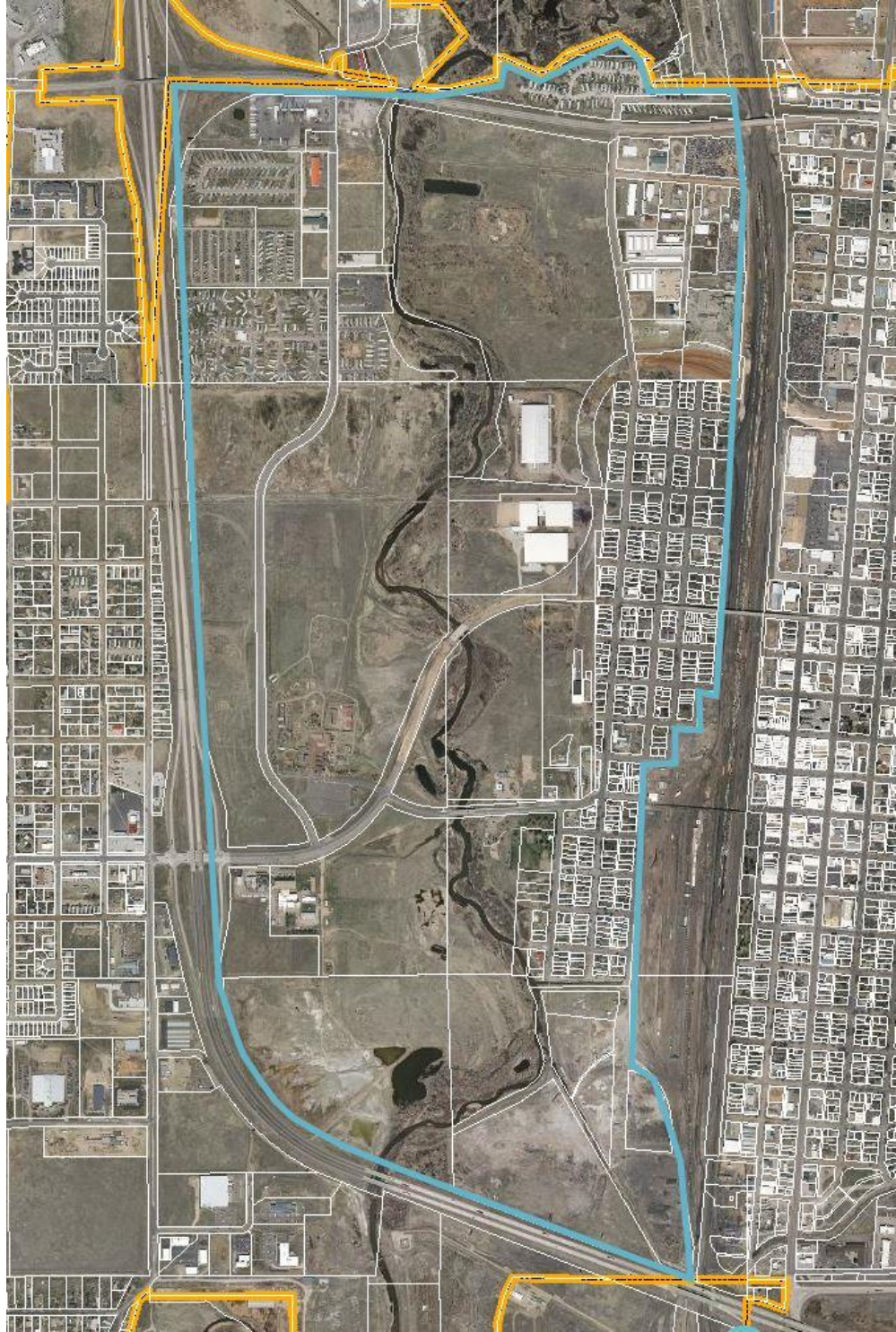


## Brownfield RFQ – Questions and Answers

1. Question: I was wondering if a consultant provided you with assistance in obtaining your grant and if so, which consultant and are they eligible to bid on this work? Thank you! 11.14.2017 – Russ Cirillo, Pinyon Environmental, Inc.
  - a. Response: Ayres and Associates helped City Staff select the West Side neighborhood as the grant location, aided in draft budget preparation, and lightly reviewed a draft grant application all prepared by in-house by City Staff.  
City Staff does not believe that the preliminary aid given by Ayres would give them any advantage in the selection process, and therefore the City of Laramie would not disqualify them from applying.
2. Question: I am reviewing the Request for Qualifications for the West Side Revitalization Project and was wondering if you could share who prepared the grant application for the City? 11/21/2017 – Kevin Tautkus, Terracon
  - a. Response: Ayres and Associates helped City Staff select the West Side neighborhood as the grant location, aided in draft budget preparation, and lightly reviewed a draft grant application all prepared by in-house by City Staff. The RFQ was fully prepared in-house by City Staff, with input from the EPA and through examples from other communities.
3. Question: Can you provide a more “Laramie Specific” contract specification that has been used to see basic Laramie requirements such as insurance? 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: Two different contracts have been provided. One is a more engineering specific contract the other is a more general contract used for consulting services. Both show typical Laramie requirements and can be requested by any applicant if desired.
4. Question: Is this related to past applications, or have there been past applications? 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: In the past the City of Laramie applied for a similar grant for an area in and around the Spring Creek Channel, but it is not related.
5. Question: Who prepared the Grant? 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: The grant was prepared primarily in-house by City of Laramie staff. Ayres and Associates helped City Staff select the West Side neighborhood as the grant location, aided in draft budget preparation, and lightly reviewed a draft grant application all prepared by in-house by City Staff.
6. Question: Are the budget numbers provided in the documentation flexible? 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: Yes, changes can accommodate modifications in the project as it moves forward, however general budgets should be followed to the best of everyone’s ability. If major changes need to be made it is possible, but it may require additional steps before those monies can be adjusted within the budget.
7. Question: Do you have a map. 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: Yes, see attached.



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- 8. Question: Did Ayres and Associates estimates consider location, area, etc. 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: Staff is unsure if Ayres and Associated considered location, area, etc. in the costs that were developed.

9. Questions: After this grant are there other opportunities for grants in the future? 11/28/2017 – Rob Garland, Apex Companies, LLC
  - a. Response: Depending upon the results of this grant, there is a likelihood for more opportunities in the future that could address specific sites or possibly further other initiatives such as economic development.
10. Question: Is the community educated on the intent of this grant? What is the perception of DEQ and EPA regarding this grant? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Overall we believe the general community and neighborhood understands the project and grant, but further education will be important. As for the perception of DEQ and EPA, I believe it is neutral, with no major concern, however general concern as to what might come from the grant has been expressed, but not towards DEQ and/or EPA.
11. Question: How is this related to the Downtown Remediation project that is ongoing? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: The project noted is located to the east, across the railroad track from the current grant study area. The remediation project that is ongoing is related to the high number of gas stations and dry cleaners located historically in the downtown core.
12. Question: How is this project related to the WYDOT Viaduct Project? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: The new Harney Street Viaduct will impact the “West Side” by creating a new entrance into the neighborhood. It is currently under construction and is visible from both the east and west side of the railroad tracks. Furthermore, the Clark Street Viaduct, which is the current route, will be removed following completion of the Harney Street Viaduct.
13. Question: What does the City want to see from this grant? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: The purpose for the City will be for an assessment of petroleum/hazardous substances and contaminated sites for an area known as the “West Side”. Brownfields throughout the “West Side” likely contain, or are suspected to contain, contamination from petroleum or other hazardous sources. Clarity on possible contamination issues and what those are, is highly desired, as well as next steps.
14. Question: Are there incentives to develop on the “West Side” or on other potentially concerning sites? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: No development incentives are currently given to development in this area.
15. Question: Do homes in this area use heating oil for their primary heat source? 12/8/2017 - Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: To staff’s knowledge oil heating is not common in our community or in the “West Side”.
16. Question: Under Section 3.3 – Qualification Statements item 3.6, it states, “Describe the experience of the lead firm, expressed both in number of projects and in total dollar column, in completing new facilities and major renovations.” Brenda Ashworth, Y2 Consultants
  - a. Response: This section was mistakenly left in from another RFQ. The part that states “...new facilities and major renovation” should state, “similar projects.”