



RFP QUESTIONS & ANSWERS SUMMARY (PART 1)

RFP # PGE01-GID55-SH-001 - Engineering Design for the Summit-Meadows Wildfire Mitigation UG Conversion Project

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1	Section 8.1.6 on page 14 of the SOW specifically excludes geotechnical investigations from this project. Does PGE already have geotechnical information for the planned alignment, or will a separate RFP be issued for the geotechnical scope?	09/08/2026	PGE does not have project-specific geotechnical data for the planned alignment. Section 8.1.6 of the SOW excludes geotechnical investigations from the current scope because PGE believes there is sufficient understanding of the general ground conditions based on other projects in the area. If a geotechnical investigation is ultimately required, PGE will issue a separate request for that scope of work.	9/24/2026	N
2	Would PGE consider extending the proposal submission deadline of September 24, 2026, given the number of other design RFPs that are currently active and in progress?	09/09/2026	Yes. Please see RFP Amendment #1 for details. The Proposal Closing Date is now October 8, 2026, at 5:00 PM PDT. Late proposals will not be accepted and will not be considered for evaluation.	9/24/2026	N
3	Per RFP Annex C, M3 (page 24) , can PGE confirm whether project deliverables are required to be stamped by a Professional Engineer (PE)?	09/09/2026	Only the ODOT bridge attachment is currently anticipated to require a Professional Engineer (PE) stamp. No other project deliverables are expected to require a PE stamp unless otherwise required by applicable permitting or regulatory agencies.	9/24/2026	Y
4	Per RFP Annex D, PR4 (b) (page 29) , for the required CYMCAP studies and bridge crossing analyses, does PGE intend for the Contractor to coordinate with PGE personnel, or is the Contractor expected to perform and provide these analyses independently?	09/09/2026	PGE intends for the Contractor to coordinate directly with both PGE and ODOT regarding the White River bridge crossing. The Contractor will perform the CYMCAP study in coordination with and using input from the PGE Project Team.	9/24/2026	N
5	Per RFP Annex D, PR5 (H) (page 30) , for the integration of potholing results into the design, does PGE intend for the contractor to utilize PGE crews to perform design potholing, or is the Contractor expected to provide those resources independently?	09/09/2026	The Contractor is expected to independently provide all potholing resources required to support the work.	9/24/2026	N

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6	Per Annex A, Section 6.1.4 , will PGE provide a predefined RFI process, or is the Contractor responsible for developing and managing the RFI documentation process?	09/09/2026	The Contractor shall be responsible for preparing, submitting, tracking, and managing all RFIs necessary to support the Project, including RFIs related to the Timberline Lodge area. The Contractor shall coordinate with PGE as necessary to obtain information, resolve issues, and facilitate timely responses to support design development and project execution.	9/24/2026	N
7	Per Annex A, Section 6.1.16 , will PGE obtain the required right-of-way (ROW) permits for design potholing, or will the Contractor be required to obtain permits in its own name?	09/09/2026	The Contractor will coordinate with PGE to obtain right-of-way (ROW) permits required for design potholing activities. All permits will be issued in PGE's name.	9/24/2026	N
8	Per Annex A, Section 6.2 , and in light of recent PGE standards updates, are 712 vaults an acceptable design option for shared feeder/tapline pulling and junction vault applications?	09/09/2026	Yes, 712 vaults are acceptable.	9/24/2026	N
9	Per Annex A, Section 7.2.3 , can PGE clarify the requirement for Contractor-provided professional surveying services associated with the completion of existing-condition surveys? Does PGE intend to provide surveying resources throughout the design phase of the project?	09/09/2026	PGE will provide survey support for right-of-way identification, property boundaries, and easement requirements. The Contractor shall remain responsible for any surveying services necessary to complete existing-condition surveys and support design development, unless otherwise directed by PGE. PGE does not anticipate providing comprehensive surveying resources throughout the design phase beyond the property-rights-related support described above.	9/24/2026	Y
10	Per Annex A, Section 7.3.8 , can PGE provide an example of acceptable cable reel analysis documentation?	09/09/2026	Yes, an example document will be provided at contract award to the selected Contractor.	9/24/2026	N
11	Per Annex A, Section 7.3.10 , is the design Contractor expected to quantify duct bank and/or raceway materials? On previous PGE projects, conduit materials have been procured by the civil construction contractor.	09/09/2026	The design Contractor is not required to provide conduit lengths but is expected to provide accurate cable length calculations. Offerors are not required to separately quantify duct bank, conduit, raceway, or other associated material quantities for proposal purposes.	9/24/2026	N
12	Per Annex A, Section 7.6.5 , can PGE confirm whether the design Contractor is expected to provide switching coordination and construction sequencing? Historically,	09/09/2026	The design Contractor is not responsible for developing construction sequencing. However, the Contractor is expected to provide information necessary to support	9/24/2026	N

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	these activities have been performed by PGE Distribution Engineering Operations (DEO) and Construction Management personnel. In addition, outage coordination has typically been managed directly by the construction contractor.		switching coordination; the switching coordination itself will not be done by the design Contractor. PGE and its construction contractor will be responsible for the switching coordination itself.		
13	Per Annex A, Section 7.13 , can PGE confirm whether Contractors are required to create GIS shapefiles? If so, will PGE provide the Contractor with access to the GIS database?	09/09/2026	Contractors will be required to create GIS shapefiles. Access to the GIS system will be provided.	9/24/2026	N
14	Per Annex A, Section 14.2 , can PGE confirm whether the dates identified in this section refer to the planned completion date of the construction project?	09/09/2026	Yes, the dates referenced in Annex A, Section 14.2 represent the anticipated construction completion dates.	9/24/2026	N
15	Per Annex A, Project Maps (page 25) , has PGE developed detailed design criteria for conduit and conductor sizing as referenced in the map text box?	09/09/2026	Information regarding conduit and conductor sizes is provided in Annex A, pages 26 through 32.	9/24/2026	N
16	Should the proposal follow the order of Annexes C and D, or may Offerors organize their proposals differently as long as all required criteria are addressed?	09/09/2026	While the RFP does not prescribe a specific proposal format, PGE recommends that Offerors organize their proposals in the order presented in Annexes C and D. Doing so will facilitate the evaluation process and help evaluators efficiently locate responsive information.	9/24/2026	N
17	We received the KMZ file for Summit-Meadows. Could you also provide a KMZ file that includes the Summit-13 scope related to the transfer of approximately 0.5 MW of load?	09/09/2026	No additional KMZ file is available for the Summit-Summit 13 feeder. The design scope associated with the load transfer is limited to coordinating with PGE's Distribution Engineering team to determine the preferred location of a newly normally open point between the Summit-Meadows and Summit-Summit 13 feeders. The normally open point will be located within one of the vaults included in the Project scope and identified in the SOW. The transfer load will occur after construction is complete and does not otherwise require additional design work under this contract.	9/24/2026	N
18	Could PGE provide its current expectations regarding the availability and timing of survey data? If survey work is delayed until after the winter season due to site access constraints, will the design schedule and associated milestones be adjusted accordingly?	09/09/2026	Survey work may be performed before, during, or concurrently with the design phase and is not expected to impact design milestones. Any existing survey information relevant to the project will be provided to the selected Contractor upon award.	9/24/2026	N

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	Additionally, does PGE have any existing survey data that could be made available to support preliminary engineering activities while new field surveys are being completed?				
19	Could PGE provide its anticipated frequency for recurring project meetings and identify any expected in-person meetings, site visits, workshops, field reviews, or stakeholder coordination meetings throughout the design and construction support phases?	09/09/2026	The frequency of project meetings will vary based on progress and performance. In-person activities, including site visits and field reviews, will be conducted as necessary to support the development of a complete design. During construction, the design Contractor is expected to remain available to respond to questions and participate in site visits as needed.	9/24/2026	N
20	Could PGE clarify the anticipated division of responsibilities between PGE and the selected consultant for permitting, easement acquisition, and property owner coordination? Specifically, will PGE lead permit acquisition, easement negotiations, and property owner engagement, with the consultant's role limited to preparing exhibits, technical documentation, and responses to agency comments, or is the consultant expected to provide additional permitting and right-of-way acquisition support?	09/09/2026	PGE expects the selected Contractor to make the initial contact with property owners when easements are identified as necessary for the design. The purpose of this outreach is to determine whether the property owner is willing to grant an easement to PGE and to help avoid designs that may require redesign if easements cannot be obtained. PGE Property Services will be responsible for leading all easement acquisition and negotiation activities. The design Contractor is responsible for identifying required permits. Permit applications will be submitted by PGE's Permitting Team. The design Contractor shall provide supporting documentation and assist in responding to agency comments as needed.	9/24/2026	N
21	To support efficient design development, could PGE clarify what system mapping resources will be available to the selected consultant? Specifically, will the consultant have access to PGE's GIS and other distribution mapping platforms, or will feeder maps, asset records, and related system information be provided through other channels?	09/09/2026	The selected Contractor will be provided access to IQ Geo (PGE's Mapping System) and GIS for use in performing the work.	9/24/2026	N
22	Section 10.1 k) of the SOW notes that the final scope and alignment for Section 4 remain under evaluation. Could PGE provide an estimated timeline for making this determination? Additionally, should proposers assume the currently depicted alignment and scope	09/09/2026	The design approach for Section 4 between pole D3907C-40 and vault D3918A-423 has not yet been finalized. PGE has identified this segment as potentially challenging for directional boring due to the steep slope. The selected Contractor shall evaluate the conditions and recommend the preferred installation method for the	9/24/2026	N

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	when preparing their pricing proposals until a final decision is made?		conductor between these locations in accordance with PGE standards and ignition-risk mitigation requirements. Bidders should assume this approach as the baseline design scenario, although PGE is also evaluating alternative energization methods. PGE has not yet established a schedule for finalizing the design approach for this segment. For proposal purposes, bidders should assume the work will be completed in 2027.		
23	Based on Section 10.1 of the SOW, should proposers assume that all White River crossing alternatives identified in the SOW will be carried forward for preliminary engineering evaluation, or does PGE expect to narrow the alternatives prior to design kickoff?	09/09/2026	Based on preliminary discussions with ODOT, PGE anticipates that attachment to the existing bridge will be the preferred alternative and bidders may assume this approach for proposal purposes.	9/24/2026	N
24	Could PGE provide additional information regarding the selected consultant's expected access to and use of Maximo? Specifically, please clarify: - Whether the selected consultant will be granted direct access to Maximo - Which project tasks and deliverables are expected to be completed within Maximo - Whether Bills of Material (BOMs), work order updates, and design documentation are expected to be created and maintained directly in Maximo by the consultant or provided to PGE for entry into Maximo and association with the applicable work orders.	09/09/2026	The design Contractor will be granted direct access to Maximo and will serve as the Work Order Owner (WOO). The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining applicable work order information and uploading all required project documentation to the corresponding work orders within Maximo, including BOMs, design files, deliverables, and other supporting documentation required under the SOW. The Contractor shall develop a Bill of Materials (BOM) for each Section of the project. Each BOM must be attached to its corresponding work order.	9/24/2026	N
25	Could PGE clarify whether any project deliverables, design packages, engineering calculations, permit exhibits, or Issued-for-Construction (IFC) documents must be signed and sealed by an Oregon Professional Engineer? If so, please identify which deliverables require a professional seal and at what project milestones or stages those sealed documents must be submitted.	09/09/2026	Except for any bridge attachment engineering or other designs specifically required by a permitting authority or jurisdictional agency, project deliverables are not anticipated to require a Professional Engineer seal.	9/24/2026	Y
26	Does PGE have an anticipated construction season for this project based on typical snow cover conditions, or will allowable construction periods be determined annually based on site access and weather conditions?	09/09/2026	The project is located within U.S. Forest Service jurisdiction, where the construction window is limited to June 15 th through October 15 th .	9/24/2026	N

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27	Annex B requires separate milestone pricing for Project Sections 1 through 4. Will milestone acceptance and invoicing occur independently for each Project Section, or will acceptance be based on completion of milestones at the overall project level?	09/09/2026	Milestone acceptance and invoicing will be administered independently for each project section.	9/24/2026	N
28	Could PGE clarify the anticipated sequencing and timing of design and construction activities for Project Sections 1 through 4? Specifically, should Offerors assume that sections will be designed and constructed concurrently or sequentially? In addition, what assumptions should Offerors use regarding construction durations and the level of construction support required for each section?	09/09/2026	Design activities for Project Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 are anticipated to occur concurrently and are expected to be completed in 2027. However, because construction of Sections 1 and 2 is currently planned for 2028, the Contractor should anticipate prioritizing the development of Sections 1 and 2 to support that construction schedule. Construction of Sections 1 and 2 is currently anticipated to occur in 2028. Construction of Sections 3 and 4 is currently anticipated to occur in 2029. Offerors should develop their own assumptions regarding construction durations and the level of construction support required based on the information provided in the RFP and SOW. Construction support should be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of Section 7.6 of the SOW. All dates are subject to change based on approvals, requirements, and information provided by applicable jurisdictional authorities, including the U.S. Forest Service, ODOT, Clackamas County, and other governing agencies.	9/24/2026	N
29	Could PGE clarify the expected scope of the civil contractor constructability review? Specifically, please describe the anticipated review milestones, level of field involvement, and the expected review deliverables or documentation to be provided by the civil contractor.	09/09/2026	Bidders should obtain a feasibility proposal from a qualified civil contractor for the underground installation between pole D3907C-40 and vault D3918A-423. The proposal is intended to serve as a constructability reference for the design approach and should include proposed means and methods, equipment and resources necessary to safely underground this section of the existing overhead line.	9/24/2026	N
30	Could PGE provide an estimate of the number of affected private properties that will require property owner coordination and easement support during the Project?	09/09/2026	This information is not currently known. The design Contractor will be responsible for identifying affected property owners.	9/24/2026	N

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31	Could PGE identify known utility owners and existing utility facilities within the project corridor, as well as any known utility relocations or conflicts that are currently anticipated as part of the Project?	09/09/2026	PGE does not currently have information regarding other utilities' existing facilities, ownership, anticipated relocations, or potential conflicts within the project corridor. The selected Contractor will be responsible for identifying utility owners, locating existing utility facilities, and evaluating potential utility conflicts and coordination requirements.	9/24/2026	N
32	The responsibilities described for the Project Lead appear to align with traditional project management functions, while certain responsibilities assigned to the Supporting Design Project Manager appear to reflect technical design leadership. Could PGE clarify the intended distinction between these two Key Personnel roles? Additionally, may Offerors propose an equivalent organizational structure using different position titles, provided the proposed personnel fulfill the responsibilities and qualifications outlined in the RFP?	09/09/2026	The intent of the Project Lead role is to provide a single point of contact for overall project coordination and management. Design Project Managers are expected to perform the full range of activities necessary to support the design effort, including field investigations, customer coordination, permit identification, easement coordination, lane closure requirements, landscaping considerations, and related project activities. Offerors may propose an organizational structure that satisfies these requirements.	9/24/2026	N
33	Could PGE clarify which CAD standards, templates, and drafting requirements the selected contractor will be expected to follow? If available, please provide the applicable CAD standards and any related design or drafting guidelines.	09/09/2026	The T&D AutoCAD Standards (KB0017247) and other applicable project standards, templates, and drafting requirements are included within the project documents and will be made available to Offerors with an active NDA or other appropriate confidentiality agreement with PGE. As noted on page 5 of the RFP and in the proposal invitation email dated August 25, Offerors must contact PGE Solicitations to verify their NDA status. If no applicable agreement is in place, PGE will provide instructions for executing an NDA. Access to the documents will be granted once appropriate confidentiality protections are established.	9/24/2026	N
34	Could PGE clarify the qualification requirements for personnel performing the field verification activities described in Section 6.1.8 of the SOW? Specifically, are there any required certifications, licenses, training, experience levels, or utility-specific qualifications that must be met by individuals performing the work?	09/09/2026	PGE does not have specific qualification requirements for field personnel beyond requiring relevant experience and familiarity with field safety practices, electrical design, and PGE standards.	9/24/2026	N
35	Section D of the RFP states that Offerors are to develop their approach based on PGE's standards and project documents. Could PGE provide the applicable standards and project documents referenced in the RFP	09/09/2026	The project documents and standards referenced in the RFP will be made available to Offerors with an active NDA or other appropriate confidentiality agreement with PGE. As noted on page 5 of the RFP and in the proposal invitation email dated August 25, Offerors must contact	9/24/2026	N

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	to ensure Offerors have sufficient information to prepare their proposals?		PGE Solicitations to verify their NDA status. If no applicable agreement is in place, PGE will provide instructions for executing an NDA. Access to the documents will be granted once appropriate confidentiality protections are established.		
36	Per Annex A, Section 7.7: Could PGE provide the applicable CAD standards, sample DWG files, and any drawing templates that Offerors should use as references for this Project?	09/09/2026	Please see response to Q33. The applicable CAD standards, templates, and available sample drawing files are included in the project documents and will be provided to Offerors that have an active NDA or other appropriate confidentiality agreement with PGE.	9/24/2026	N
37	Section 4.c, <i>Federal Funding Requirements</i> (page 5 of the RFP), states that this Project is subject to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200. For purposes of compliance with those requirements, could PGE clarify whether the selected Offeror will be classified as a Contractor or a Subrecipient ?	09/09/2026	The successful Offeror will be classified as a Contractor, as defined under 2 CFR Part 200, and not as a Subrecipient.	9/24/2026	N
38	Section 200.321 of 2 CFR Part 200 includes requirements related to disadvantaged, small, and minority-owned business participation. Do the requirements of this section apply to this Project?	09/09/2026	Yes. The requirements of 2 CFR 200.321 apply to this Project. Please refer to Section 2.1 of Annex H, the Master Purchase Agreement template (page 16), for the applicable requirements and Contractor obligations related to providing subcontracting opportunities to small businesses, minority-owned businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.	9/24/2026	N
39	Annex A, Section 6.1.7 (pages 5 and 6 of 34) states that PGE will provide available survey information to support design development. Could PGE clarify what survey data will be provided and the file formats in which it will be made available (e.g., *.dwg, *.dgn, or other formats)?	09/09/2026	The Contractor shall remain responsible for any surveying services necessary to complete existing-condition surveys and support design development, unless otherwise directed by PGE. PGE does not anticipate providing comprehensive surveying resources throughout the design phase beyond the property-rights-related support described above. Survey documentation will be provided in .dwg format and may also be made available in other formats, such as PDF, upon request.	9/24/2026	N
40	Annex A, Section 7.6, <i>Construction Support</i> (page 12 of 34), provides general expectations for construction support services. However, could PGE please clarify the following:	09/09/2026	No, a continuous on-site presence is not required from the design contractor during construction activities.	9/24/2026	N

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	- Is a continuous field presence during construction activities expected? - Is there an anticipated number or frequency of meetings associated with the requirements of Section 7.6.3? - Beyond the preparation and submission of as-built drawings, are there any additional closeout support activities or deliverables expected from the consultant?		The frequency of meetings will vary based on project progress and performance; however, construction meetings are anticipated to occur at least weekly during the construction phase. The design contractor is expected to provide construction support throughout the construction phase, including responding to design-related questions, evaluating field conditions, and developing any necessary design revisions. No additional closeout deliverables, inspections, commissioning support, warranty support, punch-list management, record documentation reviews, or project closeout meetings are required under this scope.		
41	Vault Sizing for Combined Backbone/Lateral Runs <i>SOW Sections 6.2.1 and 6.2.2 (page 7)</i> - Section 6.2.1 states: "A 5106 vault shall be the default vault size for 750 AL splice junctions." - Section 6.2.2 states: "A 577 vault shall be the default vault size for 1/0 AL cable elbows and laterals." When a 1/0 AL backbone is installed alongside a 750 AL feeder, does PGE prefer separate vaults for each cable system in accordance with the default vault sizes identified above, or should they be combined into a single 712 vault?	09/09/2026	PGE does not require separate vaults in all cases. PGE is open to combining backbone and feeder facilities where feasible. Such opportunities will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis based on project-specific requirements and constraints.	9/24/2026	N
42	Tree Impact Assessment - Resourcing <i>SOW Section 7.3.12 (page 10 of 34, 60% Design)</i> "Assessment of tree impacts, including any proposed tree removals, supported by: a. A report documenting the justification for removal, alternatives considered, and supporting photographs." Could PGE clarify the expected resources for completing the tree impact assessment and supporting	09/09/2026	PGE Forestry will support the tree removal permitting process and will be responsible for submitting permit applications. The selected Contractor shall provide the information necessary to support these applications, including documentation required under Section 7.3.12.a of the SOW. This may include a report documenting the justification for tree removal, alternatives considered, and supporting photographs. PGE Forestry will provide the forestry expertise necessary to support the assessment and permitting process. The	9/24/2026	N

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	report? Specifically, should the consultant provide its own qualified arborist, forester, or environmental specialist for this effort, or will PGE Forestry, PGE Landscaping, or other PGE personnel provide support and technical input?		Contractor's responsibility is limited to providing project-specific information needed to support PGE's evaluation and permit applications.		
43	Does PGE anticipate complete removal of the existing poles, or will the poles be topped and retained to support existing communications attachments? If complete pole removal is anticipated, will the design consultant be responsible for coordinating with third-party utilities on the underground conversion of their facilities, or will PGE lead those efforts? Is this requirement intended to address potential utility conflicts with the proposed facilities? If so, will the design consultant be responsible for coordinating utility relocations with third-party utility owners, or will that coordination be managed by PGE?	09/09/2026	PGE is currently coordinating with the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to determine the appropriate disposition of existing poles in certain locations, including whether poles will be removed, cut at the base, or cut to accommodate existing communication attachments. PGE will be responsible for coordinating with communications providers regarding the conversion of electrical service and any impacts to existing communications facilities. The selected Contractor shall identify existing and potential utility conflicts and provide information necessary to support utility coordination. PGE will lead coordination with third-party utility owners regarding utility relocations, conflict resolution, and other utility-related approvals. The selected Contractor shall contact and coordinate with third-party utility owners as necessary to obtain utility information, verify existing facilities, and support the design effort.	9/24/2026	Y
44	SOW Section 7.6.5 (page 12, Construction Support) states: <i>"Contractor shall perform outage planning, switching coordination, and construction sequencing activities."</i> Could PGE clarify the intended scope of these activities? Specifically, what responsibilities are expected of the consultant with respect to outage planning, switching coordination, and construction sequencing, and which of these activities will be performed by PGE?	09/09/2026	Section 7.6.5 has been revised. The Contractor is not responsible for construction sequencing, outage planning, switching coordination, switching operations, or system operations. However, the Contractor shall provide reasonable design support during construction, including responding to design-related questions, evaluating field conditions, furnishing design information, and preparing necessary design clarifications or revisions. Please refer to RFP Amendment No. 2 for the revised Section 7.6.5 language.	9/24/2026	Y

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	Will the selected consultant be expected to use PGE's existing processes and procedures for outage planning, switching coordination, and construction sequencing, or is the consultant expected to develop and implement its own processes for these activities?				
45	Attachment I, Page 24 Attachment I, page 24, depicts a pink line extending to the Timberline Ski Area with the note: <i>"Transfer 0.5 MW of load to Summit-13. Underground along ski trail and overland."</i> However, no additional details regarding this scope appear elsewhere in the RFP or supporting documents. Could PGE provide additional information regarding the scope associated with the proposed transfer of 0.5 MW of load to Summit-13, as depicted by the pink line on Attachment I, page 24? Specifically, please clarify the anticipated facilities, design requirements, limits of work, and any other assumptions that Offerors should consider, as no further details regarding this scope appear elsewhere in the solicitation documents.	09/09/2026	Permanent load transfers will occur after construction is complete and do not require consideration as part of the design scope.	9/24/2026	N
46	Attachment I, Pages 24 and 25 Attachment I, pages 24 and 25, appear to depict different project scopes. Specifically, the pink line extending to Timberline Ski Area appears on one figure but not the other. - Which figure represents the scope that Offerors should include in their design proposals: the scope shown on page 24 or the scope shown on page 25? - If the figure on page 24 governs, should Offerors exclude the scope associated with the pink line extending to Timberline Ski Area that is shown on page 25?	09/09/2026	For proposal preparation and pricing, Offerors shall use the figure shown on page 25 together with the scope descriptions provided on pages 27-32 of the SOW. The line extending to Timberline/Meadows Ski Area shown on page 24 is not part of the scope and should be excluded from proposals and pricing. In the event of any discrepancy between the figures, the figure on page 25 and the scope descriptions on pages 27-32 shall govern.	9/24/2026	N

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	c. If the figure on page 25 governs, should Offerors exclude any scope depicted on page 24 that is not shown on page 25? d. Could PGE clarify which figure should be used as the basis for pricing and proposal development if there is a discrepancy between the two?				
47	Attachment I, Pages 24, 25, and 26 Attachment I, pages 24 and 25, include a note stating: "Transfer 0.5 MW of load from Summit-13 to Summit-Meadows." In addition, page 26 depicts a proposed connection to the existing 2/0 backbone on the Summit-13 feeder. However, the drawings do not appear to identify the specific load being transferred or show proposed open points that would establish and separate the feeder boundaries. Could PGE clarify which load is proposed to be transferred between the Summit-13 and Summit-Meadows feeders? Additionally, please identify the proposed open points, switching locations, or other system modifications that will be used to separate the two feeders and facilitate the transfer of load.	09/09/2026	An open point will be installed between the new vault shown in the referenced figure and Vault #5. Upon completion of the Summit-Meadows 13 kV scope described in the scoping document, the load transfer can be accomplished through switching operations on the existing Summit 13 kV system. The exact location of the open point has not yet been determined and will be coordinated between the design contractor and PGE's assigned Regional Distribution Engineer for the Summit area.	9/24/2026	N
48	Attachment I, Page 25 Attachment I, page 25, divides the Project into four sections; however, there appear to be additional facility removals located between Sections 3 and 4 that are not clearly assigned to any specific section. Could PGE clarify how the facility removals located between Sections 3 and 4 should be addressed? Specifically, should these removals be included in	09/09/2026	The design contractor will work with PGE to develop plans for removal of facilities located between Sections 3 and 4. PGE is currently coordinating with the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to determine the appropriate removal method. Depending on the outcome of those discussions, the removal work may ultimately be incorporated into an existing project section or performed under a separate removal-only section.	9/24/2026	N

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	Section 3, Section 4, or allocated between both sections for pricing and design purposes?		For proposal purposes, Offerors shall include the design effort associated with these removals in their pricing for Section 3. PGE reserves the right to reallocate the work between project sections following contract award as project requirements are further defined.		
49	Attachment I, Pages 30 and 31 For the replacement of the existing switches with an S&C Vista switch, how should the Contractor address existing cables that are too short to reach the new termination location? a. Should the Contractor splice and extend any cables that do not reach the new termination point? b. Or should the Contractor replace any cables that do not reach, including the installation of new conduit where the existing cable is direct buried?	09/09/2026	Existing direct-buried cable shall be replaced with new cable installed in conduit. Where existing direct-buried cable cannot reach the new termination location, the selected Contractor may propose either splicing and extending the cable or replacing it entirely, subject to PGE approval and applicable standards.	9/24/2026	N
50	SOW § 3.1 Area / Attachment I Narrative, Page 31 The SOW states: "The Contractor shall obtain a constructability review and design input from a qualified civil contractor during design development (see Figure 8). The Contractor shall provide PGE with the civil contractor's qualifications, contact information, and written recommendations." Could PGE clarify the intended applicability of this requirement? Specifically, does the reference to Figure 8 apply only to the work depicted in Figure 8 (page 32), to Figure 7 (page 31), to both figures, or to the entire project scope?	09/09/2026	This requirement applies to the section between Pole D3907C-40 and Vault D3918A-423. PGE has concerns that boring through this segment may be challenging due to the steep terrain. The selected Contractor shall evaluate this section and propose a feasible method of installing the conductor that complies with PGE standards and minimizes wildfire ignition risk.	9/24/2026	Y
51	Attachment I, Page 31 Attachment I identifies an existing 120/240V open-delta transformer bank on pole D38.524B-99, with several	09/09/2026	Offerors should base their proposals on Option (a), which consists of a replacement with an open-delta pad-mounted solution.	9/24/2026	N

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	existing services shown originating from this location. While the proposed disposition of other existing transformer locations appears to be defined within the scoping documents, the planned treatment of this transformer bank is unclear. Could PGE clarify the intended approach for this location? a. Is the existing open-delta bank to be replaced with a new 120/240V open-delta pad-mounted transformer installation, such as a transformer mounted on a 575 vault? b. Alternatively, does PGE anticipate installing a 120/208V or 277/480V three-phase pad-mounted transformer on a pad or vault to serve three-phase loads, together with a separate 120/240V single-phase pad-mounted transformer on a 444 vault to serve single-phase loads? c. If the latter approach is anticipated, should Offerors assume that customer service upgrades or conversions may be required to accommodate a change in service voltage, and if so, would those upgrades be the responsibility of the customer or PGE?		PGE's preferred approach is option (a); however, the existing overhead services will require further evaluation during the design phase to confirm the final design approach. Any customer service upgrades that may ultimately be required will be evaluated during design development.		
52	Attachment I, Page 32 Attachment I states: "This section includes the Timberline Jeff Flood Chair Lift and Molly's Chair Lift area. Based on current assumptions, approximately 600 feet of existing OH facilities and 1,300 feet of existing UG facilities may require removal and replacement. Final scope, design requirements, and facility locations will be determined during Project development and confirmed prior to final design."	09/09/2026	The 600-foot OH and 1,300-foot UG quantities are preliminary planning estimates and should not be relied upon as definitive field quantities. For proposal purposes, Offerors should assume that all existing overhead facilities within this area will be converted to underground. Existing underground facilities are anticipated to remain underground unless otherwise determined during design development. Actual facility quantities and locations will be verified during field investigation and design.	9/24/2026	N

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	Could PGE clarify what facilities are included in the referenced 600 feet of existing overhead (OH) facilities and 1,300 feet of existing underground (UG) facilities? Based on the mapping and figures provided, there appears to be approximately 2,200 feet of existing overhead facilities and 1,600 feet of existing underground facilities within the area between the Jeff Flood and Molly's Chair Lift locations. As a result, it is unclear which portions of the existing system are assumed to be removed and replaced under the stated quantities. Please identify the specific facilities or segments represented by the 600-foot OH and 1,300-foot UG estimates, or provide additional clarification regarding the basis for these quantities.				
53	RFP § 1.4(c) (Federal Funding Requirements), Page 5, and Master Agreement Exhibit B (Federal Grant Requirements for Contractors) Exhibit B states that the Contractor must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) domestic content requirements for iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials, as well as Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage requirements, in each case to the extent required by the applicable federal award. Could PGE please clarify the following: - Do the BABA domestic content requirements apply to materials specified as part of the design for this Project, including items such as conduit, cable, switches, pad-mounted transformers, and vaults? If so, does PGE anticipate any waivers or exceptions for specific material categories? - Do the Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements apply to services performed under this SOW, including engineering and	09/09/2026	To the extent any portion of the Project is funded through a federal award that triggers Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requirements, those requirements will apply to that portion of the Project, including applicable materials incorporated into the Work. At this time, PGE has not determined whether BABA requirements will ultimately apply to the Project, and PGE is not aware of any approved or anticipated BABA waivers or exceptions applicable to the Project. With respect to the Davis-Bacon Act, engineering, design, and other professional services generally would not be subject to prevailing wage requirements. However, field activities involving construction-related labor, such as potholing, excavation, or similar construction support activities, may be subject to prevailing wage requirements if Davis-Bacon is determined to apply to the applicable portion of the Project. Because the applicability of BABA and Davis-Bacon requirements has not yet been determined, PGE is not	9/24/2026	N

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	design, potholing, and construction support activities? If so, please identify the applicable wage determination(s) that Offerors should assume for proposal development.		currently designating a Davis-Bacon wage determination for proposal purposes. If Davis-Bacon requirements become applicable, the appropriate wage determination(s) for the Project location and construction classification will be identified at that time. For reference, the Project is located in Hood River County, Oregon. Potentially applicable Davis-Bacon wage determinations may include Heavy Construction Wage Determination OR20260068 and other wage determinations depending on the final scope and classification of the work. However, PGE is not currently designating a wage determination for proposal purposes.		
54	SOW § 3.1 (Project Sections) and RFP § 1.4(c), Pages 4 and 5 The SOW states that Project Sections 1 through 4 may be funded through a federal DOE grant, while the RFP states that the Project is funded, in whole or in part, by a DOE award. Could PGE clarify whether all four Project Sections are expected to be funded under the same DOE grant, or whether federal grant funding may apply only to specific Project Sections? If federal funding will apply to only certain Sections, please identify which Sections are anticipated to be federally funded and confirm whether associated federal requirements, including but not limited to BABA, Davis-Bacon, and 2 CFR Part 200 compliance obligations, would apply only to those funded Sections.	09/09/2026	Federal grant funding is currently anticipated to support design activities for all Project Sections (1 through 4) and construction activities for Project Sections 1 and 2 only. Accordingly, applicable federal requirements, including 2 CFR Part 200, the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) and the Davis-Bacon Act, are expected to apply only to grant-funded work. Funding determinations remain subject to change based on project needs and grant administration requirements.	9/24/2026	N
55	Beyond the itemized milestone cost breakdown required in Annex B, does PGE require Offerors to submit cost or pricing data in any specific format to support federal grant compliance, audit, or documentation requirements (e.g., a detailed cost breakdown consistent with SF 1411 or a similar format),	09/09/2026	No. A detailed cost breakdown consistent with SF 1411 or a similar federal form is not required. The pricing information required by Item (h) of the Pricing Sheet will be sufficient, provided the required itemized cost breakdown is included.	9/24/2026	N

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	or will the pricing information required by Annex B be sufficient?		Pursuant to Item (h) of the Pricing Sheet, Offerors must provide an itemized cost breakdown for each Project Section and milestone. The breakdown shall identify the major labor categories, subconsultant costs, direct costs, key assumptions, and other cost components included in the proposed lump-sum price for each milestone. The cost breakdown will be used for proposal evaluation, contract administration, change order evaluation, and potential federal grant funding documentation. The information is requested for informational and administrative purposes only and will not modify the Offeror's obligation to perform the Services for the proposed lump-sum prices.		
56	SOW § 3.1 (Project Sections), Page 4 Given that the Project Sections will be used for pricing, invoicing, scheduling, and grant allocation, should Offerors provide a separate lump-sum price for each Project Section and design milestone, or a single lump-sum price covering the entire Project?	09/09/2026	Offerors must provide separate pricing for each Project Section and design milestone. A single lump-sum price for the entire Project is not permitted. Please refer to Table 1 in Annex B, Basis of Payment, for the required pricing format and level of detail.	9/24/2026	N
57	SOW § 7.2.8, Page 9 Could PGE clarify the respective responsibilities of the Contractor and PGE Property Rights with regard to identifying, evaluating, and coordinating property rights requirements, including easements, property acquisitions, U.S. Forest Service approvals, special use permits, and other third-party property interests necessary for the Project? Specifically, please identify which activities are expected to be performed by the Contractor and which will be the responsibility of PGE Property Rights.	09/09/2026	The Contractor will identify, evaluate easement requirements and communicate those requirements to PGE's Property Rights. The Contractor will communicate with customers to receive authorization to proceed with the design. If authorization is not received, the Contractor will evaluate alternative design options to receive authorization. The Contractor will notify PGE Property Rights of all properties that require evaluation for easements. PGE Property Rights will request exhibits and draft the easement request. PGE Property Rights may work with a third-party contractor to obtain signed easements. The Contractor is responsible for identifying easement requirements, as well as differentiating areas that may require special use permits or other third-party property interests and communicating that to PGE Property Rights.	9/24/2026	N
58	SOW § 7.5.18, Page 12	09/09/2026	No. Offerors shall include the traffic control plan effort in their proposal pricing. The traffic control plan is required	9/24/2026	Y

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	Could PGE clarify whether the traffic control plan effort may be excluded from the initial proposal and developed later through a change order after the 30% or 60% design phase? This request is based on the understanding that the scope and traffic control requirements may not be sufficiently defined during proposal development to accurately estimate the level of traffic control engineering effort required.		as part of the Contractor's scope and is not anticipated to be developed through a future change order.		
59	SOW § 7.6 (Construction Support), Page 12 Is there a specific number of construction support hours that Offerors should include in their proposals for pricing purposes?	09/09/2026	No. Offerors should determine and propose the level of construction support they believe is necessary to satisfy the requirements of the SOW.	9/24/2026	N
60	SOW § 10.1(c), Page 15 Could PGE clarify whether any telecommunications facilities or other third-party attachments are present on the overhead facilities identified for removal? If so, please identify whether the Contractor or PGE will be responsible for coordinating with the attachment owners and for performing any required relocation design or related engineering activities.	09/09/2026	PGE will be responsible for coordinating with communications companies regarding project impacts and determining the appropriate disposition of existing communications attachments. Depending on the circumstances, communications providers may elect to relocate their facilities underground, assume ownership of existing poles, or purchase the pole from PGE. PGE will work directly with the affected communications providers to determine the appropriate path forward. PGE is aware that communications attachments may exist on certain facilities subject to removal. PGE will lead coordination with the affected communications providers. Any relocation design required for communications facilities will be the responsibility of the communications provider unless otherwise agreed by the parties.	9/24/2026	N
61	SOW §§ 7.6.5 and 10.1(h), Pages 12 and 15 Could PGE clarify the division of responsibilities between PGE and the Contractor with respect to construction sequencing, outage planning, switching coordination, and system operations? Specifically, should Offerors include any of these activities in their scope and pricing, or will they be	09/09/2026	The Design Contractor is not responsible for construction sequencing, outage planning, switching coordination, or system operations. However, the Contractor shall provide reasonable design support during construction, including responding to design-related questions and providing information necessary to support PGE's outage planning and switching activities.	9/24/2026	N

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	performed by PGE using its established planning and operational processes?				
62	SOW Figure 5 (White River Crossing), Pages 28-29 If bridge attachment is selected as the preferred crossing alternative, please clarify whether the Contractor will be responsible for performing the detailed structural analysis and attachment design, including preparation of stamped calculations and supporting engineering documentation, or whether PGE and/or ODOT will provide the structural analysis and attachment design requirements.	09/09/2026	The design Contractor will work with PGE and ODOT to determine if structural analysis is needed for an attachment. The Contractor will be responsible for designing the attachment and having it stamped by a professional engineer.	9/24/2026	N
63	SOW Figure 5 (White River Crossing), Pages 28-29 Will PGE provide available bridge plans, inspection reports, load restrictions, approved attachment criteria, and information regarding existing utility attachments for the White River bridge?	09/09/2026	PGE will work with ODOT to provide any available information on attaching to the bridge to the awarded Contractor.	9/24/2026	N
64	SOW Figure 6, Page 30 Please clarify whether the voltage regulator foundation is expected to utilize a standard PGE concrete pad design or whether a custom-engineered foundation will be required.	09/09/2026	The 3P voltage regulator shall be installed on a PGE standard 8'x8' concrete pad.	9/24/2026	N
65	SOW Figure 8, Page 32 Figure 8 describes work that remains subject to further evaluation and scope refinement. Should Offerors include the currently described Figure 8 scope in their proposals, or exclude it until PGE completes its evaluation and confirms the final scope requirements?	09/09/2026	Offerors shall include the Figure 8 scope as currently described in the SOW for proposal and pricing purposes. Any future scope refinements will be addressed during project development.	9/24/2026	N
66	Quantity of Potholes Reference: Annex A, SOW § 6.1.7 The Contractor will be responsible for potholing and other field verification activities necessary to support design development. For purposes of establishing a consistent basis for pricing, can PGE provide an estimated number of potholes that Offerors should assume in their proposals?	09/09/2026	PGE would like the Offeror to propose the number of potholes it deems necessary.	9/24/2026	N

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67	Annex D Reference: RFP, Pages 15-16 The RFP states that Annex D must be submitted and that the cross-reference column must be completed. However, the current version of Annex D does not contain any fields for Offerors to complete, including a cross-reference column. Can PGE provide a revised version of Annex D that includes the required fields and cross-reference column for proposal submission?	09/09/2026	PGE will not issue a revised Annex D. Annex D is provided as an example of the minimum information required. Offerors may use their own format to provide the requested information, provided they clearly identify where each requirement is addressed within their proposal.	9/24/2026	N
68	Could PGE provide clarification regarding the disclosure of PGE contracts referenced in Section 3, page 16 of the RFP? Specifically, does this requirement apply to all historical contracts, purchase orders, master service agreements (MSAs), and task orders previously performed for PGE? Could PGE clarify whether Offerors are expected to provide a complete historical listing, or whether a more limited summary of relevant or recent engagements would satisfy the requirement?	9/21/2026	PGE has removed the "Disclosure of Active PGE Contracts" requirement from Section 3 of the RFP. Offerors are not required to provide a list of current or historical PGE contracts, purchase orders, master service agreements, task orders, or other engagements as part of their proposal submission.	9/24/2026	Y