

PRE-BID MEETING SUMMARY

PROJECT NAME: Reservoir 29

PROJECT NUMBER: DEL2515208032 E008376

DATE: October 9, 2026

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS SUMMARY IS INTENDED TO CORRECT ANY COMPOSITION ERRORS AND SERVE TO ELIMINATE ANY MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE BASIC PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS THE SAME AS IF BEING ORIGINALLY INCORPORATED THEREIN.

1. DNR STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

- a. Brandy Gibson, Operations Coordinator
- b. Kit Turpin, AML Director
- c. Travis Dunn, Chief Project Manager
- d. Greg Ubelhor, Reclamation Engineer
- e. Derek Siefring, Project Manager
- f. Zane Strubler, property manager Greene Sullivan State Forest
- g. Thierry Liberge, DNR Division of Water, Civil Engineer

2. PROJECT ENGINEER

- a. Breagan Eicher, PE - Commonwealth Engineering

3. OTHER ATTENDEES

- a. See sign-in sheet

4. BID INFORMATION

- a. The plans and specifications are available at [DNR: Engineering: DNR Projects Bidding Information](http://www.in.gov/dnr/engineering/bidding/). (www.in.gov/dnr/engineering/bidding/).
- b. The bids are due in Indianapolis, as described in the NTB.
- c. The **bid opening is scheduled for November 10, 2026, at 2:01 PM**. Bids must be received by 1:31 on the bid date.
- d. This project has an estimate of over \$150,000; **pre-qualification by Public Works in 1799.04 Mine Reclamation is required**.
- e. Pre-Qualification questions can be made to Tracy Cross with the Department of Administration, Public Works Division, at (317)232-3255.

5. CONTRACT INFORMATION

- a. The contract will be funded by utilizing federal AML grant reimbursable funds.
- b. Base bid quantities are identified in the specifications. The Schedule of Supplemental Unit Price Sheet must be submitted with the bid.
- c. The **2024 AML Standard Specifications** are located on the AML Construction page:
<https://www.in.gov/dnr/reclamation/abandoned-mines/aml-contractors-and-bidding/>.
- d. A contract and purchase order **may** be in place withing **6-10 weeks from the bid date (Dec/Jan)**.
- e. The contractor must schedule a pre-construction meeting with the Division of Reclamation within 10 calendar days of the date on the notification to proceed prior to starting construction.
- f. The **Construction Period is 270 days** after the contract is awarded.
- g. There is a **penalty assessment for late completion** at a rate of **\$1,000 per calendar day**.
- h. The **contractor is to include a \$100,000 remediation allowance** in the base bid for owner directed changes. There will be a line item on the schedule of values.
- ~~i. Minority and Women Business goals have been established and are identified in the NTB.~~
- j. AVS Checks will be performed on the low bidder to ensure no negative history in the federal mine database (bond forfeitures and outstanding violations).
- k. Davis Bacon prevailing wage is required on this project. Contractors **MUST**: use Davis Bacon wage determination rates to pay their employees and certify their payroll each week. Certified payroll reports should be submitted weekly to the operations coordinator, Brandy Gibson, at cgibson@dnr.in.gov.
- l. Build America Buy America is required on this project. Contractors **MUST**: comply with the Buy-America guidelines.
- m. The contractor will be asked to disclose the number of current or former coal mine employees they employ.
- n. The contractor should contact the county highway department to determine if road bond is required.

6. BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION

THIS PROJECT CONSISTS OF INSTALLATION OF CUTOFF WALL, REMOVAL AND REGRADE OF MID SLOPE SURFACE DRAIN, RIPRAP SALVAGE AND REDISTRIBUTION, WOODY DEBRIS REMOVAL, REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING CULVERTS WITH REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT, ADDITION OF TIED CONCRETE MAT NEAR RESERVOIR 29A OUTLET AND BOAT RAMP, NEW ACCESSIBLE DOCK, AND REVEGETATION OF ALL DISTURBED AREAS.

7. GENERAL COMMENTS

Project Manager comments:

The lake will be closed during construction. Consult Zane with Greene Sullivan State Forest regarding lake closing. zstrubler@dnr.in.gov.

If road closure is needed to replace the culvert, consult the county highway department.

Improvements to access road from Reservoir 29 to Almond Lake will be required.

Environmental Specialist comments:

Project Engineer Comments:

Engineers need 48 hours' notice to visit the project site.

Tree removal will need to be done in consideration with the bat season.

Trees should be cut down but the roots should remain while dam is being repaired.

Estimated 350 yards of riprap to be stockpiled at the site" should be "Estimated 350 yards of riprap to be cleaned (shaken free of loose dirt and generally free of mud) and transported and stockpiled at the Greene-Sullivan Forestry offices. Exact location to be worked out with the property manager"

Cutoff wall should be done by a qualified operator.

Soil, bentonite, and concrete mixture have produced the best results for repairs.

8. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

1. Cutoff wall: Is Bentonite, soil and cement the required mixture for repairs?

A: The bentonite, soil and cement have produced the best results when testing repair mixture. There are no structural criteria. Substance used cannot become spongy when exposed to rain.

2. Has the water been tested recently.

A: No water tests have been done recently. We need tech to get pH, Alkalinity, field tests or try to produce a lab sample here.

3. Elaborate on old dam.

A: Borings are included on the bid page.

4. How do you expect the contractor to construct the slurry wall?

A: Deep trenching: the prime contractor will likely have to sub contract the deep trenching to a company like Dewind that is qualified to complete such work.

Q. Is closure of County Road 600 S needed for culvert placement?

A. It is anticipated that the 4' by 4' culvert sections can be unloaded and stockpiled prior to placement. If the contractor deems it necessary or desirable to close the road for culvert placement, the contractor will be required to seek permission from both Sullivan and Greene Counties. The contractor is responsible for obtaining all permits needed for closure and for all signs and barricades. Any closure shall be limited to 24 hours.

Q. Are road bonds required for this project?

A. Specification 107.08(e) of the 2024 AML Standard Specifications apply.

Q: Are you aware of any suppliers that meet the specifications for your dock?

A: BoardSafe should be able to meet specifications. BoardSafeDocks.com

9. ADDENDUM ITEMS

10. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Questions after the pre-bid meeting will be received via email at cgibson@dnr.in.gov by the close of business on October 16th, 2026.

Any Clarification points and the pre bid meeting minutes will be provided on the [DNR: Engineering: DNR Projects Bidding Information](#) page no later than the close of business on October 30, 2026.

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Friday, October 9, 2026
 11:00 AM
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