

Solicitation Number VA241-17-R-0304  
**RFI Submission LOG**  
Design Build Fisher House Infrastructure  
PROJECT NO. 402-CSI-589  
VA Medical Center Togus, ME

Question No.	Reference Section	Question	Government Response
1	01-00-00	As the steam demand for the new building is currently unknown a possible design we are considering is to connect our new 6 inch high pressure steam line to the campus steam system in building B203 before the existing Pressure Reducing Valve. Then run the new steam pipe in a new utility trench out to a new manhole located north of B 82 & B 83. Would this be an acceptable option?	Yes, acceptable option.
2	01-00-00	As the new finished floor level of the Fisher House is not available at this time is it safe to base our design on the new finished floor level to be equal to the elevation of the center of Pond road ? If not, please advise of a suitable benchmark / elevation for basis of design.	suitable elevation but must be verified by A/E during design phase.
3	01-00-00	If any utilities/structures are exposed, (such as a catch basin sticking out of the ground 2' to 3' awaiting the future building construction, is the contractor allowed to leave it exposed? What would be the protection measures required?	Exposed is okay.
4	01-00-00	Is the intent to have storm and sewer utilities flow via gravity?	yes.
5	01-00-00	Can a new sewer manhole be placed midline, between the drop off loop and the structure designated as the tie-in point?	Yes, but AE needs to review feasibility.
6	01-00-00	Will there be a roof drain connection? If so where (what side(s) of the bldg) should we accommodate that?	No.
7	01-00-00	Does storm water runoff require pre-treatment before entering the pond? If so is that part of this projects scope?	Yes, but AE needs to review feasibility.
8	01-00-00	Can a second storm discharge point be added to the pond if needed?	AE needs to determine during design.
9	01-00-00	Can the water be a single line to the building with separation of domestic and fire suppression occurring within the building? Or is two separate waterlines necessary	2 seperate.
10	01-00-00	Is a tapping sleeve allowed or does the line need to be shut down with a tee fitting installed?	Tapping allowed.
11	01-00-00	Is the transformer pad for the new building part of this project?	yes.

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12	01-00-00	During the excavation process if ledge is encountered how do we account, bill and get paid for this additional scope of work? Or at the time of bidding should we identify a sum of money as contingency in case ledge is encountered? If so will a revised bid sheet be issued?	Treat as unforeseen condition during construction phase.
13	01-00-00	Any local, state and federal permits required? Do we need to account for the application fees as part of our proposal?	No.
14	01-00-00	What is the size of the new building (GSF)?	Two floors of 9,500 each.
15	01-00-00	Is it your preference to replace the existing steam line from B203 up to and including the structure north of B1?	Yes.
16	01-00-00	Are there any special requirements/permits needed for cutting down and disposing of trees within the project construction limits?	No.
17	01-00-00	Please identify all approved bidders from Phase I who are allowed to bid on this project	Contracting to verify.
18	01-00-00	For what purpose will steam be utilized? Heating, cooking, domestic water heating?	Heating and Domestic HWR
19	01-00-00	Any commercial kitchen as part of the proposed building?	No.
20	01-00-00	Please confirm that the team shall have a surveyor prepare a topographical survey	Correct, confirmed.
21	01-00-00	Please Confirm the parameters ( # of borings/test pits) (Desired locations for building use) of the geotechnical investigation	Up to AE during design phase of project.
22	01-00-00	Water Installation requests isolation valves, how many are desired above and beyond the three stated (Domestic, Fire, Irrigation)?	Verify additional during design phase.
23	01-00-00	Looks like a new sewer manhole, is that contractor responsible for replacing SMH#7 at the shown Tie-In point?	Yes.