

Welcome to the July edition of *The Procurement Pipeline*, a monthly newsletter designed to provide updates on doing business with the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA).

Procurement Tip of the Month: Attending Pre-Bid/Proposal Meetings for GLWA Solicitations and Submitting Questions in Bonfire

When deciding to submit a response to a GLWA solicitation, Procurement encourages all interested vendors to attend the Pre-Bid or Pre-Proposal meeting for that solicitation for several reasons.

- ✓ Vendors can learn more about the project from the GLWA Project Manager as well as better gauge if it is a fit for their business.
- ✓ Vendors can learn about other vendors who are interested in submitting a response. Prime vendors who are seeking qualified subcontractors, or smaller businesses who seek to partner with a larger firm, may discover “matchmaking” opportunities. An attendance list for all Pre-Bid/Proposal meetings is always published as an addendum in Bonfire.
- ✓ For any solicitation that qualifies for GLWA’s Business Inclusion and Diversity (B.I.D.) Program, a Procurement representative will review the B.I.D. Program requirements and answer any questions vendors may have.

In addition to Pre-Bid/Proposal meetings, each GLWA solicitation also has a “Question and Answer Period.” During this period, vendors may submit questions they have related to the project by the deadline noted in the Bonfire project page. These questions are then answered in an addendum which ensures that all vendors receive the same information, and that the solicitation process remains fair and transparent for all participating.

To learn more about any upcoming Pre-Bid/Proposal meetings, or to submit a question regarding a GLWA solicitation, please visit GLWA’s [Bonfire Procurement Portal](#). Any further questions on these topics may be directed to the GLWA Buyer of Record associated with the solicitation.

Bonfire (“Euna Solutions”) Name Change

Vendors may have received notice recently from Bonfire announcing a rebranding and name change to “Euna Solutions.” While communications from Bonfire will now be sent from the email domain @eunasolutions.com, GLWA wanted to assure the Vendor Community that no additional changes are expected and that the Bonfire Procurement Portal will continue to operate as usual.

GLWA’s Vendor Outreach Event

GLWA is excited to announce that we will be hosting a Vendor Outreach Event on September 25, 2023. This event will be held in-person at Laurel Manor in Livonia, Michigan. Stay tuned for additional information and registration details in future editions of the *Pipeline* newsletter.

Virtual Vendor Introduction Meetings

If you are interested in learning more about doing business with GLWA, contact us at GLWAVendorOutreach@glwater.org to schedule a virtual vendor introduction meeting. Topics include information on submitting a competitive bid or proposal to any GLWA solicitation.

Keeping up with GLWA

Our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Monthly Report provides a wealth of information and news about important initiatives within GLWA’s service territory that impact GLWA, its member partners, and the public. To read the June 2023 Monthly Report, please [click here](#).

What’s Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Register in GLWA’s [Bonfire Procurement Portal](#) for new solicitations and contract award information.

Upcoming Procurements: Next Three to Nine Months—See newsletter page 2.

Visit GLWA online!

To see the GLWA Vendor homepage, please visit www.glwater.org or contact us via email at procurement@glwater.org.

Upcoming Solicitations July 2023

Category	CIP #	Description/Project Title	Budget Estimate
Water System (next four to nine months)			
Construction	122004	96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation- Phase III	\$90,000,000.00
Construction- Pre-Purchase	122004	96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation- Phase III- Pre-Purchase Pipe	\$2,300,000.00
Construction- Pre-Purchase	122004	96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation- Phase III- Pre-Purchase Valves	\$3,000,000.00
Construction	122016	Downriver Transmission Main Loop- Phase I	\$20,700,000.00
Wastewater Systems (next four to nine months)			
Construction	260510	CSO Outfall Rehabilitation Phase VI	\$15,000,000
Construction	211005.2	WRRF Pump Station 2 VFD Replacements	\$12,000,000
Construction	211007	Pump Station No. 2 Bar Racks Replacement and Grit Collection System Improvements	\$96,000,000
Water System (next three months)			
N/A			
Wastewater (next three months)			
Construction	260211	Emergency and Urgent Sewer Repair II	\$6,000,000
Construction	232002	Freud & Connor Creek Pump Station Improvements	\$125,000,000
Design-Bid-Build	261001	WRRF Rehabilitation of Secondary Clarifiers	\$6,000,000
Information Technology (next three months)			
Professional Services	N/A	800MHz Radio Assessment and Solution Implementation	\$3,500,000
Projects moved to Procurement Team (Preparing for solicitation on Bonfire)			
Professional Services	O&M	CSO Facility Accusonic Meter Maintenance	\$3,000,000
Professional Services	O&M	Overhead Door Preventative Maintenance and Repairs	\$892,000
Professional Services	O&M	Snow Removal and De-icing Services	\$2,158106
Professional Services	O&M	Water and Wastewater Services Charges Consultant	\$300,000

Vendors should continue to monitor [Bonfire](#) for solicitation updates.

Acronyms		
WRRF: Water Resource Recovery Facility	CSO: Combined Sewer Overflow	WTP: Water Treatment Plant