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ADDENDUM NO. 1

CONSOLIDATED RESPONSES TO CONSULTANT QUESTIONS

Richardson Bay Marine Debris Survey, Removal & Permitting Support Services

Richardson Bay Water Quality Recovery Initiative

EPA San Francisco Bay Geographic Program — Funding Opportunity EPA-R9-SFBay-26-01

Issued by Coastal Policy Solutions (CPS) on behalf of the Richardson Bay Regional Agency (RBRA)

This Addendum consolidates all written questions received, with CPS's responses. All other terms, conditions, and deadlines stated in the original RFQ remain unchanged.

Survey Area and Technical Requirements

1. Q: Please confirm the required survey limits — is the southern boundary the line between Peninsula Point and Sausalito Point (approximately 2,500 acres), or the entire approximately 3,100-acre Richardson Bay embayment?

A: Please refer to the project area map and coordinates on page 6. Those polygons outline the project area.

2. Q: Does the required “full bathymetric map of Richardson Bay” include the Sausalito marinas and marina basins, Federal Navigation Channel, Strawberry Channel, and extreme shallow-water areas north of the Highway 101 Bridge?

A: The bathymetric survey will cover RBRA waters and Sausalito waters. Again, please refer to the project area map on page 6. This map outlines the project location.

3. Q: Is 100% multibeam seafloor coverage required in extreme shallow-water areas where water depth, eelgrass, vessel draft, or other physical constraints may prevent effective multibeam operation? If not, may the Consultant use alternative survey methods in these areas?

A: We are open to discussing alternative survey methods if unforeseen constraints arise.

4. Q: Task 1 requires a full bathymetric map, while Section F does not separately identify a bathymetric map as a deliverable. Would CPS/RBRA accept a georeferenced side-scan sonar mosaic with bathymetric depth contours and magnetic anomalies superimposed, particularly in areas not suitable for full multibeam coverage?

A: The bathymetric map is a significant part of this project and was identified as a value proposition to our funders. We would prefer to stick with this, but are open to having discussions with our consultants.

5. Q: Must the bathymetric survey map and/or final survey report bear separate stamps or certifications from a California-licensed Professional Surveyor, California-licensed Professional Engineer, and Chief Hydrographer, or is the requirement that the survey activities collectively be performed under the direction of individuals possessing these qualifications?

A: The requirement is that the survey activities be collectively performed under the direction of our chosen consultant, who would have the appropriate individuals possessing these qualifications.



6. Q: Is the Primary Consultant responsible for providing the marine ecologist(s) required to support development of the risk-ranked debris removal prioritization plan, or will CPS/RBRA provide this expertise?

A: The consultant will be responsible for providing the necessary staff to support the development of the debris assessment.

Marine Debris Removal

7. Q: The RFQ references removal of up to 700 tons in some locations and a minimum of 700 tons, with a target of up to 900 tons, in Task 2. Please clarify whether 700 tons represents the minimum required quantity, maximum quantity, or planning target.

A: 700 tons is the minimum required quantity.

8. Q: If CPS/RBRA or the permitting agencies determine that an identified debris item should remain in place because removal would result in greater environmental impact, such as disturbance of established eelgrass, will that material be excluded from the required removal quantity? If so, how will such exclusions be documented?

A: This will be documented in the required consultant reports with a detailed description as to why the item(s) cannot be removed and a suggestion for future removal options.

9. Q: Please clarify the required method for documenting debris tonnage. Will certified scale tickets or receiving-facility weights be required, and will calculated or estimated weights be acceptable for vessels or other objects that cannot practicably be weighed?

A: If an object cannot be effectively weighed, we will accept and document estimated weights. We expect the consultant to provide the necessary supplies and documentation.

Budget and Pricing

10. Q: Please confirm that the stated \$170,000 maximum budget is intended to include all permitting and QAPP support and Task 1 activities, including hydrographic/geophysical surveying, data processing, debris inventory development, marine ecology consultation, risk-based prioritization, and survey reporting.

A: Yes, that is what Section H states.

11. Q: Because debris type, condition, burial depth, accessibility, material composition, and required removal method will not be known until Task 1 is completed, will CPS/RBRA consider unit rates, debris classifications, allowances, or another mechanism for addressing differing conditions while remaining within available project funding?

A: We would be open to discussing it.

12. Q: Please confirm whether the \$1.45 million Task 2 maximum budget is intended to include all marine removal, waste characterization, shoreside handling, transportation, recycling, and disposal costs, including management of petroleum products, batteries, electronic waste, contaminated materials, and other regulated or special wastes encountered during removal.

A: Yes, as stated in the project budget and scope of work.



Marine Logistics

13. Q: Please confirm whether mobilization and demobilization of barges, cranes, dive equipment, support vessels, and other marine equipment must be included within the Task 2 budget. Additionally, have CPS/RBRA or its project partners identified any marine staging, dockage, barge access, shoreside loadout, temporary debris storage, or truck-loading areas that will be available to the selected Consultant?

A: Yes, all equipment should be included within the designated task budget. RBRA and Sausalito have dock and barge access available.

Contract and Federal Funding Requirements

14. Q: Please identify any EPA grant-related requirements applicable to the Primary Consultant and its subconsultants/subcontractors beyond those expressly stated in the RFQ, including any applicable disadvantaged business enterprise, domestic preference/Build America Buy America, prevailing wage, federal procurement, or other grant-specific requirements.

A: All requirements have been stated in the RFQ.

15. Q: Please provide the Professional Services Agreement and applicable insurance requirements referenced in the RFQ so respondents can review the terms and identify any required exceptions in their SOQ.

A: The Professional Services Contract starts on page 11. You will see all insurance requirements in that section.

Permitting

16. Q: Who will be the named entity on the permits?

A: The named entity on the permits will be RBRA. Consultants will act as authorized agents under that permit rather than holding it themselves.

Submission Requirements

17. Q: The table of contents identifies the fee proposal as being requested from short-listed firms only, while Section I of the RFQ appears to include a fee proposal as part of the initial SOQ submission requirements. Should respondents include the fee proposal with the September 25 SOQ submission, or will pricing be requested only from short-listed firms?

A: The fee proposal should be part of the initial submission requirements. It's possible that there is a typo in the table of contents; this will be corrected.