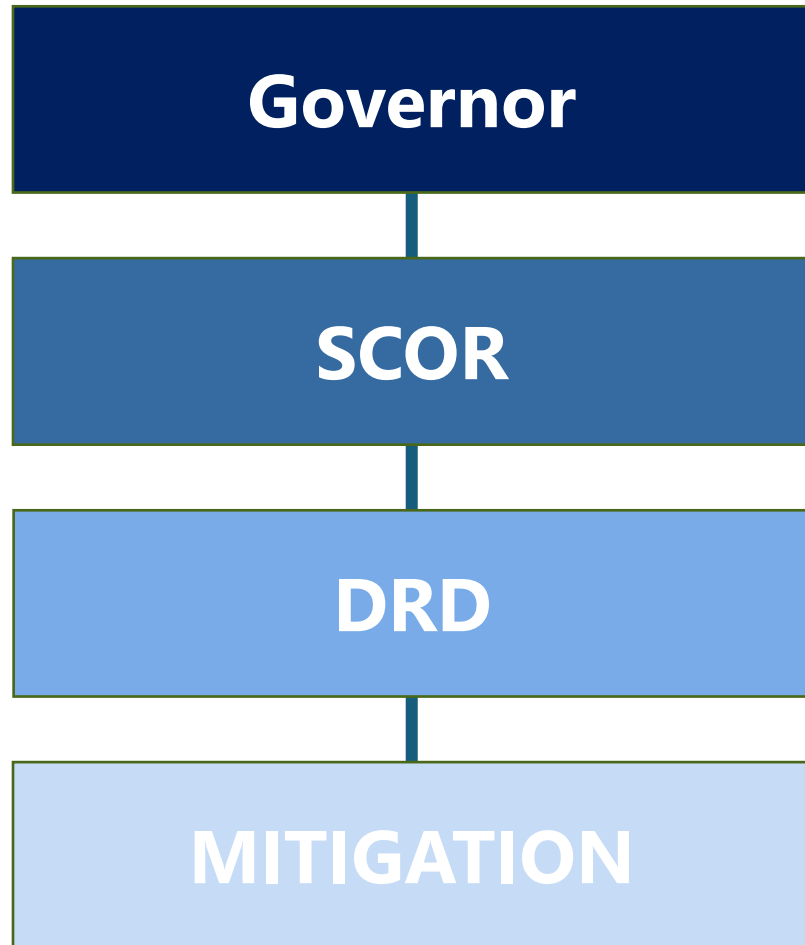


Pre-Submittal Conference

Laurens County D30-N041-MJ

Monday September 18, 2023, 2:00 PM

S.C. Office of Resilience (SCOR)



Key Staff:

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SCOR's ARPA Stormwater Infrastructure Program (ASIP)

- Funded through US Department of the Treasury: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) (Federal Register 87 FR 4338)
- The State of South Carolina allocated ARPA-SLFRF funds to SCOR (2022 Joint Resolution, Amended 2023 S604)
 - ✓ SC Office of Resilience (SCOR) designated \$55 million of the ARPA-SLFRF funds to the **ARPA-Funded Stormwater Infrastructure Program (ASIP)**
- SLFRF funds must be **obligated by December 31, 2024**, and funds must be expended by **December 31, 2026**.

Eligible Applicants:

State, local, and Tribal governments within the state of South Carolina

Eligible Activities:

- ✓ Engineering & Environmental fees
- ✓ Construction costs for infrastructure improvements
- ✓ Cost for acquisition of land for project purposes
- ✓ Infrastructure improvement
- ✓ Road repairs and upgrades that interact directly with stormwater infrastructure projects
- ✓ Implementation of incentive and educational programs

Project Overview | Laurens County Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

ASIP Award:

- ✓ 2 Project Areas

State-Run Project:

- ✓ Project run by SCOR
- ✓ SCOR follows state procurement regulations.
- ✓ Utilize S.C. Office of State Engineers (OSE) Contracts
- ✓ Must follow S.C. OSE Bid Process

Project Area 1: Northern County Culvert Upgrades, Stream Restoration and Bioswales (N. County Stormwater Improvements)

Project Area 2: Wattsville Community Stormwater Improvements

Project Area 1 and 2 will be completed under one engineering design contract.

- ✓ Separate environmental reviews for each Project Area
- ✓ May be bid separately or together
- ✓ Project expenses must be tracked and invoiced separately

Project Area 1 | N. County Stormwater Improvements

ASIP Award:

- ✓ \$1,419,540 ASIP award
- ✓ \$161,268 Laurens County
- ✓ \$1,580,808 Total Project Funding

Location Information:

- ✓ Laurens County stream bank and culvert restoration along Sullivan Road and Chapman Road

Project Goal: Improve stormwater retention, water quality and reduce flooding for the surrounding area.

Project Description:

- ✓ Improve the existing culverts along Sullivan Road and Chapman Road.
- ✓ Restore the degraded portion of the stream immediately west of Sullivan Road crossing
- ✓ Improve roadside bioswale along Sullivan Road to the north of stream crossing.

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Project Area 2 | Wattsville Community Stormwater Improvement

ASIP Award:

- ✓ \$ \$3,753,630 ASIP award
- ✓ \$ 251,249 Laurens County
- ✓ \$ 4,004,879 Total Project Funding

Location Information:

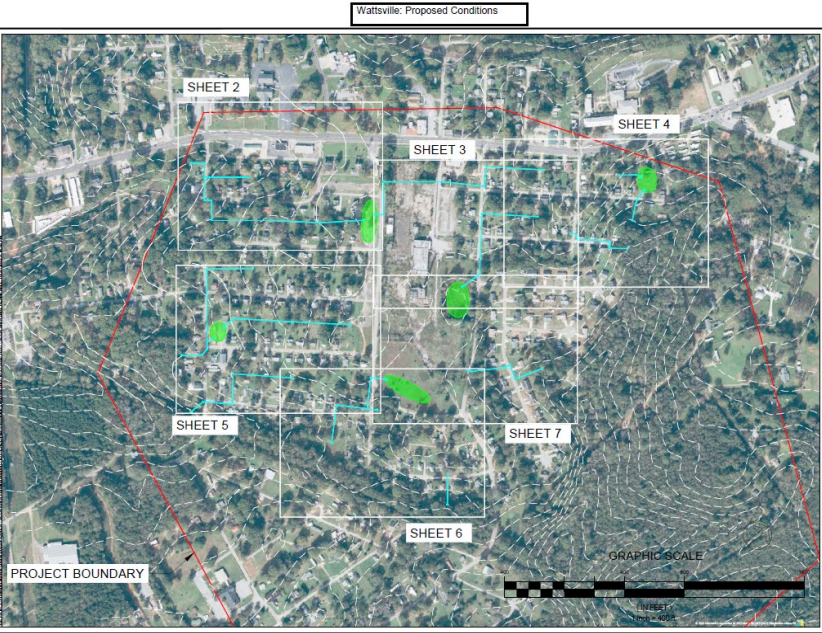
- ✓ Design Wattsville community stormwater system.

Project Goal: Improve stormwater water quality, and reduce flooding.

Project Description:

- ✓ Implement new stormwater system which will include bioretention areas throughout the project area and abandon the existing system aside from the tie-ins.
- ✓ Provide nature-based stormwater control, water quality improvements, and aesthetic, ecological
- ✓ Educational signage of the subsurface/nature-based stormwater solutions. Signage should be published in both English and Spanish.

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Project Schedule | Engineering for Laurens County Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

Anticipated Project Schedule Laurens County Laurens County Stormwater Infrastructure Projects	
Engineering Contract Execution	October-December 2023
Begin Design & Environmental Review	December 2023
Design, Environmental & Permitting Complete (365 days)	December 2024
Bid for Construction	TBD
Construction Complete	TBD
Grant Closeout	TBD

Schedule Notes:

- ✓ RFQ: 365 days for design
- ✓ OSE must review final design and project manual (45 days)
- ✓ Bid project prior to December 2024 to identify if additional funds are needed prior to SLFRF obligation deadline
- ✓ Projects may be bid separately
- ✓ Actual construction schedule will be determined following design. Project must be construction complete before July 2026.

Procurement Overview | Laurens County Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

Scope of Work and Deliverables:

1. Field Survey
2. Utility Coordination
3. Hydraulic Design
4. Preliminary Design and Conceptual Cost Estimate at 30%, 60% and 90%
5. Environmental Review
6. Public Outreach
7. Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) for final Design
8. Final Design Plans & Specs
9. Assist SCOR during the bid process
10. Construction Administration

Engineering Services Procurement Anticipated Schedule	
RFQ Issuance	Wednesday, August 30, 2023
Non-Mandatory Pre-Submittal Conference	Monday September 18, 2023 @ 2:00 PM
RFQ Submittal Deadline	Tuesday, October 03, 2023 @ 4:00 PM
Review Firm Submittals	October 2023
Interview Selected Firms	October 2023
Negotiations and Contract Execution	October/November 2023
Est. Notice to Proceed	November 2023

RFQ Questions & Responses | Laurens County

Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

Q. We noticed that there are two RFQs available. One SE-210 (through SCBO) requesting a Standard Form 330 submittal and the other with a different set of formatting/content requirements via the SCOR website. Could you please clarify whether it is the intent to request both formats, despite the possibility of duplicative information?

A. The SCBO and SCOR RFQ documents are both tied to the same RFQ for engineering services for the Stormwater Improvement projects. The SE-210 through SCBO is the required state procurement for professional services form. This form does not provide opportunity for the level of detail we put in our RFQs for engineering services. Therefore, we host the more detailed RFQ description on our website and place that link in the project/professional description area of the 210.

The submittal should not have duplicative information. The OSE minimum requirements include those listed on the SE-210 and in Chapter 4 of the OSE manual. SCOR has additional requirements layered on top of the OSE minimum requirements. A single submittal package should be provided to SCOR that includes all of the requirements listed in Section 3: Submittal Information of the detailed RFQ description (OSE requirements on the solicitation (SE-210) (this includes the SF330s), Chapter 4 requirements, and SCOR's requirements to include #1-4).

RFQ Questions & Responses | Laurens County Stormwater Infrastructure Projects

Q. If the SF330 is required, does the 12-pt. font minimum stand as it is not conducive to each SF330 form page fitting with its content?

A. The SF330 is required. As long as the font remains legible for an 8.5x11 sheet of paper, the font size can be adjusted as needed to fit within the formatting restrictions of the form. We generally see SF330s forms with 11 or 12pt font.

Q. Can respondents submit information for one of the project scopes? Or is a response needed for both projects, the Northern Laurens County - Culvert Upgrades, Stream Restoration, and Bioswales and the Wattsville Community Stormwater Improvements?

A. Qualification submittals for the RFQ for engineering services for Laurens County must be in response to both the Northern Laurens County Stormwater project and the Wattsville Community Stormwater project.

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RFQ Submittal Notes:

RFQ Submittal Deadline: **Tuesday October 3, 2023 @ 4:00 PM**

- ✓ Submittals must comply with requirements set forth in Section 3 of the RFQ
- ✓ Late submissions will not be accepted

Pre-submittal Conference Slides will be available on SCOR's website at <https://scor.sc.gov/arpa>

- ✓ Attendees may place email in chat if they would like a copy emailed directly

Questions?