

### **ADDENDUM 3**

DATE: March 13, 2026  
TO: Prospective Bidders  
FROM: Steven Traynum, CSE Project Director  
  
RE: **Isle of Palms Beach Nourishment Project**

Following are answers to recently received questions regarding the above-referenced project.

**Question 1** - *It was stated that the Town will arrange for the daytime turtle monitoring and that the contractor will be responsible for nighttime monitoring. Who is responsible for nest relocation if it is needed?*

**Answer 1** – Endangered species monitors will coordinate with the local turtle patrol and the SCDNR for appropriate steps for nest relocation. In most scenarios, if a nest is laid in or near the active construction zone, the Contractor will incorporate a buffer zone of 100’ around the nest and avoid this area with any equipment. The nest would then be relocated by the local turtle team the following morning. As stated in the technical specifications both daytime and nighttime monitors must be permitted through South Carolina Department of Natural Resources via a consent permit found at the following link: <https://www.dnr.sc.gov/seaturtle/permit.htm>.

**Question 2** – *Are there any turbidity monitoring requirements for the project?*

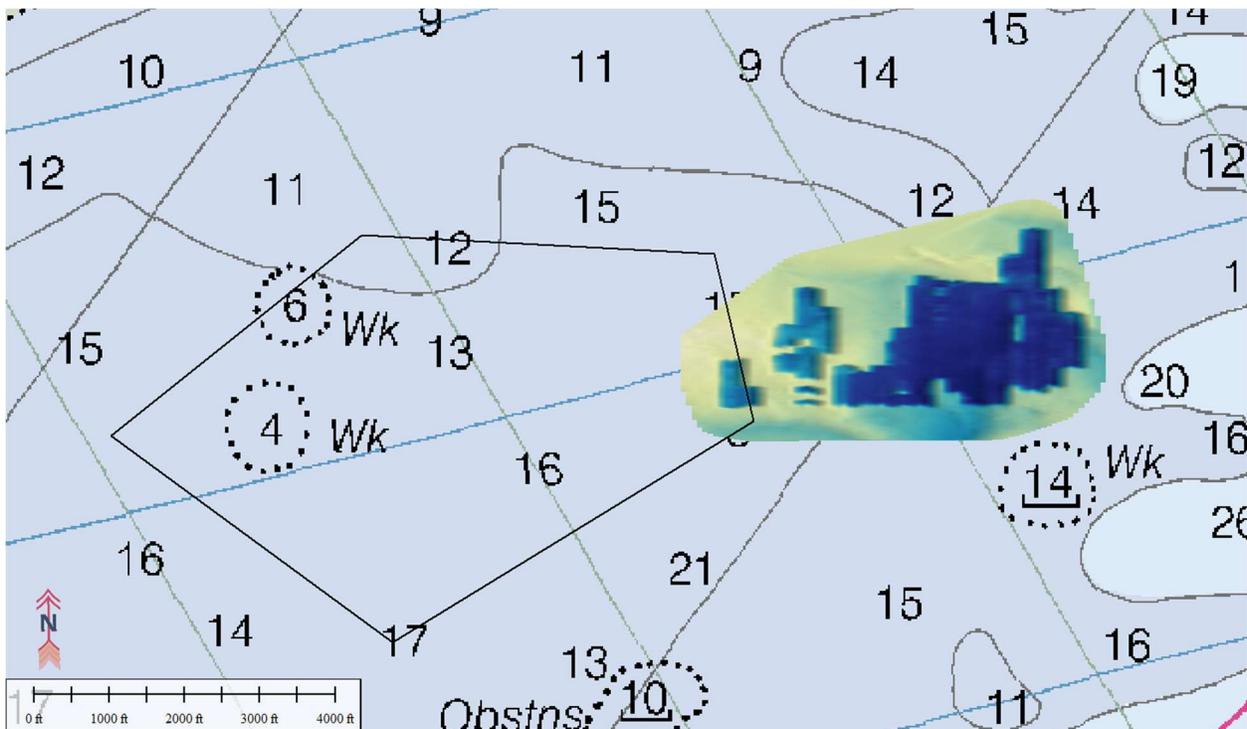
**Answer 2** – There are no turbidity monitoring requirements for this project.

**Question 3** - Is the contractor allowed to anchor outside of the borrow area or the pipeline corridor limits shown on the plans?

**Answer 3** – The contractor is allowed to anchor outside of the borrow area or pipeline corridor limits shown in the plans, but at their own risk. The contractor should be aware that there are a significant number of cultural resources located in the offshore zone of Isle of Palms and should anchor with caution. The cultural resource survey included a buffer of 400’ around the permitted area. Side-scan and magnetometer data are included in the report for this buffer area. CSE has uploaded an XYZ of possible cultural resources to be avoided in addition to the ones in the technical specs. CSE will coordinate with the State Historic Preservation Office and the contractor after award of the project for other avoidance areas.

**Question 4** - Has this borrow area been used previously?

**Answer 4** – There is a small portion of the borrow area that was used during the 2018 Isle of Palms Renourishment Project. The figure below shows the approximate location of the previous dig in the southeastern corner of the borrow area. CSE has also uploaded the XYZ of the Borrow Area AD in 2018. The data included in Addendum 2 titled “240314\_Offshore\_OLD\_Borrow\_Area\_XYZ.xyz” shows the most recent survey of this area in 2024.



**Figure 1:** Previously dredged area inside permitted borrow area. Permitted area shown in the black outline.



**Question 5** - *Are there specific survey requirements for the borrow area?*

**Answer 5** – The Contractor shall provide an AD survey of the utilized portions of the borrow area. The survey should consist of full multibeam coverage, or single-beam surveys with line spacing not to exceed 100ft. The survey should include a buffer of at least 400’ in all directions from any dredged areas. The survey does not have to include unused portions of the borrow area (excluding the buffers).

**Question 6** - *When will Options be awarded?*

**Answer 6** – The options are expected to be awarded at the same time of the award of the contract. The City will meet to discuss the bids mid-April and will notify the lowest bidder around then with a Notice of Award.

**Question 7** - *When will it be known if material will be placed in Reach 3 or not?*

**Answer 7** – The status of Reach 3 is expected to be awarded at the same time of the award of the contract. The City will meet to discuss the bids mid-April and will notify the lowest bidder around then with a Notice of Award.

**Question 8** - *Designated parking areas on the entire Island are called out in the plans. It's understood that in past projects, the town of IOP has assisted in facilitating parking on both ends of the island for dredging projects. With this project occurring during the peak season for the island, will the town still assist dredging projects?*

**Answer 8** – The City will assist the dredging project to help ensure there is sufficient parking and loading areas for the Contractor. The City is currently coordinating with the Wild Dunes community to make parking available within the Wild Dunes area for work in Reaches 1 and 2.

**Question 9** - *Sheet 09 in the plans indicates that the surveys shown for Reach 3 were taken in August of 2025. However, Cottrell just finished up their AIWW dredging contract for the USACE in which 265,000 CY were placed in Reach 3 between 6th and 9th Avenues. Will the plans and contract quantities be amended to account for that project?*

**Answer 9** – The contract quantities will remain the same. The work conducted by Cottrell may result in the template within the reach to change but will not result in a change in the contract quantity. The same goes for natural changes in Reach 1 and 2.



**Question 10** - *The plans state that the "boundaries within the priority area are not firm. If suitable material exists at the priority area boundary, excavations may extend over the boundary shown within the larger permitted area." What or who will determine if suitable material exists at the boundary of the priority area and beyond?*

**Answer 10** – The Contractor will be allowed to move within the borrow area as they see fit, but they will be responsible for stopping operation and moving the dredge if significant amounts of unsuitable material are coming through the pipe. The material coming from the borrow area should be similar to that of the native beach. The Engineer will be on site daily to assist with sediment quality decisions. The Contractor should monitor the quality of material coming out of the pipe and be prepared to move if necessary or asked by CSE. Poor quality would include accumulations of mud balls near the discharge point to an amount where they become buried by sand. Smaller mudballs (2-3”) along the lower beach face that do not accumulate into masses are generally acceptable for periods of time. Similarly, accumulations of large shell masses will be considered unacceptable. Should either of these materials be consistently present in the discharge for more than 30 minutes, the Engineer should be notified.

Note – The project Owner is the City of Isle of Palms, SC. The Bid Documents may refer to the county and state on various forms. Similarly, the Project Title (Beach Nourishment at Isle of Palms) may have variations within the Bid Documents. These variations are considered informalities and any version of these will be acceptable on bid forms and bond documents.

Note – The Bid opening will be livestreamed online via YouTube at 2pm EST on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026. It can be viewed via the following link: <https://youtube.com/live/jRwUwFdPoYI?feature=share>