SECTION I

1.1 INVITATION FOR BID

CALL FOR BIDS

Sealed bids, entitled Black Pine Mine Repository Subgrade Excavation Project, Granite County, DEQ Contract No. 415012, will be received by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) until 2:00 P.M. local time, November 13, 2014, and then publicly opened and read thereafter. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed opaque envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and its address. Bids may be mailed or hand delivered to:

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If forwarded by mail, the Bid and sealed envelope marked as described above must be enclosed in another envelope with the notification "SEALED BID ENCLOSED" on the face of the outer envelope and addressed as indicated above.

PROJECT LOCATION

The Black Pine Mine (Site) is approximately 10 miles northwest of Philipsburg, Montana off Highway 1 in Granite County within Sections 16 and 17 of Township 8 North and Range 14 West, Montana Principal Meridian. The approximate latitude and longitude for the Site is: 46°26'53.05"N, 113°22'10.52"W.

The Site is accessed by traveling north from Philipsburg on Highway 1, 2.25 miles to the Black Pine Road. The access route follows Black Pine Road to the west and then north for approximately 7 miles to a junction with USFS Road 448. Continue straight onto USFS Road 448 and travel an additional 1.4 miles. Turn left at the junction with USFS Road 678 and the repository is located directly adjacent to the north side of the road.

PROJECT WORK DESCRIPTION

Multiple hazardous features and waste remain at the Site including abandoned adits and shafts, two historical mills, modern mill buildings, and mine wastes. A repository is being constructed to contain impacted, solid media waste. The repository is located in the Historic Mine Area and contains waste rock piles from the Harper and Harrison Shafts, stone and mortar hoist structure near the Harrison Shaft, and backfilled Harrison Shaft.

The purpose of this reclamation project is to limit human and environmental exposure to the contaminants of concern; reduce the mobility of these contaminants; and mitigate impacts to the environment. Work will consist of constructing the Black Pine Mine repository subgrade and associated items. Contractor will provide water; install
construction Best Management Practices (BMP’s); construct a run-on ditch along USFS Road 78496; demolish, haul and lawfully dispose of the Harrison Shaft structure and associated asbestos containing material offsite in an approved landfill; excavate and stockpile the Harrison and Harper waste rock in the repository footprint; excavate the repository subgrade and stockpile cover soils, colluvium, and glacial till; construct berms and BMPs around the stockpile; place and compact Harrison and Harper waste rock within the repository; and remove all debris items after completion.

Work will include all incidentals necessary to complete the project as specified in the Contract Documents.

**CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

In order that prospective bidders' names appear on DEQ's plan holder's list, that potential bidders' Contract Documents are uniform, accurate, and have not been modified in any way, and so that potential bidders can obtain notice of any Addenda to the Contract Documents, Contract Documents must be obtained in person or by mail from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”), Remediation Division after **October 13, 2014** for a non-refundable cost of $75.00 in advance, in cash or check payable to “Department of Environmental Quality.” Credit card payments will not be accepted.

**Mail requests must be labeled Bid Package Purchase, DEQ Contract No. 415012** and addressed to **Bid Box, Attention: Devin Clary, P.O. Box 6969, Helena, Montana 59604-6969**. Contract Documents may also be obtained in person from the DEQ Remediation Division Office, located in the Cogswell Building, C-Wing Room 123, at 1400 Broadway, Helena, Montana 59601 (temporary location). For further directions, call (406) 841-5000.

Bid Documents will be available for viewing at the following locations:

- **Department of Environmental Quality**
  - Remediation Division
  - Cogswell Building, C-Wing Room 123, 1400 Broadway
  - Helena, MT 59601
  - Phone 406 841-5000

- **Helena Plans Exchange**
  - Helena Copy Center
  - 1530 Cedar St., Suite C
  - Helena, MT 59601
  - Phone 406-457-2679

- **Plan Library/Builders’ Exchange**
  - 1105 Reeves Rd West, Suite 800
  - Bozeman, MT 59718
  - Phone 406-586-7653

- **Great Falls Builders’ Exchange**
  - 325 2nd St. South
  - Great Falls, MT 59405
  - Phone 406-453-2513
QUESTIONS

For general questions, contact Devin Clary (406-841-5029). All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents must be submitted in writing and must be received by DEQ, by fax (406) 841-5050, by mail, or by e-mail (preferred delivery method) no later than 5:00 PM Mountain Time, October 30, 2014. Questions submitted by mail must be labeled “BID QUESTIONS, DEQ CONTRACT No. 415012” and addressed to Bid Box, Attention: Devin Clary, P.O. Box 6969, Helena, Montana 59604-6969. Questions may be e-mailed to djclary@mt.gov. Responses to questions will be posted at http://svc.mt.gov/gsd/onestop/SolicitationDefault.aspx on or about close of business November 6, 2014. Choose “Environmental Quality” as the solicitation agency.

CONTRACT TIME

The Contract Time will be one hundred (100) consecutive calendar days, with an estimated construction start up date around May 25, 2015. Contractor will pay Owner liquidated damages in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred ($1,500.00) dollars per day for each day beyond the Contract Time (as adjusted in accordance with the terms of the Contract Documents) that the work is not substantially complete.

PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A pre-bid conference will be held for prospective bidders on October 23, 2014. The pre-conference will convene at 1:00 p.m. Mountain Time at the Project Site. The pre-bid conference will be followed immediately by a walk-through of the work areas on the site. Directions to the pre-bid conference are set out at Project Location, Invitation for Bid. Both the pre-bid conference and the walk-through are mandatory: bidding contractors are required to attend. Failure to attend the pre-bid conference and walk-through is a basis for Owner to reject the bid under Article 5 of the Instruction to Bidders.
BID SUBMITTAL

Bids must be submitted in accordance with Instructions to Bidders and with the laws of the State of Montana.

All workers employed in performance of the project work must be paid prevailing wages at rates required by Federal regulation and the laws of the State of Montana.

Contractors must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Subject to the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, no qualified individual with a disability will, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs or services of a public entity or be subject to discrimination by any such entity. Persons with disabilities seeking accommodation may contact DEQ to make their request.

Owner reserves the right in its sole discretion, to cancel the contract solicitation for this project, to reject any and all Bids, to postpone or refuse to award the contract, to consider the Bid of another Bidder, to waive any and all informalities, and to take any other action it deems in the best interests of the State of Montana.

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By: TRACY STONE-MANNING

Director