

**Hopkins County
Design-Build Project
SYP 2-225.00
Questions and Answers**

- 1. Question:**
Are the design build teams allowed access to the property for onsite examination?

Answer:
KYTC does not have right of entry on any parcels at this time. Bidders may contact the property owners directly to gain access.
- 2. Question:**
Since the final RFP will not be issued until October 1st, 2013, should the Letter of Qualifications be submitted sometime after teams have an opportunity to review?

Answer:
Yes, the RFP is being updated to reflect a Letter of Qualifications submittal date of October 11th, 2013.
- 3. Question:**
A prequalification of Traffic Engineering, Traffic Engineering Services is required for the DBT. Can the Cabinet expand or provide additional information as to the anticipated scope of work associated with this prequalification since an approved GLS will be provided by the Cabinet.

Answer:
The prequalification for Traffic Engineering, Traffic Engineering Services will be removed.
- 4. Question:**
Since this project is within the currently signed official limits of I-69 (west leg of formerly Ford Parkway), is an IMR required for this project. If so, is the DBT responsible for this task?

Answer:
An IMR will not be required.
- 5. Question:**
Is there a "Design" DBE requirement on this project?

Answer:
The overall DBE goal is 4.0%. The DBT may meet this goal with any combination of Design or Construction DBE's.
- 6. Question:**
Why was concrete pavement not allowed as an alternate?

Answer:
The project team determined that the preferred pavement for this project was asphalt due to the following parameters:

 1. Both the Breathitt and Western KY Parkways are asphalt pavement where this project ties down.
 2. There will be substantial widening and thin overlay with asphalt pavement at the tie-ins to the Breathitt and WK Parkway.

7. **Question:**
Section 13.2 states “If DBT determines that Two-lane, two way operation (TLTWO) is to be used during maintenance of traffic then the DBT shall provide positive separation.” Can tubular markers and an offset be used as positive separation similar to what has been done on other Parkway construction projects?
- Answer:**
Temporary Barrier Wall shall be required within the project limits if the DBT uses TLTWO
8. **Question:**
Is it intended that the walls on the proposed bridges be sized for and include conduit?
- Answer:**
Yes
9. **Question:**
Addendum 3 – Section 17.10 states “The DBT will also be required to replace all junction boxes, markers, conduit, and cable from the connector box to the high mast lights that may be damaged or destroyed as part of the removal of existing ramps.” Can you please make available the existing lighting plans so that locations of the existing lighting infrastructure can be reviewed for potential impacts and costs can be accounted for as part of the bid if necessary?
- Answer:**
Existing Plans have been provided on the project ftp site. KYTC does not validate these plans are as-built, DBTs shall make their own assumptions and verification of the information presented.
10. **Question:**
In section 16.2 “Signing Special Provisions” the RFP states that “A preliminary signing plan is on the FTP site for reference. Where is this located?”
- Answer:**
It has been posted on the website.
11. **Question:**
What is the DBTs responsibility regarding the pond, left of Station 1044+00?
- Answer:**
DBT shall grade to drain the pond area within the right of way limits to follow the natural drainage pattern.
12. **Question:**
Based on the preliminary Geotechnical data provided with the Hopkins County RFP, significant amounts of “weathered shale” will be encountered on the project. Are there specific KYTC provisions or restrictions on the use of this material for embankments?
- Answer:**
Embankments shall be constructed in accordance with Section 206 of the 2012 KYTC DOH Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. Subsection 206.03.02-D specifically addresses embankments of non-durable shale. In addition to that, Shale (above or below the RDZ, durable or nondurable) cannot be used in the upper two feet of the subgrade.

13. **Question:**
Item 7, in the final RFP states “As part of the construction phase a pavement rehabilitation project between US 41 and Pennyriple Parkway will be incorporated into this project along with **all** existing ramps of the interchange. The Western Kentucky Parkway bridge over the Pennyriple Parkway will also be included in this project and details for **all** rehabilitation strategies can be found in Appendix D of this document.” The plans in Appendix D do not currently show rehabilitation work being done on all existing ramps. Are we to only do the rehabilitation work as prescribed in Appendix D, or do we need to add additional quantities and details for the existing ramps that will remain part of the interchange not included in the work specified in Appendix D?

Answer

Appendix D outlines pavement rehabilitation (mill and resurface) work on Ramps B, C, and D. The DBT should use the same mill and resurface on all interchange ramps (Ramps E, F, G) with the exception of Ramps A & H which will be removed with the proposed construction.

14. **Question:**
Under section 15.1, “Existing Structures Identification and Data”, of the RFP for Hopkins County, it states that plans are available for the existing structures on the established ftpsite at: www.palmernet.com. We have been unable to find these if they are attached. Are structure plans available for the existing bridges at the cloverleaf, the overpass of KY 813, and overpass bridges on I-69 over US 41?

Answer

Existing Structure Plans have been posted on the ftp site under the existing plans directory for the US 41 bridge, Pennyriple Parkway Bridge, and KY 813 bridge.

15. **Question:**
If unforeseen undercut situations are encountered during work, will the DBT be permitted to submit a change order for additional payment for the undercut work?

Answer:

Change orders will not be permitted for undercutting.

16. **Question:**
Item 6.11, in the final RFP in part states “The proposal is limited to 25 pages 8.5" by 11". Does this 25 page limit include the cover letter and table of contents?

Answer:

The cover page and table of contents do not count against the 25 page limit.

17. **Question:**
Where can we find the standard form referenced in Section 6.2?

Answer:

KYTC does not have a standard form. The DBTs can submit a notarized letter in-lieu of a form.

