

Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program

Treatment of Stormwater discharges to the Wankinco River, in Wareham, MA, MA Bidders Conference Bidders' Conference will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, December 27, 2012 in the Merchant Way parking lot in Wareham, MA (near the lift station at the east end of the lot along the Wareham River estuary). A sign-in sheet is to be circulated.

Bidders Conference Statements

In partnership with the Town of Wareham's Community and Economic Development Authority (CEDA), the BBNEP has announced the availability of \$20,000 in federal funds to hire an engineering or environmental service firm. The purpose of this project is to develop stormwater treatment designs for the Main Street drainage system in the Town of Wareham, MA to reduce stormwater-related pollutants discharging into the Wankinco River, which is part of the Wareham River estuary. The ultimate goal of the completed project is to help reduce bacteria discharges to the upper estuary, which will help contribute to possible reductions in area or duration of current closures to shellfish resources. The Buzzards Bay NEP staff will work with the selected vendor, Wareham Public Works, and CEDA, to decide upon the most practical stormwater management solutions, given the site conditions and drainage area. A special constraint of this project is that portions of the design area must be completed by spring 2013 so that this information can be included into a construction bid planned by CEDA for their Wareham Phase II streetscape work. Salvador Pina is Wareham Community & Economic Development Authority (CEDA) Director, and will be the town's point of contact for the project.

Q&A period closed yesterday, but questions are acceptable at the bidders conference today. The Buzzards Bay NEP will post responses to questions (including those received at the site visit), if any, on the BBP website by January 3, 2013. Verbal answers at the bidders conference should be considered tentative and non-binding. These answers to questions are for clarification purposes only and do not constitute an amendment to the RFR unless expressly stated as such.

All data collection, assessment information, site(s) evaluation, etc., will be subject to Buzzards Bay NEP review and approval. Any and all data collection, assessment information, paper and electronic information will be public information and provided to the Town of Wareham, CEDA, and other property owners to verify the accuracy and veracity of the information. The Buzzards Bay NEP and the town of Wareham will make available any data, GIS coverages, and information already collected with regards to this project. Plans must be submitted both as hard copy and electronic pdfs.

Task 1- Data Inventory, Collection, and Analysis. Identify the contributing area for each of the two outfalls discharging stormwater to the Wareham River estuary. Delineation shall include all impervious area contributing to the stormwater discharges, both publicly and privately-owned. Results shall quantify volumes for 0.5", 1.00" and 1.25" of runoff. A locus map and description of the site are shown in Attachment A of this RFR. a. Plan of all the roads (including the townowned road layout). b. Location of all utilities and associated services to individual homes and/or businesses. c. Locations of individual driveways, curb cuts, and access ways. Detailed property line delineation will be required for final design of any system that would impact private property. d. Determination of contributing area to the discharge point, including both pervious and impervious surfaces. e. If needed, additional documentation (soil logs and water table) of soil conditions. The Wareham Public Works Department will provide the equipment and operator to dig all test pits. Onsite investigations must be coordinated through the Wareham CEDA Completion Date. March 1, 2013, or 2 weeks from Notice to Proceed.

Task 2 – Design Strategy Meeting. Tentative Completion Date: March 1, 2013.

Task 3 - 50% Design and Meeting. March 15, 2013.

Task 4 - 75% Design and Meeting. April 16, 2013.

Task 5 – Permitting. May 30, 2013.

Task 6 – Final Designs and Permitting. Completion Date. June 14, 2013.

Please note the submission requirements stated in the RFR. We wish to call attention to the state requirement that we must first evaluate bid responses from Small Business Purchasing Program (SBPP)-participating business and award the contract to the highest ranking SBPP-participating business that submits a bid that meets or exceeds the solicitation criteria. Please see the link on our webpage if you are not familiar with this program¹. Also review the 2011 ENV Supplemental Terms and Conditions document posted with our RFR on the Comm-Pass Website. You are prohibited from contacting anyone in the Buzzards Bay NEP office in person or by phone with specific questions about this RFR.

¹ http://www.buzzardsbay.org/wareham-mainst-engineering-procurement.htm