

Addendum #1 – July 26, 2021

The following is intended to offer further clarifications to the RFP for the Town of Antigonish Request for Proposals – Engineering Design Services – Active Transportation (AT) Corridor Project.

Q1: What is the last day that the Town will be receiving questions and clarifications?

A1: *Monday, August 2, 2021.*

Q2: Has there been any geotechnical investigations completed along the proposed alignment or bridge approaches?

A2: *The Town has not completed geotechnical investigations along the proposed alignment and bridge approaches. Such work will be responsibility of the consultant.*

Q3: Has a topographical survey been completed along the proposed AT Corridor Route? Will the Town be providing survey information to the designer or will the survey form part of the scope of work?

A3: *Topographical work has not been specifically completed for this project and will be the responsibility of the consultants.*

Q4: The existing road right of way limits are not shown on the cross-section diagrams provided. Has legal/boundary survey work been conducted to confirm the exact location of the road right of ways along the AT Corridor alignment?

A4: *Legal/boundary work has not been completed for this specific project and will be the responsibility of the consultants.*

Q5: The proposed road cross sections appear to adjust the existing travel lane widths within several high traffic streets. Have traffic impact studies supporting those changes been completed or should these traffic studies be included in the scope of work?

A5: *Traffic impact studies have not been completed for this specific project and will be the responsibility of the consultants to complete.*

Q6: Are any of the streets owned or controlled by the Department of Transportation and Active Transit and if so, have they been consulted about the proposed cross section changes? Will consultation with NSTAT form part of the consultant's scope?

A6: *The impacted streets are controlled by the Town, but the bridge crossing at Wright River is provincial responsibility. The Department was a partner to the AT feasibility study and is aware of the project. Any consultation with the province will not be within scope for the consultants.*

Q7: The cross sections in some instances appear to conflict with the existing location of overhead utility poles. Is it the intention to move the overhead utilities as part of the project? If so, will the Town be coordinating this effort with various utility owners or will that form part of the consultant's work?

A7: *The movement of the utility poles is expected to be part of the scope of the overall construction project, and the route shall be designed with that in mind.*

Q8: **If land negotiations are required with neighbouring private property owners, will this form part of the consultant's work, or will the Town be coordinating this effort?**

A8: *Where required, the Town will coordinate this aspect of the project.*

Q9: **There are two bridge structures noted on the AT Corridor alignment. Will submission of watercourse alteration applications to Nova Scotia Environment be required for these crossings, and if so, will the Town be making those applications, or should the consultant allow for this as part of the scope of work?**

A9: *The consultant should allow for this in their scope of work, as that will be their responsibility. Given that there is an existing bridge over the Wrights River initial plans included an AT bridge that connects in some fashion to the existing structure; assuming no further study would be required at that site the only area that will likely require additional study is the crossing over the Brierly Brook.*

Q10: **The scope of work described in the RFP appears to include design services only. Please confirm construction phase support for items like contract administration and construction inspection do not form part of the consultant's scope.**

A10: *The RFP is for design services only.*

[End of addendum]

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