

Addendum 4
RFP 24-16 Regional P25 Radio System

PROPOSERS must acknowledge this Addendum in your proposal cover letter.

All addendums will be posted to Montgomery County Procurement Website.

Attachments in this addendum include:

- Proposer Questions and Answers

The deadline for proposal submission remains August 2, 2024, at 3 PM.

Appendix F - PROPOSER Questions

Date Submitted	#	RFP Section Number/ Name	RFP Requirement	Clarification Request	Client Response/ Clarification
6/7/2024	77	4.7.5.2	Radio User Training	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Radio User Training per agency.	See response to question #11. NRVECRA will only purchase radio user train-the-trainer training. All user training will occur internally with NRVECRA trainers.
6/7/2024	78	4.7.5.3	Radio User Web Based Training	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Radio Web Based Training per agency.	See response to question #11.
6/7/2024	79	4.7.5.4	Radio User Train-the-Trainer	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Radio User Train-the-Trainer per agency.	See response to question #11.
6/7/2024	80	4.7.5.5	Console Operator Training	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Console Operator Training per agency.	See response to question #11.
6/7/2024	81	4.7.5.6	Console Configuration Training	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Console Configuration Training per agency.	See response to question #11. The same six (6) participants for Console train-the-trainer will participate in Console Configuration Training.
6/7/2024	82	4.7.5.7	Console Train-the-Trainer	Please specify the exact number of individuals that need to participate in the Console Configuration Training per agency. AND are these individuals different from Configuration personnel identified in 4.7.5.6?	See response to question # 81.

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6/7/2024	83	6.2.5	Radio System Coverage	Our team noted differences between the published Needs Assessment and RFP requirements. The Needs Assessment design was based on 90% Service Area Reliability for portables as compared to the RFP that requires 95% Service Area Reliability. Also, an 8 dB service area polygon across the broad swath of the area has been added to the coverage requirement in the RFP that was not in the original Needs Assessment. These 2 requirements in the RFP are significantly driving up the number of RF sites to be compliant with the requirements. Should all vendors design to the RFP requirements?	NRVECRA has created the coverage service areas based on existing coverage gaps, and future needs for coverage throughout the service areas. The RFP coverage services areas remain unchanged.
6/7/2024	84	3.32	It is mandatory for the PROPOSER to visit all sites offered for use in the proposed system. The PROPOSER shall have a person with site civil experience perform due diligence in assessing the over site conditions (access road, compound, fencing, etc.), shelter condition (inside and outside), tower condition, tower loading, antenna placement, and grounding. PROPOSER'S price proposal shall include all costs to bring all sites into compliance with the RFP requirements. Ignorance of site conditions shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR of any liability or obligations under the contract as agreed to by both parties.	Concerning " <i>Ignorance of site conditions shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR of any liability or obligations under the contract as agreed to by both parties</i> " for example; Should remediation be required to a tower , without providing information requested, no vendor would know what is needed until after award. Therefore for all vendors either the requirement should change or there should be no points deducted.	Tower remediation costs are not required. The selected PROPOSER will perform structural analyses of towers used in their design. If tower remediation is needed, NRVECRA will execute a change order for tower remediation.

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6/7/2024	85	9.1	The CONTRACTOR is responsible for obtaining the appropriate federal, state, and local zoning, environmental, special use and construction approvals, permits and licenses necessary for the construction of physical facilities. The CONTRACTOR shall pay all fees and costs associated with obtaining all approvals, permits and licenses.	Our request is concerning the words; "The CONTRACTOR shall pay all fees and costs associated with obtaining all approvals, permits and licenses." This can only be accomplished without tower mapping and geotechnical. There are many unknowns and any vendor could not fully comply without this detail. This will need to be a Joint venture for all approvals as there is a level of responsibility/support needed by NRVECRA to have this completed. Please remove all and add mutually working together for the approvals.	NRVECRA contends PROPOSERS should be able to estimate costs for permitting, and applications based on the number of sites that will require permitting, zoning, etc.
6/7/2024	86	Site visits	Brush Mountain	1) During site walks it was noted that a solar panel installation was in process, can the County provide specifications of the new solar system? 2) If needed, will additional capacity be the responsibility of the County?	The solar company recommends 3 kwh or less per day for maximum solar component life. The system as is could support up to 6 kwh per day but would be more taxing on battery life. The system consists of 18- 345 watt solar panels, 2 banks of 6 (12 total) 2 volt batteries. Each battery is rated at 2430 AH @ 20HR. The batteries are currently wired in series to supply 12 volts but this could be reconfigured to a different voltage.