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NOTICE TO ALL CONTRACTORS:

Proposal #36: 7146-00-76, WISC 2025481
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Elk Creek Bridge B-61-0293
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Trempealeau County

Letting of December 9, 2025

This is Addendum No. 01, which provides for the following:

Special Provisions:

Added Special Provisions	
Article No.	Description
17	Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System Station 10+00

Schedule of Items:

Added Bid Item Quantities					
Bid Item	Item Description	Unit	Proposal Total Prior to Addendum	Quantity Added	Proposal Total After Addendum
999.2000.S	Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System Station 10+00	EA	0	1	1

The responsibility for notifying potential subcontractors and suppliers of these changes remains with the prime contractor.

Sincerely,

Mike Coleman

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Proposal Management Section

ADDENDUM NO. 01

7146-00-76

December 1, 2025

Special Provisions

17. Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System Station 10+00, Item 999.2000.S.01.

A Description

This special provision describes inspecting, installing and/or maintaining approved deterrents that prevent migratory bird nesting on bridges and culverts. Swallows or other migratory birds' nests have been observed on or under the existing culvert or bridge at the station identified. All active nests (when eggs or young are present) of migratory birds are protected under the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act. One deterrent system shall be installed and/or maintained for each applicable structure. Deterrent methods selected shall be appropriate for structure type, size and/or site-specific constraints.

B Materials

B.1 Hardware and Lumber

Lumber, hardware, and fastening devices shall be durable enough to last through the length of the nesting season. Fastening devices and deterrence system must be approved by the engineer prior to installation on culverts and bridges that will remain in service after removal of deterrent systems. The method of fastening should not compromise the culvert or bridge concrete surfaces or steel protection systems. The attachment locations must be restored and repaired as needed by use of engineer approved fillers, sealers and paint systems.

B.2 Netting Materials

Exclusion netting is material either wrapped around or draped and fastened to bridge decks/abutments and culvert corners to prevent bird entry.

Furnish exclusionary netting to deter nesting in bridge decks and abutments and corners of box culverts, consisting of either:

- a. 1/2" x 1/2" or 3/4" x 3/4" knotless, flame resistant, U.V. stabilized polyethylene or polypropylene netting with minimum 40-pound breaking strength per strand, or engineer approved equal.
- b. Galvanized wire mesh (hardware cloth) with a wire diameter of .040 inches (19-gauge) and opening width of 1/2-inch.

At a minimum, use either 1" x 2" (nominal) lumber or 3/4" x 2" pressure treated plywood strips and of equal length as the netting.

B.3 Plastic Strip Curtain

Plastic strip curtains are strips of plastic attached to vertical surfaces in areas suitable for nesting.

Furnish 3-foot wide lengths of 6 mil minimum plastic sheeting with the lower 2 feet cut into vertical strips 2 inches wide.

At a minimum, use either 1" x 2" (nominal) lumber or 3/4" x 2" pressure treated plywood strips and staples to attach plastic strips to wood to fabricate the strip curtain.

Furnish concrete screws to attach strip curtain to structure.

B.4 Corner Slope Materials

Corner slopes are pieces of curved plastic placed in corners suitable for nesting. They are particularly effective in preventing nesting in top corners of box culverts.

Furnish U.V. stabilized pre-fabricated PVC or polycarbonate corner slopes from commercial bird-deterrent manufacturers or an approved equal.

C Construction

C.1 General

If active nests are observed after construction starts, or if a trapped bird or an active nest is found, stop work that may affect birds or their nests, and notify the engineer to consult with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources transportation liaison at Amy Cronk, at 715-520-3976, or the department regional environmental coordinator Emily Melton, at 715-836-2893.

Efforts should be made to release trapped birds, unharmed.

C.2 Nest Removal

Remove unoccupied nests prior to the beginning of the nesting season as designated in Prosecution and Progress. Nest removal involves the removal and disposal of unoccupied or partially constructed nests without eggs or nestlings. Removing all evidence of nesting (e.g. cleaning droppings from structures) eliminates a visual cue for a potential breeding location, especially for first-time breeders. Nest removal is not a type of deterrent and does not prevent nest establishment but can delay the process. As such, it should only be used in conjunction with other methods. It cannot be used on its own to ensure compliance. Nest removal is not required if deterrents are installed before the start of the avoidance window unless nests interfere with successful installation of the deterrent.

Remove nests on the structure by scraping or pressure washing prior to established avoidance windows to deter nesting. Remove only unoccupied or partially constructed nests without eggs or nestlings. Remove newly built nests every two days before eggs are laid. Nest removal is intended to be used prior to and in conjunction with other nesting deterrents.

C.3 Exclusion Netting

C.3.1 Installation

Using concrete screws, anchor lumber to bridge or culvert along perimeter of intended netting. Fasten netting to lumber until netting is held taut. Use the minimum length of lumber and netting necessary to avoid sections of netting that are not flush to the bridge or culvert. Eliminate any loose pockets or wrinkles that could trap and entangle birds or other wildlife. Ensure the net is pulled taut in order to prevent flapping in the wind, which results in tangles or breakage at mounting points.

For culverts, attach netting at a 45-degree angle at the culvert corner so it extends at least 12" below the corner.

C.4 Plastic Curtains

C.4.1 Installation

Attach plastic curtains along the entire length of vertical surface or corner on which nest building is to be deterred. Affix plastic curtain strips to treated lumber with staples spaced a minimum of 1 foot O.C. Wrap plastic curtains around lumber prior to attaching it to the structure to reduce the likelihood of it tearing out at the staples. Screw lumber into the underside of the bridge deck or top of box culvert with concrete screws placed 24-inches O.C. minimum.

C.5 Corner Slopes

C.5.1 Installation

Attach corner slopes to the structure per the manufacturer's recommendations. Use urethane-based adhesives if manufacturer supplied hardware or adhesives are not available or no recommendations are provided. Install end caps or seal ends of corner slopes to prevent entry of birds or other animals.

C.6 Inspection and Maintenance

Inspect bird deterrent devices every two weeks both during and prior to construction when deterrents have been installed to exclude birds prior to nesting windows, and after large storm events or high winds. Ensure that netting is taut, that no gaps or holes have formed, and that the nets are functioning properly. Ensure that

corner slopes are not cracked or otherwise damaged and are functioning properly. Ensure that curtains are undamaged, with no tears, holes, or creases. Repair any damaged or loose deterrent devices. Inspect, maintain, and repair nesting deterrents whether installed by the contractor or others. Repair, replace, supplement deterrents as necessary with materials meeting the requirements of this specification.

Remove any unoccupied or partially constructed nests without eggs or nestlings.

Repair deterrents to prevent birds from attempting to nest again.

Record all inspection, removal, and maintenance activities. Provide inspection, removal and maintenance records to the engineer upon request.

C.7 Removal and Structure Repair

Maintain the deterrent until the engineer determines that the deterrent is deemed no longer necessary. Upon completion of the project, remove any remaining migratory bird deterrent from the project site. If the existing bridge or culvert is to remain after construction, restore and repair as needed by use of engineer approved fillers, sealers and paint systems.

D Measurement

The department will measure Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System (Station) as a single unit at each structure, acceptably completed.

E Payment

The department will pay for measured quantities at the contract unit price under the following bid item:

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	UNIT
999.2000.S.01	Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System Station 10+00	EACH

Payment for Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System is full compensation for providing and installing deterrents that prevent migratory bird nesting; removing and disposing of unoccupied or partially constructed nests without eggs or nestlings; maintaining, repairing, replacing, supplementing, existing deterrent materials; repairing damage to structures resulting from installation of deterrents; removal and disposal of materials.

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Schedule of Items

Attached, dated December 1, 2025, are the revised Schedule of Items Page 5.

END OF ADDENDUM



Proposal Schedule of Items

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Proposal ID: 20251209036 Project(s): 7146-00-76

Federal ID(s): WISC 2025481

SECTION: 0001

Contract Items

Alt Set ID:

Alt Mbr ID:

Proposal Line Number	Item ID Description	Approximate Quantity and Units	Unit Price	Bid Amount
0126	650.4500 Construction Staking Subgrade	354.000 LF	_____.	_____.
0128	650.5000 Construction Staking Base	354.000 LF	_____.	_____.
0130	650.6501 Construction Staking Structure Layout (structure) 01. B-61-0293	1.000 EACH	_____.	_____.
0132	650.9911 Construction Staking Supplemental Control (project) 01. 7146-00-76	1.000 EACH	_____.	_____.
0134	650.9920 Construction Staking Slope Stakes	354.000 LF	_____.	_____.
0136	690.0150 Sawing Asphalt	284.000 LF	_____.	_____.
0138	715.0502 Incentive Strength Concrete Structures	1,218.000 DOL	1.00000	1,218.00
0140	ASP.1T0A On-the-Job Training Apprentice at \$5.00/HR	300.000 HRS	5.00000	1,500.00
0142	ASP.1T0G On-the-Job Training Graduate at \$5.00/HR	300.000 HRS	5.00000	1,500.00
0144	999.2000.S Installing and Maintaining Bird Deterrent System (station) 01. STA. 10+00	1.000 EACH	_____.	_____.

Section: 0001

Total:

Total Bid: _____.

