

**FOUR RIVERS SANITATION AUTHORITY
ADDENDUM NO. 1
ITB #25-202
Tree Removal Service**

January 17, 2025

AD1-1 Notice

This Addendum No. 1, dated January 17, 2025, to the Invitation to Bid: **Tree Removal Service** supersedes all contrary and conflicting information in the above-mentioned instructions, specifications, and contract documents which are hereby supplemented or revised in certain particulars as follows:

AD1-2 General Information

FRSA submits Addendum No. 1 to provide the list of attendees at the 10:00 a.m., January 14, 2025, Mandatory Meeting, and to answer questions, provide clarification, strike and replace wording.

AD1-3 Mandatory Meeting Attendance List

Company Name	Representative Name
Tree Care Enterprises	Doug Edwards
Tree Care Enterprises	Lori Johnson
Lenox & Sons	Gacob Lenox
Soppa	Tony Soppa
Taza Construction	Jesus Villeirell

AD1-4 Questions & Answers

Question 1: What is maintenance work and what is prevailing wage work?

Answer 1: Maintenance work is non-project work. Prevailing wage work is all work involving the installation or removal of landscape materials in conjunction with or as part of work which is otherwise covered under the Prevailing Wage Act. For example: landscape work in conjunction with covered work involving any road, boulevard, street, highway, bridge project, sewer or underground project. See:

<https://labor.illinois.gov/faqs/landscaping.html>

Question 2: FRSA prefers but does not mandate that the foreman be an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist. How will this work with City of Rockford who does require a certified arborist when working on City property?

Answer 2: City of Rockford's certified arborist requirement does not apply to work done for or by FRSA.

Question 3: What amount should the bid bond be based on?

Answer 3: The bid bond must be 10% of the 3-year total estimated cost.

Question 4: Quality over quantity? Budget?

Answer 4: FRSA expects quality. Total bid price is an estimate for comparison purposes. FRSA will pay to the Contractor, and the Contractor will accept, in full payment for the performance of this Contract, subject to any additions or deductions provided for hereby, in current funds, the unit prices set forth in the Bid Form. The contractor's bid unit prices for Tree Removal Service, in conformity with all specifications, shall be the only basis of payment over the duration of the contract.

Question 5: Does tree removal include restoration?

Answer 5: See item a. Stump Grinding and Restoration on p. 17, and item 9. Restoration on p.18.

Question 6: Is tree removal for reclamation or for zoning?

Answer 6: Tree removal may take place on the FRSA plant, at FRSA lift stations, or out in the field. Some trees may need to be removed on an emergency basis, as determined by FRSA personnel. The awarded contractor will be notified by FRSA personnel if a tree removal is an emergency.

Question 7: Is there a place for disposal?

Answer 7: FRSA does not provide a place for disposal. See b. Disposal of Grindings & Debris on p. 17.

Question 8: What types of trees are removed?

Answer 8: All types of trees are removed.

Question 9: On the bid form please confirm if section C and D hourly rates are intended to include markup or be a direct hourly cost prior to markup. If these are to be billed T&M and are intended to be direct costs please verify if there is a stipulated markup % allowed.

Answer 9: Bidders must enter the entire hourly rate they will charge in sections C and D since these jobs are too variable to predict. The awarded bidder's invoiced hourly rates must match the hourly rates given in the bid. See h. on p. 20.

AD1-5 Clarification

In the Bid Form, trees of a specific size to be removed must be assigned a standard price per tree. Since trees with a DBH of 32.1 inches and larger, jobs beyond

reasonable scope as determined by FRSA, and emergency work are difficult to predict, an hourly rate for this work is required. Total bid price is an estimate for comparison purposes. FRSA will pay to the Contractor, and the Contractor will accept, in full payment for the performance of this Contract, subject to any additions or deductions provided for hereby, in current funds, the unit prices set forth in the Bid Form. The contractor's bid unit prices for Tree Removal Service, in conformity with all specifications, shall be the only basis of payment over the duration of the contract.

AD1-6 Wording to Strike and Replace

Strike the following wording in Section VIII Contract, 2. Contract Price (p. 37):

~~The Authority will pay to the Contractor, and the Contractor will accept, in full payment for the performance of this Contract, subject to any additions or deductions provided for hereby, in current funds, the total contract price of:~~

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Replace with the following wording:

FRSA will pay to the Contractor, and the Contractor will accept, in full payment for the performance of this Contract, subject to any additions or deductions provided for hereby, in current funds, the unit prices set forth in the Bid Form. The contractor's bid unit prices for **Tree Removal Service**, in conformity with all specifications, shall be the only basis of payment over the duration of the contract.

Bidder shall initial this Addendum No. 1 and include it with their proposal.

_____ Bidder's Initials