ADDENDUM

REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL ANALYSES

Environmental Analytical Laboratory Services

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1 RFQ ADDENDUM SUMMARY

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Aquatic Science Center, a joint powers authority, and San Francisco Estuary Institute, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (SFEI/ASC), seek to retain the services of one or more qualified environmental laboratories to provide laboratory analytical services for environmental monitoring samples. The request for qualifications (RFQ) process, opened in October 2024, is aimed at generating a list of pre-qualified environmental analytical laboratory(ies) to support SFEI/ASC projects.

This Addendum requests supplemental qualifications for analyses that were not previously listed in Appendix C of the initial RFQ opened in October 2024 (the "initial RFQ"), nor in Appendix A of the Request for Supplemental SOQs published April 8, 2025, in order to meet new programmatic and project needs. Laboratories are being invited to submit their prices/capabilities for the new analytes listed in Appendix A of this Addendum.

Laboratories that did not submit qualifications in response to the initial RFQ are invited to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) for the original and/or new list of analytes requested. A full SOQ must be submitted to be evaluated for the Pre-Qualified Laboratory List.

All relevant materials relating to the initial RFQ, including the full list of analyses requested to date, minimum qualifications, full SOQ response format, and Evaluation Criteria, can be found at https://www.sfei.org/about/rfps.

After the deadline for Laboratories to submit qualifications for review, evaluations will be performed. Additional evaluations will be conducted each time new analytes are added, via additional addenda, to the RFQ/open solicitation.

1.2 SCHEDULE

The following dates for issuance of the RFQ, receipt and evaluation of qualifications, as well as award of an Agreement, are tentative, non-binding, and subject to change without prior notice:

Advertisement of Request for Supplemental Statements of Qualification	November 9, 2026
Deadline for Laboratories to Submit Questions	November 20, 2026
Deadline for Laboratories to Submit Qualifications for Review*	December 10, 2026

Posting of Revised Pre-Qualified Laboratory List	January 19, 2027
Deadline for Laboratories to Submit Qualifications	Ongoing until the RFQ is withdrawn
Updating of Pre-Qualified Laboratory List	On an as-needed basis, when SFEI/ASC seeks to establish future contracts for environmental analytical laboratory services

*This RFQ is structured as an open solicitation. Following the initial RFQ timeline shown above, Laboratories will be permitted to submit their Statements of Qualifications on an ongoing basis. As needs arise, when SFEI/ASC requires analytical laboratory services, the Laboratories who have submitted Statements of Qualification will be evaluated. Additionally, prior to future rounds of evaluation, this RFQ may be amended to add additional analyses not currently listed in Appendix C in order to meet future programmatic or project needs. When this occurs, pre-qualified Laboratories will be notified and invited to submit supplemental Statements of Qualifications for the additional analyses.

1.3 REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND ADDENDA/CHANGE NOTICES

All requests for information concerning the Addendum must be in writing and submitted to Beth Birmingham via email (bethb@sfei.org) by November 20, 2026.

SFEI/ASC will provide any interpretation of, or make any change in, the RFQ by addendum, which will become part of the RFQ and may be part of any Agreement that SFEI/ASC awards. SFEI/ASC will make reasonable efforts to post any modifications to the RFQ in a timely manner on the SFEI/ASC RFQ webpage at https://www.sfei.org/about/rfps.

If any new and/or substantive information is provided in response to questions raised via email correspondence, it will be memorialized in a written addendum to this RFQ and posted on the SFEI/ASC website at: https://www.sfei.org/about/rfps.

This RFQ and this addendum will only be governed by information provided through additional written addenda. With the exception of DBE or contracting inquiries, no questions or requests for interpretation will be accepted after November 20, 2026.

2 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION RESPONSE FORMAT

Laboratories that did not submit qualifications in response to the initial RFQ are invited to submit a full SOQ for the original and/or new list of analytes requested. See section 1.1 for more information.

2.1 PROPOSED ANALYTES AND MATRICES

Please identify the analyte groups and matrices for which your laboratory seeks pre-qualification, using the Table numbers and names in Appendix A. Laboratories do not need to submit qualifications for all the listed analytes within a group in order to be considered for pre-qualification. For each analyte group and associated matrix, please:

1) Specify the proposed analytical method. Please describe modifications to standard methods and/or proposed alternative methods as applicable.
2) Specify sample extraction and cleanup method(s)
3) Provide the laboratory's reporting limits and QC acceptance criteria
4) Please provide an example data report from a prior project demonstrating the Laboratory's capacity to meet the specified detection limits and precision and accuracy criteria for each specific analyte in the matrix (data reports may often contain sufficient information to also address the prior 3 items). Example reports may be redacted to omit client-specific information if needed.
5) Provide the results from any intercomparison or method validation exercises the laboratory has participated in for relevant analyte groups and matrices.
6) Please specify the laboratory's standard internal batching procedures (e.g., maximum batch sizes, whether/how mixed client batches are assembled), and QC sample numbers or frequencies (i.e., how many customer samples per QC sample).
7) Please describe the laboratory's experience with these methods and specifically this analyte group and matrix, i.e., how many years has the laboratory performed this type of analysis? Approximately many samples has it processed?

2.2 PRICING

SFEI/ASC intends to award contract(s) to the Laboratories that best meet SFEI/ASC's needs for individual projects and offer the best overall value considering quality and total cost to SFEI/ASC. SFEI/ASC reserves the right to contract with laboratories other than the lowest priced offer.

Laboratory services will be required on an "as needed" basis so this RFQ is structured on a unit cost, individual project basis. At present, the number and locations of sampling stations, as well as the number of samples for laboratory analyses, have not yet been finalized for any project. At

the Laboratory's discretion, it may provide one price or specify price breaks at different possible levels of effort as determined by the bidders, indicating the appropriate price differences for different levels of work (e.g., cost per sample analysis for 10-30, 31-50, 51-100, 101+ samples).

Please provide a fee schedule that includes the following:

- Single unit fees (for different scales of effort if applicable) for each analyte group proposed in each proposed matrix (Appendix C). These are presumed to be all inclusive, from providing and shipping clean sample containers, to the final data report and EDD, unless specifically itemized as separate charges described below. Please specify whether the price includes coolers and ice packs.
- Any additional fees to complete the scope of work. These must be specified in the fee schedule or they will not be allowable in contracting. These may include special fees for additional laboratory blanks; supplying blank water; supplying containers; cleaning containers or tubing; other supplies; shipping to SFEI/ASC; CEDEN EDD or any other reporting fees; retaining sets of supplied materials; and environmental disposal fees.
- Standard turnaround times for analytes included in the Laboratory's suite of services.

The Laboratory should supply prices good through December 31, 2027. Laboratories will be offered the opportunity to revise price quotes annually to incorporate a mutually agreeable adjustment for inflation or conditions.

It is within sole discretion of SFEI/ASC to reject any statement that does not provide all fees or otherwise does not comply with the above fee schedule requirements.

Appendix A - Lists of Analytes Desired

This Appendix provides the lists of analytes, suggested analytical methods, and reporting limits of interest to the various SFEI/ASC projects and programs requiring laboratory analytical services. In your Statement of Qualifications, please identify the analyte list and matrices for which your laboratory seeks pre-qualification, using the table numbers and names in this Appendix.

Laboratories are requested to test for the target analyte groups in the reporting units as shown in these tables. Where applicable, each table indicates methods that have previously been used by Regional Monitoring Program for Water Quality in San Francisco Bay (RMP) laboratories or that may be used by Laboratories responding to this RFQ. Laboratory-specific modifications of the methods or in-house lab methods for analytes are allowed, provided performance on standard QC sample types (e.g. lab blanks, replicates, spiked sample recoveries) is comparable to RMP minimum frequencies and target performance requirements (aka Measurement Quality Objectives or MQOs) for those analyte groups. Modified and alternative methods providing similar sensitivity and specificity may be suggested by the laboratory and used after consultation with and approval by the SFEI/ASC Program Manager and QA Officer. Please describe modified or alternative methods in your statement of qualifications.

Category 1 - Carbendazim

Target minimum detection limits (MDLs) for carbendazim in analyses of water and tributary water

Matrix	**Sediment - ng/g dw**	**Water ng/L**	**Tributary water ng/L**	**Bivalves - ng/g dw**	**Bird Eggs - ng/g ww**	**Fish - ng/g ww**
Method	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**Carbendazim by LC - MS/MS**	**Carbendazim by LC - MS/MS**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**
		Average RL	Average RL			
carbendazim		0.1	0.1			

Category 2 - Quaternary Ammonium Compounds (QACs)

Target MDLs for quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs) in analyses of water and tributary water

Abbreviation	**Matrix**	**Sediment - ng/g dw**	**Water ng/L**	**Tributary water ng/L**	**Bivalves - ng/g dw**	**Bird Eggs - ng/g ww**	**Fish - ng/g ww**
	Method	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**QACs by LC - MS/MS**	**QACs by LC - MS/MS**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**

		Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Average Rl	Average RL	Method RL
ATMAC C10	alkyl trimethyl ammonium compound C10		0.02	0.02			
ATMAC C12	alkyl trimethyl ammonium compound C12		0.2	0.2			
ATMAC C14	alkyl trimethyl ammonium compound C14		0.5	0.5			
ATMAC C16	alkyl trimethyl ammonium compound C16		0.2	0.2			
ATMAC C18	alkyl trimethyl ammonium compound C18		1.0	1.0			
BAC C8	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C8		0.02	0.02			
BAC C10	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C10		0.03	0.03			
BAC C12	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C12		0.6	0.6			
BAC C14	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C14		0.8	0.8			
BAC C16	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C16		0.4	0.4			
BAC C18	benzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C18		0.4	0.4			
DADMAC C8:C8	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C8:C8		1.0	1.0			
DADMAC C8:C10	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C8:C10		1.1	1.1			
DADMAC C10:C10	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound		0.9	0.9			

	C10:C10						
DADMAC C12:C12	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C12:C12		0.4	0.4			
DADMAC C14:C14	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C14:C14		0.2	0.2			
DADMAC C16:C16	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C16:C16		0.6	0.6			
DADMAC C18:C18	dialkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C18:C18		2.3	2.3			
EBAC C12	ethylbenzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C12		0.5	0.5			
EBAC C14	ethylbenzyl alkyl dimethyl ammonium compound C12		0.9	0.9			

Category 3 - Ultra-short chain PFAS

Target reporting limits (RLs) for ultra-short chain PFAS in analyses of water and tributary water

Abbreviation	**Matrix**	**Sediment - ng/g dw**	**Water ng/L**	**Tributary water**	**Bivalves - ng/g dw**	**Bird Eggs - ng/g ww**	**Fish - ng/g ww**
	Method	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**PFAS by LC - MS/MS**	**PFAS by LC - MS/MS**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**	**None (Not Analyzed)**
		Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Method RL
TFA; PFEtA	Trifluoroacetic acid		50	50			
PFPrA	Pentafluoropropionic acid		20	20			
PFMeS	Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid		10	10			
PFEtS	Pentafluoroethanesulfonic acid		5	5			
PFPrS	Heptafluoropropanesulfonic acid		5	5			

Category 4 - Extended List of PFAS

Target RLs for extended list of PFAS in analyses of water and tributary water

Abbreviation	Matrix	Sediment - ng/g dw	Water ng/L	Tributary water	Bivalves - ng/g dw	Bird Eggs - ng/g ww	Fish - ng/g ww
	Method	None (Not Analyzed)	PFAS by LC - MS/MS	PFAS by LC - MS/MS	None (Not Analyzed)	None (Not Analyzed)	None (Not Analyzed)
		Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Average RL	Method RL
TFSI	Bis(trifluoromethane)sulfonimide		0.10	0.10			
PFBSA	Perfluorobutylsulphonamide		0.10	0.10			
PFHxSA	Perfluorohexanesulfonamide		0.10	0.10			
PFHpSA	Perfluoroheptanesulfonamide		0.10	0.10			
PFDSA	Perfluorodecanesulfonamide		0.10	0.10			
N-MeFBSA	N-Methylperfluorobutanesulfonamide		0.30	0.30			
N-MeFBSAA	N-Methyl-n-perfluorobutanesulfonylglycine		0.30	0.30			
N-MeFHSAA	N-Methyl-n-perfluorohexanesulfonylglycine		0.30	0.30			
PFOSAA	Perfluoro-1-octanesulfonamido acetic acid		0.30	0.30			
6:2 FTCA	6:2 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid		6.3	6.3			
8:2 FTCA	8:2 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid		6.3	6.3			
10:2 FTCA	10:2 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid		6.3	6.3			
6:2 FTUCA	6:2 Fluorotelomer unsaturated carboxylic acid		1.3	1.3			
8:2 FTUCA	8:2 Fluorotelomer unsaturated carboxylic acid		0.60	0.60			
PFECHS	Perfluoroethylcyclohexane Sulfonate		0.3	0.3			
Nafion BP2	Nafion Byproduct 2 (aka PFESA)		0.3	0.3			

10:2 FTS	10:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate		1.3	1.3			
PFMOAA	Perfluoro-2-methyoxyacetic acid		2.5	2.5			
PFO3OA	Perfluoro-3,5,7-trioxaoctanoic acid		2.5	2.5			
PFO4DA	Perfluoro-3,5,7,9-butaoxadecanoic acid		2.5	2.5			
PFO5DoA	Perfluoro-3,5,7,9,11-pentaoxadodecanoic acid		2.5	2.5			
PFO6TeA	Perfluoro-3,5,7,9,11,13-hexaoxatetradecanoic acid		2.5	2.5			
HydroEVE	HydroEve acid		0.3	0.3			
PFHxPA	Perfluorohexylphosphonate		3.1	3.1			
PFOPA	Perfluorooctylphosphonate		3.1	3.1			
PFDPA	Perfluorodecylphosphonate		3.0	3.0			
6:2 PAP	1H,1H,2H,2H-perfluorooctylphosphate		3.0	3.0			
8:2 PAP	1H,1H,2H,2H-perfluorodecylphosphate		3.0	3.0			
6:6 PFPi	Bis(perfluorohexyl)phosphinate		0.10	0.10			
6:8 PFPi	Perfluorohexylperfluorooctylphosphinate		0.10	0.10			
8:8 PFPi	Bis(perfluorooctyl)phosphinate		0.10	0.10			
6:2 diPAP	Bis(1H,1H,2H,2H-perfluorooctyl)phosphate		0.60	0.60			
8:2 diPAP	Bis(1H,1H,2H,2H-perfluorodecyl)phosphate		0.60	0.60			
PFHxDA	Perfluorohexadecanoic acid		3.0	3.0			
PFODA	Perfluorooctadecanoic		3.0	3.0			