

The following Questions and Answers are regarding RFP 01R11-19-C034 – Asbestos Surveys and Asbestos Management Plans

QUESTION 5:

On pg 31 (section 2 of the SOW), the ACM definition is listed as 0.1%. However, the PSPC Asbestos Management Standard states that the minimum criteria are based on the specific province under the definition for ACMs. Saskatchewan and BC uses 0.5% as an Asbestos criterion. Should we use 0.5% instead of a 0.1% MDL for this work program?

ANSWER 5:

0.1% should be used for this program. AAFC has adopted 0.1% as the minimum concentration for asbestos-containing material (ACM).

QUESTION 6:

Is the current SOW to follow the PSPC Asbestos Management Standard as it relates to the minimum number of samples collected?

ANSWER 6:

The PSPC Asbestos Management Standard should be followed to determine the minimum number of samples collected; however, if in the consultant's professional judgement the number of samples taken should differ from the PSPC standard, this should be identified along with the proposed number of samples and reason why.

QUESTION 7:

Is the current SOW to follow the PSPC Asbestos Management Standard as it relates to the requirement for TEM testing for asbestos analyses?

ANSWER 7:

With respect to TEM testing for asbestos analysis, Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) analysis is to be conducted on vinyl floor tiles only if asbestos is not identified via Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM) analysis.

QUESTION 8:

Will the Consultant be given any pre-existing floor plans for any of the 230 buildings in order to prepare the Asbestos Survey reports? Do any exist?

ANSWER 8:

Yes, pre-existing floor plans will be provided by AAFC to the successful bidder.

QUESTION 9:

Will AAFC consider extending the proposal deadline to January 07, 2019?

ANSWER 9:

Yes. Proposals will now be accepted until 2:00 p.m., local Regina time, on January 7, 2019.