

ADDENDUM NO. 2

TO

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

PROGRESSIVE DESIGN-BUILD (PDB) SERVICES for
MOCHO PFAS TREATMENT PLANT

November 7, 2025

Zone 7 Water Agency's Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 2025-25 for the Progressive Design-Build Services for the Mocho PFAS Treatment Plant is modified as set forth in this Addendum. Respondents shall take this Addendum into consideration when preparing and submitting its Proposal. There are no other modifications to the RFP other than expressly contained in Addendum 1 and this Addendum 2. It is the responsibility of potential respondents to ensure receipt of any and all addenda.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS MODIFICATIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

RFP

Section 4.3 Form of Agreement and Addenda

1. *Replace* paragraph 3 with the following:

"Proposers should anticipate that the Agency and the selected Proposer will contract for Preconstruction Phase Services under the terms in the Draft PDB Agreement in the RFP, including all addenda. The Sample General Conditions have been provided only as a preliminary guidance to assist (if needed) in the development of proposals. It is expected that during execution of the Preconstruction Phase services, these provisions will be modified or replaced with provisions that are more applicable to the project and the PDB Team's specific design and construction approaches, and will supersede the Sample General Conditions in precedence. All provisions will be subject to negotiation prior to execution of Early Construction Phase and Construction Phase amendments to the Agreement. Proposals shall be submitted without reservations, qualifications, conditions or assumptions other than the scope and pricing assumptions provided with the Proposal and expressly called for and allowed under this RFP. Any Proposal that assumes or would require material changes to the Draft PDB Agreement not contemplated by the Draft PDB Agreement, as determined by the Agency, in its sole discretion, may result in the Agency's rejection of the Proposal as non-responsive".

Section 6.3 Minimum Qualification Requirements

1. *Replace* "Section 4.7" with "Section 4.8" in Item 4.c.

Attachment A, Definition of Terms

1. *Replace* "Major Equipment" definition with the following:

"Major Equipment - Any individual piece of equipment acquired by the PDB Entity for incorporation into the Project, with a purchase value of greater than \$100,000 before taxes and freight costs for such equipment."

Attachment C, PDB Agreement and PDB Agreement Exhibits

1. Delete "estimators" from Exhibit B-4, Article 2, 2.01.C.1 of the Agreement Between Owner and Design-Builder for Progressive Design-Build.

Attachment F, Project Technical Requirements

1. Replace the fifth bullet point with the following:
 - "Replacement of well pumps at Mocho 2, 3, and 4 sites.
 - Condition assessment of Mocho 2, 3, and 4 sites, wells, casings, mechanical, and electrical systems to identify other necessary improvements to be performed in conjunction with pump replacement."

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

1. Question:

The RFP requires electronic submittal to the Agency Contact email address. Given potential file size limitations for email attachments, will the Agency accept proposal submittal via an external file sharing link (e.g., Dropbox, ShareFile, or similar secure file transfer service)?

Response:

A link to an external file sharing site can be included in the proposal submission email. Proposer to ensure that the Agency is able to download and access the file within the specified proposal deadline.

2. Question:

Section 5.3.11 states resumes should be provided in Appendix D, while Section 5.3.4 Part 3 Section B requests Key Personnel information. Should resumes be included only in Appendix D and excluded from the 50-page limit, or should abbreviated biographical information be provided in Part 3 Section B with full resumes in Appendix D?

Response:

Resumes to be included in Appendix D and are excluded from the proposal page limit. See required information for key personnel in Section 5.3.4. Part 3 Section B.

3. Question:

Is the PDB Entity required to carry all permitting fees, plan check fees, and Agency connection fees in their Preconstruction Phase Services Fee and Construction Phase GMP, or will these be paid directly by the Agency?

Response:

PDB team to assume that all fees, except for Kinder Morgan review and encroachment fees, are to be paid directly by the Agency.

4. Question:

The current procurement schedule shows shortlist notification on December 11, 2025, with interviews potentially the week of December 15th. This provides minimal preparation time during the holiday season. Would the Agency consider either: (a) moving shortlist notification to the week of December 1st to allow adequate interview preparation time, or (b) scheduling interviews for the first week of January 2026?

Response:

The shortlist notification and interview dates will remain as scheduled in the RFP.

5. Question:

Section 4.8 discusses Guarantor requirements. If the PDB Entity is structured as a joint venture that will directly provide all required bonding confirmation letters, insurance certificates, financial statements, and a comprehensive JV agreement demonstrating joint and several liability, is a separate Guarantor still required?

Response:

A guaranty is only required if the PDB Entity meets one or more of the six conditions specified in "Section 4.8 Guarantors".

6. Question:

Section 5.3.8 requires completion of Administrative and Technical Proposal Forms in Attachment A. Please confirm which entities are required to complete these forms. Is it limited to: (a) equity members of the PDB Entity (in the case of a joint venture), and (b) major subcontractors performing critical work (such as the Lead Designer)?

Response:

Each form specifies the entities required to complete the form.

7. Question:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) issued a letter dated October 7, 2025, regarding significant changes to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program resulting from a U.S. Department of Transportation Interim Final Rule issued September 30, 2025. Are DBE participation requirements still applicable to this procurement given the suspension of the federal DBE program?

Response:

PDB team to comply with the DBE requirements specified in the RFP.

8. Question:

Does the Agency want to pull the well pumps and inspect the casings as part of this project?

Response:

Yes, PDB team to pull the well pumps and inspect the casings, per Addendum No. 2.

9. Question:

Is there an existing arc flash / short circuit study for the well sites that can be provided? For the PFAS treatment plant site, does the Agency expect power to be pulled from the Well 3 SWGR source or for the PDB to install a separate line drop from PG&E? Can the settings of the breaker in each of the existing switchgears be provided? Does the new electrical design need to accommodate any future loads that the Agency expects to add separate from this project?

Response:

Yes, the Agency has an existing arc flash/short circuit study for the well sites that can be shared during the design phase. PDB team to determine PG&E service requirements based on selected facility design.

10. Question:

Can the Agency review proposed modifications to the contract terms?

Response:

Proposed modifications to the Draft PDB Agreement will be considered and discussed during negotiations with the highest ranked PDB Entity.

11. Question:

Under 6.4 Proposal Evaluation Criteria, the Construction Phase work Fee Percentage is weighted 10% as part of the overall scoring criteria for selection of the PDB Entity. Under the sample calculation, it is shown that only the Construction Phase work fee Percentage as described in 5.3.10 Appendix C (Fee Proposal) item 2 will only be used for the calculation. Items 3 and 4 (Construction Phase work Subcontractor Mark-up and Construction Phase work Major Equipment, respectively) will not be used into this weighted calculation. This can result in a skewed scoring criteria for PDB entity choosing to self-perform work vs a PDB entity subcontracting the construction phase work. If this interpretation is correct, we would request if the aggregate sum of all

percentages be included in this calculation for a leveled and fair assessment of mark-up % to be a part of the selection criteria.

Response:

Section 6.4 of the RFP will not be modified.

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