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ADDENDUM #1 - RFB #1966 – 2026 Pest Control Services, District-Wide (Grounds)

Date: January 22, 2026

To: All Prospective Respondents

From: Elizabeth McClanahan, Director of Purchasing & Warehouse
Mt. Diablo Unified School District

NOTICE TO ALL RESPONDENTS SUBMITTING RFBs FOR THIS WORK:
You are hereby notified of the following changes, clarifications, or modifications to the original Request for Bid (RFB), scope of services, and any related exhibits or attachments. This Addendum shall supersede the original RFB and any previous Addenda where it conflicts with the same and shall take precedence over anything to the contrary contained therein. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

It is the responsibility of the **Bid Respondents** to notify all subcontractors, consultants, or other parties from whom bids, quotations, or support are obtained of all changes issued through this Addendum.

Receipt of this Addendum shall be acknowledged by inserting the Addendum number and date on the RFB acknowledgment form or in the manner specified in the RFB.

CONFORMANCE WITH RFB REQUIREMENTS
All services provided shall be in strict conformance with the RFB, including the scope of services, specifications, requirements, and conditions as applicable to services of a similar nature.

REVISIONS / CLARIFICATIONS TO THE RFB DOCUMENTS:

Q#1	How long has the School District been using the current pricing model based on acreage?	A#1	The District has utilized multiple forms of pest control services models in the past. Typically the cost per cycle is based on a size range.

Q#2	If the current approach is not producing the desired results, would the district be open to evaluating alternative program structures?	A#2	At this time we are seeking qualified vendors to submit pricing based on the format included in this Request for Bid.
Q#3	What is the current level of rodent activity across the district?	A#3	The District does not maintain or provide a quantified, Districtwide assessment of current rodent activity levels. Rodent activity may vary by site and over time due to environmental, seasonal, and operational factors. Proposers are responsible for developing their pricing and service approach based on the Scope of Work described in this RFB and their professional judgment.
Q#4	Which school sites are experiencing the highest levels of activity?	A#4	The District does not identify or rank individual school sites based on rodent activity levels. Pest activity may fluctuate by location and over time due to seasonal, environmental, and operational factors. Proposers should base their pricing and service approach on the Scope of Work outlined in the RFB and their professional assessment, rather than on assumptions regarding specific sites.
Q#5	For high-density rodent areas, would the district consider a pricing or treatment model that is not based solely on acreage?	A#5	At this time we are seeking qualified vendors to submit pricing based on the format included in this Request for Bid however included in our rate sheet is a line item for High-Density Rodent Treatment.
Q#6	APPENDIX B: The flat rate for recurring visits varies depending on the type of pest being addressed and the time required on-site. Would the district allow pricing to be submitted based on the specific pest being controlled?	A#6	At this time we are seeking qualified vendors to submit pricing based on the format included in this Request for Bid.
Q#7	APPENDIX B: For the “Optional Add-On Pricing (Unit Costs)” section,	A#7	This would be acceptable.

	specifically Burrow Backfill & Compaction (Beyond Routine): - May we propose a per-hour labor rate, allowing the technician to complete as many burrows as possible within that time? - Burrow sizes and conditions vary significantly, and not all can be completed in the same amount of time.		
Q#8	CONTRACT Exhibit B: Provide the missing information on the sites below:	A#8	Central Services is the District's Operational Center housing MOF. Transportation, FNS & Purchasing/Warehouse. The total facility is 13.78 acres with a total of 4 addresses.

SITE LOCATION	SITE ADDRESS	BUILT	BLDG	ACRES	SITE TYPE
Administration Building	1936 Carlotta Dr., Concord, CA 94519	1959	39,513	4.090	Administrative/Sup port Site
Central Services Maintenance	1480 Gasoline Ally, Concord 94520	60-20	68,604	13.780	Administrative/Sup port Site
Maintenance Operations & Facilities	1490 Gasoline Alley, Concord, 94520				Administrative/Sup port Site
Transportation Purchasing/Ware hou	2326 Bisso Lane, Concord, CA 94520				Administrative/Sup port Site
Food & Nutrition Services	2330 Bisso Lane, Concord, CA 94520				Administrative/Sup port Site

Q#9	Can you supply a pest activity list for each of the schools and their issues within the last year? So, we know what we are walking into?	A#8	The District will not provide a site-specific pest activity history for individual schools. Pest activity may vary over time due to seasonal, environmental, and operational factors. Proposers are responsible for conducting their own due diligence for developing pricing and service approaches based on their professional assessment of the scope described in the RFB.
Q#10	What would you most like to see improved from the last Contractor.	A#10	The District seeks continuous improvement in areas such as timely communication, consistent service delivery, accurate documentation, proactive identification of issues, and responsiveness to urgent service needs, as described in the RFB.
Q#11	What did you appreciate most about the last Contractor?	A#11	The District does not provide subjective evaluations or endorsements of prior

			contractors as part of this solicitation. Proposers are encouraged to focus on the requirements outlined in the RFB and to submit proposals that clearly demonstrate their ability to meet the District's expectations for service quality, responsiveness, compliance, and professionalism.
Q#12	Please confirm prevailing wage?	A#12	The services solicited under this RFB are operational and maintenance services in nature and do not constitute "public works" as defined under California Labor Code sections 1720–1861. Accordingly, prevailing wage requirements do not apply to this solicitation. The District reserves the right to reevaluate prevailing wage applicability should the scope of work materially change to include activities that qualify as public works under applicable law.
Q#13	What are your expectations for landscaping maintenance "Conduct field restoration activities as needed to maintain safe play conditions, including soil repair, compaction, minor grading, and seeding impacted areas." Do you have specific examples of what would normally be included under this provision as well as examples of when the amount of field restoration would not be considered to be included with the regular service?	A#13	Field restoration activities under this contract are intended to be limited, minor, and directly related to pest or rodent control activities, and are focused on restoring safe play conditions, not full landscape or athletic field rehabilitation. Examples of work normally included Backfilling and compacting rodent burrows or holes to eliminate tripping hazards; Leveling and smoothing small, localized areas disturbed by rodent activity or treatment; Minor soil repair to stabilize surface conditions; Raking, tamping, or smoothing disturbed soil; Limited seeding or sod patching of small areas impacted by rodent activity or treatment; Removal of loose soil or debris created during rodent control activities

Q#14	Are any agricultural services to be included such as weed control or would those be handled separately, outside or this rfb?	A#14	No. Agricultural services, including weed control, vegetation management, or other grounds maintenance activities, are not included in the scope of this RFB and shall be handled separately by the District. The Contractor's responsibilities under this RFB are limited to pest and rodent control services and the identification and reporting of conditions conducive to pest activity.
Q#15	Did the scope of work change from the last awarded contract? What was the award amount?	A#15	The District does not provide comparative details regarding prior contracts, including scope changes or award amounts, as part of this solicitation. Proposers are responsible for reviewing the Scope of Work and requirements set forth in the current RFB and submitting proposals based solely on the specifications and terms contained herein. The current RFB reflects the District's current operational needs and requirements, and proposers should base their pricing and approach accordingly.
Q#16	How will the schools be divided if awarded to multiple companies? What is the decision process for that?	A#16	If the District elects to award contracts to more than one contractor, the assignment of schools or sites will be determined solely by the District based on its operational needs. Factors may include, but are not limited to, site type, geographic considerations, workload balancing, and service efficiency. The District reserves the right to determine site assignments at the time of award and to adjust assignments during the contract term as needed to meet District requirements. Proposers shall not assume entitlement to any minimum number of sites or guaranteed volume of work.

Q#17	How do we go about scheduling the site walks for all locations/school grounds, check in, facility contacts?	A#17	The District will not coordinate or schedule site walks for this solicitation. Site addresses have been provided in the RFB documents to allow Proposers to conduct virtual reviews and due diligence as needed.
Q#18	Is there a way to move the due date to accommodate scheduling site walks?	A#18	The District has provided site addresses in the RFB documents to allow Proposers to conduct a virtual review and due diligence as needed to develop their pricing. Proposers are responsible for familiarizing themselves with site conditions and including all associated costs in their proposal.
Q#19	Since this contract is for burrowing rodents, the contractor should be focused on controlling rodents and identifying conducive conditions for rodents. Shouldn't field vegetation management around field perimeters, soil compaction programs, and moisture control strategies be the responsibility of the District?	A#19	Yes. Vegetation management, soil compaction programs, irrigation control, and moisture management are the responsibility of the District and are not included in the scope of this contract. The Contractor's responsibility under this RFB is limited to rodent control services and the identification and reporting of conditions conducive to rodent activity. The Contractor shall notify the District of observed conditions that may contribute to rodent presence and may provide recommendations; however, implementation of vegetation, soil, or irrigation corrective actions shall remain the responsibility of the District unless otherwise expressly authorized in writing.
Q#20	Shouldn't a DPR QAL License category B be required and stated in this RFB? To perform the services mentioned in 3.1" Field and Grounds Preventative Treatment: " implement field restoration activities as needed to maintain safe play conditions,	A#20	Please see RFB 1966 Section 3.3 Requirements and Section 5.1 Overall Evaluation Process, 5a.

	including soil repair, compaction, minor grading, and seeding impacted areas.		
Q#21	Can you expand on what you mean by "restoring" in 3.1:Emergency and Special Services: "Restore playing fields or grounds impacted by sudden or severe burrowing damage. ". Please provide a detailed example.	A#21	Backfilling and compacting rodent burrows, holes, or tunnels created by gophers, ground squirrels, or similar pests Leveling disturbed soil to eliminate tripping hazards Stabilizing the surface to restore safe footing for students and staff Minor turf repair, such as: Replacing sod plugs removed during burrow access; Raking and smoothing disturbed areas; Removing loose soil, debris, or mounds created by pest activity or treatment; Temporary surface repair sufficient to allow continued field use
Q#22	Will the District provide a count of athletic fields, playfields, and high-use fields per site to ensure consistent pricing?	A#22	No. The District has provided site addresses in the RFB documents to allow Proposers to conduct a virtual review and due diligence as needed to develop their pricing. Proposers are responsible for familiarizing themselves with site conditions and including all associated costs in their proposal.
Q#23	BID SHEET: Optional Add-On Pricing (Unit Costs) - On the High Density Rodent line item, what constitutes an "Area"? - Can this be changed to square footage for fairer pricing?	A#23	For purposes of this RFB, an "Area" is defined as a distinct, localized section of a site where high-density rodent activity is present and requires targeted treatment, as determined by the District in coordination with the Contractor (e.g., a specific athletic field, playfield section, landscaped zone, or other discrete outdoor location). No. The District will not change this unit of measure to square footage. Use

			of an “Area” is intended to allow flexibility in addressing varying site conditions and to avoid the need for detailed field measurements. Pricing shall reflect all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to treat a defined problem area as directed by the District.
Q#24	BID Sheet: Site Type: Perimeter Grounds/ Fencelines: What constitutes a “Zone”?	A#24	For purposes of this RFB, a “Zone” is defined as a contiguous section of perimeter grounds or fenceline at a District site that requires pest or rodent monitoring or treatment and can be reasonably serviced as a single work area. Zones will be designated by the District based on site layout, access, and observed pest activity and may vary in size depending on site conditions.
Q#25	Are school gardens, outdoor classrooms, or childcare play areas included as grounds?	A#25	School gardens, outdoor classroom areas and other play areas may be included within the scope of grounds covered under this RFB only where those areas are maintained or managed by District programs and are not designated childcare play areas. For areas that fall under District-managed programs, the Contractor’s responsibilities remain limited to pest and rodent control services and the identification and reporting of conditions conducive to pest activity. Any services shall be performed in accordance with applicable safety requirements and regulatory restrictions. The District will coordinate and identify applicable areas with the awarded Contractor following contract award.

Q#26	If this contract is awarded to a group of vendors, how will the work be distributed among the vendors in the awarded pool? Is there a guaranteed minimum workload per vendor?	A#26	If the District elects to award this contract to multiple vendors, the distribution of work among awarded vendors will be determined solely at the District's discretion based on operational needs. Factors may include, but are not limited to, site type, geographic considerations, service capacity, performance, and scheduling requirements. There is no guaranteed minimum workload or volume of work for any vendor awarded under this contract.
Q#27	Is there a separate budget for the Optional Add-On pricing, or is it included in the not-to-exceed 350,000 budget?	A#27	There is no separate budget for Optional Add-On services. All services performed under this contract, including any Optional Add-On services authorized by the District, shall be included within the not-to-exceed amount of $350,000, unless otherwise amended by the District in writing.

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