Northwest Regional Planning Commission VT 207 / Bushey Road / TH 37 Intersection Feasibility Study RFP

Received Questions and Answers

Q. Can the work sample mentioned in the Proposal Evaluation section of the RFP be attached as a separate PDF in our submission email?

A. Yes

Q. The scope of work items listed in the RFP do not specifically identify traffic analysis, however in the introductory Scope of Work section mentions traffic evaluations. Should the consultant plan to conduct traffic analysis of the intersection (i.e. level of service analysis)? If so, it is assumed that there is no existing turning movement count data available for the intersection; is that a correct assumption? Does NRPC think that there may be the need for the consultant to conduct a signal warrant analysis of the intersection?

A. The selected consultant should plan to conduct traffic analysis of the intersection. NRPC does not have any additional turning movement counts outside of the VTrans available data. If necessary, NRPC may be available to install an ATR on Bushey Road during the spring/summer of 2025. A signal warrant or stop sign warrant is anticipated using existing data.

Q. If a traffic analysis is desired as part of this project, the RFP references evaluating "probable volume increases where area growth and development are imminent". If the project includes traffic evaluations (see question 2), are there any planned developments that are expected to have traffic impacts that are significant enough to include in our evaluations? If so, what data will be available to the consultant in order to incorporate this into our evaluations?

A. Selected consultant will coordinate with the Town of Swanton to identify imminent planned development.

Q. Should the consultant assume that basemapping for project alternatives will consist of an orthophoto background, and assume that a topographic survey will not be included as part of this project?

A. No topographic survey is required.

Q. Does NRPC anticipate that a wetland specialist will conduct wetland delineations in the field as part of this project?

A. No

Q. For Scope of Work item f, Identify Right-of-Way Issues, does NRPC anticipate that this will include full right-of-way research, or is this effort expected to be limited to review of ROW as shown on the VT ANR Atlas to estimate ROW widths in order to estimate potential of ROW impacts of alternatives?

A. Limited desktop review of ROW as shown on the ANR Atlas and available VTrans data.

Q. For Scope of Work item h, Identify Natural and Cultural Resource Impacts and Permitting Requirements, does NRPC anticipate that this will include a Historic Resources Inventory, Archaeological Resource Assessment, and/or field delineation of wetlands?

A. Deliverable is not expected to include full Historic Resources Inventory, Archaeological Resource Assessment, and/or field delineation of wetlands.

Q. The RFP states that consultants may propose alternatives to the Scope of Work as outlined in the RFP. Does NRPC have a preference regarding area(s) listed in the Scope of Work that could potentially be excluded (examples: ROW research, wetland delineation, historic/archaeological reviews, topographic survey (see question 3), and/or other)?

A. NRPC does not have a preference. Answers to previous questions may provide additional clarification.

Q. Is there any flexibility in the project completion date?

A. Limited extensions may be considered.