

**Williamsburg Wetland Project  
December 6, 2021 Pre-Bid Meeting  
Response to Questions**

- 1. The current Technical Specifications state that “If excavation is performed along or within the reservoir embankment, the reservoir material shall be placed back and compacted in such a manner as to meet its original density and function, including but not limited to, keeping a water-tight condition in the reservoir. This may require the supply and installation of bentonite clay at no additional cost to the Owner.” The commenter recommended that the contractor not be responsible for the cost of supplying and installing bentonite.**

The Technical Specifications regarding this will remain unchanged. As the current reservoir embankment is watertight (illustrated by the standing water in the reservoir seen during the pre-bid meeting), Clermont SWCD believes it is reasonable to expect the contractor to ensure a water-tight embankment at the end of construction.

- 2. The current project construction plans do not include a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). Will the contractor be responsible for developing the SWPPP? What permits will the contractor be responsible for obtaining?**

Clermont SWCD will be responsible for developing the SWPPP. The contractor will be responsible for submitting the Notice of Intent for coverage under Ohio EPA’s Construction General Permit. Clermont SWCD is in the process of obtaining the necessary permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and local county departments.

- 3. There appears to be a large amount of recent fill that overlaps with the proposed grading for the floodplain wetland. Does the Contractor need to account for moving that material into their bid or will the Village move that material ahead of the Contractor’s mobilization?**

The Contractor does not need to account for moving this material. The Village of Williamsburg will move the material ahead of the Contractor’s mobilization.

- 4. Can the CAD file be provided for bid purposes?**

The Construction Drawings and Specifications remain the binding legal documents. The CAD file will not be provided ahead of the bid submittals.

A CAD file with the proposed surface will be provided to the selected Contractor after the project has been awarded. The CAD file is provided for assistance with horizontal and vertical layout for convenience only. The Contractor is responsible for having the finished Work conform to the lines, grades, elevations, and dimensions shown on the Drawings.

- 5. Has there been any analysis done to see if the area to be excavated inside the reservoir was muck?**

No soil analysis has been performed for this project.

- 6. The specs say that live stakes must be harvested during their dormant stage and must be harvested from onsite. How does that reconcile with the proposed schedule and required phasing?**

If the Contractor can not complete the Phase 1 (wetland) work and have it stabilized with temporary cover prior to the end of the dormant stage of the live stakes, the live staking may be completed outside of the dormant season. In either case, it is the Contractor's responsibility to harvest, handle, install, and maintain/water the live stakes in a manner that ensures survival such that the live stakes meet the warranty requirements.