

MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE

RFQ NO./TITLE	25-TA006100SAM / Design-Build Services for North Regional Water Reclamation Facility Expansion	DATE POSTED	MC _____	DS _____
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	Sherri Meier	DEPARTMENT / DIVISION	Utilities	
AUTHORIZED BY	Jacob Erickson, Purchasing Official	SIGNATURE DATE		

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The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to negotiate a contract with Sundt Construction, Inc. for the provision of design-build services.

ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Manatee County Procurement Ordinance, Sec 2-26.

BACKGROUND/EVALUATION

The purpose of the project is to provide preliminary design, detailed design, preconstruction services, permitting, construction, and start-up for the expansion of the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility (NRWRF) to a capacity of 14.0 million gallons a day (MGD) on an annual average daily flow (AADF) basis.

The solicitation was advertised on the Manatee County website and DemandStar. It was also provided to the Manatee County Chamber of Commerce and the Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce for release to its members and advertised in the Bradenton Herald and Tempo News newspapers. Responses were received from the following firms:

1. Sundt Construction, Inc., Tempe, AZ
2. Wharton-Smith, Inc., Sanford, FL

The following firms were deemed non-responsive/non-responsible: none.

EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Sherri Meier, Procurement Division, non-voting
Brent Laudicina, Water / Wastewater Plant
Superintendent

Jim Renneberg, Chief Utilities Engineer
Shea Shoun, Senior Project Engineer

EVALUATION SUMMARY:

The Evaluation Committee first convened on September 12, 2025 and conducted technical evaluations of the responsible, responsive, proposals received. On September 25, 2025, the Evaluation Committee conducted

in-person interviews with the short-listed firms: Sundt Construction, Inc. and Wharton-Smith, Inc., On September 26, 2025 the Evaluation Committee met for the final time to discuss details such as clarifications, interviews, if conducted, and final technical evaluations ranking for the short-listed firms as follows:

- 1. Sundt Construction, Inc.
- 2. Wharton-Smith, Inc.

The Procurement Division and Utilities Department request authorization to enter into negotiations with the following firm (s):
Sundt Construction, Inc.

ATTACHMENTS (List in order of attached)	25-TA006100SAM Final Ranking Summary		
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**MANATEE COUNTY
PROCUREMENT DIVISION
RANKING SUMMARY**

RFQ NUMBER:

25-TA006100SAM

SOLICITATION NAME:

**Design-Build Services for North Regional Water
Reclamation Facility Expansion**

	Proposer & Team's Experience	Approach to Project	Organizational Structure and Capacity	Similar Completed Projects	Total
Maximum Score	25	35	25	15	100
Sundt Construction, Inc.	21.67	29.00	20.00	10.67	81.33
Wharton-Smith, Inc.	20.67	24.33	20.00	12.00	77.00