



Illinois Department of Transportation

2300 South Dirksen Parkway / Springfield, Illinois / 62764

November 9, 2022

SUBJECT Various Routes
Section DIST 8 WEED SPRAYING 2023-1
Various Counties
Contract No. 76R44
Item No. 55, November 18, 2022 Letting
Addendum A

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Attached is an addendum to the plans or proposal. This addendum involves revised and/or added material.

1. Revised page 4 of the Special Provisions.

Prime contractors must utilize the enclosed material when preparing their bid and must include any changes to the Schedule of Prices in their bid.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jack A. Elston'.

Jack A. Elston, P.E.
Bureau Chief, Design and Environment

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COMPLETION DATE

The Contractor for this project is advised that the construction activities for this improvement will be governed by a completion date of June 30, 2025, as specified in Article 108.05 of the Standard Specifications.

In the event that all work except as herein specified is not completed by the specified completion date, liquidated damages for each calendar day will be deducted based upon the total contract amount using the schedule in Article 108.09 of the Standard Specifications.

WEED CONTROL SPRAYING

This special provision covers the furnishing and application of herbicides and drift control/surfactant additives as a weed killer for weed control on highway medians, interchanges, shoulders, slopes, and other areas as shown on the plans, as directed by the Engineer, and as herein specified.

Spring Application

Spring application of HERBICIDE SPRAYING shall consist of applying "Method", "Milestone", "Escort", and a non-ionic surfactant such as "Liberate", or an approved equivalent of each component, at various locations as shown on the plans and according to the applicable rate outlined herein and as directed by the Engineer. All applications shall be applied with off-road and on-road equipment.

Performance of Work

The HERBICIDE SPRAYING materials shall be mixed with water plus the non-ionic surfactant, and the resulting mixture shall be uniformly applied to the roadside at such a rate that 1 acre will receive 5.0 ounces by weight of "Method", 5.0 ounces per volume of "Milestone", and 0.33 ounces by weight of "Escort", or equal amounts of approved equivalents of each component. The mixture shall be continuously agitated during spraying operations. The spray bar must be used for all normal conditions. The hand gun shall be used for spraying steep slope sections; around signs, posts, guardrails; and other inaccessible areas. On inaccessible areas where the material must be sprayed by walking with the hand gun, the guns shall have broad jet nozzles in order to ensure a high volume and uniform distribution. The weed spray applications shall be made during daylight hours only. The Contractor shall have the right to omit areas which he or she feels cannot be successfully sprayed without the possibility of seriously damaging vegetation on private property adjoining the highway. The Resident shall be informed in advance of any such areas that the Contractor may propose to omit in order that a mutual agreement may be reached regarding the reduction and/or substitution of such areas.

The Contractor shall stop all spray patterns when crossing any streams, ponds, or water body crossings or adjacent to the right of way.

Bid requirements

Each bidder shall submit with the returned bid proposal, a current specimen label and manufacturers specification sheet containing a statement of the ingredients, a Material Safety Data Sheet, and a USDA registration number for the material being bid on.