

RFP # 24-001 Questions and Answers

2024-2029 New York State Geological Survey (NYSGS)/New York State Museum (NYSM) Scientific Sediment (Soil) Coring-Drilling Services

The following are several questions regarding the above-reference RFP.

1. May we add a line item for additional override casing in the event it is needed to get to 400+ feet BGS borings?

Ans. No, you may not add a line to the bid sheet format. You may build that into the standard footage rate. Specify the rate, total value, and indicate in the proposal narrative that this is for override casing.

2. Please confirm drilling over 490 feet BGS is not anticipated.

Ans. No holes deeper than 490 feet are anticipated.

3. Are ten day on/four day off work shifts permitted?

Ans. Yes

4. Please confirm the instances when the standby rate may apply?

Ans. Standby rate is applied after completion of coring when downhole geophysical logging (gamma) is being performed. Typical logging times for boreholes is 2-6 hours. STANDBY rates also apply if there is a delay with having utilities cleared by a member of the State Geological Survey.

5. May we add an additional line item for the five to 20 feet of bedrock confirmation drilling anticipated at each hole?

Ans. No. Include or build that price into your footage rate.

6. Can you give an approximate estimate of the distance between "sites" in both central and eastern NY?

How far apart should we anticipate the borings are from each other at each site?

Ans. Site to Site mobilization is typically 5 - 20 miles, distance between Central and Eastern New York sites is estimated and is approximately 165 miles.

7. Please confirm that the mobilization line item (lump sum) is for the initial mobilization to an initial site, and the mobilization from site to site is to occur after the first site is completed.

Ans. Correct, the initial mobilization lump sum is from the base of operations to the first coring site. This value may include or reflect initial preparations, packing of supplies, inspections, and logistics. Standard mobilization begins after completion of the first borehole.

8. Are the sites tax exempt or are we to include that in our pricing sheet? If we are to include that, may we add an additional line item for tax?

Ans. We are a state agency and are tax exempt.