

**REQUEST FOR CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONS & RESPONSES**

**FOSTER CITY LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**CIP 301-657**

**Updated 3.10.2020 and Final**

	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
1	Reference is made to Part 3 "Contractor Qualifying Experience" of the SOQ Document, which stipulates that the Contractor must submit no more than six (6) projects of reasonably similar nature to the Project completed by the Contractor in last five (5) years" to "Project completed by the Contractor in last ten (10) years" respectfully.	Addendum #1 shall be issued which will increase the required span of qualifying experience from five (5) to ten (10) years.
2	Part 3. Contractor Qualifying Experience, paragraph 3 limits the referenced projects to projects completed in the last 5 years. Will the City consider extending this time range to include projects completed in the last 10 years?	Yes. See response to Q: #1. An addendum (#1) shall be issued to increase the time range to include projects completed in the last 10 years.
3	Part 3. Contractor Qualifying Experience, paragraph 5 calls for the Contractor to have completed two projects with a total of 10,000 cubic yards of embankment construction over bay mud/soft/compressible foundation soils in an environmentally sensitive area; and a total of 2,500 lineal feet of sheet pile wall construction with a minimum depth of 20 ft. Will the City accept separate projects from a Contractor to demonstrate bay mud experience and experience installing sheet pile?	The City will accept separate projects from a contractor demonstrating experience in each of the disciplines described. Contractor must demonstrate 2 projects of each discipline. (ie 2 projects with "a total 10,000 cubic yards of embankment construction over bay mud..." and 2 projects with "a total of 2,500 lineal feet of sheet pile wall construction...".
4	Can a Prime contractor provide all the qualifications required by incorporating the qualifications of a subcontractor? As a prime contractor we will easily meet all qualifications except for the past history of sheet pile installation. We would like to team up with a very strong subcontractor who does meet those sheet pile requirements.	Subcontractor experience and qualifications will be acceptable for a portion of the required work. The General Contractor must name the subcontractor and provide the details as noted in the RFQ to confirm the experience. Additionally, the named subcontractor in the RFQ must be included in the bid documents as a sub for the work being presented in the qualifications. Using a different subcontractor at bid time will be reason to disqualify the General Contractor's bid.

5	Would you be able to provide the Engineer’s Estimate	The estimated value of the project is in the range of \$70 million to \$90 million dollars.
6	Do the submitted projects truly have to be constructed in San Francisco on Bay Mud, or will any projects around the country qualify for experience as long as they were also built on “soft/compressible foundation soils in an environmentally sensitive area, also having the characteristics of low shear strength, high compressibility, and low permeability.	The submitted projects do not necessarily have to be constructed in the San Francisco Bay Area on Young Bay Mud as long as it can be reasonably demonstrated that the projects involved soft/compressible foundation soils and had the qualities of low shear strength, high compressibility, and low permeability. A final determination whether these submitted projects meet the qualification for presenting soil conditions that are equivalent to the in-situ Young Bay Mud at Foster City may be subject to further review by the project geotechnical engineer.
7	Part 3. Contractor Qualifying Experience, Minimum Contractor Qualification states “The Contractor must have <b>completed</b> at least two projects... Please confirm it is acceptable, and will and maintain compliance Minimum Contractor Qualification requirements, for the Contractor to submit projects that are substantially complete.	Addendum #2 shall be issued, which will state that the City will accept an active project that meets the qualifying criteria, provided that the contractor shows proof that the project is substantially complete, and the contractor certifies that there are no pending claims with the project and owner.