



PRE-BID Q&A
Contract NWI RDA-BE-2026-01
Demolition and Site Restoration -
Parcels 45-08-03-355-005, 45-08-03-335-003 & 45-08-04-282-001

Q1: Can water currently accumulated in the basements of the 810 Massachusetts and 813 Broadway Buildings be pumped out into the existing sewer systems? Has the water been tested for asbestos?

A1: Accumulated water at these locations has not been tested but is assumed to contain asbestos. Accumulated water must be treated prior to discharge into the sewer system or transported and disposed of at a wastewater treatment facility. Refer to ADDENDUM 001 for details.

Q2: Can you please confirm that the building located to the south of 813 Broadway, that is to remain, has an independent foundation system / basement wall and will not be impacted when backfilling the basement to the north?

A2: No record drawings are available to confirm the existing foundation system(s) at this location. However, the structure in question was constructed later than and separately from 813 Broadway; thus, it is presumed that independent basement walls exist.

Q3: Can you please confirm who owns the building located to the south of 813 Broadway? Will we be allowed to install roof protection and / or scaffolding on this roof during the demolition efforts?

A3: The building is owned by the City of Gary Redevelopment Commission. Installation of roof protection and/or scaffolding is permitted.

Q4: Will we need to repair the stamped concrete (see attached pic) surrounding the existing pedestrian bridge piers following the removal efforts?

A4: Saw cutting of the existing sidewalk will be required to facilitate pier removal. Placement of 4-inch concrete sidewalk (unstamped) will also be required following removal. Refer to ADDENDUM 001 for details.

Q5: What is the contractor's responsibility in regards to maintaining (watering, mowing, etc.) of grass seed following the initial installation efforts?

A5: The Contractor is not responsible for watering, mowing, or ongoing maintenance. If watering is deemed necessary, it will be directed by the Engineer via Change Order and paid for separately. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring establishment of acceptable restorative growth by adhering to INDOT Standard Specifications Section 621 and in accordance with the Project Log. Refer to ADDENDUM 001 for additional details.

Q6: The specs ask for a plan on the subcontractor usage of MBE and WBE firms? Is there a form that you would like us to fill out, or should we just come up with our own form for submittal that shows the percentage of MBE/WBE usage?

A6: A MBE/WBE Subcontractor Certification form will be provided and must be submitted with the bid. Refer to ADDENDUM 001 for details.

Q7: Can the brick/block and/or concrete be crushed and utilized as backfill?

A7: All painted and/or stained concrete, brick, and block material is considered contaminated and shall be disposed of at a facility permitted to accept such materials. Clean concrete, brick, and block material may be recycled and used as backfill, provided that it meets the requirements of B Borrow in accordance with INDOT Standard Specification Section 904.06. The Contractor must provide sieve analysis and organic material testing results to the Engineer to obtain approval for the use of recycled material. See ADDENDUM 001 for details.

Q8: Are you requiring roofing to be abated prior to demolition, or can roofing go as demolition debris?

A8: Roofing material is not required to be abated prior to demolition. However, all asbestos containing roofing material must be segregated during demolition and handled and disposed of as asbestos waste.

Q9: Are you requiring caulking to be abated prior to demolition, or caulking can go with demolition debris?

A9: All accessible asbestos containing caulking material must be abated prior to demolition. If asbestos containing caulking material is present in inaccessible areas, the associated demolition debris must be segregated and handled and disposed of as asbestos waste.