



Date: **March 2, 2026**
Project: **AAP Drilling Field Work**
Solicitation No.: **AIDEA26-048**
Addendum No. **One**

TO ALL PLANHOLDERS:

The enclosed addendum amends the documents for the above referenced Project:

1. **Inquiry: The deliverable period under Section 2.02 is March 27, 2026 – May 31, 2026. These dates are assumed to be for Phase 1. What is the delivery period for Phases 2-5?**

ANSWER: *That is correct, the delivery period stated in Section 2.02 is referring to Phase 1 only. Phase 2's delivery date can be after May 31st, however, if activity is planned between 3/1/2026 and 8/31/2026 then a bird nesting survey is required prior to activity. Phase 3-5 would extend through Summer 2026 potentially into the next winter season contingent on AIDEA approval and schedule.*

2. **Request: Exhibit C references photos taken in the 'AddNarrative' column – can those please be provided?**

ANSWER: *Not at this time, photos of pre-existing landing zones already cut are to be furnished to the bid winner.*

3. **Inquiry: Can mining material occur within or near the landing zones to construct the 15'x20' landing pads?**

ANSWER: *No material mining or excavation is permitted within designated landing zones. Landing zones shall be cleared to the maximum extent practicable without disturbing underlying soil. Ground disturbance is expressly prohibited under existing permit conditions.*

4. **Request: Can AIDEA provide a .kmz or .kml file of the alignment to import into google earth?**

ANSWER: *Yes, please find the file "AIDEA26-048_EIS_CL_MP.kmz" located at: https://www.aidea.org/AAP_DrillingFieldWork_RFP.*

5. **Request: SB10 (80') and SB 13 (50') are well under the 150-foot length but still counted in Phase 1. Can SB13 be shifted to Phase 3 and SB10 remain due to proximity to LB5?**



ANSWER: *Both locations have been moved to Phase 3 and are now part of Exhibit D (rev.2).*

6. **Inquiry:** In Exhibit D, the SB12 latitude and longitude are incorrect. Should be nearer MP 1.181. Can this be confirmed?

ANSWER: *The coordinates for SB12 provided in the RFP have been verified as correct.*

7. **Inquiry:** In Section 2.02, Is the end date supposed to be May 31, 2027?

ANSWER: *Yes, Phase 1 end date will be May 31, 2027, but a drill plan to complete as many bridges as possible prior to May 31, 2026 will need to be submitted by the Offeror.*

8. **Inquiry:** Does the snow measurement location take place in the cleared work zone or a separate cleared 30x30 area?

ANSWER: *The Offeror shall complete snow surveys (depth and density measurements, as specified) in an area of undisturbed terrain nearby each drill location. The sites are expected to be accessible by foot from the cleared work zone. AIDEA will provide the snow survey locations at initiation of the phased work.*

9. **Inquiry:** Permafrost monitoring locations require 2-inch PVC, but can we use 1-inch?

ANSWER: *No, the Offeror shall complete all designated drillholes with 2-inch PVC. The casing shall provide adequate space for the ground temperature cable, including sufficient room to fold back the bottom of the cable where necessary, to ensure proper installation of the sensor from the ground surface.*

10. **Request:** Please provide the laboratory tests designated by AIDEA for Phase 6 so that we may provide a cost in the Schedule of Values?

ANSWER: *The expected tests will be: Organic ignition if field class is over 5%, classification (includes gradation), and Atterburg limits*

11. **Inquiry:** Under 2.01 Structure and Requirements - 1. General Requirements, it states ***“As required by private land owners, the Offeror shall accommodate up to 3***



additional occupants at field camps, work sites and in transportation." Is this for the duration of the investigation or only while occupying land under private ownership?

ANSWER: *This requirement is only applicable while occupying land under private ownership.*

12. Inquiry: **Per Exhibit B, there are 12 Bridges identified to be 150 feet or longer, therefore requiring “two and four boreholes per crossing” based on RFP language. Does this mean that the Offeror can determine borehole counts at bridge locations less than 150 feet long based on expertise/engineering objectives? Of course, maintaining required 100-foot borehole depth per RFP For example, at a bridge that is 140 feet long, can the Offeror recommend (1) abutment borehole and (1) pier borehole?**

ANSWER: *Borehole counts and locations are being clarified below and are not at the Offeror’s discretion. The Offeror shall plan for the minimum requirements below; AIDEA will provide exact borehole locations at contract award and/or Notice to Proceed (NTP). Exhibits B and D are revised to reflect this clarification.*

Phase 1: Bridges \geq 120 ft

For bridge crossings with estimated bridge length equal to or greater than 120 ft (\geq 120 ft), the minimum drilling program is:

- *Abutments: one (1) borehole at each abutment (minimum two (2) abutment boreholes), and*
- *In-channel: at least one (1) in-channel borehole, with additional in-channel boreholes required based on estimated bridge length.*

For planning purposes, additional in-channel boreholes will generally be required as bridge length increases (e.g., approximately one (1) in-channel borehole per ~110 ft of bridge length, up to the maximum identified in the RFP/exhibits, as applicable). Exact borehole locations (abutment and in-channel) will be provided by AIDEA.

Phase 3: Bridges <120 ft

For bridge crossings with estimated bridge length less than 120 ft (<120 ft), the minimum drilling program is:

- *Abutments: one (1) borehole total at each crossing with no in-channel boreholes.*



13. Inquiry: If just discussing Phase 1 bridges and permafrost monitoring thermistor wells; does AIDEA want continuous monitoring for a given time?

ANSWER: *Yes, continuous monitoring is required for permafrost locations. However, Phase 1 bridge wells no longer have a requirement for thermistor installation or monitoring. Please see #16.*

14. Request: Is a performance bond required since this not a construction contract?

ANSWER: *Performance bond will be waived.*

15. Inquiry: How much leeway are we allowed with assumptions regarding the number of boreholes in order to reduce costs or do we need to estimate strictly on the numbers provided in the RFP. The number of boreholes could vary significantly and has a very direct cost influence with respect to helicopter time and camp movements.

ANSWER: *Quote as specified in the RFP, also referring to the response for #12.*

16. Change: Thermistors are no longer required for river crossing wells. The text below is removed from Section 2.01.

REMOVED: *“Boreholes also includes installation of river crossing thermistor wells at the bridge crossing locations, for the purpose of characterizing thermal regime and freeze/thaw conditions relevant to bridge foundations, abutments, and scour/ice-related design considerations. River crossing thermistor wells shall be installed at both river abutment locations designated by AIDEA within the river crossing investigation area (e.g., near proposed abutments or other features of interest).”*

END OF ADDENDUM

We appreciate your participation in this solicitation.

Sincerely,

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