



The Village of Bald Head Island

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM DUPLEX LIFT STATIONS

Mourning Warbler (Currently 5Hp, 240/1/60),
Royal James (Currently 5Hp, 240/1/60)
and South Bald Head Wynd (Currently 5 Hp, 240/1/60)

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Due Date: December 12, 2024, 11:00 am

Please note that there are changes to this request for proposal from previous posted.

The Village of Bald Head Island, North Carolina ("Village") is soliciting responses to this advertisement, Request for Proposals (RFP) for the maintenance of three of the Village's Wastewater Collection System Duplex Lift Stations; Mourning Warbler (Currently 5Hp, 240/1/60), Royal James (Currently 5Hp, 240/1/60 variable frequency drive) and South Bald Head Wynd (Currently 5 Hp, 240/1/60).

The RFP will be posted on the RFPs, RFQs, and Bids page on the Village's website at <https://villagebhi.org/departments-services/finance/rfps-rfq-and-bids/>. For questions relating to this solicitation, please contact Mark Johnston, at mjohnston@villagebhi.org.

The deadline for submission of a complete Request for Proposals (RFP) Package is December 12, 2024, by 11:00 pm (EST) at Brooks Pierce Attn: Charles Baldwin, 115 N. 3rd Street, Suite 301, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. RFP Packages must include an original signed print copy, three (3) additional printed copies, and a digital copy (Word and pdf preferred) on a portable device.

The Village reserves the right to reject any offer for failure to comply with the requirements of this notice; however, the Village may waive any minor defects or information at its discretion. The Village further reserves the right to reject all offers or award a contract that, in its judgment, is in the best interest of the Village of Bald Head Island.

1) INTRODUCTION AND PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Village of Bald Head Island (Village) is approximately 3.5 square miles and is in Brunswick County, approximately 12 miles southeast of Wilmington, NC. The Village Council consists of the Mayor and four council members elected at large. The Village operates under the Council/Manager form of government. The Village has six operating departments, including Administration, Developmental Services, Finance, Human Resources, Public Services; includes Contractor Services, Utilities, and Public Works and Public Safety; includes EMS, Fire, and Police.

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The Village maintains 38 Wastewater (WW) Collection duplex lift stations that range from 15hp to 2hp. The Village is requesting proposals to refurbish three WW Collection System duplex lift stations over the next six months.

The base bid is to include three (3) duplex lift stations: Mourning Warbler, Royal James, and South Bald Head Wynd.

Morning Warbler will not be a wet well full replacement. Bids shall reflex removing and replacing the existing lid the installing a new concrete vault 8'x8' vault inside the existing vault. Existing pumps shall be replaced with 7.5 HP Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Homa or equivalent brand pumps. Lids shall be replaced with safety grade concrete lids Royal James has a 2 3" discharge lines going to a 6" force main.

Royal James will not be a wet well full replacement. Bids shall reflex injection and spray treatment. Existing pumps shall be replaced with 5HP Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Homa or equivalent brand pumps. Lids shall be replaced with safety grade concrete lids and elevated with spacers to match the grade of the adjacent roadways. Royal James has a 2" discharge going to a 3" forced main.

South Bald Head Wynd shall be a full wet well replacement. Existing pumps shall be replaced with 7.5 HP Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Homa or equivalent brand pumps. Lids shall be replaced with safety grade concrete lids

The Village of Bald Head Island seeks firms to submit Proposals for the maintenance of the Village's Wastewater Collection System duplex lift stations, systems including replacing control panel and wet wells.

Construction materials:

All lift station components will be replaced with stainless steel bolts, brackets, and assemblies. All structural connectors and support brackets will be replaced with stainless steel (SS) cabinets, hatches, safety rails, brackets, tie-downs, bolts, nuts, lock washers, and washers or rated for related use.

Wet wells and pump lift rail systems shall be replaced.

Power panels and duplex pumps and all associated wiring and components will be replaced. Stopgap measures to contain sewer gases will be made to protect the power cabinet electrical systems. SCADA components are not included in this RFP.

All lumber at a minimum will be pressure-treated, ground contact rated. A combination of pressure treated structural support and synthetic deck, surface and/or railing components is acceptable.

Railing style and spacing shall be consistent with existing lift stations on the Island. Lift station bye-pass pumping pipes are required to be installed at each lift station location. There is no current bye-pass piping on any of the sites.

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Extra care is required to not upset adjacent equipment and vegetation in the area. Village staff will be available to identify and protect these items on request. Lay down area and equipment storage will be at the Village’s Utilities Department grounds.

No SCADA or monitoring equipment is included in this RFP. The Village will provide signage. Drive/parking edging will be necessary, or the gravel will simply wash out onto the surrounding property. The edging will be 4”x 6” ground contact rated pressure treated lumber and pinned with 24” length rebar pins, rebar pins to be placed every 4’. Other types of edging will be considered and can be presented as an add Alternate; specified description and unit pricing need to be included in the RFP submission.

Please note: All related construction, on the duplex lift stations, is to be completed by June 30, 2025.

The selected firm(s) will demonstrate experience and excellence in completing projects that encompass:

- Municipal construction and/or refurbishment of collection system duplex lift stations.
- Proven experience installing collection system by-pass piping and refurbishing collection system duplex lift stations.

Provide a description of related experience and include in your proposal documents.

2) SCOPE OF SERVICES DESCRIPTION

- Provide pricing for materials and labor to meet the project needs.
 - wet wells (see details above) and pump railings replacement with like size and construction type
 - consider driveways and property impacts, as well as on-site maneuverability.

All barge scheduling and fees will be the responsibility of the contractor Logistics for this project includes meeting all applicable local standards in the Village of Bald Head Island required project and vehicular permitting.

3) TIMELINE

The proposed project timeline is as follows:

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| December 3, 2024 | Post RFP |
| December 5, 2024 | RFP Questions due to Village |
| December 12, 2024 | Bid Opening |
| December 17, 2024 | Bid Tabulation Sheet available |
| December 18, 2024 | Notice of Award Issued |
| January 24, 2025 | Notice to Proceed |
| June 30, 2025 | Completion of the WW Collection System Duplex Lift Station Maintenance |

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4) REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF A COMPLETE PROPOSALS PACKAGE

When drafting responses to this RFP, firms should provide information that would allow staff to evaluate them based on the evaluation criteria listed in the next section. In order for a proposal to be considered, it must include the following items:

- a) Commonly used business name of the firm and the name of the legal entity that would enter a contract with the Village (if different).
- b) Contact information including the name, phone number, and email address of the primary contact person.
- c) Address of the office of the company managing and implementing construction.
- d) Certificate of Insurance.
- e) The company's contractor's license number(s) both General Contracting and Public Utilities.
- f) A brief written description of the project approach to completing the job.
- g) A written description, the multidisciplinary nature of the team assembled for this project, and any other relevant details about the team assembled to carry out the work.
- h) A detailed list of comparable projects undertaken by the team members. The list should include recent wet wells and pump lift rail systems replacement if firm has experience in this area and include references and contact information. Please include dates and number of relevant projects in the past 12 months.

5) EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following factors will be used in the initial evaluation process:

- a) Does the firm and their staff working on this project have recent experience with comparable projects including but not limited to wet wells and pump lift rail systems replacement.
- b) Does the firm have knowledge and experience working with applicable regulatory agencies?
- c) How substantial is the firm's experience in providing similar services for a Village, or Town of comparable size and complexity?
- d) Has the firm worked for the Village in the past and if so, when and in what capacity? Was the work satisfactory to the Village? Was the work finished on time and within budget?
- e) Does the firm's organizational structure support the objectives?
- f) Does the firm have a solid understanding of the community needs, the project specific issues, and their responsibility in delivering services for the advertised project?

6) SELECTION PROCESS

A committee of Village staff will review all submittals. The committee will evaluate the information provided jointly and may request an interview with the short-listed companies. The selected contractor will review the scope of services to the satisfaction of the committee. The committee will review the cost proposal including specific detail on direct

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labor costs, miscellaneous fees, overhead, etc., to finalize details of an agreement or contract. In the event Village staff and the selected contractor cannot come to an agreement within a reasonable amount of time as determined by the Village, negotiations will be terminated, and the next most qualified firm will be contacted.

7) TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS RFP

The following terms and conditions apply to this RFP, and by submitting its proposal, the firms agree to them without exception:

1. Neither this RFP nor the Village's consideration of any proposal shall create any contract, express or implied, and contractual obligation by the Village to any company, or any other obligation by the Village to any entities. The Village makes no promise, express or implied, regarding whether it will enter a Service Contract with any companies or regarding the manner in which it will consider proposals.
2. The Village will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by companies in preparing and submitting a proposal, or in engaging in oral presentations, discussions, or negotiations.
3. Companies/contractors' submitting a proposal in response to the RFP may be required to make an oral presentation or oral presentations of their proposals to the Village at their own expense. The Village may request the presence of the contractor(s) representatives(s) at this presentation.
By submitting this proposal, the companies agree to make these representatives reasonably available to the Village and acknowledge that the failure to do so may result in the proposal not being considered.
4. The Village reserves the right to waive any informality with respect to any proposal submitted in response to this RFP.
5. The Village reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals received by reason of this requires, in whole or in part, and to negotiate separately in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the Village.
6. Any confidential and proprietary information provided to the Village by the firms pursuant to this RFP shall be subject to disclosure under the North Carolina Public Records law.

- a. To prevent the release of any confidential and proprietary information that otherwise could be held in confidence, the firms submitting the information must:
 - Invoke the exclusion from Public Record Law when the data or materials are submitted to the Village or before such submission,
 - Identify the data and materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, and
 - State why the exclusion from disclosure is necessary.
- b. The companies may request and receive a determination from the Village as to the anticipated scope of protection prior to submitting the proposal. The Village is authorized and obligated to protect only confidential proprietary information, and thus will not protect any portion of a proposal from disclosure if the entire proposal has been designated confidential by

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the firms without reasonably differentiating between the proprietary and nonproprietary information contained therein.

- The Village will not discriminate against any companies/contractors because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment.
- This RFP with all attachments and the firm’s responses may become part of the Service Contract as determined by the Village.

8) INSTRUCTIONS TO FIRMS ON PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the words “VBHI Lift Station Maintenance.” on the face of the envelope. Proposals must be signed in ink by an authorized representative of the firm. The company/contractor shall provide one (1) original proposal, (3) copies and (1) electronic copy on a portable device.

Deliver proposals to Bald Head Island Village Clerk at the following location:

Physical Address: Brooks Pierce
Attention: Charles Baldwin
115 N. 3rd Street, Suite 301
Wilmington, NC 28401

Proposals must be complete when submitted, including a cover sheet and all attachments. Proposals or amendments to proposals received by the Village after the closing date and time will not be considered. Actual receipt by the Village and not the mailing or sending date shall control.

Written questions and requests for clarification shall be submitted no later than December 5, 2024.

To the extent Village of Bald Head Island determines to respond to questions and requests for clarification, responses and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of a posted addendum, which if issued, will be available at the Village website to all firms holding this RFP **no later than December 9, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. All addenda shall become part of the RFP.**

Proposals must be received no later than December 12, 2024, at 11:00 am. Requests for extensions of this date will not be granted except by written amendment to the RFP applicable to all prospective companies/contractors. All are encouraged to carefully examine the RFP for discrepancies, errors, omissions, or ambiguities. Any questions concerning the requirements of the RFP should be directed to Mark Johnston, at email mjohnston@villagebhi.org. The information required by this RFP must be complete and the companies/contractors’ submittal must “stand alone”.