

**Pacific Beach Elementary – OSPI School Seismic Safety Retrofit Program
RFQ for Structural & Geotechnical Engineering Services
Questions & Answers
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The following questions were received from interested consulting firms. Answers are in red. Additional items may be added as more questions are received.

1. What are the School District's project schedule expectations? (e.g. field investigation and exploration, design phase, construction period, and school opening).

The RFQ identifies that two discrete phases of the work are planned for the selected structural engineering firm. The Phase I schedule will be carefully developed with the selected team. The school district anticipates award of the work in early November 2020 and for the work to proceed immediately upon award. The Phase II schedule will be dependent upon OSPI's review of the Phase I deliverable as well as available OSPI funding.

2. What is the budgeted Maximum Anticipated Construction Cost for the Seismic Upgrade project?

The OSPI Grant to the District does not identify a MACC but rather "anticipates" total project funding not to exceed \$2.196M.

3. Is there a separate construction cost budget attributed to mitigating for tsunami impacts? or is it combined with the overall MACC in question #2 above?

The RFQ identifies a Phase A geotechnical investigation by an experienced geotechnical firm to determine all potential natural hazards on site. Pending the outcome of that assessment, there are no assumptions regarding tsunami or flooding or other hazards impacting the site. No additional funding beyond the \$2.196M has been identified.

4. Are there any hazmat reports or known hazardous materials present in the buildings (ACM, Lead Paint, PCB's, etc.)?

The assessment will be conducted by the District to determine the presence of hazardous materials concurrent with the Phase I work.

5. Are there existing drawings of the original 1956 and 1970 construction of the school buildings available for review and use in the seismic upgrade design?

Drawings were not located during the earlier DNR-funded investigation: https://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/geologydata/school_seismic_safety/concept_level_design_reports/BLDG_20660_North_Beach_ES_Gym_Lunchroom_Seismic_Screening_Report_2019.pdf?v57mfc

6. Although it is noted in the RFQ that a geotechnical engineer will be engaged under a separate agreement of services, is it intended for the Prime Consultant's design team and qualifications package to also include their geotechnical engineering partner as a team member?

The District would not exclude that approach if the submitting firm believed there is benefit to the District. However, the District will also continue to accept independent proposals from geotechnical engineering firms.

7. What does the District anticipate regarding civil engineering scope that is outside of tsunami hazard considerations?

As noted earlier, there are no known tsunami or flooding or site hazard considerations identified at this time. It is anticipated that storm water management may be concern and a consideration particularly if foundation improvements are identified as a component of any proposed building seismic improvement.

Per the RFQ, all questions must be submitted via email to Heidi Hansen Heidi.hansen@esd112.org