

**SECTION D – SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF WORK****BACKGROUND:**

Montgomery County, Maryland, through its Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), is responsible for the Stormwater Facility Maintenance Program (SWFMP), funded by the County's Water Quality Protection Charge. The SWFMP is comprised of the Inspection Program and the Maintenance Program, which are charged with inspecting, maintaining, and repairing all stormwater management (SWM) best management practices (BMP) in the County (excepting in Rockville, Gaithersburg, and Takoma Park). The County is required to ensure that all SWM BMPs are inspected on a triennial basis in accordance with the conditions mandated in the County Code, the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, and state law.

The County requires the services of a qualified firm to repair, and maintain existing aboveground (AG) Stormwater Management (SWM) facilities throughout Montgomery County.

The Contractor must restore SWM facilities to their intended purpose, maximize and maintain the efficiency of the facilities, and initiate repair and restoration efforts in a timely manner. Typical projects include, but are not limited to: clearing debris blockages from riser inlets, repairing or replacing conveyances such as pipes, outfalls or grassed swales, installing seepage control measures, removing accumulated sediments from pond bottoms, repairing animal burrows, sinkholes, and erosion gullies, concrete repairs to existing riser structures, pipes, repairing or replacing failing trash racks, maintenance and repair of sand filters, and bioretention facilities, installing fences around head walls, and other associated tasks.

**INTENT:**

Montgomery County intends to enter into a firm-fixed price, indefinite-quantity, unit-price Contract with a single qualified contractor to repair and maintain existing AG SWM facilities throughout Montgomery County. This Contractor must have experience County law and regulations, and Federal, State, and local municipality laws and environmental codes. The Contractor must follow all terms and conditions specified in this Solicitation and the resulting Contract. The Contractor must comply with all laws and requirements for work assigned on Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) property. The Contractor must ensure the highest quality of work by providing qualified, experienced personnel trained in stormwater facility maintenance and repair, stormwater facility retrofit, environmental restoration, sediment control, and familiar with the County's sediment, wastewater, and solid waste disposal requirements. The Contractor must provide all necessary management, supervision, personnel, labor, tools, materials, equipment and incidentals required to perform this work.

Montgomery County, at its sole discretion, may determine that additional contracts must be issued for increased workload and reserves the right to solicit and award additional contracts.

**WORK STATEMENT/TYPES OF PROJECTS:**

The scope of a particular project will determine the selection from the Schedule of Unit Prices required to complete the work. Any items that are not listed in the Specifications and Schedule of Unit Prices with established unit prices are subject to Section 7006, Non-Prepriced Items and Allowances. The work will be assigned through individual work orders against a blanket purchase order(s) and, in certain situations, project-specific purchase orders. The Schedule of Unit Prices is an estimate of annual quantities and is subject to change at the County's discretion based on actual need. As stated, this is a "requirements" type Contract and the issuance of work is contingent upon appropriation of annual fiscal funding.

The unit prices must be inclusive of all Contractor's costs. Payment will be made in accordance with Section C, Special Terms and Conditions, Item 34 and Item 55. The hourly rates may be used only with prior written approval of the County and will apply only at the County's discretion and direction. Confined Space Entry is considered incidental to all applicable bid items.

Wet conditions are often a hindrance throughout the work. The County may require that the Contractor use low-impact equipment at some locations on an as-needed/pre-approved basis. Sediment controls must be employed to prevent sediment from leaving the work site and entering streets, storm drains, waterways, private property, etc. Where listed in non-tidal permits, stream restriction dates (See Section C, Special Terms and Conditions, Item 57) must be adhered to strictly. Stormwater flow through work area(s) must be diverted so it remains clear after discharge from the work area. Should pump-around measures be required, the pumping must not discharge sediment downstream. Tree protection and root pruning must be utilized to prevent damage to tree bark or shattering of roots.

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