

## **Pre-Bid Meeting Summary**

Wednesday March 19 2025 – 10:00 AM ET

Project Name: AML Site 2363, Thousand Island

Project Number: E008-367 DEL2415208357

The information contained in this summary is intended to correct any composition errors and serve to eliminate any misunderstanding of the basic plans and specifications the same as being originally incorporated therein.

### **1. Attendees:**

Name	Title	Organization
Brandy Gibson	AML Operations Coordinator	DNR
Travis Dunn	AML Project Coordinator	DNR
Brian Lanning	AML Project Manager	DNR
Caleb Williams	AML Project Engineer	DNR
Tim Elliott	AML Project Manager	DNR
Greg Ubelhor	AML Project Manager	DNR

### **2. Bid/Contract Information**

- a. The plans and specifications are available at [DNR: Engineering: DNR Projects Bidding Information](https://www.in.gov/dnr/engineering/bidding/). ([www.in.gov/dnr/engineering/bidding/](https://www.in.gov/dnr/engineering/bidding/)).
- b. The bids are due in Indianapolis, as described in the NTB.
- c. The **bid opening is scheduled for Thursday April 3, 2025, at 3:00 PM. Bids will be publicly opened online in a Microsoft Teams event. The link to the live opening is provided in the NTB. Bids must be received by 2:31 PM. Submit bids using instructions included in the NTB.**
- d. This project has an estimate of over \$150,000; **pre-qualification by Public Works in 1799.04 Mine Reclamation is required.**
- e. Pre-Qualification questions can be made to Tracy Cross with the Department of Administration, Public Works Division, at (317)232-3255.
- f. The contract will be funded by utilizing federal AML grant reimbursement funds.
- g. Base bid quantities are identified in the specifications. The Schedule of Supplemental Unit Price Sheet must be submitted with the bid.
- h. The **2024 AML Standard Specifications** are located on the AML Construction page: <https://www.in.gov/dnr/reclamation/abandoned-mines/aml-contractors-and-bidding/>.

- i. A contract and purchase order **may** be in place withing **6-8 weeks from the bid date (late May/early June)**.
- j. The contractor must schedule a pre-construction meeting with the Division of Reclamation within 10 calendar days of the date on the notification to proceed prior to starting construction.
- k. The **Construction Period end date is June 26, 2026**.
- l. **Tree Removal: Our recent Section 7 concurrence letters all dictate trees should be removed during the inactive season of October 1- March 31.**
- m. There is a **penalty assessment for late completion** at a rate of **\$500 per calendar day**.
- n. The **contractor is to include a \$50,000 remediation allowance** in the base bid for owner directed charges. There will be a line item on the schedule of values.
- o. Minority and Women Business goals have been established and are identified in the NTB.
- p. AVS Checks will be performed on the low bidder to ensure no negative history in the federal mine database (bond forfeitures and outstanding violations).
- q. The contractor must comply with the Davis Bacon Act. Certified payroll should be submitted weekly to the operations coordinator, Brandy Gibson, at [cgibson@dnr.in.gov](mailto:cgibson@dnr.in.gov).
- r. Contractor must comply with Build America Buy America
- s. Contractors **will be required to** report on the number of current or former employees of the coal mine industry that are working on this project.

### 3. **Brief Project Description**

The work consists of eliminating 1,120 linear feet of dangerous highwall by regrading approximately 32 acres of mine spoil, replacing approximately 2.5 acres of surface water, improving drainage, improving maintenance, enhancing wildlife, fishing, and recreational opportunities.

### 4. **General Information**

- a. Please contact the Greene County Highway Department regarding road bond. Greene County Highway Superintendent is Roger Hamilton. He can be contacted at (812) 659-2045.
- b. AML has collected water level data, and water samples. The information will be provided if needed.

### 5. **Engineer's Comments**

- The site was surfaced mined in late 30's early 40's and underground mined in the early 1900's, the underground portion occurred on the northeast portion of the site and is noted on sheets 2 and 3.
  - DNR Reclamation has addressed seepage problems within the creek that runs along the east side of the grading limits.
- Site is accessible through two entrances which allows for the pit to be accessed from the east and west.

- The pit is around 18' deep, the remaining water south and east of the pit is shallow and around 4-6' deep.
- To dewater the grading limits, it is recommended that 2 temporary dams built with existing soil be utilized.
- Need to control sedimentation during dewatering, use of a turbidity curtain has been noted on sheet 3.
- Existing outlet and north slopes of pit may need riprap to protect against future scour, noted on sheet 3.
- Fish and Wildlife has requested an archery range, the dimensions and slopes are noted on sheet 6.
- Ditch C has a gravel mix lining as noted on sheet 7, detail 2.

## 6. **Project Manager Notes**

- Provide for sanitary conditions that are accessible to everyone on site
- All trash will be cleaned up as construction progresses- No burying trash on site
- Dust control measures will be required as conditions necessitate- Several houses are close to site.
- The spillway between the upper and lower pit is going to need rock placed on the North slope to prevent further scouring.

## 7. **Questions & Answers**

- Q. Are the seeps from the underground mine entering the pit from the east expected to impact dewatering of this project?
- A. Normal groundwater leakage into the work area is expected. Direct connection to the work area is expected to be limited by the planned temporary dam.
- Q. How deep is the lake?
- A. Approximately 4-18 feet deep
- Q. How much muck will be encountered while dewatering?
- A. We cannot anticipate the amount of much that will be encountered while dewatering.
- Q. Do the old works tie into this project?
- A. Yes, but the temporary dam should prevent any water quality issues from affecting this project.
- Q. The plans indicate 250 LFT of turbidity curtain. Is the turbidity curtain required or merely recommended?
- A. The turbidity curtain is required to prevent sediment from traveling from the project area into the public fishing and boating area.

## **8. Comments**

- C. Slurry was covered in the late 90's. Project should not be affected by it.
- C. The parking lot and the boat ramp should remain open while the project is being completed.
- C. December 15-February 15 the area will be closed because it is a waterfowl resting area. Contractors will have access during this time.
- C. After the project is completed, the road should be in the condition it was in prior to construction.

## **9. Addendum Items**

N/A

## **10. Additional Information**

Questions after the pre-bid meeting will be received via email at [cgibson@dnr.in.gov](mailto:cgibson@dnr.in.gov) by the close of business on Tuesday, March 25, 2025.

Any Clarification points will be provided on the [DNR: Engineering: DNR Projects Bidding Information](#) page no later than the close of business on Friday, March 28, 2025.

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