

Bid Readiness Review

California public works | Bid No. 25.26.0803 - Striping Services, Various Sites

San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools | [Open 57-page source solicitation](#)

OVERALL STATUS	LIKELY NOT BID-READY
Why	The fictional contractor profile shows only a C-32 license, while the solicitation expressly names Class B and/or C-33. The package also contains an unresolved bid-security conflict, six required-form pages carrying a different bid number, and an incomplete addendum record.

What to do first

#	ACTION	REASON
1	STOP	Do not continue estimating until the stated B/C-33 license requirement is resolved against the contractor's actual license arrangement.
2	CLARIFY	Ask the issuer which bid-security amount controls: 10% in the Notice, Instructions and bond form, or the full bid amount in Special Conditions.
3	VERIFY	Obtain the complete official addendum/Q&A; record. The calendar expected an addendum on November 12, but none is present in the recovered package.
4	CONFIRM	Ask how to handle six required-form pages carrying Bid No. 25.26.0599 before completing or altering any form.
5	PLAN	Confirm insurance endorsements and surety capacity before treating the package as operationally feasible.

Critical dates and submission rules

ITEM	REQUIREMENT	SOURCE
Mandatory job walk	Nov. 5, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Attend both listed sites in full and sign in at both. Late arrivals barred.	PDF pp. 3-5
Questions	Nov. 7, 2025, 2:00 p.m. PST, by email to the stated procurement contact.	PDF pp. 3-4, 7
Bid submission	Nov. 20, 2025, 2:00 p.m. PST. Sealed physical delivery; email and fax prohibited.	PDF pp. 3, 7, 11
Expected work period	Approximately Dec. 19, 2025 through Jan. 15, 2026.	PDF p. 3

Readiness matrix

Source facts are separated from fictional profile facts and our assessment.

REQUIREMENT	SOURCE FACT	PROFILE / ASSESSMENT	ACTION
License	Active Class B and/or C-33 required.	C-32 only. Apparent hard mismatch.	Resolve before estimating further.
DIR	Prime and every performing subcontractor tier must remain registered.	Active registration asserted but not evidenced. Unverified match.	Provide registration evidence for prime and subs.
Bid security	10% in three locations; full bid amount in Special Conditions.	Cannot determine compliance until conflict is resolved.	Request written agency clarification.
Performance / payment bonds	Specific clause requires each at 100% of contract price.	Capacity asserted only up to \$250,000; bid total unknown.	Confirm price and obtain written surety capacity.
Insurance	GL, auto, workers' compensation, special hazards and additional-insured endorsement specified.	Basic limits asserted; endorsements and special coverages not evidenced.	Send requirements to broker for written confirmation.
Mandatory walk	Full attendance and sign-in at both locations required.	No attendance evidence in test profile. Fix first.	Attend and retain sign-in/attendance proof.
Forms	Eleven listed forms/certifications, blue-ink signatures, completed blanks and subcontractor data required.	No completed forms in test profile. Six required-form pages show another bid number; the DVBE form is separately required.	Complete every listed form; obtain written direction on defective templates.
Addenda	Bidder must ascertain and acknowledge all addenda; calendar expected Nov. 12 issuance.	No separate addendum recovered. Record incomplete.	Retrieve from official source or confirm with agency.
Geography	Nine sites span Apple Valley, Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino, Redlands, Montclair, Ontario and Rialto.	All are outside the fictional 55-mile Sacramento radius; exception only above \$150,000. Bid value unknown.	Confirm estimated value, lodging/travel and multi-site logistics.
Schedule / capacity	Roughly four-week performance window across nine sites.	Maximum eight workers per project; feasibility cannot be determined from profile alone.	Build site-by-site labor and sequencing plan.

Document conflicts and missing records

These issues require written clarification or source recovery. They should not be silently resolved by software.

CRITICAL CONFLICT	Bid-security amount
What the documents show	The Notice, Instructions section 3 and supplied bid-bond form require at least 10% of the total bid. Special Conditions C separately says the bid bond or cashier's check must be not less than the total bid amount.
Required action	Ask the issuer which amount controls. Do not assume either clause overrides the other. Sources: PDF pp. 3, 7, 15 and 26.

FORM DEFECT	Different bid number on required forms
What the documents show	The solicitation is Bid No. 25.26.0803. Six consecutive required-form pages - workers' compensation, non-collusion, debarment, DIR registration, designated subcontractors and substitution request - carry Bid No. 25.26.0599 in their footers.
Required action	Ask whether to use the forms as issued or wait for corrected forms. Do not alter official forms without direction. Sources: PDF pp. 29-34 (printed pp. 28-33).

MISSING RECORD	Expected addendum not recovered
What the documents show	The calendar says responses to questions would be issued by addendum on November 12, 2025. The recovered package has no separate addendum/Q&A, and the closed item is no longer listed on the live bid page.
Required action	Treat the addendum record as incomplete. Retrieve it from an official source or confirm the complete record with procurement. Sources: PDF pp. 4, 11 and 25.

Commercial and submission watchlist

These items may affect price, schedule, exposure or bid completeness. They do not change the license mismatch, but they matter before a contractor commits estimating time.

ITEM	WHAT THE PACKAGE SAYS	ACTION	SOURCE
Liquidated damages	\$250 for each calendar day completion is delayed.	Stress-test the site schedule and completion date.	PDF p. 15
Tariff / duty lock	Bid pricing remains firm despite changes in tariffs, duties or import/export rules; no related adjustment permitted.	Price anticipated cost changes into the bid.	PDF p. 13
Cash allowance	Base Bid must include a \$5,000 cash allowance for use as directed by the issuer.	Confirm the allowance is included exactly once.	PDF p. 12
Offer validity	Proposal is firm and irrevocable for 90 days from submission.	Confirm labor, material and surety assumptions remain supportable.	PDF p. 23
Worksite access	Sites available Monday-Saturday, 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., subject to change; sites remain active workplaces.	Build sequencing, pedestrian control and access assumptions.	PDF pp. 15-16
Cleanup chargeback	Issuer may use its staff for cleanup and deduct those costs from progress payments if daily cleanup is not maintained.	Assign daily cleanup responsibility and budget it.	PDF p. 16

Required bid-form set

1. Bid form/proposal (2 pages)	7. Debarment certification
2. Bid security/bond form	8. DIR registration certification
3. Alcohol/tobacco-free policy	9. Designated subcontractors list
4. Drug-free workplace certificate	10. Request for substitution form
5. Workers' compensation certificate	11. DVBE participation statement
6. Non-collusion declaration	All required documents: permanent blue-ink signatures

Submission note: the package's checklist identifies the full form set and says all required documents must be signed in blue ink. Six of those form pages carry the unrelated 25.26.0599 footer, so written issuer direction is required before altering or relying on them. Sources: PDF pp. 22 and 29-35.

Scope and limitations

This demonstration organizes requirements stated in a closed public solicitation and compares them with an entirely fictional contractor profile. It is not legal, licensing, insurance, surety, labor or procurement advice. It does not determine eligibility, responsiveness, compliance or likelihood of award. The official solicitation, addenda and agency instructions control. High-consequence conflicts and missing records are routed for written confirmation rather than guessed.

Source reviewed: SBCSS Bid No. 25.26.0803, 57-page final solicitation package. Page references use PDF page numbers. No private contractor information was used.