



City of Tacoma

## Questions and Answers

### Ashford Parcel Commercial Thinning RFB Specification No. **PG23-0092F**

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Dawn DeJarlais, Senior Buyer by January 30, 2024. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at [www.TacomaPurchasing.org](http://www.TacomaPurchasing.org). Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities / Surplus Solicitations](#), and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

**Question 1:** There are two items that we are looking to get clarification on.

- 3. Compensation - states that Tacoma Power will pay Contractor in accordance with the rates set forth below.
- Question 3: States that the mill will be paying the harvest costs, and City will be paying for the hauling.

**Answer 1:** As noted on the bid page and specified in the scope of work, the mills will be paying for the harvest of dimensional lumber only. This will be accomplished by having the mill hold out the contractors bid price per thousand board feet and paying that directly to the contractor. The city will receive any balance per thousand board feet above the bid rate of the contractor. For all other items (road work, harvest of pulp lumber, and all trucking), those costs will be paid for directly by the city. This is also explained on the bid page. The contractor is to provide a bid price for all items, but then subtract out the price per thousand board feet for dimensional lumber since it will be paid by the mills.

**Question 2:** Can you please clarify who will be paying for the harvest?

- 3.2 Hauling - Payment for hauling per each ton delivered will be calculated using the bid factor formula.
- Item #3 on the bid form - Is asking for a per load rate.

**Answer 2:** The contractor will use the formula (hauling bid factor, etc.), and then provide a price per load rate based on the example trip to Tacoma (57 miles). This is only used as an example since the wood will go to various mills that have different travel distances depending on where they are located.



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**Question 3:** On the road rehab, I'm assuming you want all vegetation, trees, etc. cut out of ditch's etc. If its non-merch can the material be placed along the banks, or does it need to be yarded down to a landing area?

**Answer 3:** Yes, unless otherwise directed, we want to "daylight" the road corridor, and if the material are non-merchantable, it can be neatly placed outside of the road/ditch corridor. Those materials do not need to be delivered to a landing area.