

**CITY OF ST. GEORGE  
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND BIDS FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL  
INQUIRIES AND RESPONSES**

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<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	1. Who is the incumbent, and how long has the incumbent been providing the requested services?	1. Prior to the incorporation of the City of St. George, Debris Removal was provided in the unincorporated area by the Consolidated Government for the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge.
<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	2. To what extent will the location of the bidder's proposed location or headquarters have a bearing on any award?	2. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and qualified bidder. See Appendix D for method of determining lowest bid.
<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	3. What is the total mileage of roads within the scope of the service area?	3. Approximately 364 miles of roads will be maintained by the City of St. George. Additional roads within St. George are subject to maintenance by East Baton Rouge Parish and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.
<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	4. Are any specific professional credentials required to qualify for the contract?	4. Bidders must be qualified to perform the Scope of Debris Removal Services in Section 7.0 and possess any professional credentials required by applicable laws and regulations.
<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	5. Are there any superseding prior agreements that may impact this contract?	5. No.
<b>6/13/2025</b>	<b>6/24/2025</b>	6. When/what was the most recent event that precipitated the activation of the existing or previous contract	6. See Response to Inquiry No. 1.

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6/13/2025	6/24/2025	8. What estimated or actual dollars were paid to the incumbent(s) after the most recent event?	8. See Responses to Inquiry Nos. 1 and 6.
6/13/2025	6/24/2025	9. How many times have the incumbent's services been utilized in the previous five years?	9. See Response to Inquiry No. 1.
6/13/2025	6/24/2025	10. If there was a previous solicitation for these services, what was its title, number, release date, and due date?	10. There was no previous solicitation for these services.
6/13/2025	6/24/2025	11. Please confirm the deadline for questions. The Schedule of Events on page 2 says June 16, 2025 while Instructions to Bidders on page 17 says June 22, 2025.	11. Please see Revised Schedule of Events dated 6/24/2025 located at: <a href="https://stgeorgela.gov/media/rqcb01bm/debris-removal-2025-06-06.pdf">https://stgeorgela.gov/media/rqcb01bm/debris-removal-2025-06-06.pdf</a>
6/13/2025	6/24/2025	12. Can you please provide greater details regarding your bid bond and/or performance bond requirements related to this contract? For example, what is required with the proposal, and what is required to comply during the term of the contract?	12. No bid bond is required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications and Bids. See Exhibit B, Instructions to Bidders, para. 24 requiring “a performance bond in the estimated contract amount” when a notice to proceed is issued. See bond requirements in R.S. 38:2219 located at:  <a href="https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=94928">https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=94928</a>

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6/13/2025	6/24/2025	14. Describe your level of satisfaction with your current or recent vendor(s) for the same purchasing activity, if applicable.	14. See Response to Inquiry No. 1.
6/16/2025	6/24/2025	15. Does City currently have a contract in place for these services? If so, who is the current contractor?	15. See Response to Inquiry No. 1.
6/16/2025	6/24/2025	16. Will the contract be awarded solely to the lowest bidder?	16. See Response to Inquiry No. 2.
6/20/2025	6/24/2025	17. Can City confirm that vendors can submit via online via Central Bidding?	17. Statements of Qualifications and Bids can be submitted online via Central Bidding.
6/16/2025	6/27/2025	18. Are tipping fees/disposal costs at final disposal locations considered a direct pass-through cost to the City?	18. Tipping fees/disposal costs at final disposal locations are considered a direct pass-through cost to the City. Bids should not include tipping fees/disposal costs.

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6/16/2025	6/27/2025	20. Appendix D has no service descriptions for each line item. Clarify difference between Item No. 2 and Item No. 8. Does Item No. 2 refer exclusively to vegetative debris and Item No. 8 to C&D debris only?	20. Appendix D entitled “Schedule of Items for Unit Price Contract for Storm Debris Removal,” seeks unit price bids for the items listed. Item No. 2 includes <i>Eligible Debris</i> as defined on page 5 of 25 and not included in another item. Item No. 8 seeks bids for Collection & Disposal of <i>C&amp;D</i> as defined on page 6 of 25.
6/16/2025	6/27/2025	21. Clarify whether hazardous stumps, hazardous leaning trees, and hanging tree limbs are to be cut and dropped on the ROW for collection as addressed under line item 2 Total Debris Collection and Removal by Volume?	21. Cutting and dropping hazardous stumps, leaning trees and hanging tree limbs on the ROW for collection is acceptable if in compliance with FEMA Removal Guidance.  See <a href="https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa-debris-removal-guidance-category-a.pdf">https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa-debris-removal-guidance-category-a.pdf</a>
6/16/2025	6/27/2025	22. No line items address management of Debris Management Sites (DMS) or haul-out of reduced debris. Please clarify where these costs should be included?	22. Bids are required only for items listed on Appendix D entitled “Schedule of Items for Unit Price Contract.”

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6/16/2025	6/27/2025	23. Item No. 9 is “Processing of Burnable Debris using air curtain incinerator at disposal site” but does not include provisions for overall DMS site management.	23. Item No. 9 seeks bids to process burnable debris using an air curtain incinerator at a disposal site designated by City.
6/16/2025	6/27/2025	24. For Item No. 8 “Collection & Disposal of C&D Debris” should C&D debris be reduced at a Debris Management Site, or hauled directly to final disposal site? Please clarify “Contractor shall pick up, remove from public rights-of-way, and haul all eligible C&D debris to a disposal site as identified and directed by the City in the NTP.”	24. Item No. 8 seeks a bid to dispose of C&D Debris in accordance with FEMA Removal Guidance.  See <a href="https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa-debris-removal-guidance-category-a.pdf">https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa-debris-removal-guidance-category-a.pdf</a>
6/16/2025	6/27/2025	25. Clarify what is required to constitute a “Crew” as referenced in Item No. 1 on Appendix D?	25. FEMA guidance states “A typical debris removal crew consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One front loader or knuckle-boom</li><li>• 4 or 5 trucks”</li></ul> FEMA Guidance states, “A typical debris removal crew can transport approximately 600 CY of debris per day.”  See <a href="https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/fema_PA-debris-monitoring-guide-for-public-comment_interim_august-2020.pdf">https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/fema_PA-debris-monitoring-guide-for-public-comment_interim_august-2020.pdf</a>

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