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All inquiries must include the contract number.

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Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response
1.0	<p>Question_1.0: Since this project was not advertised until July 06, 2007 will the prebid meeting be re-scheduled?</p> <p>Response: Pre bid meeting will be held on August 29, 2007 at 1:00 PM at District 8 office room 805.</p>
2.0	<p>Question_2.0: Please provide plans for Retaining Wall No. 2. Or at least bottom of footing elevations and design heights.</p> <p>Interpretation: This information will be helpful in determining the extent of shoring, since it is shown for this wall near Abutment 3 on sheet 267 of 309.</p> <p>Response: Plans for "(Segment 3) Retaining Wall No. 2" are included in the Contract Plans from Sheet No. 945 to Sheet No. 957.</p>
3.0	<p>Question_3.0: Special provisions section 5-1.19 Project Information section B. states that cross sections are available in electronic copy. When are the cross sections be available and in what format?</p> <p>Response: The electronic file of Cross-Sections will be sent to the contractor by e-mail when the request for the file is received at "D8 PBI/D08/Caltrans/CAGov".</p>
4.0	<p>Question_4.0: Special Provisions, Section 10-1.70 "Type 6 Retaining Wall" refers to "The contract price paid per square meter for retaining wall stem (Type 6), yet there is no bid item listed in the Engineer Estimate. Please clarify.</p> <p>Response: An Addendum will be issued to resolve.</p>
5.0	<p>Question_5.0: Traffic control charts No's 1 & 2 allow a total of 9 & 8 hours for traffic lane closures respectively. Page 328 of the Special Provisions require Approach Slab (Type R) concrete to cure for at least 6 hours prior to being open to traffic. After allowing 1 hour for traffic control installation and removal and 6 hours for cure, there is only 1 hour of time available in the NB and 2 hours in the SB direction to perform all the necessary demolition, excavation, rebar installation, and pouring of the concrete. This is an infeasible small duration of time to perform this work. Typically Caltrans requires only 4 hours cure with a Non-Chloride Chemical add mixture AND includes special "Approach</p>

	<p>Slab Closure Charts" which allow 9-10 hours of closure time, providing the contractor a work window of between 5-6 hours to perform this work. Please consider providing additional traffic control charts and/or reducing the required cure time on the approach slab concrete.</p> <p>Response: Pending</p>
6.0	<p>Question_6.0: The plans specify a (N) Type approach slab for the Lytle Creek bridge. This includes Geocomposite Drain Material and slotted pipe underdrain at top-of-footing elevations. This requires excavation to the bottom of the existing abutment. This appears to be an incorrect application. The auxiliary work associated with a type (N) approach slab cannot be performed at this location without additional traffic handling plans and stage construction. Should this approach slab be a type (R)? If so please provide the amended drawings and specifications.</p> <p>Response: Pending</p>