

March 27, 2026

**Addendum #1
for RFP No. RDS 26-001
Clear Lake Road Twin Culverts**

This addendum shall be incorporated into and form part of RFP No. RDS 26-001 for the replacement of the Clear Lake Road Twin Culverts.

Receipt of the Addendum shall be acknowledged as part of your submission as per Section 2.14 – Addenda of the RFP document and **must be included** in the submission package before the closing date of April 10, 2026 at 12:00 noon.

The Township of Minden Hills reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or accept any proposal, should it deem such actions to be in the best interest of the Township.

Question 1: Has there been a geotechnical assessment for this project?

Answer 1: No, the geotechnical assessment will be the responsibility of the Successful Proponent. The Township realizes there is potential risk to contractors due to the unknown soil characteristics, therefore, respondents should include a provisional item of up to \$50,000 to be used for disposal of contaminated material, if required, and upon agreement with the Township and the Engineering Consultant. The geotechnical assessment can take place any time after contract award as it would not involve in-water works. For bidding purposes, Proponents should include, in Appendix G, Item 2.10 Geotechnical Investigation. This provisional item will only be utilized for contaminated soil. The disposal of clean material will be the responsibility of the Successful Proponent, and included in the total submission price.

Question 2: What will the holdbacks be for this project?

Answer 2: Statutory Holdbacks: The Basic Holdback of 10% will be applied, and the Finishing Holdback of 10% may be applied if needed.

Warranty Holdback: A 10% Warranty holdback will be applied until the end of the Warranty Period.

Question 3: Please clarify the guide rail requirements.

Answer 3: Appendix G Item 1.14 will be amended to read “Remove, Salvage, and Reinstall Existing **Standard 3 Cable Guide Rail**”

Question 4: What is the required culvert thickness?

Answer 4: The culvert thickness will be 2.8mm minimum.

Question 5: The RFP package references Specification Numbers, but a Specification Package has not been provided. Could the Township please provide a Specification Package.

Answer 5: The Specification Numbers noted in Appendix G refer to Ontario Provincial Standards Specifications for each item. The Township does not intend to provide a package.

Question 6: Given the global economic instability, is there going to be any fuel price adjustment provision should the price of fuel increase significantly after tender closing?

Answer 6: No.

This addendum consists of 2 pages.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Township directly as outlined in Section 2.13 – Inquiries of the RFP document.

Sincerely,

Mike Timmins
Director of Public Works

Acknowledgement of Receipt

Bidders are required to acknowledge receipt of all addenda by signing the Acknowledgement of Receipt below. Failure to submit all addenda will constitute an automatic rejection.

I/we hereby acknowledge receipt of this addendum and make allowances in my bid.

Signature of Bidder

Date

Name of Company