

August 11, 2026

## **ADDENDUM #2**

### **TO PROSPECTIVE PROPOSERS OF RFP “Cultural Resources and Tribal Ethnography Studies, RFP Number WRPD-3-26”**

Notice is hereby given that the subject RFP of the East Bay Municipal Utility District has been revised as follows:

***Extension: The deadline for responses to WRPD-3-26 has been extended to Friday, August 21 at 4:30 PM PT.***

Additionally, here is a summary of the questions that EBMUD has responded to through August 10.

### **Questions Received (RFP Release through August 10)**

#### **Project Scope:**

- 1) Who are the stakeholders/landholders?
  - a) The property is owned by EBMUD.
- 2) Does a records search include a search of the CHRIS or only the sources listed on Page 5 (EBMUD data, publicly available historical documents, etc.)?
  - a) This study will include a CHRIS search. A consultant would review files previously obtained by EBMUD from CHRIS information centers. After review of these files, a consultant should request new targeted records search excluding the previously obtained records.
- 3) Does EBMUD require that the sketch maps be hand-drawn, or will digitally-rendered sketch maps using GNSS data be acceptable?
  - a) All the data should be digitally rendered using mapping software that will allow EBMUD to open it in ArcGIS Pro. Part 3 Data Management and General Guidelines has the information on our GIS guidance.

- 4) Does EBMUD anticipate a need for an ARPA or other government-issued permits for this project? Does any of the Study area intersect with National Parks land?
  - a) There is no National Parks land or federal land in the area. It is possible that there will be other permits required, but EBMUD owns all the land in the Area of Potential Effect.
- 5) A built environment study was completed in 2025. Does EBMUD anticipate any additional Built Environment work will be required for this project beyond incorporating the recommendations presented by Demarais et al.? Can you provide the Demarais et al. 2025 survey findings and recommendations as referenced on Page 5 of the RFP?
  - a) This study could include further evaluation beyond the Demarais study for the Built Environment. The Demarais study had recommendations for next steps that could become part of this study.
  - b) The report or findings will not be distributed at this time but will be provided to the selected study consultant for their determination of whether sites categorized as “not evaluated” in that report need to be included in the consultant’s scope of work.
- 6) Please confirm that the boundaries of the archaeological pedestrian survey, as described in PSP CR-1 Section 5.1.2, are the Study Area as shown in Addendum No. 1, Figure 1 (Page 2).
  - a) A2. Yes, the boundaries of the archaeological pedestrian survey are the Study Area as shown in Addendum No. 1, Figure 1.
- 7) The RFP identifies three types of Tribal resources; one of which is referred to as “Tribal government matters.” We are assuming this refers to treaty rights, but could EBMUD please provide clarification as to the definition of this term?
  - a) “Tribal government matters” are resources that tribal governments might share with the consultant. There may be practices or information (separate from treaty rights) that are specific to each Tribe’s government and operations. The government may or may not be the same as the cultural practitioners that may be interviewed for the ethnography study.
- 8) Which tribes are actively consulting on the project?

- a) EBMUD has reached out to all of the Tribes that are in the area of interest from the NAHC. These are listed in the Proposed Study Plan.
- 9) Is there an existing Programmatic Agreement for the relicensing?
  - a) No, there is not. Also, there is no existing HPMP; there is antiquated language in the 1981 issued license that refers to doing cultural assessment but it's very vague/general.
- 10) Will the RFP provide detail on the Section 106 pathway (e.g., PA/TP, ID/Eval, ID/Eval in phases, FOE, HPMP)?
  - a) The PA is typically done by FERC and will happen in the DLA/FLA stage when all studies are complete. The HPMP will be during that time period as well. We'll want to do the ID/Eval as part of this study plan as we'll want it to support the development of the HPMP.
- 11) Should Paleontology be considered in any part of this scope?
  - a) Paleontology does not need to be considered in this scope.

**EBMUD Resources:**

- 1) Does EBMUD maintain a confidential database of resources?
  - a) Yes, we have a confidential GIS application that is annually updated by an archaeologist from the state California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) database.
- 2) Archaeological survey – Will there be a drawdown schedule for archaeological survey, acreage assumption, target elevation?
  - a) No, there will not be an intentional drawdown component as part of this process.
- 3) What is the status of the HPMP?
  - a) The HPMP will be developed to be submitted with the DLA; it will be informed by findings from the studies. EBMUD will procure a consultant to help with development of the HPMP at a later time.
- 4) What is the status of the built environment resources (identification/evaluation/effects/mitigation)?

- a) A built environment survey was completed in 2022 within the FERC boundary. It did include identifying data gaps and additional studies that would be necessary to be able to develop a HPMP. It identified over 50 properties and did provide evaluations for National Register of Historic Places and California Register of Historical Resources eligibility. This Cultural Resource Study will supplement missing data and other components needed to support development of the HPMP.
- 5) Does EBMUD have existing LiDAR data that could be accessed?
- a) EBMUD, Digital Elevation Model of the Lower Mokelumne River and Floodplain from LiDAR Datasets, MWH Americas, Inc., November 2016. (used data by others including Fugro. East Bay Municipal Utility District Topo-Bathymetric LiDAR Survey of the Lower Mokelumne River. Report of Survey)
  - b) R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for EBMUD, UAV LiDAR Survey Report, Pardee Spillway Aerial LiDAR, UAV LiDAR Acquisition, Processing and Data Extraction, October 31, 2023.
  - c) USGS has a huge lidar database: <https://apps.nationalmap.gov/lidar-explorer/#/>
- 6) RFP Exhibit A (p. 24) references solicitation number WNR-2026-01 rather than WRPD-3-26. Will EBMUD issue a revised Exhibit A for use in proposal submissions?
- a) Thank you for noticing and identifying the inconsistency created by combining the Cultural Resources Study with the Tribal Ethnography Study. We will accept Exhibit A as posted with the unrevised number WNR-2026-01, or you have permission to revise the number on Exhibit A to WRPD-3-26.

**Proposal Formatting:**

- 1) Please confirm the appropriate proposal submittal recipient.
  - a) Sabrina Cheng is the appropriate proposal submittal recipient.
- 2) Does EBMUD have a specific archaeological data dictionary of terms they prefer to use?
  - a) No. EBMUD relies on the expertise of their cultural resource consultants to define and determine the specific archaeological data terms to use.

- 3) In Exhibit A RFP Response Form, on Page 5 Proposal Form, it says to use the format on the Proposal Form but not to alter the form in any way. Does the District just want us to include our rates as an attachment to this sheet using the format shown, without entering any information into that actual form?
  - a) An attachment for costs is acceptable in a similar table to the one provided in Exhibit A. There are also the tables in Exhibits B-1 and B-2 for more explicit breakdown of costs.
  - b) Please make in-line responses to the rest of the Exhibit A Response Packet form where possible.
- 4) Please provide clarification regarding cost/pricing requirements. Can a consultant propose hourly labor rates that are fully inclusive of labor costs, fringe benefits (health insurance, etc.) and profit/fee? And is this on a time and materials basis with a not-to-exceed contract ceiling?
  - a) A consultant should propose an RFP project cost table similar in format to the sample Exhibit B-1 Cost Distribution in the professional services agreement template that was included in the RFP (PDF Page 64).
  - b) The costs are defined in Exhibit B Compensation within the agreement template.
  - c) The agreement amount is on a time and materials basis, payable up to the Maximum Cost Ceiling. (See 2.5 Budget Amount)

**Personnel:**

- 1) Can appendices be included to present personnel qualifications, or would you prefer that all information be included in the body of the proposal?
  - a) The RFP response should include a complete list of all personnel (Exhibit A, Page 6). It should be part of the proposal in the order listed on pages 6 and 7 of Exhibit A.
- 2) In order to be eligible for the 5 additional points for the SBE or DVBE preference, is there a required percentage of the total work performed under the contract that would need to be fulfilled by a qualified SBE or DVBE if partnering with a non-SBE or non-DVBE firm?
  - a) The prime contractor must be SBE/DVBE in order to receive points.