

Welcome to the November edition of *The Procurement Pipeline*, a monthly newsletter designed to provide informative updates on doing business with the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA).

Procurement Tip of the Month: Requesting Deadline Extensions for Proposal Submissions

GLWA Procurement posts all open solicitations in Bonfire at least 30 days in advance of the specified “close date.” This provides vendors adequate time to review the solicitations, ask questions, prepare the appropriate documents, and submit a competitive responsive and responsible bid. However, we do understand that there are extenuating circumstances in which a vendor may require additional time to submit their proposals. *If a vendor requests a deadline extension and there are no externally imposed deadlines on the project, then GLWA Procurement may extend the final close date on the solicitation.* Vendors must provide a valid reason for their request which will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. If you need to request a deadline extension for a proposal submission, or you have any further questions about deadline extensions, then please contact the GLWA Buyer listed on the solicitation.

GLWA Business Inclusion and Diversity (B.I.D.) Program Forthcoming in 2021

GLWA is committed to fostering the success of small, women-owned, and minority-owned businesses as well as those that operate from an economically disadvantaged location within the GLWA service area. The Board of Directors is presently considering an amendment to the Procurement Policy for a Business Inclusion and Diversity (B.I.D.) Program. If you are a contractor with a diversity program, then we would like to hear from you at procurement@glwater.org.

Happy Thanksgiving from the GLWA Procurement Team!

The GLWA Procurement Team warmly wishes the Vendor Community a safe, happy, and healthy Thanksgiving! We thank the vendor community

for all that you do—you make it possible for GLWA to reliably provide water and wastewater services to the communities that we continue to serve through these uncertain times.

Staying Safe this Fall and Winter with the MI COVID Alert Mobile App

The State of Michigan has recently launched a free, statewide, and voluntary coronavirus mobile app called MI COVID Alert. Available for both Apple and Android, MI COVID Alert notifies users if they have been within six feet of any user who has tested positive for COVID-19. App users will always remain anonymous to other app users, even when they report positive tests results. In the effort to stay safe and help slow the spread of COVID-19 this fall and winter, GLWA encourages the vendor community to mask up, maintain social distance, handwash regularly, and download the MI COVID Alert App. For more information on the app and instructions on how to download and use it, please see the Michigan.gov website.



Reminder: Vendor COVID-19 Requirements

Please note that all GLWA COVID-19 safety protocols and procedures, including the Visitor’s Questionnaire and the Vendor COVID-19 Testing Requirement, remain in effect until further notice. For more information on these requirements, see “COVID-19 Vendor Requirements and Related Forms” on the [GLWA vendor page](#).

What’s Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Be sure to register in [Bonfire](#) for new solicitations and contract award information. *Upcoming Procurements: Next Three to Nine Months* - See page 2

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Upcoming Solicitations November 2020

| Category | Description | Budget Estimate |
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| Water System (next three months) | | |
| Maintenance Services | 5-Year Sludge Removal and Disposal Services at Northeast, Springwell's & Southwest Water Plants | \$55,000,000 |
| Engineering | North Service Center Pumping Station Improvements (CIP #132016) | \$10,000,000 |
| Field Services | Water Transmission Main, Valve, and Urgent and Emergency Repairs (CIP #170504) | \$15,000,000 |
| Construction | Phase II – 14 Mile Transmission Loop Project (CIP #122013) | \$91,000,000 |
| Construction | NEWTP Flocculator Improvements (CIP #112006) | \$11,000,000 |
| Design | LHWTP Flocculator Improvements (CIP #111012) | \$3,000,000 |
| Construction | Springwells Water Treatment Plant Medium Voltage Electrical System Replacement (CIP #114002 Project B) | \$30,000,000 |
| Design Build | Belle Isle Seawall Rehabilitation (CIP #116005) | \$1,740,000 |
| Wastewater System (next three months) | | |
| Design | Rehabilitation of Remaining CSO Outfalls and Some Trunk Sewers | \$7,000,000 |
| Maintenance | UPS Maintenance and Repair Services (CSO/WRRF) | TBD |
| Design | Control System Upgrade – St. Aubin, Leib, and 7 Mile CSO Facilities | TBD |
| Design | WRRF Rehabilitation of the Circular Primary Clarifier Scum Removal System | TBD |
| Construction | WRRF Seagull Habitat Modification | TBD |
| Water System (next four to nine months) | | |
| Design Build | WTP Ovation Workstation Upgrade Project (CIP #170303) | TBD |
| Purchase | Double Disc Gate Valve Procurement – 14 Mile Transmission Loop Project (CIP #122013) | TBD |
| Design | Reservoir Inspection, Design and Construction Administration | \$4,000,000 |
| Wastewater System (next four to nine months) | | |
| Design Build | Baby Creek Outfall Improvements Projects (CIP #277001) | TBD |
| Construction | Rehabilitation of Outfalls – Phase III (B-39) | \$7,000,000 |
| Construction | Rehabilitation of Woodward Sewer | \$26,000,000 |
| Construction | Rehabilitation of CSO Outfall Backwater Gates | \$5,000,000 |
| Construction | Connor Creek Dike Improvements | TBD |
| Construction | Air Balancing of CSO HVAC Systems | TBD |
| Construction | CSO Generator Improvements (Controls upgrades, Generator modifications) | TBD |
| Enterprise (next four to nine months) | | |
| Information Technology | Project Management Information System | TBD |

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

| Acronyms | |
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| WRRF: Water Resource Recovery Facility | CSO: Combined Sewer Overflow |