

Lower and Middle River Des Peres CSO Storage Tunnel (Broadway to RDP Tubes)

Pre-Qualification Questionnaire Q&A



MSD Project Clear has received questions and provides the following clarifications about the “Tunneling Pre-Qualification Questionnaire” and pre-qualification process:

Clarification 1 – Item 11 Financial Capacity, Confidentiality

Question

With respect to the 11820-015.1 Lower and Middle River Des Peres (LMRDP) CSO Storage Tunnel Pre-Qualification Questionnaire, we respectfully request clarification regarding the financial information required under Item 11.

We have no problem submitting balance sheets and income statements for MSD’s consideration; however, the public release of such confidential financial information would result in competitive disadvantage and financial harm to the submitting firm.

Please let us know if financial information submitted and specifically identified as confidential will be exempt from public disclosure, redacted, or otherwise protected from release in response to requests made under the Missouri Sunshine Law, Freedom of Information Act requests, open records requests, or similar public disclosure requirements.

Does MSD have an established procedure for identifying and safeguarding confidential financial information submitted by private contractors during the prequalification process? if so, what specific steps should contractor take to designate such information as confidential at the time of submission?

Response

To the extent that the entity seeking pre-qualification considers the financial statements and information submitted in response to Request No. 11 to be proprietary and confidential trade secret information, such information may be submitted under separate cover and clearly marked “**Proprietary & Confidential Trade Secret Information.**” Information properly submitted in this manner will be protected from disclosure to third parties or other proposers to the extent allowed by the Missouri Sunshine Law or other applicable law.

Clarification 2 – Joint Venture

Question

Page 4 of “The Tunneling Pre-Qualification Questionnaire” states as follows:

“If submitting as a joint venture please follow the link below for the Joint Venture Pre-Qualification Form that is required to be submitted with this pre-qualification questionnaire.” The link takes you to the “Joint Venture Pre-Qualification Application for a Single Project”.

Page 3 of the linked document has the following note:

“NOTE: In order for the District to grant a Certificate of Qualification through this application process, ALL parties to the Joint Venture must be individually pre-qualified in the category specified in the Notice to Contractor, Paragraph 1.3.A for the Contract Letting Number referenced above.”

Does this note apply to this project? This requirement conflicts with the questionnaire. Please clarify.

Response

The “Joint Venture Pre-Qualification Application for a Single Project” which is on the Project Clear website is a generic form intended to cover all MSD projects. Since this is a project specific pre-qualification questionnaire for the Lower and Middle River Des Peres CSO Storage Tunnel (11820) and there is not a “category specified” the note on page 3 would not apply. All parties will be prequalified per the requirements detailed in the project specific Lower and Middle River Des Peres CSO Storage Tunnel (11820) Pre-qualification Questionnaire. Please see information detailed below for additional information/clarification.

Page 4, Item 3, Bullet 1 states:

“If the applicant is applying as a joint venture, one prequalification package shall be submitted for the joint venture. Joint ventures of prequalified individual firms will be considered prequalified joint ventures. Joint ventures shall be limited to a maximum of three participating firms.”

Any team may form a JV **before** the December 4, 2026, submission date and that JV will be reviewed for prequalification based on the proposed JV’s experience. We request that that team still submit the “Joint Venture Pre-Qualification Application for a Single Project” which is found on the Project Clear website.

Page 6, Item 7 “ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT VENTURE AFTER PRE-QUALIFICATION APPROVAL” states:

“Should two or more entities that submitted by December 4, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. CST and have been individually pre-qualified by the District for this project wish to form a joint-venture for the purpose of bidding on this project, the joint venture entity must give notice to the District at least 60 calendar days prior to the bid date with the submission of the District’s **“Joint Venture Pre-Qualification Application for a Single Project”**. Please follow the link below to download this application.”

After the December 4, 2026, submission date if a team would like to form a JV it must be comprised of previously individually pre-qualified contractors. Any proposed JV’s that fit these criteria must submit their application at least 60 calendar days before the bid date.