

MAS Building & Bridge dated September 15, 2017

Question (1)

The following requests are in reference to the railing:

- a. Please confirm that the railing is to be included only as an Alternate and provide a revised bid form which reflects the rail's exclusion from the base-bid lump sum breakdown.
- b. Is the intent that the base bid also exclude the rail anchor bolt sets in the precast? Or should those connection assemblies be included in the base bid for potential future use/construction of a railing?

Response (1)

- a. *The proposal contains language that allows the Town to decrease the scope of work to be done under this Contract and to omit any work in order bring the cost within available funds. To this end, the owner reserves the right to reduce the quantity of any items or omit all of any as set forth in the bid. The bid price for each component of the Alteration to Bridge Structure item, including the railing, shall be submitted as part of the lump sum breakdown.*
- b. *The intent is to include the railing anchor bolt anchorage assemblies that are to be set in the precast elements for construction of the railing.*

Question (2)

Please provide an allowable loading limit for equipment on the existing structure.

Response (2)

A load rating report was not prepared during the design of this project. Therefore, an allowable loading limit for equipment is not available. It is noted that a visual inspection of the bridge did not indicate any major strength impairing deficiencies. A photo of a Conrail locomotive crossing the bridge is attached for informational purposes.

Question (3)

For bidding purposes, please confirm that we are to assume the existing concrete coping does not include dowels extending down into the granite blocks.

Response (3)

No plans for construction of the concrete slabs atop the stone masonry were not available during design and no concrete excavations were performed to determine whether anchorage dowels are present. It is recommended that the bid price for removal of the copings account for the possible presence of dowels.

