Westlands Water District

Monday, November 2, 2026

SUBJECT: RFP #26-05 Los Gatos Recharge Basin – Phase 1 – Design-Build - Addendum One (1)

Questions and Answers

Q1. Can the pre-bid meeting sign in sheet be shared?
A1. *Yes, the pre-bid meeting sign-in sheet can be found in the "Documents" section and will be included with Addendum 1.*

Q2. Regarding prevailing wages, is there a skill and trade requirement?
A2. *This project does not require contractors to use workers from apprentice-able building trades who meet specific training and apprenticeship graduation standards. You can find the Labor Code Compliance requirements in the District's standard Design-Build Agreement as provided as Appendix B – Section 3.1.5.*

Q3. Is permitting required?
A3. We do not anticipate needing permits. The work will be done on District property. However, stormwater or dust mitigation plans might be required, if the design engineer determines they are needed.

Q4. **Can you share the grant allocation?**
A4. *The grant allocation is approximately $1.7 million. The grant is only for Phase 1 of this project. Should the budget proposed for Phase 1 by the preferred contractor be significantly under the $1.7 million grant allocation, additional work intended for Phase 2 may be included in the scope of work.*

Q5. Is there an opportunity as part of the GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) to self-perform the work?
A5. Yes.

Q6. Does Westlands have another set up with a specific design in mind?
A6. No.

Q7. Do we know the percolation with the current soil?
A7. No testing has been performed on the soil located on the property. Based off other District recharge basins, we assume 0.5 cubic feet per second of water per acre.

Q8. Does the District have a need for any surplus stacks of soil?
A8. No, the District prefers that there is no excess soil from the project.

Q9. Any geotechnical work?
A9. *No, geotechnical work will not be required unless recommended specifically for the design.*

Q10. Will there be a cost for construction water?
A10. No, construction water will be provided by the District at no cost. Construction water will be unfiltered surface water from the Coalinga Canal.

Q11. **Are we supposed to stay out of the creek?**
A11. Yes.

Q12. **On Page 2 of the RFP, Figure 1 – Vicinity Map. How far down does the parcel come down?**
A12. Figure 2 is a detailed outline of the project area. Figure 2 can be downloaded in the "Documents" section and will be included with Addendum 1.

Q13. **Is Phase II separated from Phase 1 due to financial considerations?**
A13. Yes.

Q14. **Should the design consider potential impacts from/by wildlife (such as burrowing animals) in the construction of the berms?**
A14. Yes.

Q15. **Does Westlands Water District have design plans and any geotechnical investigation for the existing recharge basin to the North?**
A15. No design plans or geotechnical investigations were completed or conducted.

Q16. **Are any known permits or approvals for the project site?**
A16. We do not anticipate needing permits. The work will be done on District property. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the County and State Clearinghouse in August 2026, for which the District did not receive any comments or objections. However, stormwater or dust mitigation plans might be required if the design engineer determines they are needed.

Q17. On Page 5 of the RFP, Section 1 – References it states "Provide a minimum of 5 references and contact information for each of the projects listed." Can you please clarify if you are requesting 5 references per project or 5 references in total?
A17. We are requesting 5 unique project references, not 5 references per project.

Q18. **Is there a required minimum % or hours of skilled and trained workforce for the Design-Build Contractor's team?**
A18. No.

Q19. **On Page 3 of the RFP, can you elaborate on the "water level measurement instrumentation" requirements? Is the District seeking a simple staff gauge installed in each constructed basin cell? Or possibly, a basin stilling well with water level measurement sensor (e.g. "down-looker" sensor, underwater pressure transducer, Stephens recorder etc.)? Or even more robust, a data logger and SCADA-ready telemetry unit for remote access to the water level measurement data?**

A19. The District is seeking both the installation of staff gauges in constructed basins for visible confirmation of water level, as well as remote water level instrumentation that measures and transmits the data.

Q20. **Does the Design-Build Contractor's scope of work include geotechnical materials testing such as compaction testing and concrete cylinder compressive strength testing during construction? Or will a third-party firm be retained by the District?**

A20. The requirement for geotechnical material testing will be required if the design engineer determines it is necessary. No third-party firm has been retained by the District.

Q21. **Does the Design-Build Contractor's scope of work include certified payroll and labor compliance reporting during construction? Or will a third-party firm be retained by the District?**

A21. Yes, certified payroll and compliance reporting is part of the Design-Build scope.

Q22. **Does the Design-Build Contractor's scope of work include geotechnical materials testing such as compaction testing and concrete cylinder compressive strength testing during construction? Or will a third-party firm be retained by the District?**

A22. The requirement for geotechnical material testing will be required if the design engineer determines it is necessary. No third-party firm has been retained by the District.

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Specification No. 26-05 - Los Gatos Recharge Basin - Phase 1 - Design Build

Mandatory Pre-bid Conference - Sign-in Sheet

Thursday, October 15, 2026

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