RFP 140P2026R0063 - BAND-266697
Rehabilitate Underground Utilities

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1	1	May the offer due date be extended by one month to June 29, 2026? This will allow more time for local suppliers and subcontractors to provide accurate pricing information which will be incorporated into the proposal.	Extension approved
2	2	Item (h) of the SF-1442 instructs that all Federal, State, and Local taxes must be included in the proposal. The Section B Price Schedule contains only Lump Sum line items with no separate provision for New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax (GRT). Because NM GRT is levied on the contractor's total gross receipts — including any tax passed through to the buyer — incorporating GRT into individual lump sum prices creates a circular tax-on-tax calculation. Additionally, since the Government may selectively exercise options under Special Requirement 3, the contractor's total taxable receipts will vary depending on which options are awarded. A separate tax structure would ensure that GRT tracks accurately with each awarded option, facilitate equitable price adjustments under FAR 52.229-3 in the event of a tax rate change, and allow the Government to evaluate pre-tax pricing on a consistent basis across offerors. Would the Government consider modifying the Section B Contract Price Schedule to include a separate Lump Sum line item for NM GRT associated with the base bid and each individual option?	No, all prices shall include total price including any required taxes.
3	3	Section L requires submission of a Schedule of Values (SOV) for each line item broken down by major work components. At the proposal stage, subcontractor and supplier quotes are typically provided as lump sum figures and are not broken down in sufficient detail to produce an accurate SOV. A detailed SOV is normally developed post award once subcontracts and purchase orders are finalized. Please confirm that the SOV submitted with the proposal is preliminary and will be refined and submitted for Government review and approval post award in accordance with the project specifications.	Yes. The SOV proposal will be refined and submitted for Government review and approval post award.
4	4	Please consider changing the bid unit on CLIN 0050 to cubic yard (CY) from lump sum (LS) to match description for this bid unit in Section 01 27 00.	The Contract Price Schedule unit of measure will be updated to CY.
5	5	Please consider including a utility relocation/conflict allowance to account for the unknown existing utilities which may be encountered on this project.	No allowance will be added. Most of the unknown utility locates are expected in the Canyon Area. Contractor to factor this knowledge in pricing.
6	6	6.Factor 4 states that "the due date and time noted in Block E of the Section J Attachment 9 – 'Past Performance Questionnaire,'" however, no contact information, date, or time is included in the PPQ attached to the Solicitation. Please confirm the information required for Block E of the PPQ.	Attatchment 9 Section E updated.
7	7	Is the NPS solely responsible for providing all archaeological monitoring and investigation services?	NPS will contract for Tribal and Archaeological monitor through CMR contract. One tribal and one archeological monitor will be contracted.
8	8	Is the offeror responsible for obtaining any form of archaeological permit?	No, Archaeological monitoring will be provided for under the CMR contract. However, if the offeror would like additional archaeological monitoring for the project, then this would require obtaining an ARPA permit.
9	9	Can ground disturbance happen in more than one place concurrently given the archaeological monitoring requirements of this project?	Archaeological and Tribal monitoring is required for ground disturbing activities but may not be needed for the entire length of the activity. Coordination of monitoring for multiple sites can be coordinated with the Arhcaeological and tribal mionitor
10	10	Sheet 02C003, second paragraph of note 1, says demo existing concrete tank and fill with crushed rock via helicopter is under CLIN Option B, but the bid item for this work appears to be CLIN Option H "Demolition of Existing Canyon UG Concrete Water Tank and Exposed Suspended Utilities." Please confirm that CLIN Option H is the correct bid item for this scope of work.	CLIN Option H is the correct CLIN for the demolition of the existing 20,000 concrete water tank.
11	11	Profile on Sheet 02C005 shows "4" FC" from Sta 0+00 to 9+40 but plan shows only about 40 LF near the connection to the existing blue water tank. Confirm extent of 4" FC line.	4" FC line is to be from STA 0+00 to 9+40 as shown in the profile.
12	12	What is required for abandonment of typical existing WLs?	Cap and grout minimum 2 linear feet of inside of pipe to be abandoned. Use spec 03 62 00 for material.
13	13	Where CLSM is called out on the drawings, will it be used only in the pipe zone or to the top of the trench? Will CLSM also be required around the electric duct bank and gas line? Reference Detail 5/02C300.	CLSM to be installed in pipe zone to a minimum of 6 inches above top of pipe. See Standard Detail 5, Sht 02C300. Gas line does not need to be CLSM encased. Electrical duct bank does not need to be CLSM encased; it is to be concrete encased per Standard Detail 5, Sht 02E503.
14	14	Please indicate the diameter of the pipe used on water services called out on Keynote 1, Sheet 02C015.	Water service line to be 2" diameter per Standard Detail 6, Sht 02C301.
15	15	What shall the offeror do with excess trench material? Should it be hauled to the designated Boneyard staging area?	Excess trench material may be temporarily stored at the Boneyard staging area, but must be removed and disposed off NPS lands before construction is completed.
16	16	Will the offeror be responsible for any haul off of native material from the project site?	Yes. Excess native material produced from construction activities will need to be disposed off NPS lands before construction is complete.
17	17	The Boneyard staging area is currently largely filled with stockpiles of material. Please confirm these stockpiles will be removed before the start of construction.	Existing wood stockpiles in the Boneyard staging area will be removed prior to start of project construction.
18	18	If the designated staging areas are insufficient to meet the needs of the offeror, is another staging area available in the Park or nearby locations?	Awarded contractor to coordinate additional staging area needs with Park (with Contracting Officer approval) during construction, as needed.
19	19	Please confirm offeror is required to demo all exposed lines from the solenoid valve vault to the existing concrete storage tank for CLIN option H.	Confirmed. Exposed piping is to be demolished and removed.
20	20	Please provide information for the helicopter vendor previously used by the NPS in this area.	Mountain Air Helicopters. 14 Elaine DR. Los Lunas, NM 87031 Office: (505) 865-7500
21	21	Please confirm the desired location of contracting officer's office and offeror's field offices. Our understanding is that power is not available at the Boneyard staging area.	Park approves Agoyo Rd, Tie in to the stables.
22	22	Please confirm that offeror is not responsible for any re seeding.	Confirmed. Re-seeding will be performed by NPS.
23	23	Please confirm whether offeror may anchor into rock or otherwise disturb existing conditions (including face of Frijoles Canyon) to facilitate performance of CLIN option H.	Park will not allow bolts and anchors in the cliff face where the utility lines are covered with the masonry veneer (cavates are within that cliff face). Contractor to identify alternative options and coordinate with Park archaeological staff.
24	24	Keynote 2, Sheet 02C301 indicates that water services shall be 4" for building 212, and references detail 6/02C301. Detail 6 indicates that services shall be 2" except for service to the FOC. Please confirm service sizes for all services indicated by Keynote 2 on Sheet 02C015.	Service waterline to building #212 to be 4", using Standard Detail 6, Sht 02C301, SIM.
25	25	Please advise what offeror is to do if minimum cover of the proposed utilities cannot be maintained over existing utilities.	Awarded contractor to submit RFIs during construction for these specific cases, where encountered.
26	26	Profiles on 02C034–02C040 note that the "trench may be shared" for the water and gas lines. However, detail 5, sheet 02C300 "Typical Trench" shows the electrical duct bank and gas in the same trench as the proposed water line, just offset. Please confirm detail 5, sheet 02C300 is typical for the entire project.	If specific CLINs are not awarded (i.e. gas main around Canyon Loop), then the trench will not be shared by water and gas. Otherwise, standard detail 5, sht 02C300 is typical for the entire project.
27	27	Profile on 02C038 does not call out 6" WL, 2" NG across entire sheet, even though shown on the plan view. Please confirm 6" WL and 2" NG to be installed from approx. Sta 170+50 to 171+85.	Confirmed, a 6" WL and 2" NG are to be installed from approx. Sta 170+50 to 171+85.
28	28	How is Mission Communications hardware being furnished on this project? Will the NPS be providing any of the panels	Contractor to provide the Mission Communications hardware (which is also the panel) as per spec 40 95 60.
29	29	Please provide the PowerPoint presentation used during the pre-bid site walk for reference and internal planning purposes.	Powerpoint presentation was distrubuted during previous Addendum.
30	30	Please identify and provide any approved or recommended staging areas for construction equipment, materials, trailers, and temporary facilities within or near the project limits.	With prior approval from Park, the following areas may be used: Hwy 4 Bone Yard, Fire Tower Road (when not in conflict with scheduled construction on the road), Scenic Overlook, Fry Parking (off season-Winter, after October 10). Additional approved staging areas damaged during construction staging purposes to be restored to pre-construction condition at Contractor's expense.

31	**31**	*Will NPS provide water for construction purposes onsite?*	*Yes, if metered by contractor*
32	**32**	*What are the metering, backflow prevention, or billing procedures required by the National Park Service or Los Alamos County?*	*The master meter (near the Big Blue Tank) is owned by Los Alamos County. The water is billed by Los Alamos County. Contractor to add meter with backflow preventor and coordinate with NPS if using water downstream of master meter for construction purposes.*
33	**33**	*Are all existing fire hydrants throughout the project area allowed to be utilized for construction purposes?*	*Yes, if metered by contractor*
34	**34**	*Can the existing shuttle bus parking area be utilized for construction employee parking during the project? If so, please provide any restrictions or conditions.*	*Yes, during off season (outside March-April, Sept-early October). Other dates are negotiable based on operational need.*
35	**35**	*Please provide guidance on how peak visitor season (May through October, including Spring Break) will affect construction work windows, road access, and shuttle operations so that the project schedule can be appropriately planned.*	*Spring Break (Mid March- April) and Ballon Fiesta (Late Sept.- Mid Oct) , Roads should be open and accessible to the greatest extent possible for visitors and shuttles.*
36	**36**	*Will the National Park Service share advance online camping reservation data with the Contractor to assist with scheduling and minimizing impacts to visitors? If so, what would a standard notification timeline (from reservation receipt to Contractor notification) look like?*	*Coyote Campground Loop C can be reserved for the duration of the project through direct coordition with the Park. Do not reserve through reservation.gov.*
37	**37**	*Will NPS allow Contractor to utilize camp sites for lodging? How many spaces?*	*Yes, up to 17 sites (Loop C). There is a comfort station (no showers) on this loop and 17 RV site, but no utility hookups.*
38	**38**	*Is it permissible to use RVs or campers for construction employee housing on-site or within designated areas during the project?*	*Loop C. Strict adherence to park and campground regulations, repeated violators will be removed.*
39	**39**	*Can the General Contractor reserve camping spots on-site? What would the expected cost per day be? Is there a limit on the number of spots the Contractor can reserve, and if so, how many?*	*Contractor employees may reserve sites outside of Loop C as all members of the public. Sites are reserved through Recreation.Gov, max stay of 14 days within one season.*
40	**40**	*Please confirm the allowable noise (decibel) levels and lighting restrictions for any night work, particularly along the Entrance Road and near visitor or staff housing areas.*	*For maximum allowable noise levels, refer to Spec 01 57 19.12, Part 3.1.D. For lighting restrictions, refer to Spec 01 11 00, Part 12.8.B.3.*
41	**41**	*Please confirm if there are any daytime noise restrictions.*	*Loud noise is restricted before 7:00 a.m., Feb-October for nesting birds in Frijoles Canyon. Refer to Spec 01 57 19.12, Part 3.1 for noise restrictions.*
42	**42**	*Please confirm the design frost depth to be used for utility burial and backfill requirements.*	*Refer to Dwg 02C002, Project Specific Note #7 for depth of cover for utilities.*
43	**43**	*Please provide guidance on the preferred sequencing of utility outages, including the electrical distribution system maintained by Los Alamos County, to minimize impacts to park operations.*	*Utility outage sequencing relies heavily on the contractors work plans. Contractor to coordinate with Los Alamos County during construction.*
44	**44**	*Please define acceptable work hours and road closure windows on Entrance Road (Hwy 4) to maintain public and shuttle access while allowing necessary utility and roadway work.*	*Work hours should generally be during daylight hours. Road closures should maintain 1 lane of travel at all times during daylight hours. Full road closures are negotiable at night with special approval from the Park for night construction with the understanding that contractor must open road in the event that emergency vehicles require access to and from the Canyon area since Park staff live in housing in the Canyon Area.*
45	**45**	*Is there a preferred time of the year for Entrance Road work to be conducted?*	*Mid Oct- March 1. Other days outside of peak visitation defined previously.*
46	**46**	*Are there preferred windows of time within any given 24 hour week day that work can be conducted on Entrance Road to minimize public impact?*	*After/before visitor center hours; work is encourged after hours for full road closures*
47	**47**	*Please confirm restrictions regarding the site's historic value, particularly concerning burial grounds.*	*See specifications*
48	**48**	*What specific locations must not be excavated?*	*Excavation may not occur outside the Limit of Disturbance (LOD), the magenta linework in the sheets.*
49	**49**	*Which areas are restricted for equipment tracking? What is the preferred method of demolishing the existing buried water tank?*	*The preferred method of demolishing the existing buried water tank is described on Dwg. 02C003, Sheet Notes. Foot traffic only.*
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51	**51**	*What is the preferred method of removing the existing unburied electric and gas lines suspended over the cliffside?*	*The preferred method of demolishing the existing exposed utility lines is described on Dwg. 02C003, Sheet Notes. Foot traffic only.*
52	**52**	*Please confirm that NPS will provide an archaeologist for the project, and that the archeologist will be available to support continual operation by the Contractor.*	*NPS Providing Archaeological and Tribal monitor for project.*
53	**53**	*Please describe the procedures, notification requirements, and anticipated timelines if archaeological artifacts or human remains are discovered during construction.*	*See specifications section 01 35 13.22. Notification is immediate. Timeline is asap.*
54	**54**	*Please provide points of contact and coordination procedures required with Los Alamos National Laboratory for utility tie-ins, easements, and any shared infrastructure.*	*Contact information for LANL is provided Spec 01 31 00, Part 1.9.C.8. Additional contact information will be provided after project award as needed.*
55	**55**	*Plan sheet 02C001 shows Sheet 02C044 and 02C045 on Agoyo Lane but are not found in the plan set. Following sheet 02C043 is sheet 02C050. Is the labeling incorrect on plan sheet 02C001 and sheet 02C044 and 02C045 are not supposed to be shown or are plan sheets 02C044 and 02C045 accidentally omitted?*	*Sheets 02C044 and 02C045 are not part of the plan set. The references to these sheets on Sheet 02C001 Sheet Index may be ignored.*
56	**56**	*B08_Attachment_1_000_ALL_SPECIFICATIONS_AddendumNo1_02APR2026 has a security password and does not allow users to utilize PDF tools such as highlighting, hyperlinking, and bookmarking. These tools typically help estimators and project teams find information within the specifications in an efficient manner. Can this security feature please be removed for bidders?*	*Unlocked spec document added.*
57	**57**	*B08_Attachment_1_BAND_266697_Underground_Utilities_Rehab_100Percent_15APR2025_0001 has a security password and does not allow users to utilize PDF tools such as highlighting, hyperlinking, and bookmarking. These tools typically help estimators and project teams find information within the specifications in an efficient manner. Can this security feature please be removed for bidders?*	*Unlocked spec document added.*
58	**58**	*Does the existing water line need to be removed?*	*Existing, buried waterlines do not need to be removed, but do need to be cut, cap/grout first 2 linear feet and abandoned in place. See answer to question #12.*
59	**59**	*If the existing water line can be left in place, please provide the procedure for abandonment.*	*Refer to answer to Question #12.*
60	**60**	*What material is the existing water line?*	*Various.*
61	**61**	*If asbestos-cement (AC) pipe is present, and the contractor will be responsible for associated remediation costs, please provide the exact limits for where AC pipe currently exists so that bidders may appropriately include the costs in the estimate.*	*The drawings are word searchable. The known asbestos cement utilitis are sanitary sewer laterals on Sheets 02C014A and linear footage approximations.*
62	**62**	*If asbestos-cement (AC) pipe is found, or otherwise hazardous materials (including asbestos) are discovered during construction, please clarify the method in which the contractor will be reimbursed for associated remediation efforts.*	*In the event additional undisclosed hazardous materials are encountered during construction in need of remediation, contractor will need to submit an RFI to the contrating officer.*
63	**63**	*Is the existing water supply for the park entirely sourced from the HW 4 Existing Blue Tank, or are there other sources?*	*No other sources*
64	**64**	*Is the existing water supply for the Frijoles Canyon portion (where the Park Visitor Center is located) sourced entirely through the existing Solenoid Valve Vault and through the side of the canyon cliffside down to the existing concrete water storage tank (Sheet 02C003)?*	*Yes*
65	**65**	*Is the intention for the new waterline to be installed in the same trench alignment as the existing water line?*	*No. The proposed alignments are provided in the drawings. Existing water line utility alignments are often in other locations.*
66	**66**	*For the Entrance Road, the new proposed tank and Mechanical Building construction, approximately 7-10 trees may need to be removed. Additionally, it helps create sufficient space around the infrastructure for the park to access these facilities in the future. Can these trees be removed without replanting in order to have enough space for the structures and utility construction activities? If so, can flagging and documenting them for removal with a park representative present be an approved method for removal without replacement?*	*Trees may be removed per existing plan. Additional may be removed with the approval of on-site NPS representative.*
67	**67**	*Will seeding and vegetative surface restoration be performed by NPS staff? If the general contractor is at all required to seed anywhere, please specify the required seed mix design, plant list, locations, and boundary limits.*	*Yes*

68	**68**	Would NPS be willing to provide an Overall Existing Utilities Plan sheet for all known utilities, such as Water, Sanitary Sewer, Storm Sewer, Gas, Electric, and Communication? This can be extremely useful when phasing, planning, illustrating, and coordinating new construction while maintaining existing service.	AutoCAD Civil 3D drawings can be provided after project contract award.
69	**69**	Would NPS be willing to provide an Overall Proposed Utilities Plan sheet for all proposed utilities, such as Water, Sanitary Sewer, Storm Sewer, Gas, Electric, and Communication? This can be extremely useful when phasing, planning, illustrating, and coordinating new construction while maintaining existing service.	AutoCAD Civil 3D drawings can be provided after project contract award.
70	**70**	Sheet 02C201, 02C202, 02C206, shows stone and concrete pavement sidewalk. The plans do not state to protect or remove these. Can a replacement detail be provided for the removal and replacement sections?	Historic feature preservation is summarized in Spec 01 11 00 and detailed in Spec 01 35 91.
71	**71**	Can DDT: 4,4-Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane - Removal and Disposal of Contaminated Soil be separated as a standalone CLIN/Pay Item?	No. The intent is for the contractor to proactively separate out the top 3 feet of soil that contaminated and to use it as backfill in the trench. Contaminated soil not placed back in the trench will need to be removed and disposed per Spec 02 61 00 at the contractor's expense.
72	**72**	Can DDT: 4,4-Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane - Removal and Disposal of Contaminated Soil be paid by the CY?	No. The intent is for the contractor to proactively separate out the top 3 feet of soil that contaminated and to use it as backfill in the trench. Contaminated soil not placed back in the trench will need to be removed and disposed per Spec 02 61 00 at the contractor's expense.
73	**73**	Can Asbestos Remediation be separated as a standalone CLIN/Pay Item?	No. The linear footage of the the AC pipe is too low to warrant a separate CLIN.
74	**74**	Asbestos Remediation is difficult to quantify. Can this be an allowance item tracked and paid for through time and materials?	No. There is less than 300 linear feet of AC pipe to be remediated (Sheet 02C014A). This is sufficient information to quantify for bidding.
75	**75**	Is power available onsite for the General Contractor to connect project office facilities?	Yes, contractor will have to connect to electrical panel.
76	**76**	What are the permitting, metering, and billing procedures required by the National Park Service or applicable entity to hook up power for construction use?	Contractor should be prepared to install meters for electic and water.
77	**77**	Sheet Notes: Note 1 states Option B as Demolish and remove aboveground equipment, piping, access hatches, and similar appurtenances. Should this be Option H and not Option B?	Correct. CLIN Option H is the correct CLIN for the demolition of this infrastructure.
78	**78**	Will fused HPDE be acceptable substitute to C-900 from the new underground storage tank DWG 02C028 to 02C032 at the new PRV? If so, can the requirement for CLSM incasement be removed as this is welded pipe and not gasket jointed.	Fusible HDPE product was reviewed during design and NPS made the determination to proceed with PVC C900.
79	**79**	What is the minimum distance required from the LANL fence DWG 02C028 to install soldier piles or shoring for the new underground storage tank? Geotech report points out that the soils are not stable enough to get proper lay back to safely install the foundation.	There is no minimum distance so long as LANL property (land and fencing) is not disturbed during construction.
80	**80**	Was ground penetrating radar (GPR) used to locate existing utilities or are the drawing sets based on historic as-builts?	No.
81	**81**	Is there a known historical mason the park can provide that meets specifications for historic preservation? Reference spec section 04 03 43	Yes. Contact to be provided after contract award.
82	**82**	Where can disinfecting (chlorinated water) be discharged to	Chlorinated water is to be neutralized prior to flow into waterway per Spec 33 13 00 Part 3.07.
83	**83**	The contractor is not responsible for seeding and past projects with owner seeding have still required soil amendment and mulching by the contractor. Please clarify what is required. Reference spec section 32 91 13 3.02 B	Contractor to prepare the topsoil for re-seeding in coordination with the Park's timing of re-seeding efforts.
84	**84**	CLIN 005 for rock excavation in the bid sheet is LS. Spec 01 27 00, page 7 states rock excavation should be unit cost per CY. Please clarify.	The Contract Price Schedule unit of measure will be updated to CY.
85	**85**	If CLIN 005 is LS, what % of excavation should contractors plan on being rock excavation. Additionally, how/where is rock excavation for CLIN options accounted for? Is the contractor to assume all rock excavation for all options in this base bid CLIN? Please clarify.	Contractor is responsible for carefully reviewing the provided geotechnical report and Spec 31 23 16 and preparing bid for CLIN 0005 accordingly which applies to the entire awarded project.
86	**86**	The only wage decision provided is building. Bulk of the project work consists of heavy. Please provide applicable heavy wage decision.	Heavy wage determination added.
87	**87**	The solicitation provides formatting and organization instructions for both Volume I (Technical Proposal) and Volume II (Business and Price Proposal), including the directive to "submit one (1) electronic copy" and to organize content using "folders and files for electronic formats" with specified factor/section names. For **Volume I**, Section "Format, Organization, Contents" instructs offerors to include folders and files named for each evaluation factor (Factors 1–5). For **Volume II**, similar language is used, along with a requirement for a Table of Contents and section organization. To ensure compliance with the Government's preferred submission format, please confirm whether it is acceptable for offerors to: Submit **Volume I as a single, consolidated PDF document**, clearly organized and labeled by Factor (Factors 1–5), and Submit **Volume II as a single, consolidated PDF document**, with a Table of Contents and clearly labeled/bookmarked sections (SF 1442, Amendments, Section B, etc.) This would be in lieu of providing separate electronic files or folder structures for each factor/section.	Yes. It is acceptable to submit Volumes I and II as a single PDF document.
88	**88**	Per Spec 01 27 00, CLIN Option B (Part. 1.b.) lists "and service lines" in the summary line, but Part 1.b.4, says the service line replacement is included under CLIN Option D. Clarification needed.	Service line replacement is included under CLIN Option D (not CLIN Option B).
89	**89**	What CLIN number in Spec 01 27 00 does the waterline to the amphitheater fall under?	The waterline to the amphitheater is included in the CLIN Option I as shown on textbox on Sheet 02C011.