

**NE FORT GIBSON PHASE II - REBID
MUSKOGEE / CHEROKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
BID ID #151094**

**RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS
JUNE 9, 2023**

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Questions and Responses

1. In your written specs it says either wood or steel, which one are you requiring on the terminal posts for the Fort Gibson Road rebid project. Also is there a better plan for the fencing, kind of hard to read when it is placed all on one page?

Response: Please refer to the Cherokee Nation Road Standards CNF-1-0 and CNF-2-0 for fencing. All corner, end, intersection, intermediate brace posts, braces and stretcher post shall be galvanized steel post and have two coats of galvanized paint. No wooden post will be accepted. In addition, on sheets 7 and 8 of the plans you will find the Sediment Control and Fencing Plans. You will still need to use the Fencing and Gate Schedules for type of fencing and location.

2. Is there an attendee list for the pre-bid?

Yes. It will be posted with the answer to all questions for the pre-bid.

3. Is the prime contractor responsible for self performing 50% of the work?

Cherokee Nation will be waiving this requirement.

4. Is the existing aggregate base to be processed and shaped under the aggregate base item or will there be another item created?

Shaping of the existing aggregate base will be included in the cost of other pay items. No blue-tops will be required for this section.

5. Is the project to be governed by the 2019 ODOT specs?

No. The project was designed according to 2009 ODOT Standards and Specifications and shall be constructed using 2009 ODOT Specifications unless otherwise authorized.

6. Instead of laying aggregate base with a paver will the Cherokee Nation allow base to be placed using GPS since we are following the 2019 ODOT specs?

As indicated in items #5 above, this project will not follow the 2019 ODOT Standards and Specifications, however, Cherokee Nation will allow the contractor to place base using GPS based equipment. Aggregate base placed by the newly awarded contractor shall be blue-topped before final acceptance.

7. All additional temporary fence will be the responsibility of the contractor?

Yes.

8. What if there is not enough topsoil left from the previous contractor to place on site?

Contractor will be responsible for locating topsoil needed to place throughout the project.

9. Who is responsible for existing landowner agreements made by the previous contractor?

All previous agreements between the previous contractor and landowners will not be associated with this contract. CNDOT is not a party to any prior landowner agreements.

10. Will the awarded contractor be responsible for the warranty on the previous contractor's work?

No. All work performed under this contract will be the responsibility of the awarded contractor.

11. Is it expected of the contractor to topsoil all areas for the proposed solid slab sodding?

Yes. See question #8 above.

12. Can you provide us with an estimated topsoil removal quantity performed by the previous contractor and an estimated replacement quantity that is needed?

No. Topsoil is a lump sum pay item. It will be the awarded contractor's responsibility to determine the volume of top soil required to complete the project.

13. Can the aggregate base be laid with a paver?

Yes.

14. Will it be to the contractor's discretion to honor existing land agreements made by the previous contractor and said property owners, or will it be mandatory to honor previous agreements?

It is not mandatory to honor previous agreements.

15. If it is mandatory to honor previous agreements with the property owners, will we be able to preview the agreements prior to bid submission?

CNDOT was not a party to any of the previous contractor's landowner agreements and have no documentation of any such agreements. It is not mandatory to honor previous agreements.

16. On sheet 23 it is noted in the plans for the contractor to relocate an existing pond within the temporary ROW previously set forth. To what extent is this pond to be constructed?

It should cover approximately 1200 sf.

17. On sheet (SP1) R/W provisions, parcel 59, 59U. What was the previous condition of the driveway in reference to provision #1 (EX: Concrete, Asphalt, Gravel)?

It is a gravel drive. The landowner wanted it in writing that they would not leave his drive and yard in a mess.

18. On sheet (SP1) R/W provisions, parcel 67, 67U. What water are we testing and to what extent in reference to provision #1?

Cherokee Nation will be responsible for the water testing.

19. Will the awarded contractor be responsible for the repair of any items previously completed or partially completed by the previous contractor that is not already specified on the plans?

No. The awarded contractor will only be responsible for work they complete.

20. Is this a buy American project? Do all fence materials have to be domestic?

Yes.

21. We standardly use Galvanized posts for terminals of which they make a preformed cap to fit the 4" posts, can we use these caps and tack weld them on to the posts in lieu of the ungalvanized dome cap completely welded on top (which destroys the galvanizing)?

Yes.

22. On the length of post for the woven wire fence, the drawing shows a wire spacing that is undoable with a 6' t post. Will an addendum address using a 6.5' t post for woven wire fence?

Per CNF-1-0 Standard Fencing Details for woven wire fence; corner/end/brace post assembly WWF will work as specified, no addendum will be required.

23. Also, is a barbed wire below the woven wire necessary or can that be removed?

Per the standard mentioned in item #22, the barbed wire is required and shall not be removed.

24. The 20 gauge galvanized gate is a very cheap gate, can the use of a 16 gauge x 2" painted gate be looked at? About \$60.00 more a gate

Galvanized or painted gates of equal or higher quality will be acceptable at no additional cost to CNDOT, so long as all gates are uniform.

25. Can the terminal posts be driven on this project? We can drive them into rock.

No.

26. Would we be able to use to 2009 ODOT design standards to construct the box culverts on the NE Fort Gibson Road project?

Structures will be bid as per plan. Any negotiations or changes to the plans will be made with the awarded contractor.