

Delaware River Wetland Park
Proposers' Questions and DRWC Responses

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Q: Will the sign-in sheet and pre-proposal presentation be available?

DRWC Response: Both are available at:

<https://www.delawareriverwaterfront.com/footer/articles/2019/05/21/wetlands-park-rfp>

Q: Will the Waterfront Corporation be accepting WBE certification via Pennsylvania's Department of General Services process as meeting DRWC's goal for WBE participation?

DRWC Response: Yes we will accept any M/W/DBE certification, including that provided by DGS.

Q: Is it acceptable that the local sub-consultant attended the mandatory pre-proposal as proxy to the prime consultant.

DRWC Response: Only one member of your team needed to attend and it did not need to be the prime.

Q: Can you provide us with a list of other cultural groups (in addition to the larger organizations noted on page 6) that should be considered in the community engagement/public outreach process?

DRWC Response: While respondents are structuring their engagement approaches, bear in mind demographic trends outlined in Philadelphia's [South District Plan](#)--particularly the increase of non-English speakers in several of the District's tracts. While not explicitly required, some degree of translation services may be helpful. We urge you to consult the PCPC list of Registered Community Organizations (RCO) as well as that of the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations.

Q: Please provide us with an example of a program (noted on page 6).

DRWC Response: An example of this would be a nature walk curated by an ecologist that perhaps concludes with a quick poll or otherwise incentivizes folks to take an interest in the project. Or a quick pop-up fishing tournament where you distribute lures with a project hashtag or a microsite url where someone is more likely to respond to a poll. Anything that strives to meet folks where they are will be welcomed.

Q: Please confirm whether a consultant can be part of multiple design teams.

DRWC Response: A consultant can be part of multiple teams as long as that consultant is not the lead firm of any team.

Q: Please identify any goals or subgoals (either required or desired) for the participation of Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Woman Business Enterprises (WBE) and Disable Business Enterprises (DBE) in the project?

DRWC Response: DRWC will look favorably on those proposals which make the best effort to achieve or surpass DRWC's standard contractual M/W/DBE goals: 20-30 percent MBE; 10-20 percent WBE and 5-10 percent DBE.

Q: Please confirm the scope required/anticipated of the "full site survey" task, given that several site assessments and surveys were conducted in the past and are available for this study.

DRWC Response: A new full survey will be required as DRWC investments have changed the upland portion of the site since the property transaction.

Q: Please confirm whether any underwater condition survey of the piers has been conducted?

DRWC Response: There are no underwater surveys of the piers.

Q: Is it mandatory that a representative from the lead firm attended the pre-proposal meeting or is attendance by representatives from other firms on the team sufficient?

DRWC Response: It is not mandatory that the lead attend.

Q: The DRWC projects along the river represent a spectrum of design approaches, from formal (Race St Pier) to informal/rustic (Washington Avenue Pier). Where on the spectrum do you see the wetland park?

DRWC Response: Most important to DRWC is that the design is responsive to community desires while also advancing the watershed health goals and reflecting the unique characteristics of the site. At this stage, DRWC does not have a preference as to the formality or informality of the design.

Q: The proposal is due immediately following a long holiday weekend. Is it possible to extend the deadline a few days?

DRWC Response: As of now, we do not plan to extend.

Q: Please confirm that only the Prime Applicant is required to submit A03 Solicitation for Participation and Commitment Form and include all applicable consultants.

DRWC Response: Only the prime needs to fill out this form detailing committed or solicited firms.

Q: Disclosure Forms A01 Employee Request Disclosure and Employee Participation Advice indicate the Prime Applicant. Are sub-consultants required to fill out these forms as well?

DRWC Response: Sub-consultants are not required to fill out these disclosures, just the prime.

Q: Do sub-consultants need to submit Use of Subcontractor Form if not applicable?

DRWC Response: Sub-consultants do not need to submit this form, just the prime.

Q: Can you confirm that the MBE/WBE/DBE goals stated at the pre-bid meeting are targets and not requirements?

DRWC Response: DRWC will look favorably on those proposals which make the best effort to achieve or surpass DRWC's standard contractual M/W/DBE goals: 20-30 percent MBE; 10-20 percent WBE and 5-10 percent DBE.

Q: Do you expect environmental sampling of soil?

DRWC Response: Yes, we expect to sample the soil.

Q: This is not a design-build project. Will the awarded design firm be allowed to bid the construction phase as well?

DRWC Response: Yes, the awarded firm will be allowed to bid on the final design and construction phase of the project.

Q: Is it possible to get a copy of DRWC's typical terms and conditions?

DRWC Response: We do not customarily distribute these at this stage but, following selection, some degree of contract negotiation may occur.

Q: Is there any information regarding the depth of water and/or bathymetric surveys of the area between the piers?

DRWC Response: A 2018 bathymetric survey performed by the USACE was provided as a part of the Technical Appendices.

Q: Can you clarify the western boundary of the parcel?

DRWC Response: Generally, the western boundary of the property corresponds to the western curblineline of the Riverside Drive indicated on the 2012 survey provided. Please be advised the eastern curblineline of Riverside Drive and most of the footway to Pier 68 no longer exists and has been replaced with our trail investments.