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Project Information

State/Local Project Number	Project Name Berwick Creek at Labree Fish Passage Project (MP 0.459)	
Federal Aid Project Number	NEPA Category ☒ CE ☐ EA ☐ EIS	NEPA Clearance Date 8/31/2023
Region or Agency Lewis County Public Works		
Amount \$0.00	Full Oversight ☒ Yes ☐ No	

Public Interest Finding (PIF) Information

Select Type of PIF: 2-Week Advertisement ☒	Regulatory Reference 23 CFR 635.112
The following requirement can be found in the Local Agency Guidelines Chapter 46: Projects must be advertised a minimum of two weeks. Two week advertisement periods require approval from FHWA and must document justification of why a shorter advertisement period is necessary. Examples for requesting shorter advertising periods are as follows: Emergency correction of roadways or bridges, To meet the conditions of an environmental permit (fish windows), To meet the conditions of a Bureau of Reclamation Permit (Irrigation Canal), To complete project prior to a school district opening in the fall. In addition, the justification for the two week ad request should include the following: Will the shorter ad period limit the competition? Will the shorter ad period increase the overall cost of the project? Does the project include a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal and will it allow the subcontractors sufficient time to submit a bid to the proposal holders?	

Justification or Supporting Information

Goal Statement Lewis County Public Works is intending to utilize a two week advertisement period in an effort to meet the conditions of an environmental permit (WDFW's HPA) having an In-Water Work Window for a Fish Passage Project.
Description of Work Remove and Replace fish barrier culvert, and other related work. Lewis County Public Works is proposing to replace a 13-foot wide by 7-foot high by 23-foot long box culvert, that is only 33 percent passable to fish due to depth. The replacement structure will be a 19-foot wide by 10.5-ft high by 39-foot long precast concrete fish passage structure. Construction will also include the realignment of drainage ditches, placement of stream bed material, installation of large woody material, and the realignment of the channel approximately 13-ft upstream and 25-ft downstream. This PIF provides for a shortened Ad period (2-weeks) to allow for the production and delivery of a pre-cast concrete fish passage structure and installation of such with channel restoration within the In Water Work Window between August 1 - September 15.

Cost Effectiveness Determination

The scope and scale of Work on this project is typical to other Lewis County projects bid over the past several years. A shorter Ad duration should not impact the overall cost of the project. The project does have a 16% DBE COA goal. The shorter duration for Ad should not impact subcontractors sufficient time to submit bids to proposal holders. Lewis County Public Works will advertise the project in it's local newspaper of record, and will advertise in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce.

Schedule Issues

Current Ad Date is May 28th. A three week Ad duration places the bid opening on Thursday, June 19th which is a holiday. This results in a longer than three week Ad duration and the next earliest Bid Opening Date would be Tuesday, June 24th, and is not the typical bid opening day (Thursday) that the County historically schedules (Thursdays). A two week Ad will provide for a bid opening on June 12th (Thursday) and provide two additional weeks for Award and Execution, raising the opportunity to procure a precast concrete structure that will be delivered for installation within the permitted In Water Work Window.

Buy America Compliance

No Affect.

Environmental

WDFW HPA includes an In Water Work Window of August 1st - September 15th. All In Water Work, including dewatering, channel diversion, fish exclusion, excavation, culvert installation, backfill, channel regrade, stream bed installation must be complete by September 15th.

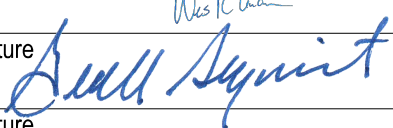
NEPA/SEPA Logical Termini and Independent Utility

The NEPA Terminus is from Mile Post 0.359 to Mile Post 0.559. No utility agreement is being established as a part of this PIF.

Conclusion

Lewis County Public Works is requesting to utilize a 2-week Advertisement Duration to deliver the subject lin project. This request is an effort to meet conditions of the WDFW HPA permit and to provide industry time to produce a precast concrete culvert within this same timeframe.

Approvals

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