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RFQ Section for Reference	**Question**	**Response**
Appendix B - EPA Terms and Requirements	One of the links on page 36 of the RFQ is broken.	Please see the corrected link containing Rates of Pay for the Executive Schedule here: https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/
3.4 SFEI/ASC STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES	For projects/efforts- Field staff is not listed as in the past. Do we assume SFEI is part of the effort or not?For Status & Trends will it be status quo?	SFEI may provide field staff support to assist in sampling efforts on a project-by-project basis. SFEI field staff is anticipated to be provided in all Status and Trends-related monitoring efforts. In some cases, Vendors may be asked for their capacity to fully manage the field staffing of a project.
5.2.7 PRICING	How detailed do any anticipated additional costs required to complete the environmental field sampling service(s) need to be? Can we list just "consummables" or do we need to list every item we anticipate using?	A general, high-level description of anticipated non-labor costs is sufficient. You do not need to list every individual item you anticipate purchasing or using. However, we recommend providing a bit more detail than simply “consumables” to give a general sense of the types of costs anticipated. For example, you could list categories such as fieldwork supplies, field equipment, sample processing equipment.
3.3 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF TASKS; Appendix C - Environmental Field Sampling Services Desired	Has SFEI/ASC already identified the labs that will be used or do Vendors have a choice?	SFEI/ASC has conducted a separate RFQ process to select laboratories for this work. Vendors should plan to use the laboratories selected by SFEI/ASC and should not propose or budget for their own laboratory selections.
3.3 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF TASKS; Appendix C - Environmental Field Sampling Services Desired	Some pieces of equipment noted in the RFQ are difficult to obtain (for example, the D95). Will SFEI/ASC provide the needed equipment or will Vendors need to source it?	SFEI/ASC anticipates being able to provide some pieces of equipment for loan (like the D95), if needed. Vendors should identify any equipment needs and availability in their proposals and coordinate with SFEI/ASC regarding equipment availability.
3.3 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF TASKS; Appendix C - Environmental Field Sampling Services Desired	Will Vendors need to coordinate with relevant labs, including for sampling kit buillding, or will SFEI/ASC do this?	SFEI/ASC typically coordinates with the contracted laboratories, although some projects may require the selected vendor to coordinate directly with the laboratory and/or assist with sampling kit preparation. Any such responsibilities will be communicated to the selected vendor as needed.