

COUNTY OF BERKS

Purchasing Department

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Amendment #1 Issued on February 23, 2026

Re: Invitation to Bid #26-04 SKAA

This Amendment should consist of a total of 2 pages. If you have not received this Amendment in its entirety, please contact the County of Berks Purchasing Department at (610) 478-6168.

The County hereby amends the above noted Invitation to Bid (ITB) as indicated herein. All other details of the ITB remain unchanged. Language that is underlined denotes that which has been added. Language that has been stricken denotes that which is hereby removed.

Where conflict exists between these responses and information in the original ITB package, the responses shall prevail.

A pre-bid conference was held at Berks Road Bridge over Tributary to Plum Creek located in Bern Township on February 18, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. The following individuals and companies were represented at the meeting:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Entity</u>
Stephanie Kofke	County of Berks
John Bush	McCormick Taylor
Amber Axon-Good	County of Berks
Rex Levensgood	County of Berks
AJ McCloskey	County of Berks
Russ Reigel	J. Phillips Excavating + Hauling LLC
Greg DiGiacomo	J. Phillips Excavating + Hauling LLC
Ed Mylet	Bi-State Construction
Gary Souillice	Grace, Inc.
Jaden Johnson	Construction Masters Services

Several key points were reviewed by the Purchasing Department at the beginning of the pre-bid meeting. They were:

1. As per Section One, Clause 1.B., an amendment will be issued to respond to any and all questions and clarifications submitted and/or identified as needed by the County. Questions answered, or responses not set forth in an amendment shall not be valid and binding upon the County.
2. As per Section One, Clause 1.B., submit all questions in writing to the County point of contact, as detailed therein.

3. Section One, Clause 4.A., contains the deadline for receipt of bids. The County Controller's clock shall be considered the official time. There will be no exceptions to the Bid Deadline.
4. Section One, Clause 4.D., refer for details on whom the bids must be signed by.
5. Section One, Clause 4.E., Consent of Surety must accompany the bid.
6. As per Section One, Clause 5.B., a Bid that contains exceptions or offers substitute products not previously approved by the County may result in the County rejecting the Bid as a non-responsive Bid.
7. Section One, Clause 13.A.1. and Clause 13.A.2., all bonds must be submitted on the County's form.
8. Section One, Clause 16, Insurance – Please review carefully with your agency/broker to ensure you meet or exceed all the limits and the endorsements identified therein.
9. Sign up for eAlerts on the Purchasing page of www.berkspa.gov.

Following is a list of questions asked at the pre-bid conference or submitted in writing and the County's response to each question. **The responses to these questions form an integral part of the Invitation to Bid (ITB) package and these responses may alter a Bidder's responsibilities in submitting a bid.** Where conflict exists between these responses and information in the original ITB package, the responses shall prevail.

Responses to Questions

Q1: For the Temporary Stream crossing (Item 9000-0001) , AASHTO #1 Stone is noted to be the driving surface. That stone size seems too big to be used as a driving surface. Is there other material that is going to be used as the driving surface?

A1: The materials that are called out in Item 9000-0001 are the only materials to be used. AASHTO #1 stone will be used as the surface for the driving surface of the temporary crossing.

Should you have any questions regarding this Amendment, please contact Stephanie Kofke, Contract Manager, via phone at (610) 478-6168 ext. 6279 or via email at skofke@berkspa.gov.