

20-0078 - the Predesign and State Revolving Fund (SRF) Facilities Plan Preparation for the Basin 15 Trunk Sewer Extension Project

Answers to Questions:

Question:

We did not see the requirement for a Project Understanding section on page 4 of the RFP. This is typically in most of the RFPs for this type of work. However, we did notice that the Project Understanding is worth 30 points on page 7. Can you clarify if this is required or if the project understanding will be based on what we show for benefits in the cover letter and what we show for scope of services?

Answer:

A Project Understanding section was intentionally not provided in the RFP. Consultant will be scored based their portrayed understanding of the project, project goals, site conditions, and other factors.

Question:

If additional modeling above and beyond what was done in the HDR Master Plan is needed, who would be in charge of completing the modeling (this could be critical in determining how much flow the current system can handle from these basins in the near-term)?

Answer:

The City will perform additional modeling, if necessary, under a separate contract.

Question:

Population projections for Basins 15 and 34 were provided in the HDR Master Plan but no specific data related to flow projections within the basins. Is this information available for a reference/comparison?

Answer:

Refer to Table 5.20 for estimated wastewater production rates at different planning years for each basin as well as Chapter 5 for discussion on modeling inputs and calibration.

Question:

In proposed Task 1.1c, there is a reference to "coordinate geotechnical work". Has any geotechnical work been done at the pump station site and what is the expectation for geotechnical work for this project? Geotechnical work is typically not needed for 15 to 30% design of pipelines but for the pump station and equalization basin site having a handle on the geotechnical information earlier in the process is better.

Answer:

No geotechnical exploration has been performed for the gravity sewer, pump station, or equalization basin. Geotechnical work will be provided by the City under a separate contract. Consultant to provide recommendations on the level of geotechnical exploration necessary.