

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

GLWA Procurement Team Structure

The GLWA Procurement Team manages activities involved in acquiring the goods and services that support GLWA's mission and goals. The Procurement Group is comprised of four key teams that work closely with each of the operating units within GLWA as well as the Vendor Community.

- 1. Strategic Sourcing.** This team is responsible for sourcing all the goods and services that GLWA requires and is strategically aligned by expertise to secure the best combination of cost, quality, and vendor qualifications in all procurements. Vendors actively pursuing open opportunities with GLWA interact directly with this team during the solicitation process as well as during the preparation and award of contracts and purchase orders.
- 2. Contract Management.** This team administers contract changes as well as reviews certificate of insurance documents to ensure they are current and valid. This team also monitors the expiration of contracts and purchase orders to ensure continuity in the supply of goods and services and timely payment to vendors.
- 3. Administration.** This team is responsible for communicating procurement processes to help ensure both new and existing Vendors understand how to do business with GLWA. This includes vendor outreach, vendor performance assessments, and the Business Inclusion and Diversity (B.I.D.) Program.
- 4. Logistics & Materials.** This team is responsible for managing how goods received from Vendors are inspected, stored, and maintained in GLWA warehouses. This includes inventory control, the inspection of supplies, and salvage and disposal operations.

Reminder: Maintaining Updated Contact Information in Your Bonfire Vendor Profile

Maintaining updated contact information in your Bonfire Vendor Profile is key to staying informed about GLWA. This is because GLWA uses our Bonfire database to distribute communications to the Vendor Community. Vendors should consider a distribution-style email address (e.g., procurementopportunities@yourcompany.com) which automatically sends notifications to multiple individuals. This ensures your company receives communications even if one or more personnel are unavailable at the time of sending, or when experiencing employee turnover. Any questions about your Bonfire Vendor profile may be directed to [Michael Lasley](#) and [Megan Savage](#).

Virtual Vendor Introduction Meetings

If you are interested in learning more about doing business with GLWA, contact us at GLWAVendorOutreach@glwater.org to schedule a virtual vendor introduction meeting. Topics include information on submitting a competitive bid or proposal to any GLWA solicitation.

Keeping up with GLWA

Our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Monthly Report provides a wealth of information and news about important initiatives within GLWA's service territory that impact GLWA, its member partners, and the public. To read the January 2024 Monthly Report, please [click here](#).

What's Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Register in GLWA's [Bonfire Procurement Portal](#) for new solicitations and contract award information.

Upcoming Procurements: Next Three to Nine Months—See newsletter page 2.

Visit GLWA online!

To see the GLWA vendor homepage, please visit www.glwater.org or contact us via email at procurement@glwater.org.

Upcoming Solicitations February 2024

Category	CIP #	Description/Project Title	Budget Estimate
Water System (next four to nine months)			
Construction	111001	Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant – LH-401 Switchgear and Low Lift Improvements	\$100,000,000
Construction	112008	Northeast WTP Filter Rehabilitation	\$85,550,000
Construction	122004	96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation - Phase III	\$90,000,000
Construction Pre-Purchase	122004	96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation - Phase III - Pre-Purchase Pipe	\$2,300,000
Construction	122016	Downriver Transmission Main Loop – Phase 1 – Inkster Rd	\$21,000,000
Wastewater Systems (next four to nine months)			
Construction	260510	CSO Outfall Rehabilitation Phase VI	\$10,000,000
Construction	211005.2	WRRF Pump Station 2 VFD Replacements	\$12,000,000
Design	270007	CSO Facility Disinfection Improvements	\$3,900,000
Construction	270006	CSO Facility Improvements II	\$15,000,000
Water System (next three months)			
Design	270001	Pilot Netting and Disinfection Facilities at B03, B04, and B05	\$8,000,000
Construction	222001	NWI (Northwest Interceptor) to Oakwood CSO Sewer (NOCOS)	\$75,000,000
Projects moved to Procurement Team (Preparing for solicitation on Bonfire)			
Professional Services	O&M	Emergency Standby Generator Preventative Maintenance	\$2,910,225
Construction	170306	Instrumentation and Control System Plant - wide SCADA Upgrade	\$3,340,000
Professional Services	O&M	Water and Wastewater Services Charges Consultant	\$300,000
Professional Services	O&M	Internal Auditor	\$650,000
Professional Services	O&M	Good Sewer Metering Practice Analysis & Support Services	\$2,710,000
Professional Services	O&M	Environmental Health and Safety Assistance	\$2,000,000
Professional Services	O&M	Refuse and Recycling Waste Pickup and Disposal Services	\$655,000
Professional Services	O&M	Fleet Management Services Including Leasing and Upfitting Vehicles	\$14,667,500
Supplies	O&M	Sodium Bisulfite	\$2,315,000

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

Acronyms		
WRRF: Water Resource Recovery Facility	CSO: Combined Sewer Overflow	WTP: Water Treatment Plant