

Rutland City TAP TA22(6) Design RFP Addendum 1
Response to Questions from Prospective Bidders

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1) Will soil testing for contamination (e.g., petroleum) be required as part of the scope of work?

Response: In accordance with Section 7.1 - Natural Resource Identification of the RFP, the consultant must describe any residual or hazardous wastes or contaminated soils present or impacted. This information is generally gained through scoping the project area utilizing the ANR Natural Resource Atlas. This information shall be part of the submittal to VTrans Environmental Section for acquisition of the NEPA Document.

Since the area in question is located within an Urban Background Soils Area, the VTrans Environmental Section will provide additional guidance concerning the removal and relocation of those soils.

If contaminated soils or groundwater are encountered during the course of construction, the Contractor will contact Andy Shively - Hazardous Material and Waste Coordinator of the Vermont Agency of Transportation to determine the appropriate course of action (i.e., removal, treatment, disposal, etc.).

2) The wording in the RFP seems strange to us. It says: "The compiled information must be displayed in an ArcView-compatible format. Display of typical sections and other engineering type drawings may be done with software other than ArcView."

Response: These two sentences apply to a scoping study-level base map, which is **not** required for this construction project. Base mapping for this construction project does not need to be created in an ArcView compatible format. The Task 2 requirements are somewhat redundant as they are accounted for in other areas of the RFP (i.e., Tasks 4, 5, 7). Task 2 is revised to remove this requirement as follows:

Task 2: Compile Base Map/Document Existing Conditions

Compile a base map using available mapping including VT Digital Orthophotos, digital parcel maps for the City (if available) and other natural resource-based GIS data available from the RPC or the Vermont Center for Geographic Information (VCGI). ~~The compiled information must be displayed in an ArcView-compatible format. Display of typical sections and other engineering type drawings may be done with software other than ArcView.~~ Existing conditions to be noted include the presence of existing pedestrian/bike facilities, roadway widths, subsurface drainage and any other items the consultant feels are appropriate. Additional items to be mapped may include natural resource constraints, utilities, historic and archaeological impacts, etc. Additionally, the consultant will collect traffic information such as the Average Daily Traffic, pedestrian and bicycle counts and available crash data. The consultant may elect to undertake a topographic survey to map roadway widths more accurately, location of existing buildings, drainage facilities and any other features that may be critical to the design of the project. Potential impacts to Railroads need to be taken into consideration at this time. Access to active rail lines for survey, engineering or environmental investigations or assessments require special permission and, in some cases, have additional flagging and insurance requirements.