

Welcome to the May edition of *The Procurement Pipeline*, a monthly newsletter designed to bring you informative updates on doing business with the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA). This edition of *The Pipeline* focuses on how GLWA is continuing to operate despite the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. As we look forward to the months ahead, we remain focused on our mission: *To exceed our customers' expectations by utilizing best practices in the treatment and transmission of water and wastewater, while promoting healthy communities and economic growth.*

Business as a New Normal at GLWA — Governor Whitmer's [MI Safe Start Plan](#) outlines a phased approach to re-engage the Michigan economy. Like other organizations, GLWA is evaluating how this plan impacts business processes, safety



protocol, and vendor activity. During this period of careful transition, we want to assure our vendor

community that we are committed to sustaining business while also providing for the safety of all our team members, partners, and vendors. For now, the following modifications, previously reported to you, remain in place.

- All emergency COVID-19 measures (including visitors' questionnaires, temperature screenings, and mandatory face-coverings at all GLWA facilities) are in effect
- Critical Infrastructure Vendor letters have been issued to those vendors working on projects that must continue
- Bidders' conferences will continue via Skype invitation
- Accounts Payable will continue to be processed weekly. If you have not already, we encourage you to sign up for GLWA Direct to You! so that you can receive your payments electronically. Contact accounts.payable@glwater.org
- Many projects at GLWA have continued, some at a slower pace, and a few have been paused. In

each case, the GLWA Project Managers are communicating with vendors regarding the status of contracted projects in process

We encourage our vendors to continue reading *The Pipeline* for further up-to-date information about GLWA's ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and to send us any questions, comments, or concerns please contact us via [email](#). Thank you for your cooperation as we work to maintain operations while preserving the health and safety of our team.

Audit Bonfire Registrations for Accuracy and Current Vendor Contact Information

— During these critical times, we want to ensure that our vendor representatives are receiving *The Procurement Pipeline* and other important communications on doing business with GLWA. Recently, we discovered that many vendors have created multiple registrations with different company names and/or registrations in the name of former employees. Since Bonfire is our link to the vendor community, it is critical that complete, accurate and consistent information be maintained. We, therefore, strongly encourage all vendors to please review your Bonfire accounts to confirm that:

1. **The correct corporate name is used for your Bonfire registration** - vendors should provide their full and unabbreviated company name; and
2. **The contact information associated with your Bonfire registration is correct** - vendors should update this information regularly to reflect employee turnover.

We appreciate your assistance with maintaining clear and open lines of communication. For any inquiries, please contact us via [email](#).

What's Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Be sure to register in [Bonfire](#) to monitor new solicitations and contract awards.

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Upcoming Solicitations May 2020

Category	Description	Budget Estimate
Water System (next three months)		
Design Build	Southwest Water Treatment Plant Chlorine Scrubber and Raw Water Screen Replacement (CIP #113006)	\$6,000,000
Construction	2001456 SPWTP 1958 Settled Water Conduit and Loading Dock Concrete – Springwells Water Treatment Plant (CIP #114016)	\$1,652,000
Maintenance Services	5-Year Sludge Removal and Disposal Services at Northeast, Springwell's & Southwest Water Plants	\$55,000,000
Construction	1904231 – Flocculator Improvements – Northeast Water Treatment Plant (CIP #112006)	\$2,700,000
Wastewater System (next three months)		
Design	Oakwood HVAC Improvements	\$500,000
Construction	Baby Creek Gate Repair	\$155,000
Construction	Baby Creek Chemical Feed Tank Repair	\$250,000
Water System (next four to nine months)		
Design Build	7 Mile/Nevada Water Transmission Main Rehab and Flow Control Station (CIP #122017)	\$5,000,000
Engineering	North Service Center Pumping Station Improvements (CIP #132016)	\$10,000,000
Construction	Springwells Water Treatment Plant Medium Voltage Electrical System Replacement (CIP #114002 Project B)	\$30,000,000
Wastewater System (next four to nine months)		
Progressive Design Build	Baby Creek Outfall Improvements Projects (CIP #277001)	TBD
Design	St. Aubin Chemical Disinfection & Screening Improvements	TBD
Design	Control System Upgrade – St. Aubin, Lieb, and 7 Mile CSO Facilities	TBD
Maintenance	Crane Services	TBD
Services	Actuator Maintenance	TBD
Maintenance	UPS Maintenance and Repair Services (CSO/WRRF)	TBD
Enterprise (next four to nine months)		
IT	Project Management Information System	TBD
Facilities	HVAC Repairs and Maintenance	TBD

Vendors should continue to monitor [Bonfire](#) for solicitation updates.

Acronyms - Facilities	
WRRF	Water Resource Recovery Facility
CSO	Combined Sewer Overflow