

TOWN OF BELVIDERE

BOG ROAD IMPROVEMENTS CULVERT 8-4 AT PERKINS BROOK

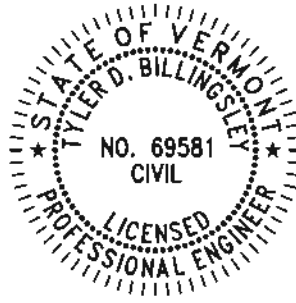
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
TOWN OF BELVIDERE
BOG ROAD AT PERKINS BROOK – CULVERT 8-4

General Notice

The **Town of Belvidere** (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

BOG ROAD AT PERKINS BROOK – CULVERT 8-4

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the **Town Municipal Offices** located at **3996 Vermont Route 109, Belvidere, VT 05442**, until **May 1, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The final decision on award will be completed by the Selectboard at a subsequent meeting.

The Project includes the following Work:

Removal of existing culvert, installation of concrete footers/stemwalls and a 15-ft span precast concrete rigid frame culvert with headwall/wingwalls, rock armor, roadway construction and associated work.

The Project has a contractual duration of **60** days to substantial completion (excluding structure procurement). The construction cost estimate range is \$350,000 to \$700,000.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

East Engineering, PLC
Richmond, Vermont

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine or purchase the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday, by appointment only. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

PDF sets of the Bidding Documents are available free of charge. Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying \$50 for each set (non-refundable).

Pre-bid Conference

A mandatory pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **April 17, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Project Site on Bog Road (44.747658, -72.639159)**. Bids will not be accepted from Bidders that do not attend the mandatory pre-bid conference.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: **Town of Belvidere**
Engineer: **East Engineering, PLC**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

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ARTICLE 1—BIDDING DOCUMENTS

- 1.01 Bidder shall obtain a complete set of Bidding Requirements and proposed Contract Documents (together, the Bidding Documents). See the Agreement for a list of the Contract Documents. It is Bidder's responsibility to determine that it is using a complete set of documents in the preparation of a Bid. Bidder assumes sole responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete documents, by Bidder itself or by its prospective Subcontractors and Suppliers.
- 1.02 Plan rooms (including construction information subscription services, and electronic and virtual plan rooms) may distribute the Bidding Documents, or make them available for examination. Owner is not responsible for omissions in Bidding Documents or other documents obtained from plan rooms, or for a Bidder's failure to obtain Addenda from a plan room.
- 1.03 *Electronic Documents*
- A. When the Bidding Requirements indicate that electronic (digital) copies of the Bidding Documents are available, such documents will be made available to the Bidders as Electronic Documents in the manner specified.
 - 1. Bidding Documents will be provided in Adobe PDF (Portable Document Format) (.pdf) that is readable by Adobe Acrobat Reader. It is the intent of the Engineer and Owner that such Electronic Documents are to be exactly representative of the paper copies of the documents.
 - B. Unless otherwise stated in the Bidding Documents, the Bidder may use and rely upon complete sets of Electronic Documents of the Bidding Documents. However, Bidder assumes all risks associated with differences arising from transmission/receipt of Electronic Documents versions of Bidding Documents and reproductions prepared from those versions and, further, assumes all risks, costs, and responsibility associated with use of the Electronic Documents versions to derive information that is not explicitly contained in printed paper versions of the documents, and for Bidder's reliance upon such derived information.
 - C. After the Contract is awarded, the Owner will provide or direct the Engineer to provide for the use of the Contractor documents that were developed by Engineer as part of the Project design process, as Electronic Documents in native file formats.
 - 1. Electronic Documents that are available in native file format include:
 - a. **AutoCAD Engineering Plans**
 - 2. Release of such documents will be solely for the convenience of the Contractor. No such document is a Contract Document.

ARTICLE 2—QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS

- 2.01 To demonstrate Bidder's qualifications to perform the Work, after submitting its Bid and within **10** days of Owner's request, Bidder may be required to submit the following information:
- A. Written evidence establishing its qualifications such as financial data, previous experience, and present commitments.
 - B. A written statement that Bidder is authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located, or a written certification that Bidder will obtain such authority prior to the Effective Date of the Contract.

- C. Bidder's state or other contractor license number, if applicable.
 - D. Subcontractor and Supplier qualification information.
 - E. Other required information regarding qualifications.
- 2.02 A Bidder's failure to submit required qualification information within the times indicated may disqualify Bidder from receiving an award of the Contract.
- 2.03 No requirement in this Article 2 to submit information will prejudice the right of Owner to seek additional pertinent information regarding Bidder's qualifications.

ARTICLE 3—PRE-BID CONFERENCE

- 3.01 A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the time/date/place indicated on the Bid Advertisement. Contractors who do not attend this mandatory meeting will not be considered.

ARTICLE 4—SITE AND OTHER AREAS; EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS; EXAMINATION OF SITE

4.01 *Site and Other Areas*

- A. The Site is identified in the Bidding Documents. By definition, the Site includes rights-of-way, easements, and other lands furnished by Owner for the use of the Contractor. Any additional lands required for temporary construction facilities, construction equipment, or storage of materials and equipment, and any access needed for such additional lands, are to be legally obtained and paid for by Contractor.

4.02 *Existing Site Conditions*

- A. *Subsurface and Physical Conditions; Hazardous Environmental Conditions*
 - 1. *Underground Facilities:* Underground Facilities are shown or indicated on the Drawings, as determined by the Owner, Engineer, and both private/public infrastructure owners.
 - 2. *Hazardous Environmental Conditions:* Unknown.

ARTICLE 5—INTERPRETATIONS AND ADDENDA

- 5.01 Owner may issue Addenda to clarify, correct, supplement, or change the Bidding Documents.
- 5.02 Bidder shall submit all questions about the meaning or intent of the Bidding Documents to Engineer in writing.
- 5.03 Interpretations or clarifications considered necessary by Engineer in response to such questions will be issued by Addenda delivered to all registered plan holders. Questions received less than seven days prior to the date/time for opening of Bids may not be answered.
- 5.04 Only responses set forth in an Addendum will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect. Responses to questions are not part of the Contract

Documents unless set forth in an Addendum that expressly modifies or supplements the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 6—BID SECURITY

- 6.01 Bid security of 5% of the total bid value is required. Bid Bond, Company Check, or Certified Check are acceptable. Personal checks will not be accepted.

ARTICLE 7—CONTRACT TIMES

- 7.01 The number of days within which, or the dates by which, the Work is to be (a) substantially completed and (b) ready for final payment are to be achieved, are set forth in the Agreement.
- 7.02 Provisions for liquidated damages, if any, for failure to timely attain Substantial Completion, or completion of the Work in readiness for final payment, are set forth in the Agreement.

ARTICLE 8—SUBSTITUTE AND “OR EQUAL” ITEMS

- 8.01 The Contract for the Work, as awarded, will be on the basis of materials and equipment specified or described in the Bidding Documents without consideration during the bidding and Contract award process of possible substitute or “or-equal” items. In cases in which the Contract allows the Contractor to request that Engineer authorize the use of a substitute or “or-equal” item of material or equipment, application for such acceptance may not be made to and will not be considered by Engineer until after the Effective Date of the Contract.
- 8.02 All prices that Bidder sets forth in its Bid will be based on the presumption that the Contractor will furnish the materials and equipment specified or described in the Bidding Documents, as supplemented by Addenda. Any assumptions regarding the possibility of post-Bid approvals of “or-equal” or substitution requests are made at Bidder’s sole risk.

ARTICLE 9—SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, AND OTHERS

- 9.01 The apparent Successful Bidder, and any other Bidder so requested, must submit to Owner a list of the Subcontractors or Suppliers proposed for the Work within five days after Bid opening.
- 9.02 If requested by Owner, such list must be accompanied by an experience statement with pertinent information regarding similar projects and other evidence of qualification for each such Subcontractor or Supplier. If Owner or Engineer, after due investigation, has reasonable objection to any proposed Subcontractor or Supplier, Owner may, before the Notice of Award is given, request apparent Successful Bidder to submit an acceptable substitute, in which case apparent Successful Bidder will submit a substitute, Bidder’s Bid price will be increased (or decreased) by the difference in cost occasioned by such substitution, and Owner may consider such price adjustment in evaluating Bids and making the Contract award.
- 9.03 If apparent Successful Bidder declines to make any such substitution, Owner may award the Contract to the next lowest Bidder that proposes to use acceptable Subcontractors and Suppliers. Declining to make requested substitutions will constitute grounds for forfeiture of the Bid security of any Bidder. Any Subcontractor or Supplier, so listed and against which Owner or Engineer makes no written objection prior to the giving of the Notice of Award will be deemed acceptable to Owner and Engineer subject to subsequent revocation of such acceptance.

ARTICLE 10—PREPARATION OF BID

10.01 The Bid Form is included with the Bidding Documents.

- A. All blanks on the Bid Form must be completed in ink and the Bid Form signed in ink. Erasures or alterations must be initialed in ink by the person signing the Bid Form. A Bid price must be indicated for each section, Bid item, alternate, adjustment unit price item, and unit price item listed therein.

10.02 All names must be printed in ink below the signatures.

10.03 The Bid must contain an acknowledgment of receipt of all Addenda, the numbers of which must be filled in on the Bid Form.

ARTICLE 11—BASIS OF BID

11.01 *Lump Sum*

- A. Bidders must submit a Bid on a lump sum basis as set forth in the Bid Form.

11.02 *Unit Price*

- A. Bidders must submit a Bid on a unit price basis for each item of Work listed in the unit price section of the Bid Form.
- B. The “Bid Price” (sometimes referred to as the extended price) for each unit price Bid item will be the product of the “Estimated Quantity”, which Owner or its representative has set forth in the Bid Form, for the item and the corresponding “Bid Unit Price” offered by the Bidder. The total of all unit price Bid items will be the sum of these “Bid Prices”; such total will be used by Owner for Bid comparison purposes.
- C. Discrepancies between the multiplication of units of Work and unit prices will be resolved in favor of the unit prices. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum.

ARTICLE 12—SUBMITTAL OF BID

12.01 A Bid must be received no later than the date and time prescribed and at the place indicated in the Advertisement or invitation to bid and must be enclosed in a plainly marked envelope with the Project title, and, if applicable, the designated portion of the Project for which the Bid is submitted, the name and address of Bidder, and must be accompanied by the Bid security and other required documents. If a Bid is sent by mail or other delivery system, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in a separate package plainly marked on the outside with the notation “BID ENCLOSED.” A mailed Bid must be addressed to the location designated in the Advertisement. It is the Contractor’s sole responsibility to ensure that the delivery was successfully received by the Owner prior to the date and time that bids are due.

- A. Bids may not be submitted any earlier than three days prior to the due date and time indicated.

12.02 Emailed bids are not acceptable.

- 12.03 Bids received after the date and time prescribed for the opening of bids, or not submitted at the correct location or in the designated manner, will not be accepted and will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

ARTICLE 13—MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BID

- 13.01 An unopened Bid may be withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed in the same manner that a Bid must be executed and delivered to the place where Bids are to be submitted prior to the date and time for the opening of Bids. Upon receipt of such notice, the unopened Bid will be returned to the Bidder.
- 13.02 If a Bidder wishes to modify its Bid prior to Bid opening, Bidder must withdraw its initial Bid in the manner specified in Paragraph 15.01 and submit a new Bid prior to the date and time for the opening of Bids.
- 13.03 If within 24 hours after Bids are opened any Bidder files a duly signed written notice with Owner and promptly thereafter demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of Owner that there was a material and substantial mistake in the preparation of its Bid, the Bidder may withdraw its Bid, and the Bid security will be returned. Thereafter, if the Work is rebid, the Bidder will be disqualified from further bidding on the Work.

ARTICLE 14—OPENING OF BIDS

- 14.01 Bids will be opened at the time and place indicated in the advertisement or invitation to bid and, unless obviously non-responsive, read aloud publicly. A tabulation of the Bids will be made available to Bidders after the opening of Bids.

ARTICLE 15—BIDS TO REMAIN SUBJECT TO ACCEPTANCE

- 15.01 All Bids will remain subject to acceptance for the period of time stated in the Bid Form, but Owner may, in its sole discretion, release any Bid and return the Bid security prior to the end of this period.

ARTICLE 16—EVALUATION OF BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT

- 16.01 Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced, or conditional Bids. Owner also reserves the right to waive all minor Bid informalities, in their sole opinion.
- 16.02 Owner will reject the Bid of any Bidder that Owner finds, after reasonable inquiry and evaluation, to not be responsible.
- 16.03 If Owner awards the contract for the Work, such award will be to a responsible Bidder submitting a responsive Bid. Price will also be considered, however, the Owner reserves the right to award the project to the Contractor they believe, in their sole opinion, will be in the best interest of the Project (not necessarily the lowest bid).
- 16.04 *Evaluation of Bids*
- A. In evaluating Bids, Owner will consider whether the Bids comply with the prescribed requirements, and such alternates, unit prices, and other data, as may be requested in the Bid Form or prior to the Notice of Award.

- B. For the determination of the apparent low Bidder when unit price bids are submitted, Bids will be compared on the basis of the total of the products of the estimated quantity of each item and unit price Bid for that item, together with any lump sum items.
- 16.05 In evaluating whether a Bidder is responsible, Owner will consider the qualifications of the Bidder and may consider the qualifications and experience of Subcontractors and Suppliers proposed for those portions of the Work for which the identity of Subcontractors and Suppliers must be submitted as provided in the Bidding Documents.
- 16.06 Owner may conduct such investigations as Owner deems necessary to establish the responsibility, qualifications, and financial ability of Bidders and any proposed Subcontractors or Suppliers.

ARTICLE 17—BONDS AND INSURANCE

- 17.01 Payment and Performance Bonds are required to the 100% value of the contract.
- 17.02 Insurance requirements are noted in subsequent sections of the bidding documents.

ARTICLE 18—SIGNING OF AGREEMENT

- 18.01 When Owner issues a Notice of Award to the Successful Bidder, it will be accompanied by the unexecuted counterparts of the Agreement along with the other Contract Documents as identified in the Agreement. Within 15 days thereafter, Successful Bidder must execute and deliver the required number of counterparts of the Agreement and any bonds and insurance documentation required to be delivered by the Contract Documents to Owner. Within 10 days thereafter, Owner will deliver one fully executed counterpart of the Agreement to Successful Bidder.

ARTICLE 19—SALES AND USE TAXES

- 19.01 Owner is exempt from **Vermont** state sales and use taxes on materials and equipment to be incorporated in the Work. (Exemption No. shall be provided to the selected Contractor). Said taxes must not be included in the Bid.

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BID FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

ARTICLE 1—OWNER AND BIDDER

- 1.01 This Bid is submitted to: **Town of Belvidere**
- 1.02 The undersigned Bidder proposes and agrees, if this Bid is accepted, to enter into an Agreement with Owner in the form included in the Bidding Documents to perform all Work as specified or indicated in the Bidding Documents for the prices and within the times indicated in this Bid and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents.

ARTICLE 2—ATTACHMENTS TO THIS BID

- 2.01 The following documents are submitted with and made a condition of this Bid:
- A. Required Bid security;

ARTICLE 3—BASIS OF BID—UNIT PRICES

- 3.01 *Unit Price Bids*
- A. Bidder will perform the following Work at the indicated unit prices:

Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Bid Unit Price	Bid Amount
1.0	Bog Road Improvements				
1.1	General Conditions & Mobilization/Demobilization	LS	1	\$	\$
1.2	Site Demolition	LS	1	\$	\$
1.3	Concrete Footer/Stemwall	CY	90	\$	\$
1.4	Precast Concrete Box Culvert	LS	1	\$	\$
1.5	Rock Armor	LS	1	\$	\$
1.6	Ledge Removal	CY	30	\$	\$
1.7	Associated Work Directed by Engineer or Town	T&M	1	\$15,000	\$15,000
Total Bid Price (Items 1.0 to 1.7)					\$

- B. Bidder acknowledges that:
- each Bid Unit Price includes an amount considered by Bidder to be adequate to cover Contractor's overhead and profit for each separately identified item, and
 - estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and are solely for the purpose of comparison of Bids, and final payment for all Unit Price Work will be based on actual quantities, determined as provided in the Contract Documents, and
 - Any unbalanced unit pricing, or "pennied" items, will be honored by the Contractor, regardless of the final quantity constructed as part of the project.

ARTICLE 4—BIDDER’S ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: ACCEPTANCE PERIOD, INSTRUCTIONS, AND RECEIPT OF ADDENDA

4.01 *Bid Acceptance Period*

- A. This Bid will remain subject to acceptance for 30 days after the Bid opening, or for such longer period of time that Bidder may agree to in writing upon request of Owner.

4.02 *Instructions to Bidders*

- A. Bidder accepts all of the terms and conditions of the Instructions to Bidders, including without limitation those dealing with the disposition of Bid security.

4.03 *Receipt of Addenda*

- A. Bidder hereby acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda:

Addendum Number	Addendum Date

ARTICLE 5—BIDDER’S REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

5.01 *Bidder’s Representations*

- A. In submitting this Bid, Bidder represents the following:
1. Bidder has examined and carefully studied the Bidding Documents, including Addenda.
 2. Bidder has visited the Site, conducted a thorough visual examination of the Site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 3. Bidder is familiar with all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 4. Bidder has carefully studied the reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site and the drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to the Technical Data in such reports and drawings.
 5. Bidder has considered the information known to Bidder itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; and the Bidding Documents on (a) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (b) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Bidder, if selected as Contractor; and (c) Bidder’s (Contractor’s) safety precautions and programs.
 6. Based on the information and observations referred to in the preceding paragraph, Bidder agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract.

7. Bidder is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Bidding Documents.
8. Bidder has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Bidder has discovered in the Bidding Documents, and of discrepancies between Site conditions and the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor.
9. The Bidding Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.
10. The submission of this Bid constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Bidder that without exception the Bid and all prices in the Bid are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Bidding Documents.

5.02 *Bidder's Certifications*

A. The Bidder certifies the following:

1. This Bid is genuine and not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed individual or entity and is not submitted in conformity with any collusive agreement or rules of any group, association, organization, or corporation.
2. Bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Bidder to submit a false or sham Bid.
3. Bidder has not solicited or induced any individual or entity to refrain from bidding.
4. Bidder has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for the Contract.
5. FEMA regulations listed in Article 18 of the EJCDC C-522 Contract for Construction of a Small Project have been reviewed and strictly adhered to.

BIDDER hereby submits this Bid as set forth above:

Bidder:

(typed or printed name of organization)

By:

(individual's signature)

Name :

(typed or printed)

Title:

(typed or printed)

Date:

(typed or printed)

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BID BOND

Bidder Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Surety Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :
Owner Name: Town of Belvidere Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Bid Project <i>(name and location)</i> : Bog Road at Perkins Brook Bid Due Date:
Bond Penal Sum: Date of Bond:	
Surety and Bidder, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth in this Bid Bond, do each cause this Bid Bond to be duly executed by an authorized officer, agent, or representative.	
Bidder	Surety
_____ <i>(Full formal name of Bidder)</i>	_____ <i>(Full formal name of Surety) (corporate seal)</i>
By: _____ <i>(Signature)</i>	By: _____ <i>(Signature) (Attach Power of Attorney)</i>
Name: _____ <i>(Printed or typed)</i>	Name: _____ <i>(Printed or typed)</i>
Title: _____	Title: _____
Attest: _____ <i>(Signature)</i>	Attest: _____ <i>(Signature)</i>
Name: _____ <i>(Printed or typed)</i>	Name: _____ <i>(Printed or typed)</i>
Title: _____	Title: _____
<i>Notes: (1) Note: Addresses are to be used for giving any required notice. (2) Provide execution by any additional parties, such as joint venturers, if necessary.</i>	

1. Bidder and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to pay to Owner upon default of Bidder the penal sum set forth on the face of this Bond. Payment of the penal sum is the extent of Bidder's and Surety's liability. Recovery of such penal sum under the terms of this Bond will be Owner's sole and exclusive remedy upon default of Bidder.
2. Default of Bidder occurs upon the failure of Bidder to deliver within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Owner) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment bonds required by the Bidding Documents.
3. This obligation will be null and void if:
 - 3.1. Owner accepts Bidder's Bid and Bidder delivers within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Owner) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment bonds required by the Bidding Documents, or
 - 3.2. All Bids are rejected by Owner, or
 - 3.3. Owner fails to issue a Notice of Award to Bidder within the time specified in the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Bidder and, if applicable, consented to by Surety when required by Paragraph 5 hereof).
4. Payment under this Bond will be due and payable upon default of Bidder and within 30 calendar days after receipt by Bidder and Surety of written notice of default from Owner, which notice will be given with reasonable promptness, identifying this Bond and the Project and including a statement of the amount due.
5. Surety waives notice of any and all defenses based on or arising out of any time extension to issue Notice of Award agreed to in writing by Owner and Bidder, provided that the total time for issuing Notice of Award including extensions does not in the aggregate exceed 120 days from the Bid due date without Surety's written consent.
6. No suit or action will be commenced under this Bond prior to 30 calendar days after the notice of default required in Paragraph 4 above is received by Bidder and Surety, and in no case later than one year after the Bid due date.
7. Any suit or action under this Bond will be commenced only in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the state in which the Project is located.
8. Notices required hereunder must be in writing and sent to Bidder and Surety at their respective addresses shown on the face of this Bond. Such notices may be sent by personal delivery, commercial courier, or by United States Postal Service registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid, and will be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the party concerned.
9. Surety shall cause to be attached to this Bond a current and effective Power of Attorney evidencing the authority of the officer, agent, or representative who executed this Bond on behalf of Surety to execute, seal, and deliver such Bond and bind the Surety thereby.
10. This Bond is intended to conform to all applicable statutory requirements. Any applicable requirement of any applicable statute that has been omitted from this Bond will be deemed to be included herein as if set forth at length. If any provision of this Bond conflicts with any applicable statute, then the provision of said statute governs and the remainder of this Bond that is not in conflict therewith continues in full force and effect.
11. The term "Bid" as used herein includes a Bid, offer, or proposal as applicable.

CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SMALL PROJECT

This Contract is by and between Town of Belvidere (Owner) and
_____ (Contractor).

Owner and Contractor hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - THE WORK

1.01 Work

- A. Work includes all labor, materials, equipment, services, and documentation necessary to construct the Project defined herein.
- B. The Contractor shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Project is generally described as follows:
 - 1. **Road and culvert work on Bog Road at Perkins Brook (Culvert 8-4)**
 - 2. The Site of the Work includes property, easements, and designated work areas described in greater detail in the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 2 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

2.01 Intent of Contract Documents

- A. It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete project. The Contract Documents do not indicate or describe all of the Work required to complete the Project. Additional details required for the correct installation of selected products are to be provided by the Contractor and coordinated with the Owner and Engineer. This Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, and agreements, whether written or oral. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is required by one part of the Contract Documents is as binding as if required by other parts of the Contract Documents.
- B. During the performance of the Work and until final payment, Contractor and Owner shall submit all matters in question concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents, or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents to the Engineer. Engineer will be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge of the acceptability of the Work thereunder.
- C. Engineer will render a written clarification, interpretation, or decision on the issue submitted, or initiate a modification to the Contract Documents.
- D. Contractor, and its subcontractors and suppliers, shall not have or acquire any title to or ownership rights to any of the Drawings, Specifications, or other documents (including copies or electronic media editions) prepared by Engineer or its consultants.

2.02 Contract Documents Defined

- A. The Contract Documents consist of the following documents:
 - 1. This Contract.

2. Performance bond.
3. Payment bond.
4. Specifications listed in the Table of Contents.
5. Drawings as listed on the Drawing Sheet Index.
6. Addenda.

ARTICLE 3 - ENGINEER

3.01 Engineer

- A. The Engineer for this Project is **East Engineering, PLC**.

ARTICLE 4 - CONTRACT TIMES

4.01 Contract Times

- A. The Work will be substantially completed within **45** days after the Effective Date of the Contract and completed and ready for final payment within **60** days after the Effective Date of the Contract.

4.02 Liquidated Damages

- A. Contractor and Owner recognize that time is of the essence in the performance of the Contract, and that Owner will incur damages if Contractor does not complete the Work according to the requirements of Paragraph 4.01. Because such damages for delay would be difficult and costly to determine, Owner and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty) Contractor shall pay Owner **\$500** for each day that expires after the Contract Time for substantial completion.

4.03 Delays in Contractor's Progress

- A. If Owner, Engineer, or anyone for whom Owner is responsible, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the performance or progress of the Work, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Times and Contract Price. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- B. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor or their subcontractors or suppliers.
- C. If Contractor's performance or progress is delayed, disrupted, or interfered with by unanticipated causes not the fault of and beyond the control of Owner, Contractor, and those for which they are responsible, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Times.
- D. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for any delay, disruption, or interference if such delay is concurrent with a delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor or Contractor's subcontractors or suppliers.

4.04 Progress Schedules

- A. Contractor shall develop a progress schedule and submit to the Engineer for review and comment before starting Work on the Site.

ARTICLE 5 - CONTRACT PRICE

5.01 Payment

- A. Owner shall pay Contractor in accordance with the Contract Documents at the following unit prices for each unit of Work completed:

Refer to Bid Form submitted by Selected Contractor.

Payment will be made in an amount equal to the total of all extended prices for actual Work completed. The extended price is determined by multiplying the unit price times the actual quantity of that Work item completed. Actual quantities installed will be determined by the Engineer.

ARTICLE 6 - BONDS AND INSURANCE

6.01 Bonds

- A. Before starting Work, Contractor shall furnish a performance bond and a payment bond from surety companies that are duly licensed or authorized to issue bonds in the required amounts in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located. Each bond shall be in an amount equal to the Contract Price, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all of Contractor's obligations under the Contract. These bonds shall remain in effect until the completion of the correction period but, in any case, not less than one year after the date when final payment becomes due.

6.02 Insurance

- A. Before starting Work, Contractor shall furnish evidence of insurance from companies that are duly licensed or authorized in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located.
 - 1. Contractor shall provide coverage for not less than the following amounts, or greater where required by Laws and Regulations:

- a. Workers' Compensation:

State:	<u>Statutory</u>
Employer's Liability:	
Bodily Injury, each Accident	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>
Bodily Injury By Disease, each Employee	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>
Bodily Injury/Disease Aggregate	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>

- b. Commercial General Liability:

General Aggregate	\$ <u>2,000,000</u>
Products - Completed Operations Aggregate	\$ <u>2,000,000</u>
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>

Each Occurrence (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) \$ 1,000,000

c. Automobile Liability herein:

Combined Single Limit of: \$ 1,000,000

- B. All insurance policies required to be purchased and maintained will contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled or materially changed or renewal refused until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to the insured and additional insured.
- C. Automobile liability insurance provided by Contractor shall provide coverage against claims for damages because of bodily injury or death of any person or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of any motor vehicle. The automobile liability policy shall be written on an occurrence basis.
- D. The Contractor's commercial general liability and automobile liability, and umbrella or excess, shall include and list Owner and Engineer and the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each as additional insureds; and the insurance afforded to these additional insureds shall provide primary coverage for all claims covered thereby (including as applicable those arising from both ongoing and completed operations) on a non-contributory basis.
- E. Umbrella or excess liability insurance shall be written over the underlying employer's liability, commercial general liability, and automobile liability insurance. Subject to industry-standard exclusions, the coverage afforded shall be procured on a "follow the form" basis as to each of the underlying policies. Contractor may demonstrate to Owner that Contractor has met the combined limits of insurance (underlying policy plus applicable umbrella) specified for employer's liability, commercial general liability, and automobile liability through the primary policies alone, or through combinations of the primary insurance policies and an umbrella or excess liability policy.
- F. The Contractor shall provide property insurance covering physical loss or damage during construction to structures, materials, fixtures, and equipment, including those materials, fixtures, or equipment in storage or transit.

ARTICLE 7 - CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.01 Supervision and Superintendence

- A. Contractor shall supervise and direct the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, safety, and procedures of construction.
- B. Contractor shall assign a competent resident superintendent who is to be present at all times during the execution of the Work. This resident superintendent shall not be replaced without written notice to and approval by the Owner and Engineer except under extraordinary circumstances.
- C. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the Site.

- D. Except as otherwise required for the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, and except as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the Site shall be performed during regular working hours (7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday. Saturday work must be approved by Engineer and Town at least 5 days prior to the work. No work is allowed on any Federal holiday dates.

7.02 Other Work at the Site

- A. In addition to and apart from the Work of the Contractor, other work may occur at or adjacent to the Site. Contractor shall take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damaging, delaying, disrupting, or interfering with the work of Owner, any other contractor, or any utility owner performing other work at or adjacent to the Site.

7.03 Services, Materials, and Equipment

- A. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide and assume full responsibility for all services, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities, and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the performance, testing, start up, and completion of the Work, whether or not such items are specifically called for in the Contract Documents.
- B. All materials and equipment incorporated into the Work shall be new, of good quality and shall be stored, applied, installed, connected, erected, protected, used, cleaned, and conditioned in accordance with instructions of the applicable supplier, except as otherwise may be provided in the Contract Documents.

7.04 Subcontractors and Suppliers

- A. Contractor may retain subcontractors and suppliers for the performance of parts of the Work. Such subcontractors and suppliers must be acceptable to Owner.

7.05 Quality Management

- A. Contractor is fully responsible for the managing quality to ensure Work is completed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

7.06 Licenses, Fees and Permits

- A. Contractor shall pay all license fees and royalties and assume all costs incident to performing the Work or the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product, or device which is the subject of patent rights or copyrights held by others.
- B. Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents.

7.07 Laws and Regulations; Taxes

- A. Contractor shall give all notices required by and shall comply with all local, state, and federal Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Except where otherwise expressly required by applicable Laws and Regulations, neither Owner nor Engineer shall be responsible for monitoring Contractor's compliance with any Laws or Regulations.
- B. Contractor shall bear all resulting costs and losses, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs,

losses, and damages if Contractor performs any Work or takes any other action knowing or having reason to know that it is contrary to Laws or Regulations.

- C. Contractor shall pay all applicable sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes Contractor is required to pay in accordance with Laws and Regulations.

7.08 Record Documents

- A. Contractor shall maintain one printed record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, written interpretations and clarifications, and approved shop drawings in a safe place at the Site. Contractor shall annotate them to show changes made during construction. Contractor shall deliver these record documents to Engineer upon completion of the Work.

7.09 Safety and Protection

- A. Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.
- B. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:
 - 1. All persons on the Site or who may be affected by the Work;
 - 2. All the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the Site; and
 - 3. Other property at the Site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, other work in progress, utilities, and underground facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.
- C. All damage, injury, or loss to any property caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by Contractor, or anyone for whose acts the Contractor may be liable, shall be remedied by Contractor at its expense (except damage or loss attributable to the fault of Contract Documents or to the acts or omissions of Owner or Engineer and not attributable, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, to the fault or negligence of Contractor).
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for coordinating any exchange of material safety data sheets or other hazard communication information required to be made available to or exchanged between or among employers at the Site in accordance with Laws or Regulations.
- E. In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, Contractor shall act to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss. Contractor shall give Engineer prompt written notice if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused thereby or are required as a result thereof. If Engineer determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken by Contractor in response to such an emergency, a Work Change Directive or Change Order will be issued.

7.10 Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals

- A. Contractor shall review and coordinate the shop drawing and samples with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents and shall verify all related field measurements, quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information.

- B. Each submittal shall bear a stamp or specific written certification that Contractor has satisfied Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents with respect to Contractor's review of that submittal, and that Contractor approves the submittal.
- C. With each submittal, Contractor shall give Engineer specific written notice, in a communication separate from the submittal, of any variations that the shop drawing or sample may have from the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- D. Engineer will provide timely review of shop drawings and submittals.
- E. Engineer's review and approval will not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction or to safety precautions or programs.
- F. Engineer's review and approval of a separate item does not indicate approval of the assembly in which the item functions.
- G. Shop drawings are not Contract Documents.

7.11 Warranties and Guarantees

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees to Owner that all Work will be in accordance with the Contract Documents and will not be defective. Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors shall be entitled to rely on Contractor's warranty and guarantee.

7.12 Correction Period

- A. If within one year after the date of substantial completion, any Work is found to be defective, or if the repair of any damages to the Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas used by Contractor as permitted by Laws and Regulations, is found to be defective, then Contractor shall promptly and without cost to Owner, correct such defective Work.

7.13 Indemnification

- A. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, and in addition to any other obligations of Contractor under the Contract or otherwise, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to the performance of the Work, provided that any such claim, cost, loss, or damage is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Contractor, any subcontractor, any supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work or anyone for whose acts they may be liable.

ARTICLE 8 - OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

8.01 Owner's Responsibilities

- A. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, Owner shall issue all communications to Contractor through Engineer.

- B. Owner shall make payments to Contractor as provided in this Contract.
- C. Owner shall provide Site and easements required to construct the Project.
- D. If Owner intends to contract with others for the performance of other work at or adjacent to the Site, unless stated elsewhere in the Contract Documents, Owner shall have sole authority and responsibility for such coordination.
- E. The Owner shall be responsible for performing inspections and tests required by applicable codes.
- F. The Owner shall not supervise, direct, or have control or authority over, nor be responsible for, Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Owner will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- G. While at the Site, Owner's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable requirements of Contractor's safety programs of which Owner has been informed.

ARTICLE 9 - ENGINEER'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

9.01 Engineer's Status

- A. Engineer will be Owner's representative during construction. The duties and responsibilities and the limitations of authority of Engineer as Owner's representative during construction are set forth in this Contract.
- B. Neither Engineer's authority or responsibility under this Article 9 or under any other provision of the Contract, nor any decision made by Engineer in good faith either to exercise or not exercise such authority or responsibility or the undertaking, exercise, or performance of any authority or responsibility by Engineer, shall create, impose, or give rise to any duty in contract, tort, or otherwise owed by Engineer to Contractor, any subcontractor, any supplier, any other individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee or agent of any of them.
- C. Engineer will make visits to the Site at intervals appropriate to the various stages of construction. Engineer will not be required to make exhaustive or continuous inspections on the Site to check the quality or quantity of the Work.
- D. Engineer has the authority to reject Work if Contractor fails to perform Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- E. Engineer will render decisions regarding the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge the acceptability of the Work.
- F. Engineer will not supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Engineer will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 10 - CHANGES IN THE WORK

10.01 Authority to Change the Work

- A. Without invalidating the Contract and without notice to any surety, Owner may, at any time or from time to time, order additions, deletions, or revisions in the Work.

10.02 Change Orders

- A. Owner and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders covering:
 - 1. Changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times which are agreed to by the parties, including any undisputed sum or amount of time for Work actually performed in accordance with a Work Change Directive;
 - 2. Changes in the Work which are: (a) ordered by Owner or (b) agreed to by the parties or (c) resulting from the Engineer's decision, subject to the need for Engineer's recommendation if the change in the Work involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters; and
 - 3. Changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times or other changes which embody the substance of any final binding results under Article 12.
- B. If the provisions of any bond require notice to be given to a surety of any change affecting the general scope of the Work or the provisions of the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, Contract Price or Contract Times), the giving of any such notice will be Contractor's responsibility. The amount of each applicable bond will be adjusted to reflect the effect of any such change.

ARTICLE 11 - DIFFERING SUBSURFACE OR PHYSICAL CONDITIONS

11.01 Differing Conditions Process

- A. If Contractor believes that any subsurface or physical condition including but not limited to utilities or other underground facilities that are uncovered or revealed at the Site either differs materially from that shown or indicated in the Contract Documents or is of an unusual nature, and differs materially from conditions ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in Work of the character provided for in the Contract Documents then Contractor shall, promptly after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing the subsurface or physical conditions or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency), notify Owner and Engineer in writing about such condition. Contractor shall not further disturb such condition or perform any Work in connection therewith (except with respect to an emergency) until receipt of a written statement permitting Contractor to do so.
- B. After receipt of written notice, Engineer will promptly:
 - 1. Review the subsurface or physical condition in question;
 - 2. Determine necessity for Owner obtaining additional exploration or tests with respect to the condition;
 - 3. Determine whether the condition falls within the differing site condition as stated herein;

4. Obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor;
 5. Prepare recommendations to Owner regarding the Contractor's resumption of Work in connection with the subsurface or physical condition in question and the need for any change in the Drawings or Specifications; and
 6. Advise Owner in writing of Engineer's findings, conclusions, and recommendations.
- C. After receipt of Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, Owner shall issue a written statement to Contractor regarding the subsurface or physical condition in question, addressing the resumption of Work in connection with such condition, indicating whether any change in the Drawings or Specifications will be made, and adopting or rejecting Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, in whole or in part.

ARTICLE 12 - CLAIMS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

12.01 Claims Process

- A. The party submitting a claim shall deliver it directly to the other party to the Contract and the Engineer promptly (but in no event later than 10 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto.
- B. The party receiving a claim shall review it thoroughly, giving full consideration to its merits. The two parties shall seek to resolve the claim through the exchange of information and direct negotiations. All actions taken on a claim shall be stated in writing and submitted to the other party.
- C. If efforts to resolve a claim are not successful, the party receiving the claim may deny it by giving written notice of denial to the other party. If the receiving party does not take action on the claim within 45 days, the claim is deemed denied.
- D. If the dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the parties, Owner or Contractor shall give written notice to the other party of the intent to submit the dispute to a court of competent jurisdiction unless the Owner and Contractor both agree to an alternative dispute resolution process.

ARTICLE 13 - TESTS AND INSPECTIONS; CORRECTION OF DEFECTIVE WORK

13.01 Tests and Inspections

- A. Owner and Engineer will have access to the Site and the Work at reasonable times for their observation, inspection, and testing. Contractor shall provide them proper and safe conditions for such access.
- B. Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work for all required inspections and tests, and shall cooperate with inspection and testing personnel to facilitate required inspections and tests.
- C. If any Work that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered by Contractor without written concurrence of Engineer, Contractor shall, if requested by Engineer, uncover such Work for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense.

13.02 Defective Work

- A. Contractor shall ensure that the Work is not defective.

- B. Engineer has the authority to determine whether Work is defective, and to reject defective Work.
- C. Prompt notice of all defective Work of which Owner or Engineer has actual knowledge will be given to Contractor.
- D. The Contractor shall promptly correct all such defective Work.
- E. When correcting defective Work, Contractor shall take no action that would void or otherwise impair Owner's special warranty and guarantee, if any, on said Work.
- F. If the Work is defective or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment, or fails to perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, then Owner may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated.

ARTICLE 14 - PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR

14.01 Progress Payments

- A. The Contractor shall prepare a schedule of values that will serve as the basis for progress payments. The schedule of values will be in a form of application for payment acceptable to Engineer. The unit price breakdown submitted with the bid will be used for unit price work. Break lump sum items into units that will allow for measurement of Work in progress.

14.02 Applications for Payments:

- A. Contractor shall submit an application for payment in a form acceptable to the Engineer, no more frequently than monthly, to Engineer. Applications for payment will be prepared and signed by Contractor. Contractor shall provide supporting documentation required by the Contract Documents. Payment will be paid for Work completed as of the date of the application for payment.
- B. Beginning with the second application for payment, each application shall include an affidavit of Contractor stating that all previous progress payments received on account of the Work have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations associated with prior applications for payment.

14.03 Retainage

- A. The Owner shall retain **10** % of each progress payment until the Work is substantially complete.

14.04 Review of Applications

- A. Within 10 days after receipt of each application for payment, the Engineer will either indicate in writing a recommendation for payment and present the application for payment to Owner or return the application for payment to Contractor indicating in writing Engineer's reasons for refusing to recommend payment. The Contractor will make the necessary corrections and resubmit the application for payment.
- B. Engineer will recommend reductions in payment (set-offs) which, in the opinion of the Engineer, are necessary to protect Owner from loss because the Work is defective and requires correction or replacement.

- C. The Owner is entitled to impose set-offs against payment based on any claims that have been made against Owner on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance of the Work, incurred costs, losses, or damages on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance of the Work, or liquidated damages that have accrued as a result of Contractor's failure to complete the Work.

14.05 Contractor's Warranty of Title

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials, and equipment furnished under the Contract will pass to Owner free and clear of (1) all liens and other title defects, and (2) all patent, licensing, copyright, or royalty obligations, no later than seven days after the time of payment by Owner.

14.06 Substantial Completion

- A. The Contractor shall notify Owner and Engineer in writing that the Work is substantially complete and request the Engineer issue a certificate of substantial completion when Contractor considers the Work ready for its intended use. Contractor shall at the same time submit to Owner and Engineer an initial draft of punch list items to be completed or corrected before final payment.
- B. Engineer will make an inspection of the Work with the Owner and Contractor to determine the status of completion. If Engineer does not consider the Work substantially complete, Engineer will notify Contractor and Owner in writing giving the reasons therefor.
- C. If Engineer considers the Work substantially complete or upon resolution of all reasons for non-issuance of a certificate identified in 14.06.B, Engineer will deliver to Owner a certificate of substantial completion which shall fix the date of substantial completion and include a punch list of items to be completed or corrected before final payment.

14.07 Final Inspection

- A. Upon written notice from Contractor that the entire Work is complete, Engineer will promptly make a final inspection with Owner and Contractor and will notify Contractor in writing of all particulars in which this inspection reveals that the Work, or agreed portion thereof, is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies.

14.08 Final Payment

- A. Contractor may make application for final payment after Contractor has satisfactorily completed all Work defined in the Contract, including providing all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance, certificates of inspection, annotated record documents and other documents.
- B. The final application for payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by:
 - 1. All documentation called for in the Contract Documents;
 - 2. Consent of the surety to final payment;
 - 3. Satisfactory evidence that all title issues have been resolved such that title to all Work, materials, and equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any liens or other title defects, or will so pass upon final payment;
 - 4. A list of all disputes that Contractor believes are unsettled; and

5. Complete and legally effective releases or waivers (satisfactory to Owner) of all lien rights arising out of the Work, and of liens filed in connection with the Work.
- C. The Work is complete (subject to surviving obligations) when it is ready for final payment as established by the Engineer's written recommendation of final payment.

14.09 Waiver of Claims

- A. The making of final payment will not constitute a waiver by Owner of claims or rights against Contractor.
- B. The acceptance of final payment by Contractor will constitute a waiver by Contractor of all claims and rights against Owner other than those pending matters that have been duly submitted.

ARTICLE 15 - SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

15.01 Owner May Suspend Work

- A. At any time and without cause, Owner may suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than 60 consecutive days by written notice to Contractor and Engineer. Such notice will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension.

15.02 Owner May Terminate for Cause

- A. Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents or other failure to comply with a material term of the Contract Documents will constitute a default by Contractor and justify termination for cause.
- B. If Contractor defaults in its obligations, then after giving Contractor and any surety ten days written notice that Owner is considering a declaration that Contractor is in default and termination of the Contract, Owner may proceed to:
 1. Declare Contractor to be in default, and give Contractor and any surety notice that the Contract is terminated; and
 2. Enforce the rights available to Owner under any applicable performance bond.
- C. Owner may not proceed with termination of the Contract under Paragraph 15.02.B if Contractor within seven days of receipt of notice of intent to terminate begins to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure.
- D. Subject to the terms and operation of any applicable performance bond, if Owner has terminated the Contract for cause, Owner may exclude Contractor from the Site, take possession of the Work, incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and complete the Work as Owner may deem expedient.
- E. In the case of a termination for cause, if the cost to complete the Work, including related claims, costs, losses, and damages, exceeds the unpaid contract balance, Contractor shall pay the difference to Owner.

15.03 Owner May Terminate for Convenience

- A. Upon seven days written notice to Contractor, Owner may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of Owner, terminate the Contract. In such case, Contractor shall be paid for, without duplication of any items:
 - 1. Completed and acceptable Work executed in accordance with the Contract Documents prior to the effective date of termination, including fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such Work;
 - 2. Expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses; and
 - 3. Other reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination, including costs incurred to prepare a termination for convenience cost proposal.
- B. Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated overhead, profits, or revenue, or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

15.04 Contractor May Stop Work or Terminate

- A. If, through no act or fault of Contractor, (1) the Work is suspended for more than 90 consecutive days by Owner or under an order of court or other public authority, or (2) Owner fails for 30 days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, then Contractor may, upon seven days written notice to Owner, and provided Owner does not remedy such suspension or failure within that time, either stop the Work until payment is received, or terminate the Contract and recover payment from the Owner.

ARTICLE 16 - CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS

16.01 Contractor Representations

- A. Contractor makes the following representations when entering into this Contract:
 - 1. Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents, and any data and reference items identified in the Contract Documents.
 - 2. Contractor has visited the Site, conducted a thorough visual examination of the Site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 - 3. Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 - 4. Contractor has considered the information known to Contractor itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Contract Documents; and the Site-related reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on:
 - a. The cost, progress, and performance of the Work;
 - b. The means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor; and

- c. Contractor's safety precautions and programs.
- 5. Based on the information and observations referred to in the preceding paragraph, Contractor agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract.
- 6. Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
- 7. Contractor has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor.
- 8. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.
- 9. Contractor's entry into this Contract constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Contractor that, without exception, all prices in the Contract are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 17 - MISCELLANEOUS

17.01 Cumulative Remedies

- A. The duties and obligations imposed by this Contract and the rights and remedies available hereunder to the parties hereto are in addition to, and are not to be construed in any way as a limitation of, any rights and remedies available to any or all of them which are otherwise imposed or available by Laws or Regulations, by special warranty or guarantee, or by other provisions of the Contract. The provisions of this paragraph will be as effective as if repeated specifically in the Contract Documents in connection with each particular duty, obligation, right, and remedy to which they apply.

17.02 Limitation of Damages

- A. Neither Owner, Engineer, nor any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, shall be liable to Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or damages sustained by Contractor on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.

17.03 No Waiver

- A. A party's non-enforcement of any provision shall not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor shall it affect the enforceability of that provision or of the remainder of this Contract.

17.04 Survival of Obligations

- A. All representations, indemnifications, warranties, and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with the Contract, as well as all continuing obligations indicated in the Contract, will survive final payment, completion, and acceptance of the Work or termination or completion of the Contract or termination of the services of Contractor.

17.05 Contractor's Certifications

- A. Contractor certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.

17.06 Controlling Law

- A. This Contract is to be governed by the law of the state in which the Project is located.

ARTICLE 18 - FEMA REQUIREMENTS

18.01 The following items are a requirement of this project and supersede other contract documents herein in the event of a conflict. These are FEMA required contract clauses as outlined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II:

- A. Equal Employment Opportunity: During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

1. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
2. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
3. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
4. The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
5. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

6. The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
7. In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
8. The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

B. Compliance with the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act

1. Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
2. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
3. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

C. Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act

1. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
2. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.

3. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.
- D. Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act
1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
 2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Owner shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
 4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.
- E. Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
1. Clean Air Act
 - a. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
 - b. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Owner/Engineer and understands and agrees that the Owner/Engineer will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

- c. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.
- 2. Federal Water Pollution Control Act
 - a. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
 - b. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Owner/Engineer and understands and agrees that the Owner/Engineer will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
 - c. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.
- F. Suspension and Debarment
 - 1. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
 - 2. The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
 - 3. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by (insert name of subrecipient). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (name of state agency serving as recipient and name of subrecipient), the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
 - 4. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.
- G. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment
 - 1. Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements (To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned [Contractor] certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date: _____

H. Procurement of Recovered Materials

1. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA- designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 - a. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - b. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - c. At a reasonable price.
2. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>."

I. Access to Records

1. The Contractor agrees to provide the Owner/Engineer, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
2. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
3. The contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
4. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Owner and the Town acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

J. DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags

1. The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre- approval.

K. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders

1. This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract only. The contractor will comply will all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

L. No Obligation by Federal Government

1. The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

M. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

1. The contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

N. Contracting with Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Businesses, and Labor Area Surplus Firms

1. Requirement. The Contractor must take all necessary, affirmative steps to assure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor area surplus firms are used when possible. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(a). These steps are in addition to full and open competition and must include, at a minimum, the following six affirmative steps.

- a. Solicitation Lists. The Owner and Contractor must place small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1).
- b. Solicitations. The Owner and Contractor must assure that it solicits small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises whenever they are potential sources. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(2).
- c. Dividing Requirements. The Owner and Contractor must divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(3).
- d. Delivery Schedules. The Owner and Contractor must establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(4).
- e. Obtaining Assistance. The Owner and Contractor must use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(5).
- f. Prime Contractor Requirements. The Owner requires the prime contractor, if subcontracts are anticipated or let, to take the five affirmative steps described in ¶ a. through e. above. 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(6).

2. Additional Guidance.

- a. Meaning of Terms. The Uniform Rules do not define the terms small business, minority business, women's business enterprises, and labor area surplus firms. FEMA will use the following meaning of the terms when evaluating compliance with the requirements of the Uniform Rules. If state, local, or tribal law and procedures provide different meanings of small business, women's business enterprise, and minority business, then FEMA may accept those meanings.
 - 1) Small Business. A business that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on NFE contracts, and qualified as a small business under the Small Business Administration criteria and size standards at 13 C.F.R. Part 121.

- 2) Women's Business Enterprise. A business enterprise that is: (a) at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more women; and (b) whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more women.
- 3) Minority Business. A business that is (a) at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more minority group members; and (b) whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more minority group members.
- 4) Labor Area Surplus Firm. A labor surplus area firm is one that, together with its first tier subcontractors, will perform substantially in labor surplus areas. The Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration has defined labor surplus areas (LSA) as localities that have a "civilian average annual unemployment rate during the previous two calendar years of 20 percent or more above the average annual civil unemployment rate for all states" during that same period. 20 C.F.R. §§ 654.4-654.5. More information about LSAs is available at 20 C.F.R. pt. 654, subchapter A as well as on this website: <https://www.doleta.gov/programs/laborsurplus02.cfm>. The Department of Labor has also issued a list for FY 2016 of all the LSAs: <https://www.doleta.gov/programs/lsa.cfm>.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Owner and Contractor have signed this Contract.

This Contract will be effective on _____ (which is the Effective Date of the Contract).

OWNER:

CONTRACTOR:

Town of Belvidere

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

(If Contractor is a corporation, a partnership, or a joint venture, attach evidence of authority to sign.)

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MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT TERMS

1. General

- a. This document is used to define bid items listed in the Bid Form and on the Agreement.

2. Lump Sum and Unit Price Items

- a. Lump sum items will be paid on a percentage complete basis. Unit price items will be paid based on the actual quantities installed and verified by the Owner and Engineer. The items listed below are all-inclusive items for the complete installation of the proposed infrastructure improvements.

Pay Items below cover the full scope of the project at each site. Scope items listed below include the main construction tasks, but are not intended to be a comprehensive list of all required activities. Contractor shall include all required work items to complete the project in the items listed below.

Item 1.1 – General Conditions and Mobilization/Demobilization

- Payment: Percentage completed.
- Mobilization of all equipment and materials to site,
- General conditions of the Contract Documents,
- Payment and performance bonds,
- Project coordination, communication, and administrative tasks,
- Permitting requirements and conditions,
- Temporary facilities/utilities including power, water, storage, and sewer/sanitary facilities,
- Means and methods for traffic control, detours, closures, flaggers, and associated activities.
- Maintenance and protection of site features in the construction area including utilities, vegetation, mailboxes, driveways, and other site features,
- Site security,
- Site safety including temporary fencing, barricades, plates, and signage,
- All necessary erosion prevention and sediment control devices,
- All stream bypass pumping/piping/fittings, all excavation dewatering,
- Construction layout for all components,
- Site cleanup and removal of all temporary facilities,
- Demobilization of all equipment and materials from the site.

Item 1.2 – Site Demolition

- Measurement/Payment: Percentage completed.
- Removal and disposal of trees/vegetation/debris,
- Removal of existing rock armor, culvert, and site concrete
- Excavation and stockpiling of materials,
- Temporary support of on-site utilities,
- Temporary support of all slopes and excavated areas.

Item 1.3 – Concrete Footer and Stemwalls

- Payment: Per Cubic Yard Installed
- Precast or Cast-in-Place acceptable options. Contractor responsible for testing on-site cast-in-place concrete. If precast is utilized, Contractor responsible for Ledge/boulder removal that exceeds the bid estimated quantity (Town to pay up to the bid estimate quantity).

Item 1.4 – Culvert Installation

- Payment: Lump Sum
- Includes excavation (road, rigid-frame culvert, footer/stemwalls), geotextile reinforcement below footer, compacted crushed stone, and site backfill.
- Precast Concrete Rigid-Frame Culvert with Precast Headwall/Wingwalls,
- Top/side membrane (full coverage) and silane application on all exposed headwall/wingwalls,
- Grout keyway,
- Cranework, rigging, supports,
- New guardrail (G-1) with end-treatments (G-1D). This includes adhering to MaineDOT detail for shorter posts over culvert cast into a concrete footer (Class B). Concrete for the guardrail posts will be paid under Pay Item 1.4 (not under Item 1.3).
- Site and roadway backfill with granular material meeting specifications from culvert manufacturers.

Item 1.5 – Rock Armor

- Payment: Lump Sum, per limits on plans.
- Placing/stacking rocks/boulders from previous slope as well as supplement with new Type 1/2/3 rock (Type specified on plans).

Item 1.6 – Ledge/Rock Removal

- Measurement: Per cubic yard. Limits of payment will be 1 foot below proposed improvements and 2 feet horizontally from proposed improvements. Rock removed beyond payment limits will not be paid for. Boulders >3 CY will be measured as ledge/rock removal, boulders <3 CY will be incidental to the project (no pay item).
- Mechanical removal of rock (blasting not allowed), transportation of waste rock, legal disposal and replacement backfill.

Item 1.7 – Associated Work Directed by Engineer or Town

- Payment: On a Time & Materials Basis or other agreed upon method (unit price or lump sum). This item is to cover any unforeseen or differing site/subsurface conditions and shall only be used after written authorization from the Town or Engineer.

END MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT SECTION

Superseded General Decision Number: VT20240052

State: Vermont

Construction Type: Highway

County: Lamoille County in Vermont.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (excluding tunnels, building structures in rest area projects & railroad construction; bascule, suspension & spandrel arch bridges designed for commercial navigation, bridges involving marine construction; and other major bridges).

Note: Contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act are generally required to pay at least the applicable minimum wage rate required under Executive Order 14026 or Executive Order 13658. Please note that these Executive Orders apply to covered contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but do not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(1).

If the contract is entered into on or after January 30, 2022, or the contract is renewed or extended (e.g., an option is exercised) on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 14026 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$17.75 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in 2025.
If the contract was awarded on or between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, and the contract is not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Executive Order 13658 generally applies to the contract.. The contractor must pay all covered workers at least \$13.30 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on that contract in 2025.

The applicable Executive Order minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. If this contract is covered by one of the Executive Orders and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must still submit a conformance request.

Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the Executive Orders is available at <http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts>.

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	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER, Includes Form Work....	\$ 20.00	1.64
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...	\$ 25.34	0.00
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 28.15	2.03
HIGHWAY/PARKING LOT STRIPING:		
Painter.....	\$ 20.36	3.87
INSTALLER - SIGN.....	\$ 15.80 **	3.21
IRONWORKER, REINFORCING.....	\$ 18.75	2.39
IRONWORKER, STRUCTURAL.....	\$ 28.77	7.91
LABORER: Common or General, Including Asphalt Raking, Shoveling, Spreading and Concrete Work.....	\$ 17.03 **	2.77
LABORER: Landscape.....	\$ 14.70 **	1.03
OPERATOR:		
Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.....	\$ 23.39	1.84
OPERATOR: Bobcat/Skid Steer/Skid Loader.....	\$ 19.78	5.09
OPERATOR: Broom/Sweeper.....	\$ 16.88 **	3.72
OPERATOR: Bulldozer.....	\$ 21.35	3.84
OPERATOR: Crane.....	\$ 22.48	2.13
OPERATOR: Drill.....	\$ 19.83	3.94
OPERATOR: Grader/Blade.....	\$ 21.13	5.53
OPERATOR: Loader.....	\$ 21.95	4.63
OPERATOR: Mechanic.....	\$ 23.14	6.08
OPERATOR: Milling Machine.....	\$ 22.50	10.24
OPERATOR: Paver (Asphalt, Aggregate, and Concrete).....	\$ 20.54	5.53
OPERATOR: Pounder.....	\$ 22.31	0.00
OPERATOR: Roller.....	\$ 18.21	5.48
OPERATOR: Screed.....	\$ 20.87	7.24
TRAFFIC CONTROL: Flagger.....	\$ 11.55 **	3.36
TRAFFIC CONTROL: Laborer-Cones/ Barricades/Barrels -		

Setter/Mover/Sweeper.....	\$ 17.20 **	6.71
TRUCK DRIVER, Includes all axles including Dump Trucks.....	\$ 19.20	2.80
TRUCK DRIVER: Distributor Truck.....	\$ 22.55	11.87

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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** Workers in this classification may be entitled to a higher minimum wage under Executive Order 14026 (\$17.75) or 13658 (\$13.30). Please see the Note at the top of the wage determination for more information. Please also note that the minimum wage requirements of Executive Order 14026 are not currently being enforced as to any contract or subcontract to which the states of Texas, Louisiana, or Mississippi, including their agencies, are a party.

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts>.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (iii)).

The body of each wage determination lists the classifications and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the type(s) of construction and geographic area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order under rate identifiers indicating whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate), a survey rate, a weighted union average rate, a state adopted rate, or a supplemental classification rate.

Union Rate Identifiers

A four-letter identifier beginning with characters other than ""SU"", ""UAVG"", ?SA?, or ?SC? denotes that a union rate was prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2024. PLUM is an identifier of the union

whose collectively bargained rate prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. The date, 07/01/2024 in the example, is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all changes over time that are reported to WHD in the rates in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing the classification.

Union Average Rate Identifiers

The UAVG identifier indicates that no single rate prevailed for those classifications, but that 100% of the data reported for the classifications reflected union rates. EXAMPLE:

UAVG-OH-0010 01/01/2024. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the State of Ohio. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/01/2024 in the example, indicates the date the wage determination was updated to reflect the most current union average rate.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January, to reflect a weighted average of the current rates in the collective bargaining agreements on which the rate is based.

Survey Rate Identifiers

The ""SU"" identifier indicates that either a single non-union rate prevailed (as defined in 29 CFR 1.2) for this classification in the survey or that the rate was derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As a weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SUFL2022-007 6/27/2024. SU indicates the rate is a single non-union prevailing rate or a weighted average of survey data for that classification. FL indicates the State of Florida. 2022 is the year of the survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 6/27/2024 in the example, indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

?SU? wage rates typically remain in effect until a new survey is conducted. However, the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) has the discretion to update such rates under 29 CFR 1.6(c)(1).

State Adopted Rate Identifiers

The ""SA"" identifier indicates that the classifications and prevailing wage rates set by a state (or local) government were adopted under 29 C.F.R 1.3(g)-(h). Example: SAME2023-007 01/03/2024. SA reflects that the rates are state adopted. ME refers to the State of Maine. 2023 is the year during which the state completed the survey on which the listed classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. The date, 01/03/2024 in the example, reflects the date on which the classifications and rates under the ?SA? identifier took effect under state law in the state from which the rates were

adopted.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- a) a survey underlying a wage determination
- b) an existing published wage determination
- c) an initial WHD letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- d) an initial conformance (additional classification and rate) determination

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be directed to the WHD Branch of Wage Surveys. Requests can be submitted via email to davisbaconinfo@dol.gov or by mail to:

Branch of Wage Surveys
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

Regarding any other wage determination matter such as conformance decisions, requests for initial decisions should be directed to the WHD Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Requests can be submitted via email to BCWD-Office@dol.gov or by mail to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2) If an initial decision has been issued, then any interested party (those affected by the action) that disagrees with the decision can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Requests for review and reconsideration can be submitted via email to dba.reconsideration@dol.gov or by mail to:

Wage and Hour Administrator
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION"

PERFORMANCE BOND

Contractor Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Surety Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :
Owner Name: Town of Belvidere Mailing address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Contract Description <i>(name and location)</i> : Bog Road at Perkins Brook Contract Price: Effective Date of Contract:
Bond Bond Amount: Date of Bond: <i>(Date of Bond cannot be earlier than Effective Date of Contract)</i> Modifications to this Bond form: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> See Paragraph 16	
Surety and Contractor, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth in this Performance Bond, do each cause this Performance Bond to be duly executed by an authorized officer, agent, or representative.	
Contractor as Principal	Surety
<i>(Full formal name of Contractor)</i>	<i>(Full formal name of Surety) (corporate seal)</i>
By: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>	By: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)(Attach Power of Attorney)</i></div>
Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>	Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>
Title: _____	Title: _____
Attest: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>	Attest: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>
Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>	Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>
Title: _____	Title: _____
<i>Notes: (1) Provide supplemental execution by any additional parties, such as joint venturers. (2) Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner, or other party is considered plural where applicable.</i>	

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond, except when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Paragraph 3.
3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond will arise after:
 - 3.1. The Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice may indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor, and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Paragraph 3.1 will be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. If the Owner, the Contractor, and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement does not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default;
 - 3.2. The Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and
 - 3.3. The Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.
4. Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Paragraph 3.1 does not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.
5. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:
 - 5.1. Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract;
 - 5.2. Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors;
 - 5.3. Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and a contractor selected with the Owners concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Paragraph 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or
 - 5.4. Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor, and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:

- 5.4.1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner; or
 - 5.4.2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.
- 6. If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Paragraph 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Paragraph 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment, or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice, the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.
- 7. If the Surety elects to act under Paragraph 5.1, 5.2, or 5.3, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner will not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety will not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication for:
 - 7.1. the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
 - 7.2. additional legal, design professional, and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Paragraph 5; and
 - 7.3. liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.
- 8. If the Surety elects to act under Paragraph 5.1, 5.3, or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.
- 9. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price will not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action will accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.
- 10. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders, and other obligations.
- 11. Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond must be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and must be instituted within two years after a declaration of Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum periods of limitations available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit will be applicable.
- 12. Notice to the Surety, the Owner, or the Contractor must be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.
- 13. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement will be deemed deleted therefrom and provisions conforming to such

statutory or other legal requirement will be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond will be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

14. Definitions

- 14.1. *Balance of the Contract Price*—The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made including allowance for the Contractor for any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.
 - 14.2. *Construction Contract*—The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.
 - 14.3. *Contractor Default*—Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.
 - 14.4. *Owner Default*—Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.
 - 14.5. *Contract Documents*—All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.
15. If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond will be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner will be deemed to be Contractor.
16. Modifications to this Bond are as follows: **None**

PAYMENT BOND

Contractor Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Surety Name: Address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :
Owner Name: Town of Belvidere Mailing address <i>(principal place of business)</i> :	Contract Description <i>(name and location)</i> : Bog Road at Perkins Brook Contract Price: Effective Date of Contract:
Bond Bond Amount: Date of Bond: <i>(Date of Bond cannot be earlier than Effective Date of Contract)</i> Modifications to this Bond form: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> See Paragraph 18	
Surety and Contractor, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth in this Payment Bond, do each cause this Payment Bond to be duly executed by an authorized officer, agent, or representative.	
Contractor as Principal	Surety
<i>(Full formal name of Contractor)</i>	<i>(Full formal name of Surety) (corporate seal)</i>
By: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>	By: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)(Attach Power of Attorney)</i></div>
Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>	Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>
Title: _____	Title: _____
Attest: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>	Attest: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signature)</i></div>
Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>	Name: _____ <div style="text-align: center;"><i>(Printed or typed)</i></div>
Title: _____	Title: _____
<i>Notes: (1) Provide supplemental execution by any additional parties, such as joint venturers. (2) Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner, or other party is considered plural where applicable.</i>	

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to the Owner to pay for labor, materials, and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference, subject to the following terms.
2. If the Contractor promptly makes payment of all sums due to Claimants, and defends, indemnifies, and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens, or suits by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials, or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, then the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.
3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation to the Owner under this Bond will arise after the Owner has promptly notified the Contractor and the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13) of claims, demands, liens, or suits against the Owner or the Owner's property by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials, or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens, or suits to the Contractor and the Surety.
4. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions in Paragraph 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Owner against a duly tendered claim, demand, lien, or suit.
5. The Surety's obligations to a Claimant under this Bond will arise after the following:
 - 5.1. Claimants who do not have a direct contract with the Contractor
 - 5.1.1. have furnished a written notice of non-payment to the Contractor, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials were, or equipment was, furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed, within ninety (90) days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the Claim; and
 - 5.1.2. have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13).
 - 5.2. Claimants who are employed by or have a direct contract with the Contractor have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13).
6. If a notice of non-payment required by Paragraph 5.1.1 is given by the Owner to the Contractor, that is sufficient to satisfy a Claimant's obligation to furnish a written notice of non-payment under Paragraph 5.1.1.
7. When a Claimant has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 5.1 or 5.2, whichever is applicable, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take the following actions:
 - 7.1. Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed; and
 - 7.2. Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.
 - 7.3. The Surety's failure to discharge its obligations under Paragraph 7.1 or 7.2 will not be deemed to constitute a waiver of defenses the Surety or Contractor may have or acquire as to a Claim, except as to undisputed amounts for which the Surety and Claimant have reached agreement. If, however, the Surety fails to discharge its obligations under Paragraph 7.1 or 7.2, the Surety shall indemnify the Claimant for the reasonable attorney's fees the Claimant incurs thereafter to recover any sums found to be due and owing to the Claimant.

8. The Surety's total obligation will not exceed the amount of this Bond, plus the amount of reasonable attorney's fees provided under Paragraph 7.3, and the amount of this Bond will be credited for any payments made in good faith by the Surety.
9. Amounts owed by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract will be used for the performance of the Construction Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any construction performance bond. By the Contractor furnishing and the Owner accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by the Contractor in the performance of the Construction Contract are dedicated to satisfying obligations of the Contractor and Surety under this Bond, subject to the Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the work.
10. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner, Claimants, or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract. The Owner shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to or give notice on behalf of Claimants, or otherwise have any obligations to Claimants under this Bond.
11. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders, and other obligations.
12. No suit or action will be commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the state in which the project that is the subject of the Construction Contract is located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant sent a Claim to the Surety pursuant to Paragraph 5.1.2 or 5.2, or (2) on which the last labor or service was performed by anyone or the last materials or equipment were furnished by anyone under the Construction Contract, whichever of (1) or (2) first occurs. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit will be applicable.
13. Notice and Claims to the Surety, the Owner, or the Contractor must be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears. Actual receipt of notice or Claims, however accomplished, will be sufficient compliance as of the date received.
14. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement will be deemed deleted here from and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement will be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond will be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.
15. Upon requests by any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of this Bond, the Contractor and Owner shall promptly furnish a copy of this Bond or shall permit a copy to be made.
16. Definitions
 - 16.1. *Claim*—A written statement by the Claimant including at a minimum:
 - 16.1.1. The name of the Claimant;
 - 16.1.2. The name of the person for whom the labor was done, or materials or equipment furnished;
 - 16.1.3. A copy of the agreement or purchase order pursuant to which labor, materials, or equipment was furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
 - 16.1.4. A brief description of the labor, materials, or equipment furnished;

- 16.1.5. The date on which the Claimant last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
 - 16.1.6. The total amount earned by the Claimant for labor, materials, or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim;
 - 16.1.7. The total amount of previous payments received by the Claimant; and
 - 16.1.8. The total amount due and unpaid to the Claimant for labor, materials, or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim.
- 16.2. *Claimant*—An individual or entity having a direct contract with the Contractor or with a subcontractor of the Contractor to furnish labor, materials, or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract. The term Claimant also includes any individual or entity that has rightfully asserted a claim under an applicable mechanic's lien or similar statute against the real property upon which the Project is located. The intent of this Bond is to include without limitation in the terms of "labor, materials, or equipment" that part of the water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service, or rental equipment used in the Construction Contract, architectural and engineering services required for performance of the work of the Contractor and the Contractor's subcontractors, and all other items for which a mechanic's lien may be asserted in the jurisdiction where the labor, materials, or equipment were furnished.
- 16.3. *Construction Contract*—The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and all changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.
- 16.4. *Owner Default*—Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.
- 16.5. *Contract Documents*—All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.
17. If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond will be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner will be deemed to be Contractor.
18. Modifications to this Bond are as follows: **None.**

CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

EAST ENGINEERING, PLC

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

a. PROJECT SUMMARY

- i. This project includes town highway improvements to Bog Road at the Perkins Brook crossing in Belvidere Vermont. Requirements are noted on the plans, permits, specifications, and contract documents.
- ii. All components for this project will adhere to the State of Vermont, Agency of Transportation (VTrans), Standard Specifications for Construction, 2024, unless otherwise noted on the plans or within these specifications, or approved in writing from the Engineer.

b. GENERAL AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- i. Proposed improvements are within a Town road right-of-way as well as private property (easement secured by Town). Contractor shall exercise caution while working to ensure areas outside of the limits of construction are not disturbed and the site is kept in a clean and neat manner.
- ii. Portions of Owner property used for Contractor laydown area (equipment/material storage, staging, etc.) shall be protected from damage. Any damage shall be repaired by the contractor at no additional cost to the Owner. Additional laydown areas are to be obtained by Contractor, at no cost to the Owner.
- iii. Permits – The following permits are required to be followed throughout construction:
 1. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) – General Permit
 2. VT ANR – Stream Alteration Registration
- iv. Historic Preservation – If unanticipated historic and/or archaeological resources are found, the Contractor shall stop work and contact the Owner and Engineer prior to proceeding.
- v. Staging and Storage – The contractor shall utilize the Town road right-of-way for construction staging and material storage areas. The security and safety of the staging area is the sole responsibility of the Contractor. After construction is completed, the staging/storage areas shall be restored to pre-construction conditions or better.
- vi. Davis Bacon Wage Rates – This project is subject to the requirements of the Davis Bacon Act.

c. REFERENCED STANDARDS

- i. State of Vermont, Agency of Transportation (VTrans), Standard Specifications for Construction, latest issue.
- ii. VTrans Standard Drawings for Construction, latest revisions.
- iii. American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
- iv. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)

d. PROJECT MEETINGS AND COORDINATION

i. Meetings

1. Preconstruction Meeting – At least 7 days before beginning construction, the Owner and Contractor shall meet on-site to review the details of the project, discuss schedule, scope of work, party responsibilities, procedures for construction administration tasks (RFIs, CO's, Submittals, Payment Applications), special conditions and permitting requirements, and other applicable details of the project.

ii. Coordination

1. Contractor Representatives

- a. The Contractor shall provide a full-time representative on site during all construction activities. The representative shall supervise all operations of the work and have authority to direct all Contractor personnel, subcontractors and material suppliers.
- b. The Contractor shall designate at least two designated responsible people to be available at all time after working hours (including weekends and holidays) to be available in the event of an emergency. Contact information (home and cell phone numbers) shall be provided to the Engineer and Owner.

2. Construction Correspondence

- a. Submittals – Refer to Submittal Section for specific requirements.
- b. Request for Information (RFI) – RFI's shall be submitted by the Contractor to the Engineer in writing. The RFI shall include detailed information on the item requiring clarification including specification and/or drawing reference, a narrative explanation, and the requested response date.
- c. Change Orders (CO)– Prior to completing any work that the Contractor deems out of scope, a written request (Potential Change Order – "PCO") will be submitted to the Engineer and Owner. The PCO will include material, equipment, and labor rates and quantities of items to be installed with justification for the work.
- d. Payment Applications – A payment application shall be provided by the Contractor to the Owner noting progress percentages (lump sum items) and quantities installed (unit price items). Lien releases will be provided to Owner with each payment application for each supplier that has an excess of \$25,000.

e. SUBMITTALS

- i. Submittals shall be provided to Engineer/Owner for materials and proceeds necessary to complete the required work. Submittals shall be provided in digital (PDF) format by email. Each submittal shall be legible and have clear indications/mark ups of the products/materials to be used. Each submittal will

have a Contractor transmittal cover sheet with the referenced drawing/specification, date, and Contractor's signature indicating that the submitted product is in accordance with all project requirements. Required submittals are as follows:

1. Project schedule (provide updates as requested by Owner or Engineer)
 2. Insurance certificates – Owner and East Engineering, PLC shall be listed as additionally insured.
 3. Preconstruction photos and or videos.
 4. Rock and aggregate materials.
 5. Concrete mix design.
 6. Precast Concrete culvert shop drawings (required to be stamped by Vermont Professional Engineer).
- ii. Substitutions – If the Contractor prefers to use a product that differs from the drawings or specifications, a substitution submittal is required. Submittal will clearly compare the proposed material or product with the specified material or product.
 - iii. Engineer/Owner shall have 15 calendar days to review each submittal.

f. TEMPORARY FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION MEASURES

- i. Storage Facilities – Contractor shall provide temporary on-site storage facilities to store materials and equipment. Contractor is responsible for the security and safety of all on-site materials and equipment. Any damaged or stolen materials or equipment shall be replaced at no cost to the Owner.
- ii. Sanitary Facilities – Contractor shall provide adequate sanitary facilities at the job site for all Contractor, Engineer and Owner personnel. Facilities shall be regularly maintained and cleaned.
- iii. Barricades, Fences and Safety Measures – Contractor is responsible for all site safety and protective measures. This includes all temporary barricades, fencing, plating, signage and other safety measures. All safety and protective measures shall meet applicable codes and standards.
- iv. Traffic Control – Contractor shall install and maintain all construction warning signs in accordance with Vermont Agency of Transportation Standard Specifications and the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). All temporary signage shall be anchored with sandbags or equivalent methods to ensure signs stay upright and in the appropriate position. Contractor shall regularly monitor signs, barricades, signals to ensure they remain in proper working order.
- v. Environmental – Contractor shall install and maintain temporary environmental protective measures in accordance with applicable permitting documents and per the project drawings.
- vi. Utilities – Existing utilities shall be maintained at all times. Contractor is responsible for all DigSafe requirements. Coordination with utility authorities shall be a Contractor responsibility – this includes temporary supports, “pole-holds”, line shielding and associated tasks. Contractor shall coordinate with all utilities in the

area that are not members of DigSafe to maintain all existing infrastructure. Protection of all utilities in the project area is a requirement. All repairs, damages, or other penalties shall be borne by the Contractor.

g. SITE DEMOLITION

- i. The Contractor shall demolish and/or modify all existing structures, facilities, and utilities as indicated on the drawings or specified herein. The Contractor shall furnish all materials, equipment, and labor to execute the work.
- ii. Demolished materials shall be legally disposed of at an approved facility by the Contractor. The Contractor is responsible for all costs to dispose of the material including labor, equipment, materials, trucking, and disposal fees.

h. SITE CLEARING AND GRUBBING

- i. Contractor shall clear and grub all necessary materials to complete the project within the limits of disturbance shown on project plans. Applicable items include: trees, shrubs, stumps, topsoil, snow/ice, trash/rubbish.
 1. Topsoil shall be segregated from other materials and stockpiled (using applicable erosion prevention and sediment control measures) for reuse during restoration of the site.
 2. Tree limbs and brush/vegetation may be mulched for EPSC measures or removed from site. No burning is allowed.
 3. Hardwood trees (excluding limbs) removed as part of the proposed repairs shall be removed from site or chipped on-site.
 4. Contractor to legally dispose of all materials at no expense to the Owner. Disposal site shall be provided to Owner and FEMA to ensure legal disposal.

i. PRECAST RIGID FRAME CULVERT

- i. Loading: HL-93
- ii. Two coats field applied Silane on all exposed surfaces
- iii. Full membrane over top and 3-ft down sides
- iv. Plain rebar (black bar) for all reinforcing
- v. Footer/stemwalls to be set/cast on 12" of 1-inch clean stone placed and compacted on Mirafi RSI280 geotextile. Engineer to witness existing native materials prior to placement of Mirafi RSI280.
- vi. Minimum two (2) bolt pockets per side for drawing box sections together
- vii. Keyway shall be grouted (high-strength, non-shrink) after backfilling operations are completed.
- viii. Sikaflex squeegeed into nominal space between wingwalls and box/headwalls.
- ix. Mechanical connection (bent plate steel, ½" thickness minimum) between wingwalls and box culvert required.
- x. Filled with E3 stone and native cobbles/gravels during installation. Fish & Wildlife shall be notified a minimum of 7 days prior to filling. They will be on-site to direct

Contractor on placement of material. Contractor to allow 8-hours of machine time and labor to accommodate F&W.

j. EROSION PREVENTION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL (EPSC)

- i. Contractor shall install, maintain and upon completion of construction, remove erosion prevention and sediment control measures. Contractor shall comply with:
 - 1. Vermont Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control Field Guide – Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Most Current Version.
 - 2. The Vermont Standards & Specifications for Erosion Prevention & Sediment Control – Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Most Current Version.

k. PROTECTION AND REPAIR OF PROPERTY AND EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

- i. Contractor shall be responsible for protecting, maintaining and repairing or replacing site features during construction including:
 - 1. Underground Utilities – All DigSafe responsibilities are a responsibility of the Contractor as noted in previous sections.
 - 2. Overhead utilities shall be maintained and protected at all times. Temporary support(s) and/or pole hold(s) and/or relocation(s) shall be coordinated with the authority having jurisdiction. All temporary measures needed/required by the authority having jurisdiction shall be paid for by the Contractor. Any damage to existing poles or overhead utilities shall be paid for by the Contractor.
 - 3. Lawns, Grasses and Landscaping/Plantings – Contractor is responsible for restoring lawns and grass areas. Landscaping/plantings shall be replaced in-kind. Any pruning or cutting of branches shall be done in a neat and professional manner – cut ends of branches to be sealed by an acceptable arbor product within 24 hours of cutting.
 - 4. Survey monuments and markers – If existing survey markers or monuments are disturbed, Contractor shall pay a Professional Licensed Surveyor (registered in Vermont) to reset.
 - 5. Pavements – Pavement and driveways that are to remain shall not be damaged. If existing pavement and driveway areas are to be used as material stockpile and/or equipment parking areas, Contractor shall provide adequate temporary measures to protect the infrastructure from damage. Damaged pavements and driveways (as determined by Engineer or Owner) shall be removed and replaced by the Contractor at no cost to the Owner.
 - 6. Mailboxes – If mailboxes are in the area of disturbance, they shall be temporarily relocated/reset during construction to the satisfaction of the landowner and post office. After construction, mailboxes shall be reset to their original locations to the satisfaction of the landowner, post office and Engineer.

I. RECORD DRAWINGS

- i. The Contractor is responsible to keep one set of record drawings throughout the construction of the project. Differing conditions and actual locations/elevations of proposed improvements shall be clearly/neatly documented and dimensioned in red-pen or completed digitally in a PDF.

m. PROJECT CLOSEOUT

- i. Substantial Completion – Contractor will notify the Engineer and Owner when the project is ready to be inspected for Substantial Completion. Owner, Engineer and Contractor will conduct a walkthrough and document any outstanding items that remain to be completed (punchlist). If the Engineer and Owner determine that the completed work is substantially complete, a certificate will be issued with a final punch list.
- ii. Final Completion – Using the punchlist, the Contractor will complete all outstanding work items, remove temporary facilities, and conduct final cleaning of all work areas to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Owner. After completion of the punch list, Owner, Engineer and Contractor will conduct a final walkthrough. If satisfied, Owner and Engineer will release the certificate of final completion.

END OF CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS



Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation

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AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT NEXT FLOOD MEASURES

Pursuant to Section F of the Vermont Stream Alteration General Permit

Project Number: NFM-04-1012-2023

Applicant Name: TOWN OF BELLEVILLE % KEN ADAMS Phone: 802-730-4170

Mailing Address: — Email: —

Project Location: BOG ROAD - PERKINS BK

The Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) has determined that:

1. This authorizes THE REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING STRUCTURE WITH A NEW STREAM CROSSING STRUCTURE 10' WIDE MINIMUM.
2. The proposed activity is eligible for coverage under the VT ANR Stream Alteration General Permit – Next Flood Measures.
3. The proposed activity will meet the terms and conditions of Section E of the General Permit provided:
 - a) The project will be completed as shown on the plan(s) dated N/A, prepared by N/A and approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources.
 - b) The project is proportional to the threat and conditioned to cease when the threat to life or to improved property has ended.
 - c) The project will not result in a threat to life, public health or safety.
 - d) The project will meet the standards detailed in subsection E.2.1 and E.2.2 of the General Permit.
 - e) The project will meet Stream Alteration Standards to the greatest extent possible.
 - f) A pre-construction meeting is held between the contractor, owner/applicant, and the ANR River Management Engineer.
 - g) The River Management Engineer is notified by phone, text (777-5328) or email (chris.brunelle@vermont.gov) when construction begins and when the project is complete.

If there are any changes in the project plan or deviation in construction from the plan, the Permittee must notify the River Management Engineer immediately.

If the project is constructed as you have described, as shown on the above referenced approved plans and according to the above conditions, there is no reason to expect any violation of Vermont Water Quality Standards.

Signed this 12TH day of OCTOBER, 2023
Julia S. Moore, Secretary Agency of Natural Resources

This authorization expires December 31, 2023 ²⁰²⁴ _{CAB}

by: Chris Brunelle
Chris Brunelle, River Management Engineer



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT
NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT OFFICE
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June 26, 2024

Regulatory Division
New Hampshire & Vermont Section
File Number: NAE-2024-01240

Ken Adams
Town of Belvidere
3996 VT Route 109
Belvidere, Vermont 05442
Via Email: townclerk@townofbelviderevt.com

Dear Mr. Adams:

This letter is in response to the application you submitted to the New England District for a Department of the Army general permit verification. This project has been assigned the file number NAE-2024-01240. This file number should be referenced in all correspondence with this office.

A review of the information provided indicates the proposed work includes the placement of fill in a total of about 1,600 sq. ft. of Perkins Brook in conjunction with the replacement of an existing 72" x 96" galvanized pipe arch culvert with a new 12' wide x 10' high precast concrete box culvert along Bog Road in Belvidere, Vermont. The project is located at Latitude 44.747680° and Longitude -72.639140°; in Belvidere Center, Lamoille County, Vermont. The work is shown on the enclosed plans, in three sheets, titled "TOWN OF BELVIDERE TOWN HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS BOG ROAD" and dated "APRIL 2024."

Based on the information you have provided, we verify that the activity is authorized under General Permit 18 of the December 6, 2022, Federal Permit known as the Vermont General Permits (GPs). If the extent of the project area and/or nature of the authorized impacts to waters are modified, a revised application must be submitted to this office for written approval before work is initiated. A copy of these permits can be found at: <https://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/State-General-Permits/>

Any deviation from the terms and conditions of the permit, or your submitted plans, may subject the permittee to the enforcement provisions of our regulations. Therefore, in the event changes to this project are contemplated, it is recommended you coordinate with this office prior to proceeding with the work. This office must approve any changes before you undertake them. You must perform this work in compliance with the terms and conditions of the GPs listed above.

This verification is valid until December 6, 2027. You must commence or be under contract to commence the work authorized herein by December 6, 2027 and complete the work by December 6, 2028 (ONE YEAR AFTER VERIFICATION EXPIRATION). If not, you must contact this office to determine the need for further authorization before beginning or continuing the activity. It is recommended that you contact this office before this authorization expires to discuss if permit reissuance is a possibility.

You must complete and return the enclosed Work Start Notification Form to this office at least two weeks before the anticipated starting date. You must also complete and return the enclosed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work.

This authorization presumes that the work as described above and as shown on your plans noted above is in waters of the U.S. If you wish, you may request an approved jurisdictional determination (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction.

This general permit verification and any associated authorizations does not preclude the necessity to obtain any other Federal, State, or local permits, licenses, and/or certifications, which may be required.

If you have any questions related to this verification or have issues accessing documents referenced in this letter, please contact Angela Repella, Senior Project Manager at 978-318-8639, or by email at Angela.C.Repella@usace.army.mil. This agency continually strives to improve our customer service. In order to better serve you, please complete the Customer Service Survey located at: <https://regulatory.ops.usace.army.mil/customer-service-survey/>.

Sincerely,

A light blue rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angela Repella".

FOR: Frank DelGiudice
Chief, NH & VT Section

Enclosures

Cc (w/enclosures):
Tyler Billingsley, East Engineering PLC, tyler@eastengineeringplc.com
Chris Brunelle, VTDEC Rivers Program, chris.brunell@vermont.gov

Work-Start Notification Form

File Number: NAE-2024-01240

State: Vermont

County: Lamoille

Permittee: Town of Belvidere, Ken Adams

Date Verification Issued: 6/26/2024

Project Manager: Angela Repella

At least two weeks prior to commencing the activity authorized by this permit, sign this certification and return it to the following address:

**US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
New England District
Attn: Angela Repella
11 Lincoln Street Room 210
Essex Junction, Vermont 05452
or
Angela.C.Repella@usace.army.mil
978-318-8639**

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by a U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) representative. Failure to comply with any terms or conditions of this authorization may result in the USACE suspending, modifying or revoking the authorization and/or issuing a Class I administrative penalty, or initiating other appropriate legal action.

The people (e.g. contractor) listed below will do the work, and they understand the permit's conditions and limitations.

Contractor Name/Contractor Firm: _____

Business Address: _____

Contractor Phone and Email: _____

Proposed Construction Dates: Start: _____ **Finish:** _____

Signature of Permittee

Date

Compliance Certification Form

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State: Vermont

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Permittee: Town of Belvidere, Ken Adams

Date Verification Issued: 6/26/2024

Project Manager: Angela Repella

Within one month of completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit (you must submit this form after mitigation is complete, but not the mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals), sign this certification and return it to the following address:

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New England District

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I hereby certify that the work, and mitigation (if applicable), authorized by the above referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said permit including any general or specific conditions.

Date Authorized Work Started: _____ **Completed:** _____

Describe any deviations from permit (attach drawing(s) depicting the deviations):

***Note: The description of any deviations on this form does not constitute approval by the USACE.**

Signature of Permittee

Date