

December 10, 2013

TO: ALL OFFERS

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SUBJECT: ADDENDUM TO INVITATION TO BID – Delaware State Parks
Agriculture Land Lease Contract NO. NAT-14-001_AGLEASE

ADDENDUM # 1

All other terms and conditions remain the same.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 302-739-9203 or greg.abbott@state.de.us

Response to Inquiries and Questions

1. Page 16 – Cover Crop Requirements

In the final year of the lease is the farmer responsible for planting a cover crop? If so will the farmer be reimbursed for the seed for the cover crop if they don't retain the property?

The tenant is responsible for planting a cover crop in the final year of the lease. Because of the various funding sources and rules that might apply (Conservation District Cost Sharing, USDA-NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program - EQUIP) the tenant may not be reimbursed for the seed for the cover crop if they don't retain the property.

2. Page 16 – Cover Crop Requirements

Could the cover crop also include some clover?

It depends on the funding source and the program requirements. As stated above, the rules of the Cost-Share and Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) program may not permit it. Because the program rules change from year to year and annual request and approval would be required from the funder. Any requests would also require Division of Parks and Recreation approval.

3. Page 30 - Agriculture Land Lease Bid Form

How much information should be provided on the Bid Form?

All bids will be evaluated by a panel on the criteria on Page 9 of the Request for Proposals (RFP). Assume that the committee has no knowledge of the proposer and provide as much detail for each of the questions as possible to ensure the evaluators understand the proposer's ability to meet and/or exceed the bid requirements.

4. **Page 10 – Land Usage**

Can hay rides, Halloween events, Christmas lights or special events be allowed on the farm in addition to farming?

No, this RFP is for agricultural purposes.

5. **Ag Lease Number – KPSP-0-2014 FSA Tract 6421 (23.66 Acres)**

Is the old pipe at the South East corner of Lake Forest Trailer park a usable irrigation?

No, there is no irrigation on this tract.

6. **Page 12 – Subsection N) Division is not responsible for wildlife damages to agricultural commodities on the leased land.**

Can a farmer plant a 50' strip (i.e. clover, winter grasses, etc.) around the edge of leased land to deter deer degradation?

The Division would review and evaluate specific requests on a case by case basis.