

**QUESTIONS & RESPONSES #012**  
**CONTRACT NUMBER: PA000000343**  
**RFP/RFQ TITLE: Parcel 114 Site Cleanup Interim Action**  
**Excavation**  
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**QUESTIONS DUE DATE: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 @ 2:00 PM (PDT)**

**Q&A ISSUE DATE: 9/4/2025**

| #  | Question  | Answer   | Question # | Responsible for Answer | Date Received |
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| 1  | Do to the holiday and small window to bid project. We are asking to see if bid date can be extended 1 week at least.  | Bid date will be moved 3 days to Friday September 5th, at 10:00 AM. See Addendum 1.  | Q-003129   | Elly                   | 08/25/25      |
| 2  | Has the RFP/Q been released for procurement PA000000343? Please advise.   | Yes  | Q-003126   | Michelle               | 08/19/25      |
| 3  | Please confirm that per 01 14 00 1.03.A.4 that the Port of Tacoma will pay LRI directly for all Subtitle D disposal on the project.<br><br>At the site visit, Port of Tacoma stated that the quantities for the excavation and fill associated with Bid Item ALT-1 Parcel 117 Excavation and Fill were provided. Drawing C2.0 provides an entire ditch excavation of +/- 7,045 CY but does not differentiate the area within the Parcel 117 CAP. Please confirm location in specifications where these quantities are located or provide quantities for this specific item.   | See Addendum No.1  | Q-003130   | Elly                   | 08/25/25      |
| 4  | The Port is providing the Ferrous Sulfate for the project. My question is, is it in a pile and you will be loading it with a loader into dump trucks, or will it be in super sacks that will be loaded onto a trailer and then unloaded at the site?  | Additional clarification provided in Addendum No.1   | Q-00313    | Elly                   | 08/26/25      |
| 5  | Bid item #8 Water Management System. Do you anticipate the water extracted from the ground to be contaminated and therefore needing to be processed before it is discharged? If so, will the Port be covering the testing costs prior to discharging into the COT system?   | Appendix A shows the contamination in the ground water. The Contractor will be covering the Contractor's testing costs prior to discharging into the COT system. See added language to Bid Item #8 in Addendum No.1.   | Q-00313    | Elly                   | 08/26/25      |
| 6  | 1) If groundwater discharge gpm exceeds permitted rate, is contractor required to provide additional storage or disposal methods?   | Per Section 31 23 19 - Dewatering, 2.01-B-F; "Throughout the excavation and backfill process, the Contractor shall limit the area of open excavation to reduce dewatering rates/volumes to the maximum extent practical and comply with SAD discharge quantity limits.   | Q-003140   | Elly                   | 08/27/25      |
| 7  | 2) What are the allowed methods of drying the contaminated material so that it passes the paint filter test? Are soil amendments allowed?   | Yes. Soil amendments are allowed. See Addendum 1 for additional soil amendment language.   | Q-003140   | Elly                   | 08/27/25      |
| 8  | The SAD included in Appendix C limits the dewatering discharge to 100 gallons per minute into the existing side sewer. Speaking with the Dewatering subcontractors they are expecting around 600 gallons per minute to draw down the groundwater. The specifications also require the excavations to be free of standing water. Is the expectation for the Contractor to haul off the excess contaminated dewatering water in tanker trucks? Specification 31 23 19 Part 1.02 D states that "If conditions of the sewer become critical an the City orders the Contractor to stop discharging dewatered water into the onsite sewer at no fault of the Contractor, the Contractor will haul the dewatered and treated water offsite or as directed by the Engineer on a change order basis." Would exceeding the capacity of the discharge point be an event that deems the sewer "critical"? | Per Section 31 23 19 - Dewatering, 2.01-B-F; "Throughout the excavation and backfill process, the Contractor shall limit the area of open excavation to reduce dewatering rates/volumes to the maximum extent practical and comply with SAD discharge quantity limits." See Addendum No 1 for additional language to help clarify dewatering expectations. | Q-003139   | Elly                   | 08/27/25      |
| 9  | Please confirm that the Port is paying LRI directly for the Contaminated soil disposal fees as per Specification 01 14 00 – 1.03A-4.  | Correct. The Port will be paying the disposal fees directly to LRI. See Addendum one for clarifying Language.  | Q-003137   | Elly/Michelle          | 08/27/25      |
| 10 | During the 8/25/25 site meeting, it was disclosed that the contaminated materials disposal fees and weekend pit openings of the LRI facility would be paid for directly by the Port. We cannot locate where the Contract Specifications support this. Please confirm who is to be responsible for these costs.  | Correct. The Port will be paying the disposal fees directly to LRI. See Addendum one for clarifying Language.  | Q-003135   | Elly                   | 08/27/25      |
| 11 | The addendum added sampling discharge water per the SAD permit to the contractor's responsibility, however the SAD permit does not specify a sampling frequency. Has the project been approved for batch or continuous discharge and what is the sample frequency?  | Batch sampling will be required until the City approves continuous discharge.  | Email      | Elly                   | 09/02/25      |
| 12 | Also, is the Port paying for disposal of the potential lagging and piles (80CY) or does the contractor need to include the tipping fees for this?   | The piles / lagging will most likely have contaminated soils on them and need to go to LRI. The Port is paying the LRI fees.   | Email      | Elly                   | 09/02/25      |