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Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality

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To:	All plan holders	From:	Tracy Blocker, Division
Pages:	6	Phone:	515-344-6279
Re:	Cla953734C Nutrient Reduction Wetland (Bid 26-11)	Date:	October 22, 2026

Comments:

- Addendum **NONE** -
- Pre-Bid Meeting Minutes 2-5
- Updated plan holders list 6
- Electronic files for grading can be obtained by e-mail by contacting Jon Rosengren with Bolton & Menk at 515-425-4403 or jon.resengren@bolton-menk.com.

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CLA953734C COUNTY WETLAND PROJECT
CLA953734C - BID NO. 26-11
PREBID MEETING
October 7, 2026 - 10:30 AM
Bolton & Menk Office, 218 11th ST SW, Spencer
Microsoft Teams meeting: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/222552114302613?p=AfmTpHDTC68cP7S6uO
Meeting ID: 222 552 114 302 613 Passcode: wX2Ek7h3

Dial in by phone: +1 469-998-7627, 479949407#

Opening date and time: Tuesday, October 27, 2026, beginning at 3:00 PM

Tracy Blocker, Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality (Division) opened the meeting.

No contractors RSVP'd that they would attend in person, so the meeting was held entirely virtually.

A) Introductions

Brandon Short & Nathan Dose, Bolton & Menk
Sara Smith & Tracy Blocker, IA Dept. of Ag & Land Stewardship
Dean Gronemeyer, IA Drainage District Authority

- There are three projects being bid at this time:
  1. This one in Clay
  2. One in Carroll
  3. One in Emmett, which is a rebid

- This wetland project is funded as part of the Water Quality Initiative that is being used to help implement the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

Accessing the posting:

https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=DASIowa&tab=PHX_NAV_SourcingOpenForBid&tmstmp=1786368048168

- Keyword: Wetland, search
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B) Bidding

1. Time of Completion:

a) All work except for seeding: November 15, 2027
b) STRUCTURE seeding: 12/15/2027
c) BUFFER seeding: 12/15/2027
d) Note seedings must be done in the seeding window as specified in the Construction Specification IA-006 Seeding and Mulching for Protective Cover.

2. Liquidated Damages:

a) There are liquidated damages provisions in the contract, absent a No-Fault Extension.
b) All work except for seeding - damages **$175 per day**
c) Structure seeding - damages **$125 per day**
d) Buffer seeding - damages **$125 per day**

3. Taxes:

No sales tax for materials purchased

4. **Measurement and Payment:**
    a) Measuring & Calculating: The specifications describe the method to be used in measuring and calculating the payment quantities for each work item
    b) Payments will be made on the basis of monthly estimates from the engineer
    c) Mobilization will be paid as a percentage of the lump-sum bid amount, prorated based on the percentage of work completed.
    d) Materials stored on site; 97% of cost with invoice
    e) Payments will be made in amounts equal to ninety-seven percent (97%) of the value of work completed. (In most cases)

5. **Method of Bidding:**
    UNIT PRICE:
    a) This is a unit price contract
    b) Bidders shall submit unit price for each bid item covered by the specifications. Prices shall cover complete work and include all costs incidental thereto unless otherwise indicated.
    c) The base bid includes 26 engineer's line items. IMPACS will have 25.
    d) A separate Document CC Schedule of Prices WORKSHEET was provided
    e) Any questions that should be considered as part of an addendum must be submitted in writing by October 14, 2026 by 3:00 PM.
    f) The Division will make every attempt to issue any necessary addenda no later than the day after the last date for questions. If an addendum is sent, you must acknowledge that you received it on page 2 Document CC Proposal-Acknowledgement-Affidavit
    g) Scope of Work: If the Scope of Work changes, this will be addressed with an Amendment or Change Order

6. **Submission of Bids, Proposal-Acknolwedgment-Affidavit and Bid Security:**
    a) Bids must be submitted within IMPACS no later than 3:00 PM 10/27/2026

    b) Upload under Vendor Attahments
        1. Proposal-Acknolwedgment-Affidavit (Document CC pages 1-3) and must be signed by a legally authorized representative of the Bidder, notarized with stamp and Addedum acknowledged
        2. Bid Bond (Document EE, including POA)
        3. **One PDF file with all pages is preferred**
        4. Certified checks must be delivered to IDALS 3 hours in advance of the opening.

    c) If forms are not accurately completed, this shall prevent the reading of that Bidder's bid.

    d) Multiple bids: If you submit bids for multiple projects but do not wish to accept all projects for which you are the apparent low bidder, you must notify Tracy Blocker by email at tracy.blocker@iowaagriculture.gov **at least 30 minutes prior to bid closing** and follow up with a phone call.

NOTE: If an addedum is issued after you enter susmbit your bid, IMPACS will withdraw your bid.

    e) All Water Resources wetland bids closing that day will be opened beginning at **3:00 PM**.

    f) To hear the bids read aloud dial in by phone +1 469-998-7627 code 910454647#

    g) Bids may NOT be mailed nor hand delivered.

7. Evaluation of bids and award of Construction Contract:

a) Nutrient Reduction Wetland Project shall be awarded to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder as determined by the Division.

b) In evaluating the bids:

1. alternates,
2. bid price,
3. experience,
4. contracts in default,
5. responsibility of the Bidder,
6. and similar factors in determining which bid it deems to be in the best interest of the Division for the project
7. Bid tabulations for this Nutrient Reduction Wetland Project will be prepared the week following the Bid Opening and distributed to all Bidders and plan holders

8. Bidder's Qualifications:

All Bidders shall meet the following qualifications:

1. Contractors are required to be registered with the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing (DIAL) (14 days)

2. Bidders shall submit a statement of Bidder's qualifications:
   a) including experience,
   b) contracts that are in default,
   c) available equipment,
   d) personnel,
   e) and financial ability to perform the work (Section 2 of Document BB)

9. Execution of Contract:

1. Within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of receipt of the Notice-of-Award, the party to whom the Project is awarded shall be required to:
   - ✓ execute the Contract;
   - ✓ obtain the appropriate insurance coverage and Performance/Payment Bond;
   - ✓ provide their Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing (DIAL)Public Registration Number;
   - ✓ and submit the Construction Progress Schedule (Document JJ)

   Failure of the Bidder to execute the Contract, the Division may, at its option, consider the Bidder in default, in which case the bid security accompanying the bid shall become the property of the Division.

3. The Division, within fourteen (14) days of receipt of an acceptable and properly executed
   a) Performance/Payment Bond,
   b) certification of acceptable insurance coverage,
   c) and properly executed Contract;

   shall sign the Contract and return to such party an executed copy of the Contract. Should the Division not execute the Contract within such period, the Contractor may, by submitting written notice, withdraw the signed Contract, effective upon receipt of the notice.

4. The Notice-to-Proceed shall be issued within five (5) days of the execution of the Contract by the Division, **provided that the Construction Progress Schedule has been accepted by the Division.**
   a) May not purchase materials until you receive a Notice to Proceed

b) Pre-construction meeting must be held no more than 7 days in advance of construction starting.

10. Questions and Addenda:

a) Any oral interpretations given shall be valid only if confirmed by written addendum. All interpretation requests should be addressed in writing and received no later than 3:00 PM October, 14 2026.

b) Questions concerning interpretation or intent of the Plans and Construction Specifications should be directed to:
Brandon Short with Bolton & Menk, brandon.short@bolton-menk.com
515-509-9296
and must copy
Tracy Blocker: tracy.Blocker@iowaagriculture.gov with the Division.

c) All other questions concerning the Contract Documents should be addressed to Tracy Blocker, Division: 515 344-6279 or tracy.blocker@iowaagriculture.gov.

The Division reserves the right to revise or amend the Contract Documents prior to the date set forth for receipt of bids. Such revisions and amendments, if any, shall be announced by an addendum or addenda to the Contract Documents.

- Copies of such addenda shall be furnished to all plan holders.
- Bidders are required to acknowledge receipt of any addenda by listing such addenda in the Proposal (Document CC).

C) Engineer's Discussion:

- There were no contractors that participated at the Pre-Bid meeting, either in person or via Teams.
- Prospective bidders should refer to the Bid-Book for information about the project, and how to submit a complete bid.

Division of Soil Conservation & Water Quality - Water Resources Bureau

as of

10/22/2026

Plan Holders List for Bid **26-10** **26-11** **26-12**

Project ID **Car833409A** **Cla953734C** **Emm1003114B**

Bid Opening **10/27/26 3:00PM**

	Name	Email	Company	Street Address	City	State	Zip code	Phone
26-11	**Cla953734C**							
	Aaron Crane	arcrane1250@gmail.com	Aaron Crane Construction LLC	1833 120th St	Manchester	IA	52057	563-920-1250
	Brice Blair	briceblair08@gmail.com	B & S Tiling and Excavation	3260 Fletcher Ave	Lake City	IA	51449	712.210.3049
	Jean Cornelius	bedrockconcrete@gmail.com	Bedrock Gravel & Concrete Produts					712-676-3752
	Mike Cramer	mike@centralseeding.com	Central Seeding					402-510-2157
	Lacey	quotes@coleexcavating.com	Cole Excavating, LLC					641.823.4700
	Rob Rasmussen	Robert.Rasmussen@coreandmain.com	Core & Main	2500 SE Enterprise Dr	Grimes	IA	50111	515.259.8056
	Adam Hammes	hammes.bulldozing@outlook.com	Hammes Bulldozing	16520 Hwy 92	Sigourney	IA	52591	641.660.1610
	John Healy	johnhealy@netins.net	Healy Excavating	3483 Perkins Avenue	Lakeview	IA	51450	712-830-9179
	Bruce Vonnahme	leroysoninc@gmail.com	Leroy and Sons, Inc.	405 Dunlap Street	Arcadia	IA	51430	712-790-9956
	Evan McCarty	mccartycustominc@gmail.com	McCarty Custom Inc.	1760 440th Street	Linn Grove	IA	51033	712-260-2773
	Jake Schulte	jacob.schulte@metalculverts.com	Metal Culverts, inc.					573-636-7312
	Douglas Schmidgall	douglas.schmidgall@oldcastle.com	Oldcastle Infrastructure	1601 E 39th St N	Sious Falls	SD	57104	320-391-6336
	Dale Reutzel	reutzeloffice@gmail.com	Reutzel Excavating	PO Box 42, 3008 120th Ave	Burt	IA	50522	515-924-3852
	Alice Wang	alice.wang@shunliusa.com	Shunli Steel USA Inc		Carlyle	IL		248-826-8591
		source1@mbi.build	Source 1 (Master Builders of Iowa Plan Room)					
	TORY SCHMIDT	TSCHMIDT@TJELECTRICANDCONTROLS.COM	TJ ELECTIRC & CONTROLS	200 4TH AVE NE	WEST BEND	IA	50597	515-341-4071
	Mike Vander Windt	mikevanderwindt@yahoo.com	Vander Windt & Sons, Inc.	31144 C12	Le Mars	IA	51031	712-548-8702