

CITY OF WOONSOCKET, RI
INVITATION TO BID #6115
PURCHASE OF GRAVEL & SAND – CASS PARK
ADDENDUM NO. 1
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED

1. What happens if the contractor deems the material is not as claimed to be of the quality stated in the bid invitation, is the contractor obliged to purchase the full amount that he bid on?

Answer: No.

2. What if the contractor cannot get a payment bond? Is he disqualified?

Answer: Yes, the bond is a requirement to bid.

3. What if the contractor, for example, bids on 50,000 cubic yards and decides he wants to stop purchasing after 25,000 cubic yards? Will the town attach and go after the company's payment Bond?

Answer: No, the contractor will only be required to pay for what he receives.

4. What if the contractor bids on 50,000 cubic yards and decides they want to purchase a larger quantity?

Answer: The city will consider any offer and decide based on availability of material.

5. What if the contractor does not haul all the gravel stated in his bid within the 8-12 month window? Is that contractor in default?

Answer: No, but the city will reserve the right to offer the remaining material to other parties.

6. Who determines what is good bank gravel and what is common borrow? They are two very basic words - that lead to various opinions! Will you be using RIDOT Standards? Is the bank gravel RIDOT Table 1 Column 14 labeled Bank run, Processed Sand/Gravel meeting all sieves with less than 10% on the #200 sieve analysis in table? As stated in table I Common Borrow section M.01.01 that RIDOT allows max 0-77% on the #200 sieve. * Therefore, if in any of these two categories the bank run gravel and the common borrow do not meet the RIDOT criteria will the City release the contractor in writing of their remaining obligations to purchase balance of the material without penalty?

Answer: The city will work with the contractor to agree on the classification of the material. The contractor is welcome to sample and test any material. The city will release the contractor of any obligation if the quality of the material does not meet an acceptable standard.