



ADDENDUM No. 1

Mowing and Trimming Project – August 5, 2025

MACON, GEORGIA

DATE: December 19, 2025

To: All Bidders

This addendum forms a part of the Contract Documents and modifies the original Specifications and Contract Documents as noted below. Acknowledge receipt of this addendum in the space provided on the Bid Form. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the bidder.

SUMMARY OF PRE-BID CONFERENCE CLARIFICATIONS, QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Attached to this Addendum is the Sign-In Sheet from the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025. Clarifications and responses to Questions from the conference are presented as follows:

- 1) **QUESTION:** What is the frequency of mowing required for this contract? Is it on a 14-day calendar?
RESPONSE: There is no set frequency requirement. Mowing will be conducted as required to maintain the standard throughout the contract time.

- 2) **QUESTION:** The contract has an automatic renewal component. Does MWA have the right to terminate the renewal of contract? Is the contract amount the same for all 3 years? Does the contractor have the right to terminate the renewal of the contract? Is the Bond annual or for 3 years?
RESPONSE: Either Party can terminate the automatic renewal per Article 3.3 of Section 00500. If the contract is renewed, the contract amount will increase by 4% with each renewal up to three years. The Bid Bond will only be required for the initial bid. The Performance and Payment Bonds will need to be renewed annually for each automatic renewal of the contract.

- 3) **QUESTION:** Will the contractor be allowed to use herbicide for this work? Is there a possibility for herbicide applications to be conducted by the contractor.
RESPONSE: No. There is a separate contractor that handles herbicide applications at the three facilities.

- 4) **QUESTION:** Will leaf blowing be required?
RESPONSE: Yes.

- 5) **QUESTION:** What are the contract documents?
RESPONSE: The contract documents are the forms, sections, and specifications that comprise the contract which will be executed by the awarded contractor. The required purchase of the contract documents secures your company's place on the Plan Holder's List and makes your company eligible to submit a bid.
- 6) **QUESTION:** How often will the contractor be paid? Monthly, quarterly, etc.?
RESPONSE: Monthly.
- 7) **QUESTION:** Can the contractor receive the first payment up front to cover costs associated with prep work?
RESPONSE: No.
- 8) **QUESTION:** The hours say sunrise to sunset, what exactly does this mean?
RESPONSE: This means legal sunrise to sunset which varies throughout the year.
- 9) **QUESTION:** Are there accessibility requirements/restrictions for the plants?
RESPONSE: Yes, access is restricted at each facility. Gate access and logistics are to be coordinated by the contractor with MWA staff per Article 1.015 of Section 04000.
- 10) **QUESTION:** Is there pruning or shrub work involved?
RESPONSE: No.
- 11) **QUESTION:** What if there are fallen trees or large limbs on the ground in the mowing area.
RESPONSE: The contractor is responsible for picking up litter and small debris as part of the pre-mowing inspection, but larger debris in the mowing area is to be reported to MWA Facilities & Fleet Staff upon discovery. See Article 1.05(A) of Section 04000.
- 12) **QUESTION:** Lower Poplar seems like a low-lying facility that is prone to flooding. Is there any leniency on the grass standards when the ground is too wet to mow?
RESPONSE: If the contractor feels it is too wet to mow without making a mess they are to consult with MWA F&F staff per Article 1.07 of Section 04000.
- 13) **QUESTION:** What if we get to a site and find that hogs have rooted up part of the mowing area?
RESPONSE: This is to be reported to MWA Facilities & Fleet Staff upon discovery.
- 14) **QUESTION:** Can equipment be left on site overnight?
RESPONSE: Yes, upon approval of MWA Facilities & Fleet Staff.
- 15) **QUESTION:** What type of equipment can we use for this work?
RESPONSE: The Contractor may use the machinery and methods as they think best to achieve the Standards. No bush hogging (aggressive clearing), only finish mowing (manicured, lawn-like appearance).



16) QUESTION: Do we need to weedeat the riprap?

RESPONSE: No. There is a separate contractor that sprays the riprap, but you will need to mow/weedeat up to the spray line.

17) QUESTION: Do we need to cut the grass that grows in cracks in the sidewalk, roads, parking lots, and against buildings?

RESPONSE: Yes. However, at Lower Poplar and Rocky Creek, all cracks in roads, curbs and gutters, buildings, clarifiers, and all structures throughout the plants are being sprayed. Crack weeds are not being sprayed at Amerson WTP.

18) QUESTION: Do we need to mow/weedeat the curbing along the road? What about the top of the curb?

RESPONSE: Yes, the grass growing in the curb needs to be cut. You will also need to weedeat the grass enough to expose the top of the curb. Edging is not required.

19) QUESTION: When will the contract start?

RESPONSE: The commencement date will be determined at the Pre-Bid meeting with the awarded contractor.

20) QUESTION: Do we need to mow behind the fence at RCWRF?

RESPONSE: Yes, to the woodline per the mowing area shown in the Exhibits.

21) QUESTION: Do we need to mow the drying beds at the WRF's?

RESPONSE: No, just around them.

SPECIFICATIONS & CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Attachment(s):

Sign In Sheet from Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference

Agenda from the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference

REQUIRED CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT:

Acknowledge receipt of this addendum by return e-mail and as required on the Bid form *"Section 00300-4" of the contract documents.

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1

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MWA Pre-Bid Conference: 537 Hemlock St., Engineering Training Room

Mowing and Trimming Project

December 16, 2025 10:00 am EST

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**Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference
Mowing and Trimming Project for
the
Macon Water Authority
Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 10:00 A.M.**

***** PLEASE SIGN-IN *****

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Bid Date/Time:** 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 6, 2025 - at the Macon Water Authority Engineering Training Room, 537 Hemlock Street, Macon, GA 31201.
2. **Cut Off Date for Pre-Bid Questions:** Questions pertaining to the bid must be submitted in writing prior to 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, December 23, 2025.
3. **Addenda Deadline for Current Bid Date:** December 31, 2025
4. **Contacts:**
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5. **Review of Project Scope:**
 - A. The Project consists of mowing and trimming within the mowing limits at three locations in a safe, effective, and timely manner, as stated in the Specifications contained in the contract documents.
 - B. The contract time will be twelve (12) consecutive months, which will be automatically renewed for successive 12-month periods up to three (3) years unless earlier terminated as provided for in the contract.

- C. The Exhibits included in the contract provide location Maps, including approximate acreage to be mowed for each mowing cycle.
- D. All Work described above shall be performed as shown in the Plan Documents and as specified. All work shall be done by those skilled in the type of work involved.
- E. The frequency of mowing will generally be two times per month, on a fourteen-day calendar cycle for each property location; and it is the responsibility of the Contractor to carry out mowing from throughout the contract time to maintain the required standard.
- F. Grass cutting and trimming may be done between sunrise and sunset on Monday through Friday. No work will be allowed on weekends or holidays on which a holiday falls on a Monday or Friday. Also, no mowing may be performed on an MWA observed Holiday, which falls on any other day of a business week, unless it has prior approval by the Facilities and Fleet Manager.
- G. Pre-Mowing and Post-Mowing Inspections are to be conducted per the contract documents.
- H. The Contractor may use the machinery and methods as they think best to achieve the Standards required by The Macon Water Authority (MWA)
- I. Ride-on machinery will be acceptable but pedestrian-operated machinery will also be required in some areas and will be essential in smaller areas. Use trimmers in locations where mowers cannot reach vegetations.
- J. Machines must be of an appropriate type, well maintained, correctly adjusted, and set to the heights specified herein to give a clean even cut without causing damage.
- K. Mowing will take place over all areas of grass up to paving, curb, fencing, walls and other boundaries or obstacles.
- L. Machine maintenance, servicing and storage must be accomplished as stated in the contract documents.
- M. The Contactor will complete the mowing, trimming etc. of one area before moving onto the next area. Wherever possible mowing work shall be conducted systematically from area to area. Refer to Section 1.05.B

for the Post-Mowing Inspection requirement which must be completed before leaving a site.

- N. The Contractor shall provide adequate safety training and personal protective equipment to all personnel assigned to the mowing operations.

6. Coordination of Work/Special Conditions:

- A. This project has a completion time of three hundred and sixty five (365) consecutive calendar days from and including said date specified in the written order of the Engineer. Liquidated damages of \$25.00/day apply to each day beyond the 365-day schedule.

7. Bid Form

- A. The Total Bid Amount (Base Bid) will include Items 1a – 3a on the Bid Form.
- B. Interested Bidders are encouraged to walk the proposed locations and obtain any measurements they wish during today's site visits. To help facilitate timely visits to each location, MWA is providing its van for transportation and will return everyone back to this location. As information, several of the locations have restricted access requiring an employee entrance card.

8. Bid Package Requirements (Section 00100-3 Instructions to Bidders, if applicable to the bidder)

- a. The Bid;
- b. The Bid Bond;
- c. Statement of Bidder's Qualifications;
- d. Statement of Equipment;
- e. Corporate Certificate, if the Bidder is a corporation;
- f. Statement of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("DBE") compliance;
- g. Contractor's License Certification;
- h. Photocopy of State of Georgia Utility Contractor's License;

- i. Photocopy of Certificate of Authority from Georgia Secretary of State's Office to do work in Georgia (if out of state contractor);
- j. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder;
- k. Any and all forms, certifications or other documentation required by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division.

9. **Contract Documents Reminder:** Bidders must purchase the Contract Documents in order to be placed on the Plan Holder's List for eligibility to submit a bid. See Section 00020 – Invitation to Bid for details.

10. **Attachments:**

- A. Location Maps

11. **Upcoming Addenda Items:**

- A. Addendum 1 – Notes, Questions & Sign-in Sheet from Pre-Bid Conference.
- B. Project clarifications as received.

Questions: