



RFP QUESTIONS & ANSWERS SUMMARY PART 2

RFP # PGE01-GID05-SH-010 - Facilitation and Committee Management and Community Engagement Services for the Warm Springs Power Pathway Project

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3	In Annex B, should cell D3 be one rate that is the average of all names listed in cell C3 or should the offeror include a rate for each name?	December 18, 2025	Offerors must provide a single all-inclusive hourly rate for each of the five tasks listed in the Annex B Pricing Sheet. In other words, each of the cells in columns D through H should include only one all-inclusive hourly rate, though the rates in each cell need not be the same.	December 31, 2025	N
4	In Annex B, should the offeror include price per task anywhere? The summary page indicates a "price for each item" in the first instruction.	December 18, 2025	Each of the cells in columns D through H should include only one all-inclusive hourly rate, though the rates in each cell need not be the same. For example, in row 3 of the Annex B Pricing Sheet, "Strategic advising, initiative design and project management" is considered a single task, so the offeror must include a single all-inclusive hourly rate for that task.	December 31, 2025	N
5	How, if at all, is this RFP connected to RFP #442 entitled "On-Call Community Engagement Services" that was distributed in June 2025?	December 23, 2025	This RFP is not connected at all to RFP #442. This RFP is specifically for the Warm Springs Power Pathway project, which is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Energy.	December 31, 2025	N
6	Have stakeholder engagement meetings begun on the Warm Springs project? If so, who did PGE meet with in 2025, when and where?	December 23, 2025	Stakeholder engagement with the public has been minimal to date, however, there have been meetings with specific organizations in support of workforce development outcomes and the development of a needs assessment to serve as the basis for stakeholder engagement efforts on this project.	December 31, 2025	N
7	What are the known stakeholder concerns that the project team anticipates will require addressing during engagement?	December 23, 2025	Stakeholder concerns are, as yet, largely unknown, since engaging the communities has yet to begin. Community engagement for this project is anticipated to respond to concerns about right-of-way and property impacts, land use issues, and customer affordability.	December 31, 2025	N
8	Would it be possible to share the PowerPoint slides with information on the project design and area for the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners meeting in October 2025?	December 23, 2025	Here is the link to the meeting materials for the Jefferson County meeting held in October 2025: https://www.jeffco.net/countycommissioners/meeting/board-commissioners-meeting-96 . Please also see the attached PowerPoint presentation about the project design and area.	December 31, 2025	N

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9	Generally, how many people live in the communities within 5 miles of where the proposed construction would take place?	December 23, 2025	<p>We do not currently know how many people live in the communities within 5 miles of where the proposed construction will take place.</p> <p>The 100-mile transmission line connects PGE's Bethel substation near Salem to the Round Butte Dam on the Deschutes River, located on the Warm Springs Reservation. As the line moves east to west, the area surrounding it becomes more developed. The eastern extent of this project traverses lightly populated Tribal and US Forest Service lands, traveling through the communities of Detroit and Mill City and terminating in ex-urban Salem.</p>	December 31, 2025	N
10	Is the timeline provided in the grant link below the latest? If not, can you share the latest timeline? Link: https://www.netl.doe.gov/home/foia/GRIP	December 23, 2025	No. Please see the updated timeline for the project, here: Warm Springs Power Pathway Delivering Electricity West of the Cascades .	December 31, 2025	N
11	If the \$250M Grant for the Warm Springs Project were to be cancelled in 2026, would PGE expect the project continue to completion without that federal funding?	December 23, 2025	Yes.	December 31, 2025	N
12	What percentage of the \$250M Grant is reserved for community outreach and engagement?	December 23, 2025	PGE cannot divulge this information.	December 31, 2025	N
13	Was an Environmental Impact Report already conducted? If so, when and can you share it? If not, is it scheduled? If so, for when?	December 23, 2025	No. PGE intends to contract with Tetra Tech, Inc., who will complete an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement by the end of 2027.	December 31, 2025	N
14	What is the total estimated cost of the Warm Springs project (including construction, permitting, engagement and more)?	December 23, 2025	PGE cannot divulge this information.	December 31, 2025	N
15	Does PGE have right-of-way agreements for the proposed area of the rebuild?	December 23, 2025	PGE does not currently have all the necessary right-of-way agreements for the upgraded line. PGE has right-of-way agreements for the existing 100-mile transmission line; however, PGE anticipates that the upgraded line will require additional new right-of-way to be acquired.	December 31, 2025	N
16	What engagement has occurred to date with the Tribes regarding this project?	December 23, 2025	Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprises (WSPWE), an enterprise wholly owned by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (CTWS) entered into an Assistance Agreement with DOE in August 2024 related to the GRIP grant associated with this project. PGE is designated as a subrecipient in the grant. Both PGE and CTWS have been collaborating on this project since the beginning.	December 31, 2025	N

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17	Please elaborate on the potential impacts specifically to economically disadvantaged communities near the construction area.	December 23, 2025	The potential impacts to economically disadvantaged communities near the proposed construction area have not been confirmed yet. These impacts will be confirmed once the final transmission line design and specific routing are finalized.	December 31, 2025	N
18	How will the Tribes be engaged in this RFP and selection process?	December 23, 2025	WSPWE, an enterprise wholly owned by CTWS, and PGE worked together to develop the evaluation criteria for this RFP. The evaluation team will consist of members from PGE and WSPWE. The Tribes will continue to be engaged throughout the contract management process.	December 31, 2025	N
19	Is the committee in Section 7.1.2.6 of the SOW the same thing as the consensus based advisory group in Section 7.1.2.8 of the SOW? If not, please explain the plans for the committee.	December 23, 2025	Yes, these refer to the same committee.	December 31, 2025	N
20	Could you share the expectations of the Contractor to support the virtual open house? It appears to be listed as out of scope in Section 9, but in scope in Section 13.1.	December 23, 2025	The out-of-scope items in section 9 of the SOW will be updated to remove "story maps, online open houses, online polls and surveys, meeting displays and materials, maps and graphics". Please see RFP amendment #1 for this change.	December 31, 2025	Y
21	If the Initial Term ends March 31, 2027, but the deliverables listed here have an estimated completion date of December 31, 2026 or sooner - what are the anticipated deliverables for January-March 2027?	December 23, 2025	It is likely that the estimated completion dates for the deliverables identified in Section 13 of the SOW will be updated before contract award. PGE and the Contractor will discuss appropriate timelines for the completion of those deliverables, and any other deliverables that might be required.	December 31, 2025	N
22	Beyond completion of the required deliverables, how will PGE assess the effectiveness of community engagement deliverables during the Initial Term?	December 23, 2025	PGE will assess the effectiveness of community engagement deliverables during the Initial Term and the Renewal Terms (if exercised) by the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of engagements within different communities along the project line • The number of project zones in which people were engaged • The number of events held that reached English language learners • Community sentiment as reported on surveys • The sentiments of public comments received during community meetings 	December 31, 2025	N
23	Will the Contractor be expected to perform customer engagement? If so, via what communications channels and in which communities?	December 23, 2025	The Contractor for this work will not be expected to engage with customers of PGE, unless they are affected by the construction of the 100-mile transmission line project.	December 31, 2025	N

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24	Will the Contractor be expected to develop the Community Benefits Plan?	December 23, 2025	No, the Community Benefits Plan is already complete.	December 31, 2025	N
25	Please elaborate on the level of on-site work anticipated in the Initial Term to help inform budget estimates.	December 23, 2025	Offerors should estimate the level of effort for the in-person events outlined in 7.1.4.1 through 7.1.4.4 of the SOW that don't already specify a quantity. Offerors are required to provide only hourly rates for the tasks listed in the pricing sheet.	December 31, 2025	N
26	Do you have a monthly or yearly budget range in mind for the Initial Term?	December 23, 2025	Please see response to Q2 in RFP Q&A summary part 1.	December 31, 2025	N
27	Do you have a budget range in mind for the 5-year term?	December 23, 2025	Please see response to Q2 in RFP Q&A summary part 1.	December 31, 2025	N
28	Can PGE provide more information on the expected deliverables in the potential 4 years of continuation to inform the budget for those years?	December 23, 2025	PGE expects that the deliverables created in Year 1 will carry through to successive years. Also, the deliverables required in Year 1 might be repeated in entirely new instances in each following year.	December 31, 2025	N
29	In the M3 Mandatory Criteria row, is it mandatory that the Offeror demonstrate experience with projects specifically in Oregon?	December 23, 2025	No. Please see RFP amendment #1 for this change.	December 31, 2025	Y
30	Will the Contractor engage directly with the tribal government, or support PGE in engagement?	December 23, 2025	Yes, both. PGE and CTWS are the client of these services	December 31, 2025	N