

Welcome to the September edition of *The Procurement Pipeline*, a monthly newsletter designed to bring you informative updates on doing business with GLWA.

New Monthly Series: *Tips for Responding to an RFB or RFP*

This month's focus is the link between pre-bid/proposal meetings and their link to successful solicitation submittal.

- 1) Look for wording that identifies "mandatory" pre-bid or pre-proposal meetings – Plan ahead to attend. To protect fair bidding practices, there are no exceptions regarding mandatory requirements. Bid or proposal responses will not be accepted unless the firm was represented at the meeting.
- 2) Do not arrive late for a pre-bid or pre-proposal meeting – We must now allow adequate time for the GLWA Security process for access to our facilities; no one will be admitted past the start time.

ATTENTION: Information Technology Firms

In October 2019 GLWA will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for software and implementation services to replace our existing Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) system. The successful integrator will provide innovative and creative solutions to support our water and wastewater asset management initiatives.

Key considerations for the new EAM include:

- ✓ Easy-to-use, workflow-driven, cloud-based, and mobile-friendly application suite for information-based decision support
- ✓ Solutions for vertical (treatment and pumping facilities) and horizontal (water and sewer networks) assets
- ✓ Integrated inventory and work management functions
- ✓ Integration and/or interface with other GLWA applications
- ✓ Change management and user training

The new system must be fully implemented by June 2022. Interested vendors should register on [Bonfire](#) in order to receive the RFP, when it is released. All questions and inquiries should be emailed to [Mahfuzur Rahman](mailto:Mahfuzur.Rahman) prior to the solicitation release date.

New Procurement Forms

To streamline the evaluation process, GLWA's Procurement quotes, proposals and bid templates have slightly changed. If you have any questions, please contact the Buyer on the solicitation, or post your questions to Bonfire for that specific solicitation.

Small Business Initiative (SBI)

The SBI Team is preparing for a special half-day training sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) titled, "Doing Business with GLWA." Whether or not a vendor is already doing business with GLWA this is a good time to hear tips for using Bonfire, learn more about the new Procurement forms, and better understand GLWA's insurance requirements. Check the [Schoolcraft College PTAC website](#) for additional information

What's Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Available on [Bonfire](#)

Next Three to Nine Months: See reverse side

Keeping Up With GLWA


Our [CEO's monthly report](#) provides a wealth of information and news about important initiatives.


Where to Meet GLWA

GLWA participates in many outreach events throughout southeast Michigan. We welcome you to visit us at the following events. Note: event sponsors may require pre-registration and/or a fee.

 [Event: GLWA Capital Improvement Plan 3 Year Outlook - September 17, 2019](#)

 [Walbridge's Built for Opportunity Event October 9, 2019](#)

 [MDOT Bonding & Training Program October 23, 2019](#)

 [MDOT Bonding & Training Program October 30, 2019](#)

 ["Doing Business with GLWA" Training sponsored by Schoolcraft PTAC - November 6, 2019](#)

Visit us online! See the Vendors page at www.gwater.org or contact us via procurement@gwater.org.

Great Lakes Water Authority
Upcoming Procurements
September 2019

Category	Description	Budget Estimate
Water System (next three months)		
Design Build	Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant - Two New High Lift Pumps, Flow Meter, and Yard Improvements (CIP #111009)	\$26,000,000
Services	HVAC Contract Service for Springwells Water Treatment Plant	\$250,000
Services	Abatement of Mold, Asbestos, Materials and third party testing of samples for one year	\$50,000
Design	Asset Management of the Drinking Water Transmission System	\$300,000
Maintenance	5-Year Sludge Removal and Disposal Services at Northeast, Springwells & Southwest Water Plants	\$55,000,000
Wastewater System (next three months)		
Construction	Site Improvements to Puritan Fenkell and Leib CSO Facilities (CIP #260600)	\$1,000,000
Construction	Treatment Sewer Improvements for Baby Creek CSO Facility (CIP #260600)	\$875,000
Maintenance	Generator Maintenance (all of GLWA)	TBD
Water System (next four to nine months)		
Design Build	7 Mile/Nevada Water Transmission Main Rehab and Flow Control Station (CIP #122017)	\$20,500,000
Design	North Service Center Pumping Station Improvements (CIP #132016)	\$6,000,000
Design	Water Works Park Process Areas Ventilation System Improvements (CIP #115005)	\$650,000
Construction	Rehabilitation of GLWA Outfalls - Phase IV (CIP #260500)	\$9,800,000
Design Build	Phase 2 - Waterworks Park to Northeast Water Treatment Plant Transmission Main	\$90,000,000
Design	Adams Road Booster Pumping Station Improvements	\$5,000,000
Construction	Water Works Park Yard Piping	\$71,000,000
Construction	Phase 1 - 14 Mile Transmission Construction	\$6,100,000
Construction	Flocculoator Improvements - Northeat Water Treatment Plant	\$2,500,000
Wastewater System (next four to nine months)		
Design	Pump Station #2 Bar Racks Replacement and Grit Collection System (CIP #211007)	\$1,600,000
Design	Assessment and Rehabilitation of Yard Piping and Underground Utilities (CIP #216006)	\$25,000,000
Services	Preventative Maintenance and Repair Contract	\$2,500,000
Design Build	CSO-Facilities Structural Improvements Projects	\$12,000,000
Study	Long Term CSO Plan	TBD
Maintenance	Above-Ground Storage Tank Inspection & Maintenance (WRRF & CSO Facilities)	TBD
Asset Management (next four to nine months)		
Consultant	Linear System Integrity Program	\$25,000,000
Information Technology (next three months)		
Services	Enterprise Asset Management System Software and Implementation Services	\$7,000,000