



**Solicitation Information
December 20, 2012**

Addendum #4

RFP # 7458306

**Title: Sustainable Rhode Island: A Regional Plan for Sustainable Development
Submission Deadline: January 17, 2013 at 11:00 AM (EST)**

- **Below is the third group of responses to vendor questions.**
- **The Division of Purchases will accept any additional follow-up questions through December 28, 2012. Please follow the same instructions for submission through this date.**
- **The State will respond to any additional questions submitted right before December 28th deadline, and will post the answers accordingly.**
- **Please continue to monitor the website for additional response and/or information.**

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60. Number of Work Task Elements Clarification. The RFP presents eight elements within the work tasks. Addendum #1 clarifies that 10 pages are permitted per element for a total of 90 pages, which implies there are nine elements within the work tasks. Please clarify the total number of elements within the work tasks and total pages allowed for Tab 4-*Project Approach and Understanding*.

Page 3 of Addendum #1: "...Tab 4-Project Approach and Understanding: Each scope of work element (Public Participation, Communication and Relations, Social Equity, Economic Development Plan, Growth Centers, Housing, Data and Performance Measures, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building, Implementation) is permitted up to 10 pages of response for a maximum of 90 pages."

The work elements are listed below. Each of these elements is permitted 10 pages of response for a maximum of 80 pages. There are eight elements, not nine, this was a typographical error.

- Element 1: Public Participation, Communication and Relations
- Element 2: Social Equity
- Element 3: Economic Development Plan
- Element 4: Growth Centers
- Element 5: Housing
- Element 6: Data and Performance Measures
- Element 7: Technical Assistance and Capacity Building
- Element 8: Implementation

61. Project Schedule Clarification. The RFP requests that a detailed schedule be included in the Work Plan as part of Tab 4, *Project Approach and Understanding of Work*. Does the project schedule count against the total page limit of the section?

Page 50 of RFP, 6.3.4 Item 3: "The work plan description shall include a detailed monthly proposed project schedule by element, task and subtask..."

The project schedule does not count against the total page limit of the section.

62. Question Submittal Due Date. Since the due date for the proposal has been extended two weeks, will the deadline to submit questions be extended two weeks as well?

The question deadline will be extended to December 28, 2012.

63. In general, if based on the information and ideas developed during the planning process, one of the committees, determines that work is required that is significantly different from that specified, how will that be handled within this lump sum contract?
Either through mutually agreeable amendments to the initial contractual documents or the issuance of additional requests for proposals.
64. Element 3: During the planning process, did those preparing the three existing plans (land use, transportation and water) confer and reconcile assumptions and outcomes and if not, if there are conflicts between the plans how will that be reconciled?
Yes, assumptions and outcomes were reconciled through the planning process.
65. Can it be assumed that the information contained in the three exiting plans (land use, transportation and water) defines adequate baseline capacity to be used in this planning process without further evaluation?
Yes.
66. Element 4: Have the members of the various committees worked together previously?
Every committee except public participation and communications has met and been involved in the development of the RFP. Some of the various committee members had worked together before and some had not.
67. Will the names of the current Social Equity Advisory Committee members and the other existing committees be posted online?
Not at this time.
68. Task ED 2H: Can we have some more details about this task. Specifically, who are the “agencies and organizations” and what are the “financial resources”?
In this instance “agencies and organizations” refers to state agencies and organizations as well as local redevelopment authorities. The “financial resources” refers to grants or loans those agencies are responsible for distributing.
69. P16 Task ED1 – Is the inventory of assets to be included limited to only those on pp23-24?
No.
70. P18 Task ED2I- Do they see this tool as a geospatial filtering tool?
We are looking to the consultants to propose the best way to develop this filter/tool for assessing a program’s consistency with the State’s vision and principles. It could be a geospatial filtering tool but it is not limited to such.
71. P21Task GC2 – It states that “adjustments will be made to establish more specific priorities and fully address the objectives of the project.” When will this be decided so we can properly estimate the cost of mapping the community and state-wide Asset Inventory?
The adjustments refer to adjustments that will occur during the course of the project in concert with the growth centers committees to make the existing data more relevant to the Sustainable Rhode Island project.

72. P24 – Task GC2C, Do they have the land use 2025 data in a GIS format?

Yes.

73. Wouldn't information on the energy grid be relevant to the growth center analysis and if so will the state provide that data?

Yes. Available data sets can currently be found in the Rhode Island Geographic Information System (RIGIS) data catalog. <http://www.edc.uri.edu/rigis/data/>