



## ADDENDUM NO. 12 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 2020-125

### Kitsap County Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division

**TO:** All Respondents

**FROM:** Vicki Martin, Buyer

**CLOSING DATE:** Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. (UNCHANGED)

**REF NO.:** RFP 2020-125 – Solid Waste Transfer Station Operation and Maintenance, and Waste Transport and Disposal Services

**DATE:** Friday, November 6, 2020

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In response to questions received, the following information is provided to assist in responding to the above referenced proposal:

#### **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES**

- 1. Question: We understand that because of COVID yard waste is currently being landfilled, but the expectation is once we are past the pandemic yard waste needs to be diverted to a beneficial reuse. How did the current contractor pre-COVID operationally handle the yard waste? How was it transported? What area of the transfer station was utilized for storage? Was North Mason Fiber utilized?**

Answer: Prior to the current practice of accepting and processing yard waste as municipal solid waste (MSW), clean yard waste was directed to the Special Waste area on the North end of the Transfer Station building. Customers would unload next to an open top container. Contractor staff would then load the yard waste into to containers and haul to North Mason Fiber. The current Contractor holds the contract or service agreement with North Mason Fiber.

- 2. Question: If a contractor elects to use a transportation method other than rail, will they be allowed to modify the existing loading areas to accommodate their chosen mode of transportation (utilizing different trailers)?**

Answer: Upon mutual agreement, the County would allow the selected contractor to make minor modifications to the existing OVTS facilities at the sole cost of the contractor and subject to reasonable requirements by the County regarding the nature and quality of the modifications. Any required permits would be the sole responsibility of the contractor. The contractor would also be responsible for amending the Kitsap Public Health District Solid Waste Handling Permit for OVTS. The main waste chute and compactor is off limits to any modifications. One of the County's requirements could be that the Contractor would be responsible for returning the facilities to their previous configuration at the end of the term of

the Agreement if the modifications result in the County's inability to utilize the facilities as they are currently used for intermodal container loading and transport through the on-site rail service. In addition, the County could be opposed to modifications that interfere with or prevent the County from proceeding with elements of the planned Capital Improvement Project Plan (CIPP).

- 3. Question: In regards to Pre-packed waste would a contractor be required to accept Pre-packed waste containers from any entity requesting that service? If so would there be a process for authorization from the County or would that responsibility fall solely on the contractor?**

Answer: The County is looking to prioritize waste processed through the transfer building (compactor and top-loaded) over pre-packed containers. This is so transfer station throughput is not compromised. The selected contractor will be responsible for solely maintaining this priority of operations.

**END OF ADDENDUM NO. 12**