

BIDDING REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) RESPONSES



Date: June 12, 2026

Project: **Anderson County
AgriLife Training Facility**
603 N. Sycamore St.
Palestine, Texas 75801

Bidder: **To All Bidders**

Owner: **Anderson County**
703 N. Mallard St., Suite 100
Palestine, Texas 75801

Architect: **Jacob Scoggins**
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Bid RFI No: No. 4

The following Requests for Information were received during the bidding period for the referenced project. Responses that affect the cost or scope of work shall be fully incorporated into the bid submitted to the Owner. This RFI shall be included as an exhibit with the contact for construction.

1. Sheet A8.01 indicates Lt Ga Metal framing at exterior wall, Sheet A7.01 symbols indicate wood framing. Which is correct?

Response: The project is wood framed. The details on sheet A8.01 will be updated.

2. Are the locations where the steel columns width extends beyond the edge of the finished sheetrock to be left open or boxed?

Response: This will be determined by the pre-engineered metal building company that ultimately designs and constructs the project. We don't believe the columns will extend beyond the face of the gypsum board given the size of the building and anticipated steel depth. The intent is that none of the steel columns are visible and are hidden behind gypsum board.

3. Sheet C4.0 contains two notes. One states that the backflow prevention assembly is to be installed in an in-ground vault. The other states that the backflow prevention assembly is to be installed on the sprinkler riser. Which one is correct?

Response: The plans specify a Detector Check Assembly near Sycamore Street. This is a single check meter assembly installed to detect unauthorized use of fire protection. The plans specify the backflow preventor for the fire protection system shall be installed on the fire riser. It is required and shall be installed as specified.

4. I have a question about the bid form. Section 1.3 shows some unit prices, but I am uncertain how the unit prices relate to the scope of the project. Was this an accidental error from a previous bid? If not and the unit prices are correct, can you please direct me to the page or scope where I can find it?

Response: The unit prices in Section 1.3 are required so that there is an established dollar amount per unit that will be used in the event such materials are encountered during construction. Any required change orders related to the noted materials will use the listed values for the duration of the project. Section 1.3 does not suggest such materials are on site. The section was included as a means to establish rates in the event the materials are encountered.

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5. The room finish schedule does not show any ceramic wall tile, and the materials finish schedule only lists ceramic tile for the floors (CT Florida Tile, Silver Sands Grey 12x24) However, there is a comment on the plans for rooms 105 and 106 that specifies “ceramic tile wainscot to 60” a.f.f. all walls”. Should we follow the room finish schedule or the plan comment? Material selection: If ceramic wall tile is required, should I use the CT2 Material specified for the floors or carry an allowance.
Response: All four walls of each restroom shall have CT-2 ceramic tile up to 60” a.f.f.

6. RFI- Division 21 Specs Call out “ F. Provide a dry zone to serve all canopies.” If the canopies are made of non-combustible material and has no storage underneath, dry system is not required. Is this requirement by the school?
Response: The design of the fire protection system is the responsibility of the installing vendor. The system must be NFPA 13 compliant. All applicable exceptions noted in NFPA 13 that would prevent fire suppression will be accepted. Such exceptions shall be noted on the shop drawings.

7. Is this bid acceptable as:
Hand delivery only, or,
Hand delivery AND email delivery (mellison@co.anderson.tx.us),
Or Email only
Response: Yes. Refer to the bid instructions posted on the website.

Thank you,

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Attachments: None