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Sealed bids for the Transportation and Transfer of Liquid Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge between the periods of November 1, 2023, to October 31, 2026, will be received by mail to the Office of the Town Administrator, 48 High Street, P.O. Box 609 Warren, MA 01083 until October 24, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time. Proposals must be made upon forms included herein. Proposals must be delivered in a sealed envelope plainly marked for the appropriate bids.

The Proposal Form, Specifications, and Contract Documents may be obtained electronically by emailing Tammy Martin at accountant@warren-ma.gov.

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Bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30.

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The Town reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, to waive irregularities and/or informalities in any Proposal, and to make an award in any manner, consistent with law, deemed in the best interest of the Town.

Town of Warren Board of Sewer Commissioners 10/5, 10/12/2023

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) MECHANICAL SURFACE AERATORS AND APPURTENANCES PROCUREMENT PROJECT 2B – GILBERTVILLE WPCF UPGRADES PROJECT TOWN OF HARDWICK, MA

The Town of Hardwick is requesting proposals from qualified equipment Vendors to furnish Mechanical Surface Aerators and Appurtenances, to be incorporated in the planned Project 2B – Gilbertville WPCF Upgrades Project. A Request for Proposals (RFP) describing the Vendor's scope of supply, qualifications, and other requirements will be available on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. Proposals will be accepted at the Hardwick Town Hall, office of the Town Administrator, no later than 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031. The Proposals will not be opened publicly.

This RFP is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30B § 6 for the procurement of goods and services.

Respondents shall submit separate proposals for the technical and cost elements as described in the RFP. Following the submittal of proposals, technical proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria stated in the RFP by the person(s) designated by the Town to perform such evaluation(s). Once proposals are evaluated, the evaluations shall be submitted to the Town, who shall open price proposals and award an agreement, if at all, to the responsive and responsible Vendor whose proposal is deemed the most advantageous, taking into consideration price and the evaluation criteria included in the RFP. The Town reserves the right and fully intends to assign any agreement awarded under this RFP pertaining to the Vendor who will furnish the Mechanical Surface Aerators and Appurtenances for the Project 2B – Gilbertville WPCF Upgrades Project under Contract with the Town.

The successful Vendor shall furnish the equipment and services necessary to meet the requirements of the RFP. Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and

Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All listed iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials. The de minimis and minor components waiver apply to this contract.

Copies of the RFP may be obtained by emailing DPC Engineering, LLC, at bidding@dpcengineering.com. RFP packages will be emailed to vendor upon request. Addenda will be emailed to registered plan holders.

The Town reserves the right to reject any or all submittals and to only award a contract if it is in the best interest of the public to do so. 10/12/2023

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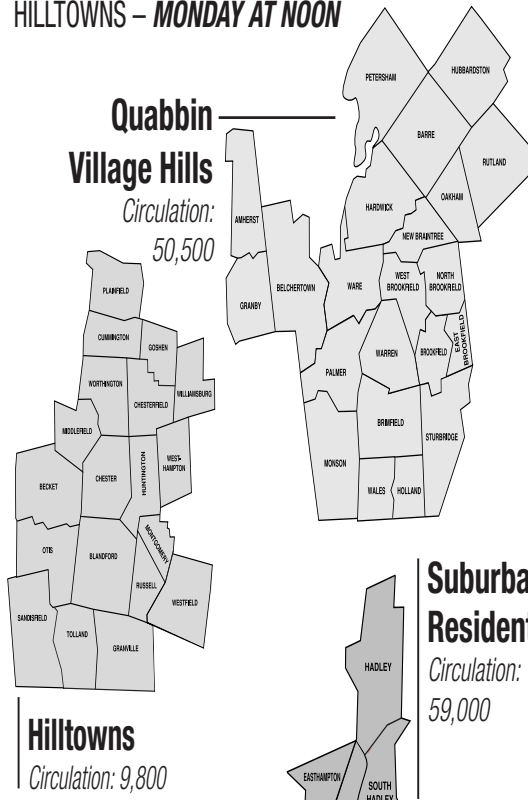
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) ULTRAVIOLET DISINFECTION SYSTEM AND APPURTENANCES PROCUREMENT PROJECT 2B – GILBERTVILLE WPCF UPGRADES PROJECT TOWN OF HARDWICK, MA

The Town of Hardwick is requesting proposals from qualified equipment Vendors to furnish an Ultraviolet Disinfection System and Appurtenances, to be incorporated in the planned Project 2B – Gilbertville WPCF Upgrades Project. A Request for Proposals (RFP) describing the Vendor's scope of supply, qualifications, and other requirements will be available on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. Proposals will be accepted at the Hardwick Town Hall, office of the Town Administrator, no later than 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031. The Proposals will not be opened publicly.

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10/12/2023

The Town of Warren Request for Proposals (RFP)

The Wright's Mill Master Recovery Plan

The Town of Warren, MA is soliciting proposals by licensed professionals for its Wright's Mill Master Recovery Plan. The Town is a recent recipient of a U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration grant from the Federal Government for the Town of Warren's Wrights Mill Master Recovery Plan. This will center around the execution of a needs assessment for establishing the best opportunities for job creation, business attraction, and historic preservation through the redevelopment of the 600,000 square foot mill site. The Master Plan will allow for government agencies and private partners to methodically calculate and manage risk of infrastructure modernization including roads, bridges, water, broadband, and power. In addition, the scope of work consists of the completed development of the Wright's Mill Master Recovery Plan. Project must be completed no later than Monday, December 23, 2024.

The Proposal form, specifications, and contract documents may be obtained electronically by emailing Tammy Martin at: accountant@warren-ma.gov or on the town's website at www.warren-ma.gov.

Proposals shall be submitted to the Office of the Town Administrator, Jim Ferrera, 48 High Street, P.O. Box 609, Warren, MA 01083 **on or before 1:00PM, Tuesday, October 31, 2023.** Proposals will be accepted until that date and time.

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“I was grateful for my care at Baystate and knew I'd need an organization to work closely with to make this dream a reality, so I aligned myself with Baystate to begin the Rays of Hope. The rest is history,” she said about the original walk which attracted 500 people and has now grown to over 20,000 participants.

“As we kick off Rays of Hope's 30th anniversary, we reflect on those who have helped us get to this moment,” said Kathy Tobin, director of annual giving and events for Baystate Health Foundation. “We may not have a cure for breast cancer yet, but we have made lifesaving breakthroughs in treatment and the research continues. Importantly, we have a big extended family of support here in western Massachusetts.”

Once again, the Ray of Hope

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across the commonwealth over the past 15 years.

“Really, in the northeast, nobody really wants a landfill,” he said. Materials are then shipped out of state, to the west or down south.

Stage 1 and 2

Currently, site hours are limited to Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. If approved, the modification would increase the weekday hours until 6 p.m.; with weekend hours staying the same.

In Stage 1, rail service would also increase from two visits a day, to three. In Stage 2, the rail service would require modification to provide railcar storage, allowing the rail service to reduce to one visit per day.

A 9,000 square foot building expansion is also included in Stage 2.

Site history

Expert witness Steven Wright, vice president of Sanborn Head, a Profession Engineer with over 30 years of experience in solid waste design, permitting and construction projects, gave a history of the ownership and use of the East Street site.

Wright said the first site assignment was to ABC & D Recycling from 2006-2004, before being transferred to Tri-County Recycling from 2014-2019. Since 2019, the site has been assigned to ReSource Waste Services of Ware.

He said the majority of C&D materials that come into ReSource Waste Services of Ware come in two types; residuals and fines. Residuals are three inches in size or greater and fines are three inches or less.

Wright said unprocessed materials make up for the rest

of the C & D stream, but only account for 1,500-1,900 loads a year.

“ReSource is trying to reduce the unprocessed, but it does come in,” Wright said. “It usually has a lot of wood in it.”

Wright said the East Street site was originally designed for processing, shifting primarily to “kick-sorting” when Tri-County Recycling took over. Kick-sorting is the process of getting recyclable materials out of stream.

Much of the processing equipment used for kick-sorting has been removed from the site.

“We essentially operate as a C & D transfer station,” Wright said of ReSource Waste Services of Ware. Materials are then transported from the East Street site to Ohio and Virginia.

Approximately 90% of C & D material received at the East Street site is from other ReSource Waste facilities and the rest from third parties. Farese said eventually they will move away from accepting material from third parties, with the exception of the town of Ware.

He said the amount of third party material the site takes in has already reduced each year of operation.

Traffic

O'Regan asked where large trucks would park while waiting to be weighed in at the facility. Wright said standing time on the scale was less than one minute, and trucks wouldn't be waiting.

“There is no queuing happening with semitrailers,” he said.

Wright said there are about 1,000 feet more of queuing lanes after the scales, within the site.

Farese said with the increase in C & D tonnage and hours of operation would average about four-to-five trucks entering and leaving an hour.

He said each truck takes 20 minutes to unload, and the facility could handle four at a time in Stage 2.

An expert traffic witness said at 750 tons a day, they estimate about 60 trucks a day, or 120 trips. At 1,400 tons a day, 89 trucks carrying 15.7 tons each would equal 178 total truck trips.

Peak hours of truck traffic are 7:30-8:30 a.m. and 3:45-4:45 p.m. based on data collected by ReSource Waste Services.

Grinding

Grinding of bricks, asphalt, concrete and wood are not a core business of ReSource Waste Services of Ware, Wright said, although they occurred more regularly with ABC & D Recycling and Tri-County Recycling.

Farese said they don't get a lot of this type of material, with most of it being loaded in a truck and sent to a facility in Barre for processing.

Farese said at most, they crush or grind material two-to-three times a year on site.

Street sweepings

Wright said street sweeping materials, while primarily sand, are considered solid waste and will be transferred from ReSource Waste Services of Ware to a landfill.

Farese said accepting street sweepings is more of a courtesy to the communities it serves, rather than a service.

Bulky waste

Farese said ReSource Waste Services of Ware will provide two bulky waste days per year to residents, accepting large items such as couches and other household items.

Misting system

Wright said the facility has an atomizing misting system, that operates for about three seasons. He said the system doesn't operate in below freezing temperatures.

Farese said if it's too cold to operate the misting system and there's too much dust to operate safely, the facility is shut down for the day.

“It's really weather dependent,” Farese said.

Sound

A sound study was conducted in 2005, which included a baseline pre-construction noise survey at five locations near the property line of the site.

When the East Street site was operated by Rocoso Auto Parts, sound measurements were recorded between 51.6-55.9 decibels.

An expert sound witness said 50 decibels is equivalent to quiet speech at three feet away, or a dishwasher in the next room.

Recent sound measurements taken in 2023 show that sound levels produced by ReSource Waste Services of Ware are lower than the 2005 study.

With the site modification, backup alarms on trucks and equipment would be retrofitted with “white noise” or sonar alarms to reduce sound levels.

O'Regan expressed concern about noise from the facility, and how it affects nearby Grenville Park.

He described the noise as “intolerable,” and said, “the people of Ware should not have to endure it.”

Air quality

An expert air quality witness said there is dust, as well as emission from vehicles both on and off site. Dust is managed with misting and sweeping.

The witness said that ReSource Waste Services of Ware is in compliance with all air quality standards.

What's next

The Board of Health has until Nov. 10 to make a decision on the site modification proposal.

runners is only at the Lenox American Saw & Mfg. Co. lot in East Longmeadow at 301 Chestnut St. Parking information for walkers can be found at baystatehealth.org/raysofhope. Parking for walkers is at Lenox American Saw, East Longmeadow High School, and Blueberry Hill School and Longmeadow High School in Longmeadow. There will be lot attendants to assist participants.

Anyone who wants to support the Rays of Hope, but cannot participate on Oct. 22, or who is unvaccinated or immune-compromised, can fundraise and sign up online as a “virtual” participant walking or running anywhere on any day.

Also, walkers and runners can visit the Rays of Hope Shop for branded apparel, the Pink Hope Survivors Lounge, as well as a variety of breast health exhibitors. There will also be water stations and entertainment

along the walking routes and cheerleaders “cheering” everyone on to success.

In addition to presenting sponsor Gary Rome Hyundai, other major sponsors include Baystate Breast & Wellness Center, Baystate Breast Specialists, Radiology & Imaging Inc., Gilead Oncology, Golden Years Home Care Services, Kinsley, MGM Springfield, Pfizer, PeoplesBank, USA and Zasco Productions.

Also, all Baystate Health Foundation events are underwritten by Health New England. A listing of all sponsors can be found on the Rays of Hope website.

For more information about this year's Rays of Hope Walk and 8K Run, held rain or shine, call 413-794-8001 or visit baystatehealth.org/raysofhope.

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