

Section A-3 – Agency Coordination and Permitting

The following sections include a summary of minimum required agency coordination and permitting the design-build contractor is expected to perform.

4.3 SCE

Each well site shall require new 480-volt 3-phase electric service to operate electric motors for the well pumps. An application shall be submitted for new electric services from SCE. A load schedule will be required for submittal to SCE along with a site plan and description of each facility.

4.4 State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

A general permit to discharge storm water associated with construction activity including clearing, grading, and excavation activities that disturb greater than 1 acre of total land area is required to be obtained by the Contractor for the City. The new General Construction Storm Water Discharge Permit requires the “Legally Responsible Party” (LRP) to file permit registration documents (PRDs) electronically prior to starting construction activity. The Contractor shall prepare the permit on the State’s SMARTS system for the City’s LRP to certify.

The PRDs consist of:

- Notice of Intent (NOI)
- Risk Assessment
- Site Map
- Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- Annual Fee (mail no later than seven days before the start of construction)
- Signed Certification Statement
- Notice of Termination (at Project completion)

Permit coverage does not begin until the PRDs and annual fee are received by the SWRCB and a WDID number is assigned and sent via Storm Water Multi-Application and Report Tracking System (SMARTS).

Development and implementation of an SWPPP and monitoring program are required to be in place by the start of construction. Notice must be filed prior to the start of construction. There is a filing fee of \$317 (also the annual fee) for 1-acre sized projects and \$200 plus a surcharge for projects that qualify for the low erosivity waiver. These fees are subject to change by the SWRCB; processing time is approximately one month. Contractor shall provide Qualified Stormwater Developer (QSD) and Qualified Stormwater Practitioner (QSP), as required to prepare SWPPP and inspect BMPs.

The PRDs are to be submitted to SWRCB SMARTS database, located at <https://smarts.waterboards.ca.gov/smarts/faces/SwSmartsLogin.jsp>.

4.5 Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)

The City’s water system NPDES permit will be amended for discharge associated with water produced from the overflow and drain from the reservoir and future well flush discharge.

The Company shall prepare and the City of Torrance will submit the required permit application and documentation to the RWQCB to obtain the NPDES permit:

Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Discharges from well development, well purging, or dewatering during construction of the wells may be covered under Order R4-2008-0032, “Discharges of Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters.” At least 45 days before the start of a new discharge, an application needs to be submitted to the RWQCB that includes an NOI and a site characterization study defining the presence of contaminated groundwater. The report must include a list of constituents and discharge concentration of each constituent submitted in spreadsheet form (volatile organic compounds, metals, pesticides and PCBs, and semi-volatile organics).

The Contractor will prepare and the City of Torrance LRP will certify the required NPDES permit application and NOI to be covered under the existing order to the RWQCB, which is located at:

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320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

4.7 AT&T

The Company shall work with AT&T to bring a phone and data line to each Site. (Information per Craig Chinen of AT&T (310) 515-2429, cc1648@att.com).

4.9 Division of Drinking Water (DDW)

DDW approval is required for Van Ness Avenue Well Field Project. DDW staff will be included as part of the City’s plan check and permit process.

4.10 Public Outreach to Stakeholders

Contractor shall participate in meetings with stakeholders to discuss design aspects of the project. The meeting will include:

- Water Commission meeting
- City Council meeting
- At least one public outreach meeting

Contractor shall prepare PowerPoint presentation for each meeting, which will include at least one site rendering showing visual aspects of the project for each well site. Contractor shall assume that each meeting will be held in or nearby the Torrance area and that each meeting will last for two hours. Meetings will be held during evening hours.