

Lake County RFP # 21084  
Addendum #1

1. Will the County consider extending the deadline for submitting the proposals by 2 to 3 weeks?

*The County has extended the deadline for the submittal of proposals from May 14, 2021 to May 28, 2021.*

2. Will Homeowner's Associations (HOAs) be part of the County's contract or will they be allowed to opt out? Are they part of the current house count provided? If we provide a list of the HOAs we serve is that list something that is available under the Freedom of Information Act?

*The County will allow HOAs to opt out of the County's contract as long as the HOAs contract is with a single hauler and it includes options for landscape waste services. The HOAs are part of the current housing count and the County has asked the haulers to provide the County a list of the HOAs they service and the housing count. If the County receives this data from proposers it will forward that information to the proposers in a timely fashion. If the haulers do provide the list of HOAs to the County it would be subject to the Freedom of Information Act.*

3. Has the County done any communications outreach to the public regarding this RFP?

*Yes, the County has created a webpage dedicated to the open burning issue, the link is: [www.lakecountyil.gov/openburninginput](http://www.lakecountyil.gov/openburninginput)*

4. Please clarify the housing count numbers in the RFP, do they include vacant lots?

*The housing count numbers were derived from an analysis of GIS data and to the best of staff's ability, only include residential improved parcels in the unincorporated area. Properties that only contain garages, etc. or are vacant and those within the six townships with pre-existing service agreements were excluded.*

5. Does the county know how many homes currently have hauling collection services in the unincorporated areas?

*The County has no way of knowing with certainty the number of homes with hauling collection services but based on data reported by the haulers to SWALCO in 2020 households in unincorporated Lake County landfilled 30,499 tons and recycled 6,088 tons. This data includes the township franchise data as well for an estimated total of approximately 30,000 households in unincorporated Lake County.*

6. Does the County intend to mandate or require that households sign up for hauling collection services?

*For Scope of Work 1, the selected proposer will be awarded the exclusive rights to offer the services within a specific quadrant, no other hauler will be authorized to provide the scope of services in that area. The County does not have an ordinance requiring households to have waste collection services and does not intend to enact one. For Scope of Work 2, again, the selected proposer will be awarded the exclusive rights to offer the services with a specific quadrant. The Scope of Work 2 services are subscription related and is a voluntary opt in by the household.*

7. Does the County have addresses for all the households involved?

*The County will be able to provide the addresses it does have in its GIS system to the successful proposer in each quadrant, but it does not guarantee the accuracy of the list.*

8. Do we have to provide proposals for both Scope of Work 1 and Scope of Work 2? Can we provide proposal on any or all of the 4 quadrants?

*Proposers may submit proposals for Scope of Work 1 only, Scope of Work 2 only, or both. Proposers may submit proposals for one, two, three or all four quadrants.*

9. Will the County require a franchise fee for both Scope of Work 1 and 2?

*The franchise fees will only be applicable if the County decides to select the services in Scope of Work 1, they will not be applicable if the County selects Scope of Work 2.*

10. Will the County have the same performance bond requirement for Scope of Work 1 and 2?

*The performance bond amounts in the RFP for each quadrant are applicable if Scope of Work 1 is selected by the County. The performance bond amount for Scope of Work 1 shall be \$80,000 for the Northwest Quadrant, \$7,000 for the Northwest Quadrant, \$26,000 for the Southwest Quadrant and \$20,000 for the Southeast Quadrant.*

11. Do we have to submit a separate proposal bonds for each Scope of Work we propose on or do we just submit one proposal bond?

*Only one proposal bond is required regardless of whether you propose on both Scopes of Work or just one.*

12. Does the RFP include providing services to large farms or farms that currently have large commercial sized collection containers?

*It is assumed this question is related to Scope of Work 1, if the waste in question is related to the waste generated on the farm that is related to living in the farm residence then farms with this waste shall be included in the exclusive franchise. If the waste is*

*related to the farming operations and not the household waste, then the waste related to farming operations is not included in the scope of the RFP.*

13. Under Scope 2 the RFP states the haulers must collect Christmas trees from all households, not just the households that have subscribed for landscape waste services, do we have to provide Christmas tree collection to all households?

*That sentence in the RFP shall be amended to delete the requirement to provide Christmas tree collection services to all Customers regardless of whether they subscribe for landscape waste services. The proposer only has to provide Christmas tree collection to those Customers with the subscription service.*

14. Can we specify a different index for the annual increase or a fixed amount instead of what is stated in the RFP?

*The RFP includes a section entitled Exceptions to the RFP on page 17 which allows proposers to clearly identify any exceptions they want the County to consider.*

15. Can we specify the use of different facilities for the management of waste and recycling than is required in the RFP?

*The RFP includes a section entitled Exceptions to the RFP on page 17 which allows proposers to clearly identify any exceptions they want the County to consider*

16. Does the county have any way of determining how many seniors would qualify for the reduced pricing?

*The County does not track the number of seniors living in the unincorporated areas and suggests that the haulers rely on past experience with municipal contracts that have senior rates.*

17. The proposal form for Scope of Work 1 shows a senior rate for refuse and recycling service, but not for landscape waste. The proposal form for Scope of Work 2 does have a senior rate for landscape waste services. Is this the County's intent?

*Yes, that is the intent, the only time seniors receive a price reduction for landscape waste services is under Scope of Work 2.*

18. Regarding the reporting requirements in Section 31 of the RFP, is this a request to do our best to get this information or an outright requirement or mandate, especially in respect to the information on the home addresses for our employees?

*Lake County may request the data from the awarded vendors for reporting purposes.*

19. Regarding the Vendor Disclosure Statement, are campaign contributions specific to Lake County elected officials only? Also, what is the intent or reason for disclosing Familial Relationships?

*This disclosure statement is being filed in accordance with the Lake County Ethics Ordinance and Lake County Purchasing Ordinance. Effective January 2019, the Lake County Board implemented a Vendor Disclosure Statement Policy, which require vendors to disclose any familial relationships between a Lake County elected official, department director, deputy director, manager and owners, principals or officers of the vendor's company as well as campaign contributions to Lake County elected officials.*