

**1. Do you plan on dividing up the properties as in previous years?**

Yes, due to the number and location of properties, it is most efficient to divide properties by location between different contractors.

**2. How many companies are you currently using to service the properties mentioned?**

We currently use three (3) contractors.

**3. How many different contractors do they plan on using?**

The number of contractors selected will depend on RFP responses and the capacity of each respondent.

**4. What are the hours of operation?**

It is the Contractor's responsibility to contact any/all local governmental agencies to comply with local noise /nuisance starting and ending times and days. For example, the City of Albion allows mowing between the hours of 7am – 6pm.

**5. What is the current cost per property that is being paid for services in each location?**

Bidders are requested to make their submission based solely on the requirements as set forth in the RFP. Current or prior amounts paid for similar work should have no bearing on the amount of the bid.

**6. Is the price per lot or is there wiggle room for larger sites?**

Pricing is per the RFP, there is no flexibility.

**7. Do you have a breakout of how many properties are in each city/township/village?**

Yes. The following property numbers are approximate only and are not a guarantee of the number of properties that will be awarded in each jurisdiction. City of Battle Creek ( 691); City of Albion (146); City of Springfield (11); City of Marshall (4); Bedford Township ( 30); Emmett Township ( 54 ); Pennfield Township (7); 12 local Townships ( 20 ); three local Villages (5).

**6). Do you have a map of where the properties are located?**

There will be a list of property addresses and a map provided to selected contractors; a map is not currently available.

**7) How soon following the bid opening will the selected vendor(s) be expected to begin work?**

The selected contractors are expected to begin work in mid-June.