



TO: All Potential Bidders
FROM: Purchasing
RE: RFP No. 372 – Phase V Contact Water Controls Q&A Memo No. 1
DATE: October 20, 2026

The following questions were received in writing prior to the deadline, concerning the above-referenced RFP, and the responses are provided below for the benefit of all potential respondents.

Q1.) “Is RIRRC bringing the loam up to area for vendor?”

Answer: Contractor will be required to load and transport Owner supplied loam material from on-site stockpile. Stockpile located 1 ½ miles (one-way) to the project area as specified in the Measurement and Payment.

Q2.) “Does item 16 (Furnish & install Seed and Hydro-mulch) need to meet the deadline of March?”

Answer: Project must be substantially complete for all contact water controls in place and operational for RIRRC’s use by March 31, 2027. Item 16, Furnish and Install Seed and Hydro-mulch, can be extended beyond, if needed, to accommodate weather conditions.

Q3.) “Could winter conditions create any unforeseen problems?”

Answer: Geomembrane installation could be most affected by winter conditions. Contractor should assume increased trial weld testing requirements as specified in Specification Section 33 47 13 – Geomembrane Barrier based on the project timeline. Contractor should bid project assuming winter conditions for all project components.

Q4.) “Is the vendor providing grading in the middle section of the groundwork area shown in the map at the pre-bid?”

Answer: No, just the exterior berms and contact water controls will be required.

Q5.) “Is RIRRC bringing material up to the site to build the berm?”

Answer: Yes, stockpile will be within the work area.

Q6.) “Is the vendor just building a 5ft berm at whatever elevation you leave it at, or does the vendor have to hit the elevation?”

Answer: Vendor required to construct berms to design dimensions and sloping requirements. Due to daily settlement within the active landfill, elevations shown on plans might need to be adjusted in coordination with RIRRC.

Q7.) “Are you going to have it at the proper subgrade of the slope?”

Answer: RIRRC will have areas for geomembrane lined basins and leaching field area to be rough graded within 1-foot of final grade. Base of Initial Sequence Berm will also be rough graded and ready for Contractor to construct 5-ft high berm. Contractor may need additional earthwork associated with the Perimeter Berm and Swale to meet the dimensions and sloping requirements; therefore, line item #7 has been changed to a Unit Price Per Cubic Yard within Addendum No. 1.

Q8.) “Can you define CQA in the specifications? Please also confirm that this consultant is hired by the Owner.”

Answer: Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) is performed by an independent third-party consultant firm hired by the Owner to verify that the construction project is built according to design plans, technical specifications, and regulatory requirements. This is defined in Specification Section 00 72 00.

Q9.) “Provide location (or approximate distance) of Owner supplied subgrade/common fill to the Project location.”

Answer: Owner supplied subgrade/common fill is located on site. The approximate travel distance is 1 ½ miles (one-way). See Attachment No. 2 for approximate location.

Q10.) “Please provide the pre bid sign in sheet.”

Answer: See Attachment No. 1.

Q11.) “Please provide the planholders list.”

Answer: See Attachment No. 1.

Q12.) “Which geotextile is paid for as part of Item 11 and 12 and which geotextile is incidental to Items 4 and 5”

Answer: Items 11 and 12 for Furnish and Install 10 oz. non-woven geotextile have been removed from the project as all 10 oz non-woven geotextile is included and incidental to Items 4 and 5. Revised Sections 00 41 00 and 01 29 00 are attached to Addendum No. 1.

Q13.) “Provide main access road to the project site.”

Answer: See Attachment No. 2.

Q14.) “What areas requires LGP equipment? Are we going to be within 36 inches of existing cover geosynthetics?”

Answer: The only areas that will require LGP equipment for areas above geosynthetics will be a portion of the downchute channel for Item 14 as shown on sheet C101 and when placing the ballast layer stone within the geomembrane lined basin as part of Item 4.

Q15.) “Confirm that RIRRC is grading the swales, pond, and leach field to subgrade?”

Answer: See Response to Question #7 above.

Q16.) “Confirm seeding is able to be performed after the March 31 2027 date?”

Answer: See Response to Question #2 above.

Q17.) “Can the berm pay items be measured by the cubic yard? Because the landfill is settling and LF pricing could vary due to grading.”

Answer: Bid item #7 has been revised to be a Unit Price per Cubic Yard item within Addendum No. 1 due to potential additional grading needed beyond the 5-ft high berm. Bid item #8 remains unchanged as Unit Price per Linear Foot, but layout may be adjusted in the field to meet proper sloping requirements.

Q18.) “Where is the material for the berms going to be stockpiled by Owner? Will all the berm material be available on site when we mobilize?”

Answer: Material will be stockpiled within the middle of the work area. All estimated berm material will be available on site when the Contractor mobilizes. Ongoing daily communication is expected between the Contractor and RIRRC throughout the project, including if additional material is needed with advanced notice.

Q19.) “Pay Item #3 – Erosion Controls- No Erosion Controls are shown on the contract documents. Please clarify the desired locations & type of Erosion Control expected. Please provide a copy of the RIRRC Baseline Erosion & Sediment Control Plan referenced in spec. section 31-25-00. If needed, how will additional controls ordered by RIRRC beyond base scope be paid for since the item is lump sum?”

Answer: Contractor is responsible for managing stormwater run-on and run-off from the project area. Erosion and sedimentation controls are not shown on the design plans as it is the Contractor’s responsibility to install and maintain erosion controls and dewatering as they feel necessary for the project. Contractor shall follow RIDEM Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook for best management practices.

Q20.) “Pay Item #4- Stormwater Pond- Is the area of the proposed Stormwater Pond going to be left at subgrade (el.523) or will it have to be excavated and have cover materials reinstalled?”

Answer: See Response to Question #7 above. RIRRC will have areas for geomembrane lined basin rough graded within 1-foot of final grade.

Q21.) Pay Item #5- Leaching Field:

- a. Please provide invert elevation of Leaching Field
 - **Answer: Based on current design, invert elevation of Leaching Field would be approximately elevation 524'. However, due to ongoing settlement of the landfill, invert elevations will be based on sloping requirements from the basin outlet structure as shown on the Design Plans.**
- b. Will the Leaching Field be excavated to bottom +/- el. 523 by RIRRC?
 - **Answer: See Response to Question #7 above. RIRRC will have areas for leaching field rough graded within 1-foot of final grade.**
- c. If the Contractor is to excavate the Leaching Field, through MSW, where will MSW be transported to?
 - **Answer: If waste material is encountered during excavation, Contractor will notify and coordinate with RIRRC for RIRRC to dispose of material in the active landfill area. RIRRC will plan to load and haul majority of waste material during prep of stormwater basin and leaching field areas prior to Contractor starting work.**
- d. Does the solid pipe coming from the basins in the stormwater pond to the leaching field get backfilled with MSW once it gets past the geomembrane penetrations? Detail 1 on C801 does not provide detail for backfilling the pipe
 - **Answer: Solid pipes from the basin will be backfilled with a combination of soils or MSW material. Contractor is not responsible for furnishing piping backfill material for solid pipe. Contractor will coordinate with RIRRC and discuss logistics during pre-construction meeting. RIRRC will plan to fill over the leaching field area with soils/MSW after Contractor completes the installation.**

Q22.) "Pay Item #6 – Owner Supplied Subgrade - Can RIRRC please clarify the location & distance from the project limits of the stockpile of Owner Supplied Subgrade to be utilized? The pay item & specifications call for source testing of this material, if it is supplied by the Owner why is the Contractor testing it?"

Answer: See Response to Question #9 above. There are no changes to the testing requirements of the material from the Bid Documents.

Q23.) "Owner Supplied Common Fill - Can RIRRC identify where they will stockpile the owner supplied common fill? In order to accurately forecast productions, can the Owner estimate how many yards per day they will move to the stockpile area for us by the Contractor?"

Answer: See Response to Question #18 above for Common Fill/Berm Material.

Q24.) "Schedule- Project Completion is stated as 3/31/2027. This does not fall within the growing season. Can the Owner please clarify if the Hydroseeding can be installed after the contractual end date of 3/31/2027?"

Answer: See Response to Question #2 above.

ATTACHMENT 1

PRE-BID SIGN IN SHEET AND PLANHOLDERS LIST

RFP 372 – Phase V Contact Water Controls Project
Pre-Bid Meeting – October 13, 2026, at 1:00 P.M.
Sign-in Sheet – Please Print

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Recipient List
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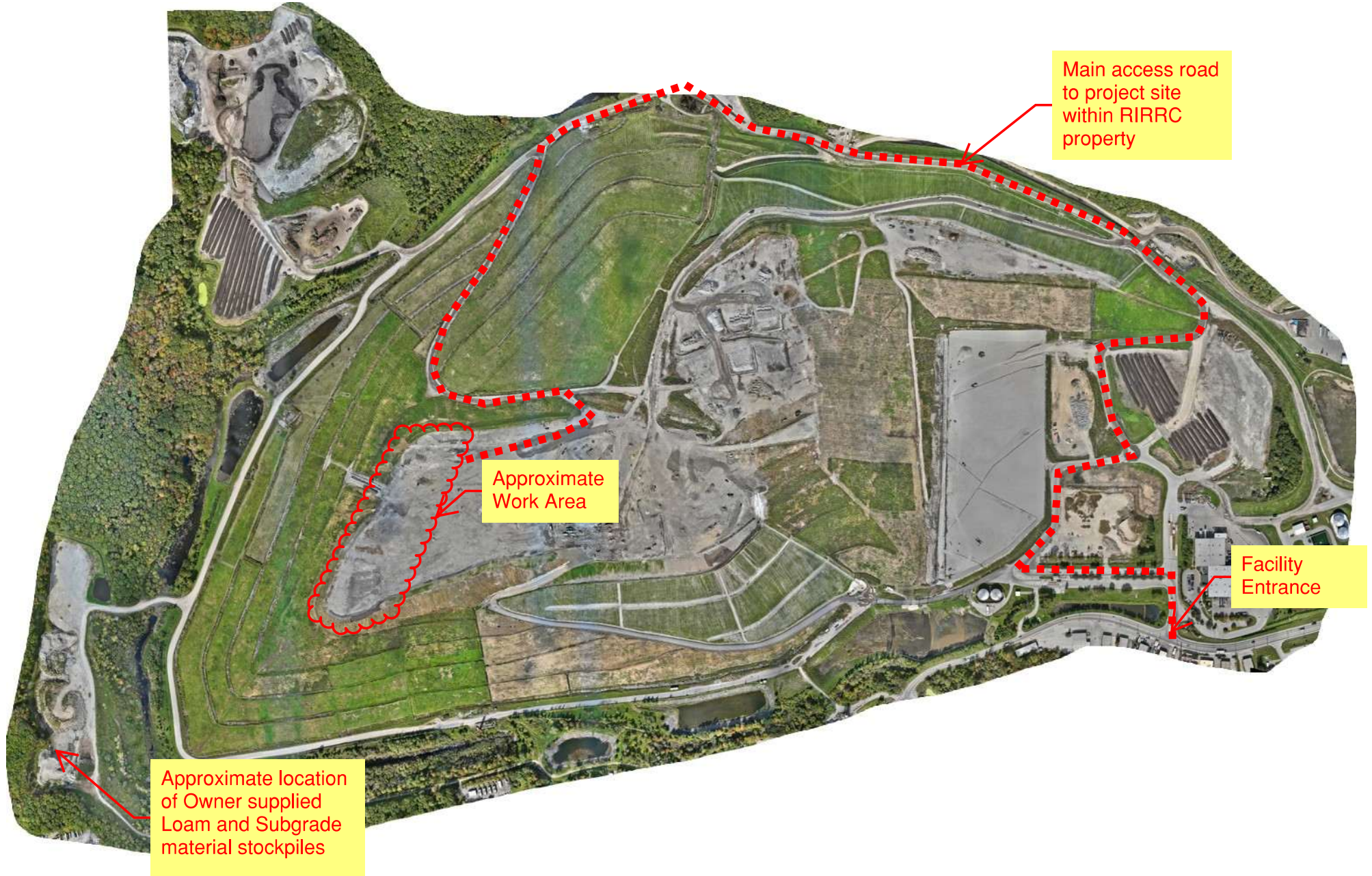
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ATTACHMENT 2

PERIMETER ACCESS ROAD FIGURE



Main access road
to project site
within RIRRC
property

Approximate
Work Area

Facility
Entrance

Approximate location
of Owner supplied
Loam and Subgrade
material stockpiles