

**RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT**

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Pre-Bid Meeting Minutes

RC-801-B-26 Crane Creek Greenway

Thursday, May 28, 2026, 10:00 am Eastern Time

Via Microsoft Teams

- A. Introductions - Deramus Forrester, Contract Analyst; Shirley; Dr. Ali Eliadorani, Project Manager for Transportation; Wylondria Jefferson, Certification Compliance Specialist for Office of Small Business Opportunities; Timary Harris, Program Coordinator for the Office of Small Business Opportunities; Lasasha Breland, Assistant Director of the Office of Small Business Opportunity; Pamela Green, Director of the Office of Small Business Opportunity
- B. SIGN-IN Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid – All vendors at the meeting were encouraged to list their name and the company they represent in the group chat.
- C. Dates to Remember
 - i. Advertised – May 6, 2026, at 5:00 pm
 - ii. Non-mandatory Pre-bid Meeting – May 28, 2026, at 10:00 am
 - iii. Questions – June 4, 2026, at 2:00 pm - Submit via OpenGov Portal
 - iv. Closing Date, submission due – June 16, 2026, at 2 pm (unless changed by addendum)
- D. Project Documents
 - i. INTRODUCTION
 - ii. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
 - iii. GENERAL PROVISIONS
 - iv. GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS
 - v. SPECIAL CONDITIONS
 - vi. Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Requirements -Wylondria Jefferson, Certification Compliance Specialist for the Office of Small Business Opportunities, stated there is an SLBE goal of 8% for the project. The Office of Small Business Opportunities will monitor and track multiple variables throughout the project. Projects are subject to unscheduled site visits. The Office of Small Business Opportunity encourages all subcontractors to enter into written agreements for work performed for prime contractors.
 - vii. INSURANCE
 - viii. BOND REQUIREMENTS –
 - 1. A 5% bid bond is required. Electric Bid Bond – Can be submitted through either e-commerce clearinghouse, Surepath or Surety2000.
 - 2. Certified Checks *must be submitted to the Office of Procurement, located at 2020 Hampton Street, Suite 3064, prior to the advertised bid opening.
 - ix. COMPLETION OF WORK AND PROJECT CLOSEOUT
 - x. REQUIREMENTS - Scope of Work – Dr. Ali Eliadorani, Project Manager for the Transportation Department, gave an overview of the Project.

- xi. BID TABLE
 - xii. VENDOR QUESTIONNAIRE – Certifications, SLBE Participation Form, Good Faith Efforts, Subcontractor Participation Form, Bid Bond upload
 - ii. ATTACHMENTS & EXHIBITS - Closeout document and Project Manual
- E. Questions and Answers

All questions and comments will be addressed in writing in an addendum to be released after this meeting. Verbal Comments during the pre-bid meeting are not binding and shall not be considered unless included in the written addendum.



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Project #: RC-801-B-26	Project Name: Crane Creek Greenway		Date: 5/28/2026
			Time: 10 am
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Questions and Answers

1. Regarding the Crane Creek pedestrian bridge, would a steel tubular constructed pedestrian bridge be acceptable in lieu of an aluminum bridge?

Answer- The Crane Creek pedestrian bridge states an aluminum bridge or an approved equal.

2. Regarding the Smith Branch bridge which is a vehicular bridge, would a steel tubular bridge that meets the same loading specifications for heavy equipment and the same dimensions be acceptable as well?

Answer- The Smith Branch Bridge is designed as a concrete bridge, but an alternate design can be submitted as long as it meets the specifications.

3. Are the contractors required to have a bridge license, since the project covers a bridge scope?

Answer – Yes, contractors are require to have a bridge license to construct the bridge.