

March 31, 2026

To: Interested Contractors

Re: Invitation to Bid

From: Terry Carcella

INVITATION TO BID

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Lake Rowena Dredging Project

The borough of Ebensburg is seeking bids from qualified Bidders to dredge Lake Rowena, which would include dredging of soil, organisms, and debris from the Lake in a manner that does not require dewatering. Hauling and disposal of dredged material to be used as clean fill to the disposal site located on Scanlon Hill Road, Washington Township, Lily, PA, which is approximately 11 miles from the project site. Removal, separation, and disposal of non-organic and organic woody debris encountered during operation at an approved off-site location. Maintaining all erosion and sedimentation pollution control measures, installed by others, at the approved specified disposal site. Interested parties should refer to the project specifications available electronically from the Ebensburg Borough for the project scope and requirements.

The Borough of Ebensburg will receive sealed Bids until 12:00 noon local prevailing time ~~Tuesday, April 24~~, April 27, 2026 at 300 West High Street, Ebensburg, PA 15931. Bidding Documents may be examined during normal office hours at the borough office, 300 West High Street, Ebensburg, PA 15931. (814) 472-8780, are available on-line at www.ebensburgpa.com. Proposals must be on forms provided by the Borough.

A (non-mandatory) pre-bid conference, including a site visit of the project area, will be conducted on Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 2:00 PM at Pavilion 2 located at Lake Rowena Ebensburg PA.

The project is a prevailing wage project, subject to the ~~Pa. Prevailing Wage Act~~, Bacon-Davis Wage Rates ~~which are included in the bid documents~~. The contract provisions, including prevailing wage requirements, apply to work performed on the contract by the contractor and sub-contractors.

Bid Security in the amount of 10% of the Bid must accompany the Bid. A performance bond in the amount of 100% of the contract will be required of the successful bidder. The Borough of Ebensburg reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject any and all Bids.

REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS FOR
Lake Rowena Dredging Project

BOROUGH OF EBENSBURG
300 WEST HIGH STREET
EBENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 15931

CONTACT PERSON:

Terry Carcella
Borough Manager
(814) 472-8780

I BID INFORMATION

- A. **Purpose**
This request for bid proposal provides interested contractors with information to enable them to prepare and submit bid proposals for the dredging of Lake Rowena. The Lake is located at 982 Rowena Drive, Ebensburg PA 15931.
- B. **Submission of Bid Proposals**
Sealed bid proposals will be received by Terry Carcella, Borough Manager, at his office located at 300 West High Street, Ebensburg, Pennsylvania 15931, until 12:00 Noon on ~~Tuesday April 21, 2026~~ Monday April 27, 2026. Bids will be opened at 12:00 Noon on ~~Tuesday April 21, 2026~~ Monday April 27, 2026 and considered for approval at the Council meeting on Monday April 27, 2026 at 6:30 PM.
- C. **Proposals**
To be considered, a vendor must submit a complete response to this request for bid proposal, and it must be submitted as directed. All bid proposal costs must be guaranteed for a period of sixty days (60) days from the date opened.
- D. **Rejection of Bid Proposals**
The Borough of Ebensburg, at its sole discretion, reserves the right, for any reason and at any time, to accept or reject any or all bid proposals, to waive any informalities and/or irregularities, to be the sole judge of equality or workmanship, to waive any minor specifications, to negotiate the terms and specifications for the project, to modify any part of the request, to issue a new request for bid proposal, and to award the contract in a manner which best serves the interests of the Borough of Ebensburg.
- E. **Payment of Contractor**
Payment shall be made as invoiced for completed work. Invoices shall be submitted no more frequently than every two weeks. Retainage of ten percent (10%) of the total project cost, as adjusted during the contract, shall be retained until project activities have concluded, the project has been inspected by the funding agencies, and final payment application and associated documentation has been approved.
- F. **Wage Classification**
This project is a PREVAILING WAGE contract, subject to the ~~Pa. Prevailing Wage Act~~ Bacon-Davis Wage Rates, ~~which are attached~~. The contract provisions, including prevailing wage requirements, apply to work performed on the contract by the contractor and the work performed on the contract by sub-contractors.
- G. **Prior Experience**
Bidders must have completed five contacts within the past five years in performing similar work, and have staff experienced in prevailing wage compliance. The Borough will verify such experience prior to bid award, and the lack of such experience will be cause for rejection of the bid.
- H. **Bid Bond**
The bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to Ebensburg Borough.
- I. **Performance Bond**

A performance bond in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder.

J. Pre-Bid Conference

A (non-mandatory) pre-bid conference, including a site visit of the project area, will be conducted on Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 2:00 PM at Pavilion #2 located at 982 Rowena Drive Ebensburg PA 15931. Attendees should meet at the project site. Though not mandatory, all bidders are encouraged to attend to ensure an understanding of the project scope.

K. Bidder Questions

The Borough will accept questions relative to the project until noon on ~~Friday, April 20~~ Tuesday April 21, 2026. Submit questions to ~~TCareella@ebensburgpa.com~~ makoenigsberg@gftinc.com. All questions received up until that time will then be posted on the website with all answers. Bidders are advised to check www.ebensburgpa.com on or after ~~Monday, April 20~~, Wednesday, April 22, 2026 for any further addendums.

II PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project details are described in the project plans and specifications.

III CALCULATION OF BIDS

Bids are to be submitted on the enclosed bid forms.

IV GENERAL PROJECT NOTES

1. Contractor must contact the Pennsylvania One-Call System at 800-242-1776 at least three days prior to construction. Contractor is responsible for contact and coordination with all utilities, and for any and all utility-related damages that might occur.
2. The Contractor is designated as the “Responsible Person in Charge of Construction” and the site supervisor, who is trained in safety and the work being performed, is responsible for construction site safety.
3. Contractor is responsible for restoring all disturbed property to conditions equal to or better than conditions prior to construction.

V PROJECT SCHEDULE

The contract will be awarded and signed after the bid is awarded. Work is not to begin until on or after September 8, 2026.

VI GENERAL

The work covered in this contract includes the material, equipment, and performance of all labor to complete the mobilization, dredging, desludging, dewatering, loading, hauling, disposal and erosion control of the dredged material as specified or directed by Ebensburg Borough.

All bidders shall be skilled in the class of work being bid. Bidders shall satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed work and by such other means as they may

prefer, as to the actual conditions and requirements of the work, to enable them to make up their bids intelligently and to advantage. Each bidder shall make himself familiar with all existing conditions before submitting his proposal, in order that no misunderstanding shall exist in regard to the nature and character of the work to be done. No allowance will be made for any claim that the bid was based upon incomplete information as to the nature and character of the site or the work involved.

VII INSURANCE

- A. The Contractor shall not commence work under this contract until he has obtained all insurance required and such insurance has been approved by the Borough, nor shall the Contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work on his contract until all similar insurance required of the subcontractors has been so obtained and approved.

- B. Insurance – The Contractor shall provide certificate of insurance for Workers' Compensation, as required by law, for all of his employees employed, and in case any work is sublet, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to provide Workers' Compensation for all of his employees.

The Contractor shall provide certificate of insurance for comprehensive general liability insurance which will protect Contractor in providing services under this Agreement from claims for damage or injury to persons, including wrongful death, and for damage to property which may arise from operations under this Agreement whether such operations be by Contractor or by the subcontractor of Contractor, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by either Contractor or subcontractor.

The Contractor shall provide coverages including, but not limited to, the following:

Insurance Limits Required

- 1. Comprehensive General Liability:
One Million (\$1,000,000) Dollars combined bodily injury and property damage, single limit liability insurance, or:
Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000) Dollars single limit with a One Million (\$1,000,000) Dollar excess policy.

- 2. Business Auto Liability:
One Million (\$1,000,000) Dollars combined bodily injury and property damage
Or:
One Million (\$1,000,000) combined single limit liability

- C. The Contractor shall name the Borough of Ebensburg and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as additional insured on all above specified policies with right of notice.
- D. Comprehensive liability insurance covering all owned and non-owned equipment and motor vehicles.

VIII LABOR AND EQUIPMENT

All labor and equipment of every kind necessary to carry out the provisions of these specifications shall be furnished by and at the expense of the Contractor.

IX HOLD HARMLESS

The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Borough of Ebensburg and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania against and from all suits or actions of every kind and description brought against the Borough

and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its Officers, agents, or employees, and also from damages and costs to which it, they, or any of them may be put by reason of injury to the person or property of any other, resulting from negligence or carelessness, or otherwise, in the performance of Contractor's obligations under the contract, or from any defective or improper appliances used in performance of the same.

**Borough of Ebensburg
2026 Lake Rowena Dredging Project
Response to Bid Request (Bid Form)**

Contractor _____

Address _____

_____ ZIP _____

Contact _____

Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____

E-mail _____

Project Cost:

a. Pay Item: Dredging and Hauling
Pay Unit: Cubic Yard \$ _____

b. Pay Item: ~~Hauling~~
~~Pay Unit: Cubic Yard~~ _____ \$ _____

c. Pay Item: Debris Removal and Disposal
Pay Unit: Ton \$ _____

d. Pay Item: Erosion and Sedimentation Control Maintenance
Pay Unit: Lump Sum \$ _____

e. Pay Item: Silt Barrier
Pay Unit: Linear Feet \$ _____

f. Pay Item: Mobilization/Demobilization
Pay Unit: Lump Sum \$ _____

g. Pay Item: Pre- and Post- Dredge Survey
Pay Unit: Lump Sum \$ _____

_____ I checked www.ebensburgpa.com on ~~Monday April 20~~, Wednesday April 22, 2026 or later for any subsequent addendums that may have been issued.

Authorized Signature