

Highfield Dam, Final Design and Rehabilitation Engineering Services  
Solicitation 01R11-150205/A  
Questions/Answers  
From Tender Meeting and Site Visit Conducted February 10, 2015

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- 1) What is the extent of Canada's land control?

Answer:

Page 53 of the pre-design report shows land ownership around and adjacent to Highfield Dam. It would be ideal to Canada that the borrow and waste areas remain within the confines of Canada's land.

- 2) Can you clarify the length of the construction advertisement period?

Answer:

The length of a solicitation period is determined by a number of factors which can be viewed at the following link: <https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/supply-manual/section/4/75/5>

- 3) How much geotechnical work has already been completed?

Answer:

Section 6.1.5 "Borrow Source Evaluation" of the pre-design report provides a good summary of the existing geotechnical information. Additionally, drawing sheet 300 (of the pre-design report) shows the suggested extent of borrow.

- 4) Are the current topographic surveys and LiDAR accurate enough for quantity calculations?

Answer:

The drawing that was part of the tender package demonstrates the existing topographic information. This data is based on an actual survey (i.e. not LiDAR). AAFC believes it is substantial enough for quantity calculations.

- 5) How would price escalation be built into the contract (considering that this contract may span 2 years)?

Answer:

There is no provision for price escalation. Bidders are required to bid fixed fees for the required services stated in Appendix C - Price Proposal Form Part 1 and Part 2.

- 6) What should be the considerations related to the existing on-site geotechnical instrumentation?

Answer:

Page 22 of the pre-design report explains AAFC's intentions related to management of the instrumentation before, during and after construction.

- 7) Can you clarify the expectations related to environmental and regulatory approvals?

Answer:

Site specific environmental data has previously been collected for the Highfield Dam. Thus AAFC had envisioned that the environmental and regulatory advice would be based on this existing information. Table 16 of the pre-design report gives a summary of proposed environmental best management practices.

- 8) Has AAFC already applied for any environmental or regulatory permits?

Answer:

No.