

**May 23, 2025****Addendum No. 02****File Reference Number: RFP 2025 038****Title: Moose River Waste Disposal Site, Geo-Environmental Investigation and  
Decommissioning Planning****RE: Clarifications/Questions**

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Please refer to the following information / clarifications:

**Item 1:** Can ONTC please indicate where it would like the additional 8 monitoring wells to be located and where the 2 existing wells are, so that we can properly price and plan for tree clearing, and what subsurface conditions to expect?

**Answer:** Groundwater monitoring wells are intended to be installed in and around the Moose River WDS footprint/near vicinity, as shown in the provided site drawing. Existing two wells are also in the existing footprint vicinity (i.e., at north and south end). Note, only minor vegetation (tree/brush) clearing by hand/power saw should be expected to accommodate the drilling work (TBC in field with ONTC Site Supervisor), with disturbance to be kept to minimum. Please note, exact monitoring well placement will be further determined with successful Vendor upon contract award and upon detailed sampling plan development.

**Item 2:** ONTC mentions in the proposal that the respondent is required to source and include an equipment handler vehicle/machine, however ONTC also states that it will provide a side-by-side utility vehicle (UTV). Can the UTV be used for equipment supply transport?

**Answer:** ONTC will be responsible to provide a UTV for light equipment transport to/from the rail access drop-off to the Moose River WDS work area. This may include sampling coolers, equipment, personnel, etc. ONTC anticipates will be needed due to no other loader-type equipment present at the site (thus, should be costed by Vendors for time being). Vendors are expected to evaluate and confirm the need for a larger equipment handler (e.g., off-road telehandler or skid-steer with forks/bucket, etc.) for heavier items required for the work, including (but not limited to) drilling equipment, aggregate bags/materials, water totes, etc. This machine is also expected to be needed for helping to load/unload materials from the rail flat car (including adjusting steel rail-car ramps up/down to load/unload drill rig, etc.).

**Item 3:** Has the extent of buried waste fully delineated? If so, can ONTC provide that?

**Answer:** This information is not fully evaluated or known at this time, and should be further investigated during the study.

**Item 4:** Inclusion of TCLP and mSPLP and PFAS can be extremely costly, has consideration been given to analysing these three parameters in a phased approach starting with a smaller subsample of the collected samples?

**Answer:** While this may be possible, to potentially minimize sampling fees, Vendors should bid and price according to the requested Scope of Work. Specific sampling tests may be further evaluated and scaled back/adjusted, as needed, upon successful Vendor selection and contract award.

**Item 5:** Are you expecting us to barrel the cuttings from the drilling and bring it offsite?

**Answer:** ONTC is recommending that drilling cuttings and purge water be left on the ground at the site at this time.

**Item 6:** Will there be opportunity to ship samples from Moosonee each day to avoid exceeding sample hold times?

**Answer:** If required, samples may be packaged and shipped from Moosonee to the required lab using the ONR rail parcel service (coupled with any subsequent shipping mode, once reaching a Town/Municipality). ONTC will be able to help coordinate this effort.

**Item 7:** Have the existing wells been shown to produce groundwater?

**Answer:** At the time of well installation by the then Consultant, groundwater infiltration/recharge was not deemed sufficient for sampling, unfortunately. During fall 2024 general inspection by ONTC Env. Personnel, the southern monitoring well at the Moose River WDS produced several litres of holding water, during extraction tests (i.e., sign this well may be useful for sampling).

The northern monitoring well was dry/produced no water. Whether these existing wells will be useful for the present study remains to be seen, should be further evaluated in the field by the Consultant at time of 2025 sampling.

**Item 8:** If there is the potential for buried wood in the landfill, should we add Phenols to the list of sample parameters?

**Answer:** Yes, there is potential for buried wood at the WDS from construction-related waste materials (expected). ONTC is agreeable, and will request that Vendors reasonably add Phenols to the list of sample parameters.

**Item 9:** From a Health and Safety perspective, should we anticipate the encounter of hazardous waste such as lead and asbestos?

**Answer:** This is unknown at this time, and should be further evaluated through the study, with the consultant and drilling personnel proceeding with due caution/awareness considering any potential scenario and applying best practices, as needed.

**Item 10:** Should proponents include pricing for QA/QC samples based on 10% of collected samples and volatile trip blanks?

**Answer:** ONTC is supportive of these QA/QC best practices for this study, and will request that Vendors include this pricing for QA/QC samples based on 10% of collected samples and volatile trip blanks.

**Item 11:** For the HASP, is there any unique considerations related to the rail access?

**Answer:** The successful vendor will be escorted to the site daily with qualified ONTC rail personnel (via hi-rail truck), and rigging of equipment to flat car will similarly be verified and checked by qualified ONTC-appointed staff prior to movement from point to point. ONTC will be responsible for all rail safety procedures, flagging and instructions. The successful Vendor and all its assigned field personnel will be required to complete standard ONTC rail safety online training module prior to site work (i.e., can be completed within 20-30 mins, typically).

**Item 12:** Should allowances be made for physical hydrogeological testing?

**Answer:** Written details pertaining to this proposed testing may be explained as a Scope of Work study deviation, if Vendors feel there is project benefit, for ONTC consideration. Upon selection of successful Vendor and contract award, this item may be further discussed as an extra within the \$25 k contingency allowance, if there is notable deviation from proposed Scope of Work.

**Item 13:** Regarding underground utility locates, are there any private utilities at the site? i.e. do private as well as public locates need to be located?

**Answer:** The Moose River Waste Disposal Site is a very remote site surrounded by wilderness terrain, with no evidenced or known underground utilities (past or present) in existence at or near the site. As such, private/public locates are not applicable to the project, in ONTC's determination.

**Item 14:** Can the references cited in Part 4 - Form 4 - References be the same as those cited in the Part 4 - Form 8 – Technical Submission Instructions – Project References?

**Answer:** Yes, the same projects may be used in both forms; however, the level of detail required in each section will differ.

**Item 15: Part 3 – RFP Specifications – Schedule 3-A-1 – Scope of Work – 4.**  
**Assumptions/Special Instructions**

- Respondent should provide cost estimate and scheduling memo after contract award.

Can ONTC be more specific on what costs and schedule it expects?

**Answer:** ONTC is just requesting, upon contract award, that high-level costs and scheduling breakdown be included in the draft/final fieldwork plan, to ensure good organization and clarity with ONTC before executing the study program.

This Addendum hereby forms part of the RFP.

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