**Questions and Responses for solicitation No. B27000606**
**Port Allen Small Boat Hrbr. Hurricane Lowell Demo Debris Removal**
**11/12/2026**

1. **When is the USACE Permit expected to be obtained in order to issue the Notice to Proceed (NTP)?**

Due to the emergency nature of the scope of work, a USACE permit will not be obtained prior to issuance of NTP and commencement of demolition and debris removal work.

2. **The sunken sailboat and other debris could contain hazardous materials (i.e. oil, fuel, etc...). What quantities should bidders plan regarding hazardous materials in bid pricing?**

Removal of the sunken sailboat is no longer part of this project scope of work. All sunken vessels in the harbor will be removed prior to beginning the project.

3. **Some debris may contain hazardous materials (i.e. sunken boat). Is contractor responsible for cleaning up and containing hazardous materials that may be released during removal, or will that be a change order? For example, fuel from the sunken boat during removal is released into the water. Is contractor required to contain and clean up within the fixed price bid provided?**

Removal of the sunken sailboat is no longer part of this project scope of work. All sunken vessels in the harbor will be removed prior to beginning the project.

4. **The Port Allen SBH Bathymetry Survey note #2 states "Remove all debris that is not labeled or identified found at a depth of 10' and shallower." Will debris discovered that is not identified be a change order and not part of the fixed price bid?**

Yes, the cost for removal and disposal of debris discovered at depths of 10' and shallower will be covered via a change order paid under Bid Item No. 4 Allowance.

5. **The Port Allen SBH Bathymetry Survey note #2 states "Remove all debris that is not labeled or identified found at a depth of 10' and shallower." Does the state expect the bidder to perform additional debris surveys, sonar scans, bathymetry survey or other efforts to identify additional debris not identified? If so, what is the State's expectation for a survey to be included in the fixed price bid?**

The contractor shall traverse through the harbor basin in a suitable vessel with some type of device or apparatus attached to the vessel that extends to a depth of 10' below water

level to determine if there is additional debris within the harbor at a depth of 10' and shallower.

6. **Please confirm if a hydrographic survey is required after removal of all in-water debris.**

No, an additional hydrographic survey is not required after removal of in-water debris.

7. **Note #2 on the Bathymetry Survey states: "Remove all debris that is not labeled or identified found at a depth of 10' and shallower". For bidding purposes, please provide an assumed quantity or a specified bid quantity for the removal of unidentified debris.**

See response to Question #4.

8. **Note #3 on the Bathymetry Survey states: "Debris located at 10' depth or deeper shall remain in place unless directed otherwise or shown on other documents in the solicitation." Debris at these depths is located at the harbor entrance and outside the harbor. Please identify the party authorized to direct the removal of debris at a depth of 10 feet or deeper. Please also confirm whether the costs of specialized equipment required for debris removal outside the harbor may be charged to the Additional Work Allowance Bid Item**

Removal of any debris outside of the harbor basin is not included in the scope of work for this solicitation.

9. **The Bathymetry Survey does not provide sufficient information to quantify debris tonnage or determine whether all debris qualifies as standard landfill waste. Because disposal rates differ for standard and special waste, please provide separate bid quantities, in tons, for each disposal category.**

Debris quantities are not available. The contractor shall perform a site visit prior to bidding to determine the type and quantity of landfill waste to be disposed.

10. **The available information does not establish the volume or weight of individual debris items. For bidding purposes, please confirm whether the Contractor may assume a maximum weight of 2,000 pounds (1 ton) per item. Items exceeding this weight would require appropriate floating equipment for removal. Please confirm whether the associated costs may be charged to the Additional Work Allowance Bid Item.**

See response to Question #9.

11. **The submerged sailboat and any other submerged vessels designated for removal are considered private property. Please confirm that the Contractor will be granted authorization to remove and dispose of these vessels.**

Removal of the sunken sailboat is no longer part of this project scope of work. All sunken vessels in the harbor will be removed prior to beginning the project.

12. **6) For bidding purposes, please confirm whether the Contractor may assume that submerged vessels designated for removal contain no fuel or oil requiring disposal. Please also confirm whether the costs of any additional measures required to prevent or contain fuel or oil spills, or to dispose of spilled fuel or oil, may be charged to the Additional Work Allowance Bid Item.**

Removal of the sunken sailboat is no longer part of this project scope of work. All sunken vessels in the harbor will be removed prior to beginning the project.

13. **Please confirm that the scope of work includes removal of the concrete sidewalk only and excludes demolition of the pier's concrete ramps and gangway abutments**

Correct. The pier concrete ramps and gangway abutments will remain in place.

14. **Please confirm that removal of delaminated asphalt is limited to the temporary debris stockpile area shown in red on the BMP Note Sheet.**

Correct.

15. **Please confirm that the scope of work is limited to the removal and disposal of delaminated asphalt and that no additional clearing and grubbing is required.**

Correct.

16. **Please consider extending the bid submission deadline to provide bidders sufficient time to incorporate responses to these clarification requests into their bids.**

The bid deadline has been extended to November 17, 2026.

17. **Displaced Armor Stones at depth of 10' or less to be relocated to Toe of Breakwater Structure. Please provide estimated elevation of Toe for the relocation of Armor Stones.**

Information not available.

18. **Please confirm that the quantity of displaced armor stones will limited to those identified on the Bathymetry Survey. Please confirm that any additional displaced**

**armor stones found during relocation process may be charged to the Additional Work account.**

Correct.

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19. Page S-1 requires the Contractor to demolish, remove, and dispose of sunken vessels identified in the Hydrographic Survey and attached photos, and the Overall Scope of Work states the work shall include, but not be limited to, removal of damaged piers, gangways, vessels, and other debris. The only vessel identified in the solicitation documents is the partially submerged sailboat shown on the Bathymetry and Debris Map. At the October 21, 2026 pre-bid meeting, DLNR stated that this sailboat has already been removed. Please confirm by addendum whether the sailboat remains part of the bid scope. If it is no longer present, please state the Contractor's obligation, including whether any remaining hull sections, rigging, mooring gear, or related debris at that location must still be removed. Please also confirm that no other vessels are included in the scope of work, and that any vessel the State later identifies for removal will be paid as extra work by change order. For any vessel that remains in scope, please confirm who is responsible for removing fuel, oil, batteries, and other hazardous materials, and that the State will resolve ownership, title, and derelict vessel procedures before Notice to Proceed.

See response to Question #3.

20. Map Note 2 requires removal of all unlabeled, unidentified debris found at 10 ft depth and shallower, while Bid Item 3 is lump sum and Note 12 states labeled debris was estimated from sonar imagery only. Please define the horizontal limits of this obligation (entire harbor basin, or only the 'In-Water & Shoreline-Adjacent Debris Removal Area' on the Stockpile Access Route exhibit), the datum for the 10 ft depth (MLLW per Map Note 1), and the smallest object size considered debris. Please also provide an estimated tonnage or volume of unlabeled debris, or state that quantities beyond a stated baseline will be paid from the Item 4 Allowance.

The horizontal limits of debris removal include the harbor basin up to the harbor entrance and debris within the ‘Temp. Debris Stockpile Area and Harbor Access’ shown on the ‘Port Allen SBH Temp Debris Stockpile Access Route Limited Access Areas’ document. No estimated debris quantities are available; see response to Question #9.

21. Please confirm that live water and sewage pumpout piping will be drained and isolated by the State before work starts, and identify the point of disconnection.

Correct. Disconnection point is at the pier abutment.

22. Please provide plan limits (square feet and thickness) of concrete sidewalk/revetment cap and delaminated asphalt to be removed, and state whether any surface restoration, patching, base course, or barricading of the exposed areas is required after removal.

See response to Question #9. No asphalt resurfacing, patching, base course, or barricading after debris removal included in the scope of work.

23. Photo 5 calls for removal of the Pier B electrical enclosure while Photo 6 states the Pier A enclosure is to remain. Please confirm each enclosure's disposition, confirm the State will de-energize and lock out all circuits before work, and state whether a licensed electrician (C-13) is required for conductor cut-and-cap work.

No change in electrical enclosure disposition. A licensed electrical contractor is not required to cut and cap conduits. All circuits will be de-energized before start of demolition/debris removal.

24. Please specify the corrosion-resistant paint system (product, number of coats, surface prep) required on cut steel, and confirm whether aluminum or stainless items also require coating. Please confirm the number of gangways and their approximate lengths and weights.

The contractor shall provide a submittal for the proposed type of corrosion resistant paint. Aluminum metals do not require corrosion resistant paint, only steel-based metals. The contractor’s site visit shall determine the areas where cutting protruding metals and corrosion resistant painting is required.

25. Please confirm the Kekaha Landfill (County of Kauai) has agreed to accept hurricane debris from this project, including wet marine debris, foam-filled floats, and concrete, and whether the County's construction & demolition, daily-volume, or hurricane-debris restrictions apply. Please confirm whether the State has a hurricane debris fee waiver or designated debris site, and whether recycling (metals, concrete) is permitted as 'appropriate disposal'.

The contractor is required to determine all means required to properly dispose of all demolition and debris material including which facilities will accept said materials. The State does not currently have a hurricane debris waiver. Recycling materials is permitted.

26. No hazardous materials survey is included. Please state whether the State has tested or will test for asbestos, lead paint, PCBs, creosote-treated timber, fuel/oil contamination, or other regulated materials in the structures and debris, and confirm that discovery of such materials will be handled by change order.

No hazardous materials, in terms of asbestos, lead paint, PCBs, creosote-treated lumber, fuel/oil or other regulated materials, have been encountered or tested. Handling of material considered hazardous materials will be covered under the bid allowance item (Item No. 4).

27. Bid Item 3 is lump sum, yet the solicitation provides no debris quantities and the Proposal refers to quantities subject to increase or decrease. Please provide the State's estimated debris tonnage/volume by type, and explain how the $200,000 Item 4 Allowance will be used and priced (e.g., unit rates, time-and-materials, force account per General Conditions 4.2), including for debris discovered beyond what is shown.

See response to Question #9. The Bid Item No. 4 allowance item is intended only to cover debris removal beyond what is shown in the bid solicitation documents. The cost for work completed under Bid Item No. 4 will be covered by either an agreed upon lump sum change order cost proposal or force account depending on the scope of work.

28. Please state whether the Contractor must perform pre- and post-removal hydrographic or diver surveys, and define the acceptance criteria for in-water debris removal (e.g., object size, tolerance, method of verification, who performs the final survey). Please also confirm what 'as-built drawings' are expected for a demolition-only project.

The contractor is not required to perform pre- and post- removal hydrographic or diver surveys. The state will perform a final inspection and sweep of the harbor to verify if the debris has been adequately removed. No as-built drawings are required.

29. Please provide the digital survey data (XYZ/DTM, sonar mosaic) and a table of coordinates (NAD83 SPC Zone 4, US ft) and approximate dimensions for each labeled debris target, since the plan sheet does not tabulate them.

This information is currently not available.

30. Please provide any record drawings of submerged utilities, water/sewer lines, power cables, moorings, and helical anchors in the work area, and identify structures to be protected (boat ramp, pumpout system, remaining piers, breakwater). Please confirm the Contractor is not responsible for pre-existing damage documented in a pre-construction condition survey.

As-built drawings for Piers A and B will be issued via addendum. In terms of structures to be protected, any structure not identified for removal shall be protected. Contractor is not responsible for pre-existing damage.

31. Please provide the status and expected issuance date of the USACE permit (or emergency/NWP authorization), and its anticipated conditions. Please confirm that the 60-day contract time will not begin until the permit is issued, and that permit conditions imposed after bid (e.g., monitoring, work windows, turbidity limits) will be handled by change order.

See response to Question #1.

32. Please confirm the State has obtained or does not require a DOH Section 401 Water Quality Certification, CZM consistency determination, NPDES coverage, or SHPD clearance, and whether the Contractor must prepare a site-specific BMP plan or Applicable Monitoring and Assessment Plan.

There is no 401 Water Quality Certification, CZM consistency determination, NPDES coverage, or SHPD clearance. The contractor does not need to prepare a site-specific BMP plan or Applicable Monitoring and Assessment Plan.

33. Proposal Item 2 refers to BMPs in the plans and specifications, but the only BMP requirement found is BMP Note 1 (filter socks and plastic sheeting at landside stockpiles). Please specify required in-water BMPs (silt/turbidity curtains, floating debris booms, spill kits) and whether turbidity monitoring and reporting is required.

No in-water BMPs are specified. Turbidity monitoring and reporting is not required.

34. Please state whether ESA/protected species measures (Hawaiian monk seal, green sea turtle, humpback whale season) apply, including trained observers, shutdown zones, or work windows, and whether a biological monitor is to be provided by the Contractor.

The contractor shall immediately stop all in-water work if any listed endangered species (e.g. monk seals, sea turtles, humpback whales) enter the harbor and work shall not resume until the endangered species has voluntarily left the harbor. A biological monitor is not required.

35. Please confirm whether diving operations must comply with USACE EM 385-1-1 Section 30 or OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart T only, and whether a dive plan submittal is required before in-water work.

Diving operations shall comply with whatever regulation covers cutting/detaching the cables/rope attached the floating pier helical anchors. A dive plan submittal is not required.

36. Please confirm whether C-13 (electrical) and any specialty demolition (C-24 is automatic for 'A') must be listed.

See response to Question #23. A specialty demolition contractor does not need to be listed.