



**INVITATION TO BID #3493-10**

**ADDENDUM No. 1 – Q & A**

**ARROYO GRANDE CREEK AND LOS BERROS CREEK CHANNELS  
VEGETATION THINNING**

May 25, 2010

Here is clarification of the items that came up at the site visit meeting:

1. **SECTION C TRIMMING** – Section C is the Los Berros Flood Control Channel, running from AG Creek to 300 feet upstream of the Century Lane Bridge. According to our Fish and Game permit, and specific discussions with our local contact, the only trimming allowed in Section C will be of the few willows in the channel. Follow the same guidelines in place for the other sections as far as which willow tree trunk diameter sizes can be removed and which must only be limbed up. Almost all the willows will be near the Century Lane Bridge.
2. **UNDERBRUSH** - According to our Fish and Game permit, and specific discussions with our local contact, no trimming of non-native weedy plants (ie. mustard seed, hemlock, stinging nettle and fennel, etc.) can take place at this time in any section of the project.
3. **COYOTE BRUSH** – Permit states: “in areas where coyote brush constitutes greater than 50 percent of ground cover, no more than one-third of the existing coyote brush may be cut at or within 6-inches of ground height.” Please incorporate into your cost estimate accordingly.
4. **MOWING** – This will not be a part of the project at this time. Do not include this as a part of your bid quote.
5. **TRASH REMOVAL** – Please include trash removal in your per acre cost for each section.
6. **POTENTIAL FOR PULLEY SYSTEM** – It has been determined that removing material from the channel will cause less disturbance to the remaining vegetation if all willow trimmings and invasive plant species removal is carried to the top of the levee by hand.
7. **PREVAILING WAGE** – This was not discussed at the site visit, but is included in the original Bid package. This is a County contract *requirement* which should be reflected in your per acre cost estimate for each project section.
8. **SCHEDULING FLEXIBILITY** – The estimated timeframe for this project originally specified in the bid package (August 15-October 15) is flexible only on the front end of that timeframe. The project can be started earlier if raptor and other avian species surveying requirements are followed by biological monitor provided by County, but our permits do not allow for work to continue in the channel after October 15. Please plan accordingly.
9. **PROJECT EXTENTS** – The project extents will be marked by County staff prior to work being started.