

Pawlet STP BP22(16) Design RFQ Addendum 1

Response to Questions

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- 1) If the grant application is available I would appreciate a copy. From my brief research, I understand VHB's and F&O's proposals were rejected by the Town. I'd like to see construction, mpm, design engineer, and construction engineer costs in the grant to determine if the grant values are inline with today's costs.

Response: The grant application is not shared during the procurement phase. That said, the Pawlet STP BP20(12) Scoping Study does include a detailed project cost estimate for this phase of Pawlet's pedestrian improvements, which served as the basis for their grant application. The Town is sensitive to the fact that today's costs may not align with the scoping estimate.

- 2) If the STP BP20(12) scoping study is available, I would appreciate a copy.

Response: The RFQ has a hyperlink to the study – see III. Project Description.

- 3) The project would be adding load to the existing bridge; was this discussed in the study?

Response: Yes, the State-owned bridge number 73 is discussed in the study. The Town is willing to entertain alternatives that meet the project purpose and need.

- 4) The project is within a class II state highway. Has VTrans (District) been consulted on the proposed improvements?

Response: VTrans, including District 1, were consulted when developing the study. No additional consultation with VTrans District 1 has occurred since completion of the scoping phase.

- 5) Is it possible to share the fees proposed previously by VHB and Fuss & O'Neill?

Response: No, we are not able to share the proposals, including fees, submitted previously under the At-the-Ready procurement process.