

**Fw: 2025 Corridor Imp - Marina Landscape- Request for information**

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**Subject:** Re: 2025 Corridor Imp - Marina Landscape- Request for information

Good afternoon,

Hope all is well.

Upon our detailed review after the recent addendum, we would like to address the additional concerns regarding the subject project which per our understanding will significantly affecting the project's cost. I would appreciate your considerations.

1/ Question #26/add#1 asked if the application of compost is 12" depth per sheet CD2 detail L-1 or 4 CY per 1,000 SF per sheet LS1, and the answer indicates that it is per sheet LS1, which is 4 CY/1,000 SF. Question #37 asked about the 12" compost per detail L-1/CD2 being applied for the project or not, and the answer is yes. However, this is a conflict with the answer to question #26, & we are quite not sure if there is an enough room for 12" compost or not since on sheet L-1 to L-14, the proposed planting areas will be backfilled with native soil to the top of the curb. Also, question #39 asked about compost ratio 4 CY/1,000 SF per sheet LS1 or 3 CY/1,000 SF per section 27.03D, and the answer is 3 CY per 1,000 SF, which has a conflict with the answer to question #26. Moreover, the new additional plans also show 3 more ratios for the compost (Section 2.3B.2 soil fracturing, 2.3B.3 trenching & 3.11; they are all shown on sheet IP-1). So, please clarify the ratio and the method of soil preparation that shall be applied for this project, so all the bidders can bid on these requirements equally. Detail L-1/CD-2, section 27.03D, note on sheet LS1 (now it is not shown in the new plans), 2.3B.2/IP-1, 2.3B.3/IP-1, or 3.11/IP-1. (3 bidders asked questions for the compost ratio, and the answers shown in 3 different ways. Now the new plans are added which show 3 more ratios. There is a huge difference between these ratios)

**Question #26:** Sheet CD2 detail L-1 soil modification note 2 states compost to be incorporated to depth of 12". But plan sheet LS1 gives compost rate of 4 cubic yards per 1,000 sqft incorporated into 6" depth of soil? Please confirm the contractor is to follow plan sheet LS1 and not detail L-1 for compost incorporation.

**Answer #26:** Contractor shall follow sheet LS1

**Question #37:** Refer to detail L-1 on sheet CD2; the city of Dinuba landscape design standards has a specification for soil modification that indicates that certified compost shall be installed to the depth of 12". Clarify if this 12" compost soil modification from the city standard design applies to this project or not.

**Answer #37:** Yes this applies to the project.

**Question #39:** Note 14 sheet LS1 shows that compost soil amendment at a rate of a minimum of four (4) cubic yards per 1,000 SF. However, section 27.03 D, paragraph 3, shows incorporation into the soil at a rate of three (3) cubic yards per 1,000 SF. Please clarify.

**Answer #39:** Please follow three (3) cubic yards per 1,000 SF.

B. Modified existing soil - compacted subsoil

1. Description of condition to be modified: Deep soil compaction the result of previous grading, filling and dynamic or static compaction forces. Original A horizon likely removed or buried. The soil organic matter, pH and chemistry in the A horizon is likely not suitable for the proposed plants and should be modified as required.
2. Soil Fracturing:
  - a. Step one: After grading and removing all plants and debris from the surface, spread 1 - 2 inches of Compost over the surface of the soil. Loosen the soil to depth of 18 - 24 inches, using a backhoe to dig into the soil through the Compost. Lift and then drop the loosened soil immediately back into the hole. The bucket then moves to the adjacent soil and repeats the process until the entire area indicated has been loosened.
  - b. Step 2: Spread 1-2 inches of Compost over the ripped area and till into the top 6 inches of the soil surface.
3. Trenching:
  - a. Step one: After grading and removing all plants and debris from the surface using a chain trenching machine, dig 24 inch deep trenches, 24 inches apart across the entire area. Maintain an 18-inch standoff from the edges of all curbs, paving and structures. Backfill the trenches with Compost.
  - b. Step 2: Spread 1-2 inches of Compost over the trenches area and till into the top 6 inches of the soil surface. Compost tilling treatment shall extend to the edges of curbs, paving and structures.
4. Following soil ripping or fracturing the average penetration resistance should be less than 250 psi to the depth of the ripping or fracturing.
5. Do not start planting into ripped or fractured soil until soil has been settled or leave grades sufficiently high to anticipate settlement of 10 - 15% of ripped soil depth.

### 3.11 INSTALLATION OF COMPOST TILL LAYER

- A. After Planting Soil Mixes are installed in planting bed areas and just prior to the installation of shrub or groundcover plantings, spread 1 - 2 inches of Compost over the beds and roto till into the top 4 - 6 inches of the Planting Soil. This step will raise grades slightly above the grades required in paragraph "Fine Grading". This specification anticipates that the raise in grade due to this tilling will settle within a few months after installation as Compost breaks down. Additional settlement as defined in paragraph "Planting Soil and Planting Soil Mix installation" must still be accounted for in the setting of final grades.

2/ Section 27.01 shows landscape maintenance is 90 days. However, the additional plans of section 32 9300/1.1.7/sheet IP3 indicate maintenance of all specified plants during the warranty period, and section 1.14 indicates a 1-year plant warranty. Please clarify the maintenance period for the project: 1 year or 90 days.

## 27.01 GENERAL

### A. SCOPE

1. The Landscape Contractor shall provide all materials, labor, and equipment to complete all landscape work as shown on the plans and specifications.
2. The Landscape work includes, but is not necessarily limited to the following:
  - a) Soil preparation and weed kill, including ripping of compacted soil to depth of 8".
  - b) Rough Finish Grade
  - c) Soil Prep 'Cultivation'
  - d) Eradicate existing turf and weeds
  - e) Fine grading, topsoil, and soil amendment.
  - f) Planting as per plans, details, and specifications.
  - g) Ninety (90) day maintenance.
3. All other requirements appear in the following sections: Part 1, Part 2, and Part 3.

**PART 1 GENERAL****1.1 SUMMARY**

A. The scope of work includes all labor, materials, appliances, tools, equipment, facilities, transportation and services necessary for, and incidental to performing all operations in connection with furnishing, delivery, and installation of plant (also known as "landscaping") complete as shown on the drawings and as specified herein.

B. The scope of work in this section includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Locate, purchase, deliver and install all specified plants.
2. Water all specified plants.
3. Mulch, fertilize, stake, and prune all specified plants.
4. Maintenance of all specified plants until the beginning of the warranty period.
5. Plant warranty.
6. Clean up and disposal of all excess and surplus material.
7. Maintenance of all specified plants during the warranty period.

**1.14 PLANT WARRANTY**

A. Plant Warranty:

1. The Contractor agrees to replace defective work and defective plants. The Owner's Representative shall make the final determination if plants meet these specifications or that plants are defective.

Plants warranty shall begin on the date of Substantial Completion Acceptance and continue for the following periods, classed by plant type:

- d. Trees - 1 Year(s).
- e. Shrubs - 1 Year(s).

3/ Please clarify the order of precedence for the newly added plans in addendum #1 and the special provisions for bidding purposes. (There are lots of conflicts b/w the technical spec shown in the plans and the one shown in the special provision. Also, the order of precedence does not include the addendums)

The order of precedence of documents which make up the Contract shall be as follows:

1. The Contract
2. Permits from other agencies as may be required by law
3. Special Provisions
4. Construction Plans
5. Technical Provisions of these Standard Specifications
6. Standard Drawings
7. General Provisions of these Standard Specifications
8. State (Caltrans) Standard Specifications

In case of conflict between the State Standard Specifications and these Specifications, Dinuba Standard Specifications shall take precedence over and be used in lieu of such conflicting portions in the State Standard Specifications.

Thank you,

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Good afternoon,

Please see our questions and concerns below regarding the subject project.

**1/** According to the planting and irrigation notes on sheets 53 & 57 and sheet LS1, note #19, the irrigation plans were designed in accordance with CA, AB 1881. However, the entirety of the irrigation plans and their details and legend are not provided in the bid document. Please clarify. Also, please extend the RFIs deadline after these documents issuance so in case of further questions the bidders can submit their RFIs.

**2/** Regarding the above question, if the contractors are responsible for providing the irrigation system by themself. Provide the following information:

- + Clarify the source of water source for the irrigation mainline connection. If a proposed water meter is required, please clarify which bid item is supposed to cover the related cost.
- + Provide a model number for the irrigation controller for bidding purposes and also clarify how many controllers are required for this project.
- + Section 25.03M indicates that booster pump unit shall be of the type and performance as specified on the construction drawing. please clarify if the pump is required for the project or not. If required, provide an assembly model number.

+Clarify the required size of the irrigation mainline.

**3/** Clarify the type of irrigation system: potable or reclaimed water?

**4/** According to the note #9, detail L-2 on sheet CD2, all planting areas shall be mulched with five (5") thick layers of 'Screened Orchard' mulch. However, note 3 and note 10 on sheet LS1 show that three (3) inches of shredded redwood bark organic mulch should be placed in all median islands. Please clarify.

**5/** Refer to detail L-1 on sheet CD2; the city of Dinuba landscape design standards has a specification for soil modification that indicates that certified compost shall be installed to the depth of 12". Clarify if this 12" compost soil modification from the city standard design applies to this project or not.

**6/** According to the project drawings, all median planters are built on an excavated existing roadway. Please clarify if imported soil will be needed to bring the planting soil to the final grade or not. If required, please provide an installation depth and clarify which bid item is supposed to cover the cost for bidding purposes.

**7/** Note 14 sheet LS1 shows that compost soil amendment at a rate of a minimum of four (4) cubic yards per 1,000 SF. However, section 27.03 D, paragraph 3, shows incorporation into the soil at a rate of three (3) cubic yards per 1,000 SF. Please clarify.

**8/** Per section 27.02, tree staking is lodgepole pine stakes. However, refer to detail L-2 on sheet CD2; it requires all trees to be staked with a 10' Reddy stake. Please clarify.

Thank you,

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