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Questions and Answers

RFQ for Professional Engineering, Environmental Permitting, and Right-of-Way Services for the Hamilton Cemetery Road Culvert Repair Project #EO221-301; FEMA Project #711401

1. **Question:** Is this funded through FEMA's HMGP or is it a different FEMA program? Are you able to share the grant application with us?

Answer: This project is funded through FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) program. We are unable to share grant application information at this time. Please refer to the County's FTP site for additional information. (See link below)

2. **Question:** Are there any environmental assessments or studies that have been completed for Red Cabin Creek that are available? I was doing a little research and found mention of a Chronic Environmental Deficiencies report for Red Cabin Creek, but little information was available since the SR 20 crossing appears to have replaced around 2010/2011. Of particular interest would be a stream reach study and/or sediment transport analysis.

Answer: I am not aware of any existing studies or assessments for Red Cabin Creek. You are correct—WSDOT replaced the SR 20/Red Cabin Creek crossing around 2010/2011. I've been informed WSDOT is currently preparing a report for Red Cabin Creek. The report is not yet complete, and I was not given an anticipated publication date at this time. I will be sure to share it once available, however, it may be past the June 6th submittal deadline for SOQs.

3. **Question:** For #6. Past Performance (10pts) – Can you please clarify what you are looking for in this section – project examples that are different to #3?, references? awards? quotes?

Answer: Thank you for your question—I can see how Section #6 and Section #3 may seem similar.

To clarify, section #3 focuses specifically on your experience with culvert or road restoration projects within the specified cost range (\$0.5 to \$2.5 million). We are looking for specific examples that match that scope and scale.

Section #6 is broader and intended to highlight your firm's overall track record and reputation across projects. For example, this section could include:

- References/Contacts
- Past performance evaluations or ratings
- Awards, recognition, or commendations
- Testimonials and/or quotes

4. Question: Can you confirm the project is at Red Cabin Creek?

Answer: Yes, the project is at Red Cabin Creek, [WDFW SiteID#AR9](#)

5. Question: Has there been any initial / preliminary assessment of the situation (maybe with a summary memo or)?

Answer: Personnel from Skagit County and FEMA have conducted site inspections and analyses, including documentation of environmental concerns and considerations. Several related documents will be uploaded and made available for download via the County's FTP site. (See link below)

6. Question: Do you have a sense of the specific cause of failure? I am trying to gauge how much H&H may be involved in the evaluation / solution.

Answer: The failure occurred during a storm event in which the culvert became clogged with debris. The resulting blockage and elevated water levels created a whirlpool effect that eroded the surrounding road embankment, ultimately leading to a washout approximately 50 feet long by 20 feet wide. Additional information is available in the documents posted on the County's FTP site. (See link below)

7. Question- Will the County be looking to include special inspections as part of the scope of work or will that be handled separately?

Answer: At this time, the County anticipates that construction management services, including inspections, will be included at a later stage and are not assumed to be part of the initial scope of work.

Skagit County FTP Site:

<https://ftp3.skagitcounty.net/WebClientNew/index.html/?ShareToken=8FF0EC80231BBC19B1ECBE0602AFFABCE0E7F0C0>