ADDENDUM 2
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

ENGINEERING DESIGN & SUPPORT SERVICES AND
ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR
THE SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT'S
COUNTRY CLUB WELL REPLACEMENT WELL AND
1,2,3-TRICHLOROPROPANE REMOVAL
WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

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1. **QUESTIONS & RESPONSES**

Q1. Is the District planning to abandon the existing well and replace with a new well, or replace the existing well? What is the District’s purpose and need for the well replacement (i.e., due to need for TCP treatment accommodation, or separate need related to the existing well function or need to deepen the well in accordance with Well Master Plan needs, etc.)?

   **R1.** The well predates the District and is around 70 years old. If we build the treatment plant first there will be no room to drill a replacement well at a later date. At this time, we do not plan to use the replacement well right away. We plan on keeping both wells active at all times with one performing as a monitoring well.

Q2. Is the District planning to have any trees be removed for the project?

   **R2.** We would like to save as many as possible, but we will remove any that interfere with the project. Planning tree removal will be part of the scope of work for the selected Engineering and Environmental Consultants.

Q3. Does the District anticipate on having new pipelines constructed for the project?

   **R3.** Only on-site piping is planned for this time. We are not expecting a capacity increase with a new well so the existing discharge main to the distribution system should meet our needs. A sewer lateral will be necessary and possibly upgrades to the power.

Q4. When does the District expect 30% design plans to be completed, and what is the approximate size of the treatment facility?

   **R4.** The treatment facility and replacement well have not been laid out yet. We should be able to get a preliminary layout with 30% design within 4 months of notice to proceed from the selected Engineering firm. We will be receiving our proposals toward mid to the end of Sept. We anticipate receiving our Board of Director’s approval of the selected consultants by the first Board meeting in November and issue as notice to proceed by mid-November. Our estimated 30% design submittal will be the middle of March 2021.

   The size has not been determined. We think we will need to install a comparable house façade around it. So that structure might be 2,700 – 3,000 square feet. All facilities will need to be built within a smaller footprint than the façade.

Q5. Page 7, Task 7, indicates that the scope of work should include the preparation of a permit plan that includes all environmental and construction permits, and Task 8 then indicates that the consultant will assist the District in securing environmental permits. Does the District want the permit plan to include construction permits?

   **R5.** The District is exempt from needing to acquire a Building permit for construction of water facilities, and we typically obtain our own Encroachment permit when we need one. So Construction permit might not be the best term for what we might need. We will be working in the Coastal Zone and on some past projects we’ve needed special permitting to construct in protected areas by Fish & Wildlife and others. All construction will take place on site and...
the site is just a bit more than ¼ acre, so a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) by a certified Qualified SWPPP Developer is not required.

Please itemize tasks in your proposal to include permitting tasks as we might need to go through them one by one if we need to negotiate.

Q6. Page 6, Task 2, indicates the Consultant will assist the District with public outreach efforts. Is the District planning additional public outreach meetings, outside of what is required by CEQA, as part of the project, and does the District want the Consultant to assist with these meetings?

R6 The Coastal Development Permit may require its own public meeting and may require meetings with planners as well. We recently went through the entire process for a similar project that has not yet been built, so we have an idea of what to expect. Also, we may need both our consultants to assist with these meetings, if not making an entire presentation if so required.

Q7. Does the District plan on applying for any state or federal grant or loan programs to fund the project?

R7 There is a lawsuit associated with this project where the District is in litigation with the suppliers of a fumigant used in farming when the well was used for irrigating crops. We do not expect State or Federal grantors being interested in providing grants for projects suspected of being part of a court case, so we are not anticipating receiving a grant.

Q8. The District posted Addendum 1 to the RFP for Environmental Support on its webpage. When Addendum 1 is opened, the description states that the addendum applies to the RFP for Engineering Support. Can you please confirm whether the 40-page maximum length, and the instructions to submit the fee schedules and cost estimate as a separate pdf (rather than a hard copy), apply to the RFP for Environmental Support?

R8 The 40-page maximum length to include all items except sample projects, and the instructions to submit the fee schedules and cost estimate as a separate pdf (rather than a hard copy), apply to the RFP for Environmental Support as well as the RFP for Engineering Support.

2. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT QUESTIONS

The District has received a number of questions and requests for exceptions to the Sample Consultant Agreement and Indemnification and Insurance requirements. These documents were recently developed with our current attorney group. It is evident to the District that we cannot accommodate all of the requests and for the sake of time choose not to address them in an addendum.

Our recommendation is to provide your list of Request for Exceptions to both the Sample Consultant Agreement and Indemnification and Insurance requirements in your proposal, so they are stated up front. We will address individual requests during negotiations of selected consultants.