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March 7, 2025

Randy Johnston
City of Three Forks
206 Main Street
PO Box 187
Three Forks, MT 59752

**RE: Recommendation to Award
Distribution System Improvements**

Dear Mr. Johnston:

The Bid Opening for the City of Three Forks Public Water Improvements project was held February 26, 2025. The certified bid tabulations are enclosed for your reference. A total of 8 bids were received. Emerine Contracting was the low bidder with a bid of \$1,862,139.25 for the base bid plus the three additive alternates.

After reviewing the available funding and the bid prices, the City has sufficient funding available to award the base bid and the first two additive alternates, as well as allowing for a 10% contingency as required by the funding agency.

Base Bid	\$961,425.25
Additive Alternate 1	\$384,210.95
Additive Alternate 2	\$463,153.05
Additive Alternate 3	\$53,350.00
Total	\$1,862,139.25
Total – BB+AA1+AA2	\$1,808,789.25
10% Contingency	\$180,878.93
Total + Contingency	\$1,989,668.18
Funding Available	
ARPA	\$1,854,327.88
<i>Construction Contract</i>	<i>\$1,808,789.25</i>
<i>Contingency</i>	<i>\$45,538.63</i>
City Reserves - Contingency	\$135,340.30

Emerine Contracting has submitted a qualifications statement, and various references have been checked. They have completed multiple projects of this nature and their qualifications are satisfactory.

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Helena, MT 59601
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Great Falls, MT 59405
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SPOKANE
9221 N Division Street
Suite F
Spokane, WA 99218
Ph: (509) 413-1430



Based upon the above factors, I recommend awarding the project Base Bid and Additive Alternates 1 and 2 to Emerine Contracting, and I have prepared the attached Notice of Award for your signature.

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Great West Engineering, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Hayes".

Susan Hayes, PE
Project Engineer

Encl.: Certified Bid Tabulations

cc: file

Three Forks Water System Improvements (#9512324)

Owner: City of Three Forks

Solicitor: Great West Engineering

02/26/2025 03:00 PM MST

Item Code	Item Description	UofM	Quantity	Engineer Estimate		Emerine Contracting		AX&T Dirtworks LLC		CK May Excavating, Inc.		Agra Tech, LLC		Easton Companies		COP Construction LLC		Western Municipal Construction, Inc		Williams Civil Construction	
				Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension
Base Bid																					
101	Mobilization	LS	1	\$84,000.00	\$84,000.00	\$87,400.00	\$87,400.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$58,250.00	\$58,250.00	\$97,440.00	\$97,440.00	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$206,200.00	\$206,200.00
102	Exploratory Excavation	HR	16	\$450.00	\$7,200.00	\$350.00	\$5,600.00	\$500.00	\$8,000.00	\$395.00	\$6,320.00	\$448.00	\$7,168.00	\$900.00	\$14,400.00	\$350.00	\$5,600.00	\$440.00	\$7,040.00	\$240.00	\$3,840.00
103	Traffic Control	LS	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$19,140.00	\$19,140.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,500.00	\$20,500.00	\$11,200.00	\$11,200.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$16,720.00	\$16,720.00	\$14,100.00	\$14,100.00	\$44,200.00	\$44,200.00
104	6 Inch Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Water Main	LF	3790	\$110.00	\$416,900.00	\$75.38	\$285,690.20	\$92.00	\$348,680.00	\$100.00	\$379,000.00	\$146.00	\$553,340.00	\$130.00	\$492,700.00	\$144.00	\$545,760.00	\$261.00	\$989,190.00	\$231.00	\$875,490.00
105	6 Inch Gate Valve with Valve Box	EA	15	\$3,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$2,685.00	\$40,275.00	\$3,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$3,400.00	\$51,000.00	\$1,952.00	\$29,280.00	\$3,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$52,500.00	\$3,100.00	\$46,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$30,000.00
106	3/4 Inch Water Service Connection	EA	53	\$2,200.00	\$116,600.00	\$2,189.00	\$116,017.00	\$1,200.00	\$63,600.00	\$1,650.00	\$87,450.00	\$1,240.00	\$65,720.00	\$900.00	\$47,700.00	\$3,200.00	\$169,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$84,800.00	\$2,500.00	\$132,500.00
107	3/4 Inch Polyethylene (PE) Water Service Line (Paved)	LF	1250	\$90.00	\$112,500.00	\$44.84	\$56,050.00	\$75.00	\$93,750.00	\$100.00	\$125,000.00	\$65.88	\$82,350.00	\$155.00	\$193,750.00	\$96.00	\$120,000.00	\$120.00	\$150,000.00	\$200.00	\$250,000.00
108	3/4 Inch Polyethylene (PE) Water Service Line (Lawn)	LF	560	\$85.00	\$47,600.00	\$14.64	\$8,198.40	\$62.00	\$34,720.00	\$180.00	\$100,800.00	\$63.50	\$35,560.00	\$120.00	\$67,200.00	\$43.00	\$24,080.00	\$89.00	\$49,840.00	\$270.00	\$151,200.00
109	Connect to Existing Water Main	EA	6	\$3,600.00	\$21,600.00	\$3,854.00	\$23,124.00	\$2,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$2,600.00	\$15,600.00	\$2,499.00	\$14,994.00	\$4,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$3,400.00	\$20,400.00
110	6 Inch Fire Hydrant w/Auxiliary Gate Valve-UNIT PRICE MUST BE \$0	LS	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
111	6 Inch Cross	EA	2	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,784.00	\$3,568.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,850.00	\$5,700.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$3,600.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,100.00	\$2,200.00
112	6 Inch x 6 Inch Tee	EA	12	\$1,800.00	\$21,600.00	\$2,224.00	\$26,688.00	\$1,750.00	\$21,000.00	\$2,150.00	\$25,800.00	\$806.00	\$9,672.00	\$1,700.00	\$20,400.00	\$2,100.00	\$25,200.00	\$1,500.00	\$18,000.00	\$930.00	\$11,160.00
113	6 Inch 45 Degree Bend	EA	16	\$1,400.00	\$22,400.00	\$1,128.00	\$18,048.00	\$1,500.00	\$24,000.00	\$1,350.00	\$21,600.00	\$693.00	\$11,088.00	\$1,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$1,300.00	\$20,800.00	\$1,400.00	\$22,400.00	\$760.00	\$12,160.00
114	Type A Surface Restoration (Asphalt)	LF	3790	\$50.00	\$189,500.00	\$53.31	\$202,044.90	\$35.00	\$132,650.00	\$42.00	\$159,180.00	\$71.00	\$269,090.00	\$60.00	\$227,400.00	\$92.00	\$348,680.00	\$83.00	\$314,570.00	\$76.00	\$288,040.00
115	Curb and Gutter Removal and Replacement	LF	160	\$100.00	\$16,000.00	\$30.00	\$4,800.00	\$55.00	\$8,800.00	\$75.00	\$12,000.00	\$40.50	\$6,480.00	\$50.00	\$8,000.00	\$110.00	\$17,600.00	\$120.00	\$19,200.00	\$46.00	\$7,360.00
116	Sidewalk Removal and Replacement	SF	1325	\$40.00	\$53,000.00	\$20.59	\$27,281.75	\$20.00	\$26,500.00	\$22.00	\$29,150.00	\$18.40	\$24,380.00	\$13.00	\$17,225.00	\$27.00	\$35,775.00	\$37.00	\$49,025.00	\$73.00	\$96,725.00
117	Temporary Water Service	LS	1	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$54,096.00	\$54,096.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$108,000.00	\$108,000.00	\$53,700.00	\$53,700.00
118	Trench Plugs	EA	10	\$5,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$35,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$709.00	\$7,090.00	\$1,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$400.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,300.00	\$13,000.00
Base Bid					\$1,227,900.00		\$961,425.25		\$965,700.00		\$1,142,350.00		\$1,280,948.00		\$1,342,375.00		\$1,656,315.00		\$2,086,665.00		\$2,198,175.00
Additive Alternate 1																					
201	Mobilization	LS	1	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$34,700.00	\$34,700.00	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$10,200.00	\$10,200.00	\$38,000.00	\$38,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$63,000.00	\$63,000.00	\$82,000.00	\$82,000.00	\$81,900.00	\$81,900.00
202	Exploratory Excavation	HR	8	\$450.00	\$3,600.00	\$350.00	\$2,800.00	\$500.00	\$4,000.00	\$395.00	\$3,160.00	\$448.00	\$3,584.00	\$900.00	\$7,200.00	\$350.00	\$2,800.00	\$440.00	\$3,520.00	\$240.00	\$1,920.00
203	Traffic Control	LS	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$7,325.00	\$7,325.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	\$11,200.00	\$11,200.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$9,175.00	\$9,175.00	\$10,900.00	\$10,900.00	\$22,100.00	\$22,100.00
204	6 Inch Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Water Main	LF	1450	\$110.00	\$159,500.00	\$74.95	\$108,677.50	\$95.00	\$137,750.00	\$100.00	\$145,000.00	\$115.70	\$219,965.00	\$130.00	\$188,500.00	\$119.00	\$172,550.00	\$260.00	\$377,000.00	\$240.00	\$348,000.00
205	6 Inch Gate Valve with Valve Box	EA	4	\$3,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$2,685.00	\$10,740.00	\$3,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$3,400.00	\$13,600.00	\$2,080.75	\$8,323.00	\$3,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$3,100.00	\$12,400.00	\$2,000.00	\$8,000.00
206	3/4 Inch Water Service Connection	EA	25	\$2,200.00	\$55,000.00	\$2,120.00	\$53,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$37,500.00	\$1,650.00	\$41,250.00	\$1,998.00	\$49,950.00	\$900.00	\$22,500.00	\$3,200.00	\$80,000.00	\$1,600.00	\$40,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$62,500.00
207	3/4 Inch Polyethylene (PE) Water Service Line (Paved)	LF	522	\$90.00	\$46,980.00	\$44.84	\$23,406.48	\$75.00	\$39,150.00	\$100.00	\$52,200.00	\$74.00	\$38,628.00	\$155.00	\$80,910.00	\$93.00	\$48,546.00	\$120.00	\$62,640.00	\$200.00	\$104,400.00
208	3/4 Inch Polyethylene (PE) Water Service Line (Lawn)	LF	273	\$85.00	\$23,205.00	\$14.64	\$3,996.72	\$62.00	\$16,926.00	\$180.00	\$49,140.00	\$28.00	\$7,644.00	\$120.00	\$32,760.00	\$43.00	\$11,739.00	\$88.00	\$24,024.00	\$280.00	\$76,440.00
209	Connect to Existing Water Main	EA	4	\$3,600.00	\$14,400.00	\$3,983.00	\$15,932.00	\$2,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$2,600.00	\$10,400.00	\$1,305.00	\$5,220.00	\$4,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,400.00	\$13,600.00
210	6 Inch Fire Hydrant w/Auxiliary Gate Valve-UNIT PRICE MUST BE \$0	LS	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
211	6 Inch x 6 Inch Tee	EA	6	\$1,800.00	\$10,800.00	\$1,812.00	\$10,872.00	\$1,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$2,150.00	\$12,900.00	\$993.00	\$5,958.00	\$1,700.00	\$10,200.00	\$2,100.00	\$12,600.00	\$1,900.00	\$11,400.00	\$930.00	\$5,580.00
212	6 Inch 45 Degree Bend	EA	4	\$1,400.00	\$5,600.00	\$910.00	\$3,640.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,350.00	\$5,400.00	\$693.00	\$2,772.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,300.00	\$5,200.00	\$200.00	\$800.00	\$770.00	\$3,080.00
213	6 Inch Plug	EA	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$203.00	\$203.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$571.00	\$571.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$640.00	\$640.00
214	Type A Surface Restoration (Asphalt)	LF	1450	\$50.00	\$72,500.00	\$53.31	\$77,299.50	\$35.00	\$50,750.00	\$42.00	\$60,900.00	\$66.14	\$95,903.00	\$60.00	\$87,000.00	\$93.00	\$134,850.00	\$83.00	\$120,350.00	\$76.00	\$110,200.00
215	Curb and Gutter Removal and Replacement	LF	75	\$100.00	\$7,500.00	\$30.00	\$2,250.00	\$55.00	\$4,125.00	\$75.00	\$5,625.00	\$42.00	\$3,150.00	\$50.00	\$3,750.00	\$110.00	\$8,250.00	\$130.00	\$9,750.00	\$56.00	\$4,200.00
216	Sidewalk Removal and Replacement	SF	625	\$40.00	\$25,000.00	\$20.59	\$12,868.75	\$20.00	\$12,500.00	\$22.00	\$13,750.00	\$18.40	\$11,500.00	\$13.00	\$8,125.00	\$27.00	\$16,875.00	\$37.00	\$23,125.00	\$73.00	\$45,625.00
217	Temporary Water Service	LS	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$30,912.00	\$30,912.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$50,100.00	\$50,100.00	\$16,100.00	\$16,100.00
218	Trench Plugs	EA	4	\$5,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$805.00	\$3,220.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$400.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,300.00	\$5,200.00
Additive Alternate 1					\$507,085.00		\$384,210.95		\$400,901.00		\$449,375.00		\$536,500.00		\$551,945.00		\$637,185.00		\$833,809.00		\$909,485.00
Additive Alternate 2																					
301	Mobilization	LS	1	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$71,000.00	\$71,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$83,500.00	\$83,500.00
302	Exploratory Excavation	HR	8	\$450.00	\$3,600.00	\$350.00	\$2,800.00	\$500.00	\$4,000.00	\$395.00	\$3,160.										

316	Sidewalk Removal and Replacement	SF	725	\$40.00	\$29,000.00	\$20.59	\$14,927.75	\$20.00	\$14,500.00	\$22.00	\$15,950.00	\$19.00	\$13,775.00	\$13.00	\$9,425.00	\$27.00	\$19,575.00	\$36.00	\$26,100.00	\$73.00	\$52,925.00
317	Temporary Water Service	LS	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$21,500.00	\$21,500.00	\$30,912.00	\$30,912.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$58,300.00	\$58,300.00	\$16,100.00	\$16,100.00
318	Trench Plugs	EA	5	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$17,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$773.00	\$3,865.00	\$1,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$400.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,300.00	\$6,500.00
Additive Alternate 2					\$597,025.00		\$463,153.05		\$471,625.00		\$535,460.00		\$611,217.00		\$633,500.00		\$719,695.00		\$969,345.00		\$1,028,095.00
Additive Alternate 3																					
401	Mobilization	LS	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$3,450.00	\$3,450.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
402	Additive 6 Inch Fire Hydrant w/Auxiliary Gate Valve	EA	5	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$9,570.00	\$47,850.00	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$12,650.00	\$63,250.00	\$9,338.00	\$46,690.00	\$13,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$21,900.00	\$109,500.00	\$19,500.00	\$97,500.00	\$18,500.00	\$92,500.00
Additive Alternate 3					\$80,000.00		\$53,350.00		\$82,500.00		\$64,350.00		\$50,140.00		\$72,000.00		\$121,500.00		\$106,000.00		\$102,500.00
Base Bid + AA1 + AA2 + AA3 Total:					\$2,412,010.00		\$1,862,139.25		\$1,920,726.00		\$2,191,535.00		\$2,478,805.00		\$2,599,820.00		\$3,134,695.00		\$3,995,819.00		\$4,238,255.00

I, Susan Hayes, PE, hereby certify that this tabulation of bids is a true representation of the bids received on February 26, 2025.



NOTICE OF AWARD

Date of Issuance: March 12, 2025
Owner: City of Three Forks Owner’s Project No.:
Engineer: Great West Engineering, Inc. Engineer’s Project No.: 1-19116, TO4
Project: Water Improvements
Contract Name: Water Improvements
Bidder: Emerine Contracting
Bidder’s Address: 1818 Smelter Rd, Anaconda, MT 59711

You are notified that Owner has accepted your Bid dated **February 26, 2025** for the above Contract, and that you are the Successful Bidder and are awarded a Contract for:

Base Bid, Additive Alternate 1, and Additive Alternate 2 of the Three Forks Water Improvements

The Contract Price of the awarded Contract is \$1,808,789.25. Contract Price is subject to adjustment based on the provisions of the Contract, including but not limited to those governing changes, Unit Price Work, and Work performed on a cost-plus-fee basis, as applicable.

1 unexecuted counterparts of the Agreement accompany this Notice of Award, and one copy of the Contract Documents accompanies this Notice of Award, transmitted to Bidder electronically.

Drawings will be delivered separately from the other Contract Documents.

You must comply with the following conditions precedent within 15 days of the date of receipt of this Notice of Award:

- 1. Deliver to Owner 1 hardcopy counterparts of the Agreement, signed by Bidder (as Contractor).
- 2. Deliver with the signed Agreement(s) the Contract security (such as required performance and payment bonds) and insurance documentation, as specified in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions, Articles 2 and 6.
- 3. Other conditions precedent (if any):

Failure to comply with these conditions within the time specified will entitle Owner to consider you in default, annul this Notice of Award, and declare your Bid security forfeited.

Within 10 days after you comply with the above conditions, Owner will return to you one fully signed counterpart of the Agreement, together with any additional copies of the Contract Documents as indicated in Paragraph 2.02 of the General Conditions.

Owner:

By (signature): _____

Name (printed): _____

Title: _____

Copy: Engineer