

Addendum

Questions:

1. Please provide a markings map for initial cleanup. A property map has been provided under the Bid Announcement that identifies the initial cleanup areas and the areas that are outside of the road boundary of the property.
2. Will price adjustments be made for the transition from the current 7 month contract award to next year's full year extension? Yes. The full year contract extension for the ground maintenance program will adjust the price of the contract to include the 5 months and an additional mulch/straw service which are not included in the current Bid announcement. The adjustment will be based on the cost submitted for both high and low frequency cut periods. For example, in the current proposal contractors will submit costs for Apr, May and Jun, high frequency cut periods. Jul, Aug, Sep and Oct are also high frequency cut periods but are not included in the current proposal. The contract price will be adjusted for the full year contract by averaging the costs for Apr, May and Jun by multiplying the resulting average by four (the four months that were not included in the current bid process). The same process will be followed for the included low frequency cut months (Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar). The average of the four low frequency cut months will be multiplied by one (only one low frequency month, Nov, is not included in the current bid process. Additionally, the cost of the one-time mulch/straw service will also be added to the cost adjust for the full year contract cost.
3. Will the submittal form be updated to help in the price adjustment for the full year contract? Yes. An updated bid submittal form has been added under the bid announcement. The updated form asks contractors to account for costs on a monthly basis in accordance to high and low frequency cut periods.
4. Is vegetation to be cleaned up at a distance at least 3 feet for from all fence lines? The intent of this service is to ensure a clear line of sight from road boundaries. However, in most cases no trees should be removed to achieve this objective. The line of sight applies specifically to the fence along the road meaning the underbrush should be controlled as well as pruning limbs and keeping vegetation off of the fence. The fence along the railroad tracks does not need to follow the line of sight guideline. The intent for the fence that runs parallel to the railroad is to keep vegetation and underbrush off the fence to include pruning the trees. Therefore, the 3 foot requirement is not an absolute for either fence line.