NJTA wish to consider adding an Environmental support person to the Staffing Estimate to oversee the conformance to all of these

permits? Also, given the presence of Acid-Producing Soils, would the addition of the Environmental support person be appropriate?

Response: Dewatering, if required, is anticipated in stage 2 during abutment and ramp excavations, which occurs 1 year after NTP

The consultant may propose alternative staffing utilizing available hours from the RFEOI staffing estimate as part of their means and methods for construction supervision.

3. **Inquiry:** Staffing:

The Staffing Estimate on RFP page 22 of 40 does not include a CPM Schedule reviewer, which is a typical position on almost all Supervision of Construction contracts.

- a. The language used on RFP page 17 of 40, item 6 is identical to other NJTA RFEOI's where a Scheduler is included in the staffing estimate.
 - i. Please confirm whether a Scheduler is to be added to the Staffing Estimate to be consistent with other NJTA procurements.
- b. The Staffing Estimate on RFP page 22 of 40 lists an Office Administrator with part-time hours.
 - i. Can the NJTA provide more detail as to the purpose for this position? Are there any required certifications that this staff member must have?
 - ii. Can the Consultant choose to not provide this position and re-assign the hours to inspection?
- c. The Staffing Estimate on RFP page 22 of 40 lists an Inspection Trainee with part-time hours.
 - i. Does the NJTA want this to be one person for the entire contract or can the hours be split into two separate Trainees?

Response: The Consultant is responsible for reviewing the contractor's schedule. The consultant may propose alternative staffing utilizing available hours from the RFEOI staffing estimate as part of their means and methods for construction supervision.

Details regarding the responsibilities for the Part-Time Office Administrator can be found on RFP page 16 of 40, Item No. 3. The consultant may propose alternative staffing utilizing available hours from the RFEOI staffing estimate as part of their means and methods for construction supervision.

The available hours provided in the Staffing Estimate shall allow for one (1) trainee to successfully complete the trainee program.

4. **Inquiry:** Construction Documents:

Contract Drawing #40 indicates an existing ground mounted sign be temporarily relocated and restored. Supplementary Spec Section 801 states "No separate payment will be made for equipment, labor, material, or other expense required to temporarily relocate and permanently install the Clara Barton Service Area sign. Cost associated with the temporary relocation and permanent sign restoration will be paid under "Furnishing Traffic Control Devices"." Standard Spec Section 801 defines how the item "Furnishing Traffic Control Devices" is to be paid for as follows:

- i. 50% at start of Contract
- ii. 25% at midpoint
- iii. 25% at completion of Contract.
 1. The removal, temporary relocation and ultimate restoration of the Clara Barton sign will be a significant cost. How does this affect the required payment for this contract item? Shouldn't a separate item be created for this work?

Response: The contractor is responsible for including all costs associated with the temporary relocation and restoration of the Clara Barton Service Area sign under the pay item "Furnishing Traffic

Control Devices.” This includes equipment, labor, and materials as specified in Supplementary Spec Section 801.

Although this work will not occur until Stage 2, payment for this item follows the standard schedule outlined in Section 801:

- 50% at the start of the contract
- 25% at the midpoint
- 25% at completion

Because the initial 50% payment is made before the relocation work begins, the contractor will receive a substantial portion of the payment in advance. The remaining payments will be distributed at later milestones. Given that this work represents a relatively small percentage of the overall project, a separate pay item is not necessary and the current structure should remain as intended.

5. **Inquiry:** Regarding the Disposal of Regulated Material, we have had two recent projects where this quantity overran significantly for a huge \$ change. In the field, its impossible to parse out what is regulated from what isn't. Once excavation is performed and stockpiled, the pile is sampled and whatever the result is, it represents the entire pile. [We recommend] the NJTA review their quantity for this with the anticipated excess excavation prior to bid.

Response: Excavation quantities will be reviewed.

6. **Inquiry:** No Utility Drawing is provided for Structure 19.0.

Response: Correct, no utility drawings are required or provided for Structure 19.0. Limits of Fiber Optic line relocation to be done by others ad head of construction is shown on MP 19.00 Construction Plan.

7. **Inquiry:** Are there provisions in the contract for vibration monitoring related to pile driving, as well as any limitations on pile driving adjacent to live traffic lanes? Have any pre-construction inspections been done of the adjacent structures?

Response: There are no structures located near the proposed bridges to warrant vibration monitoring.

8. **Inquiry:** Are there any provisions for privacy fence along properties that abut the work zone?.

Response: There are not.

9. **Inquiry:** Page 14 of the RFEOI indicates an estimated total duration of forty-two (42) months, including contract closeout, which coincides with the anticipated OPS project schedule on page 13. However, the provided T4012 Construction Baseline Schedule, revision 8, indicates construction start on November 24, 2025, completed October 6, 2028, with less than thirty-six (36) months total duration. Please clarify?

Response: The anticipated total project duration is about forty-two (42) months, including contract closeout. The anticipated construction duration is about thirty-eight (38) months. Please refer to the updated Phase D Construction Schedule for more information.

10. **Inquiry:** Question 2 Forms – Under the description of forms to be submitted, it notes for the “Affidavit of Eligibility/Disclosure of Material Litigation” form that it should be include from “Each firm, each member of a joint venture and all subconsultants”.

- In the case of a Joint Venture submission, does this mean the form should be completed both in the name of the Joint Venture in addition to each individual member firm of the Joint Venture or only in the name of the individual joint venture member firms?

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- Will the same logic one way or the other be applicable to all required forms?

Response: Please submit all forms in the name of each individual member firm of the Joint Venture as well as the Joint Venture.