# Pre-bid Virtual Tour 2024 Exploratory Drilling AML Project

The Pre-bid, Virtual Tour is intended to replace a mandatory pre-bid, onsite meeting that has been required in the past for AML projects. This document does not replace or take precedence over the Invitation for Bid (IFB) or any other project documents. All Pre-bid, Virtual Tour files can be found on the Public Service Commission (PSC) website.

• The 2024 Exploratory Drilling AML IFB can be found by searching the State Procurement Office (SPO) website at <a href="https://apps.nd.gov/csd/spo/services/bidder/main.htm">https://apps.nd.gov/csd/spo/services/bidder/main.htm</a>.

## 2024 IFB Points to Highlight

- 1. Performance Period: May 13 to August 2, 2024.
- 2. All Quantities are Estimated: No allowance will be made for any increased expense, loss of expected reimbursement, or loss of anticipated profit suffered or claimed by CONTRACTOR resulting from either field conditions or unbalanced bid prices or any other cause.
- 3. Pre-Construction Requirements:
  - a. Schedule of construction: start & completion dates for mobilization, drilling and casing; list of all equipment needed to complete the job; safety plans.
- 4. Utility Locates: Prior to beginning any work, CONTRACTOR shall determine and mark the presence of ALL public and private utility facilities including water lines, septic tanks, and drain fields within the project areas.
- 5. Fugitive Dust Control (IFB Section 6).
- 6. Payments Invoices may be submitted on 1st and 15th for payment on 10th & 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. Payments are only made on the 10 and 25<sup>th</sup>. Invoices should be submitted to the Commission's Project Manager.
- 7. Traffic Control (IFB Section 6).
- 8. Clean-Up Provisions (IFB Section 6).

## Work Plans: Drilling and Casing

1. The New Salem site will be drilled first and the approximate drilling depth is 240 feet. Approximate drilling depths at the Scranton site range between 70 and 100 feet. The estimated drilling quantities are 11,000 feet for the New Salem site and 9,000 feet for the Scranton site.

### **Sinkholes**

1. Inert waste from construction activities may be disposed of in nearby sinkholes or taken to the landfill. Specifications for sinkhole filling are found in Section 6 of the IFB in the Clean-Up Provisions. The disposal method must have prior approval from the Commission's Project Manager.

#### Weather

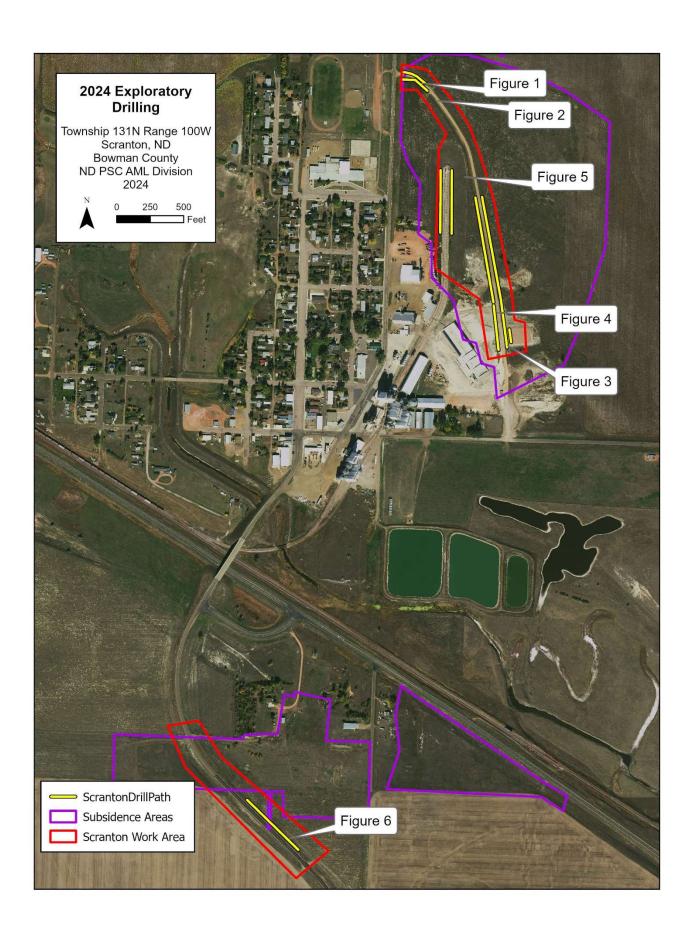
1. Weather delays must be documented by CONTRACTOR and reviewed by Commission's Project Manager.

#### **Documentation**

1. The contractor is expected to complete a drill log form for every hole and submit log to the Commission's Project Manager daily. The form is Attachment 6.2 in Section 6 of IFB.

# **Bidding Information (Section 1 of IFB)**

- 1. Bid opening: Tuesday, **April 9, 2024, at 10:00 AM** Central Time (CT). Read the IFB completely. Bidders instructions are included. Late bids will not be accepted.
- 2. Include 5% bid bond with bid package.
- 3. Deadline for questions is **March 27, 2024, at 5:00 PM** Central Time (CT). Questions must be submitted in writing. Emailed questions are accepted at bjob@nd.gov
- 4. All forms in Section 7 of IFB must be submitted with the bid.



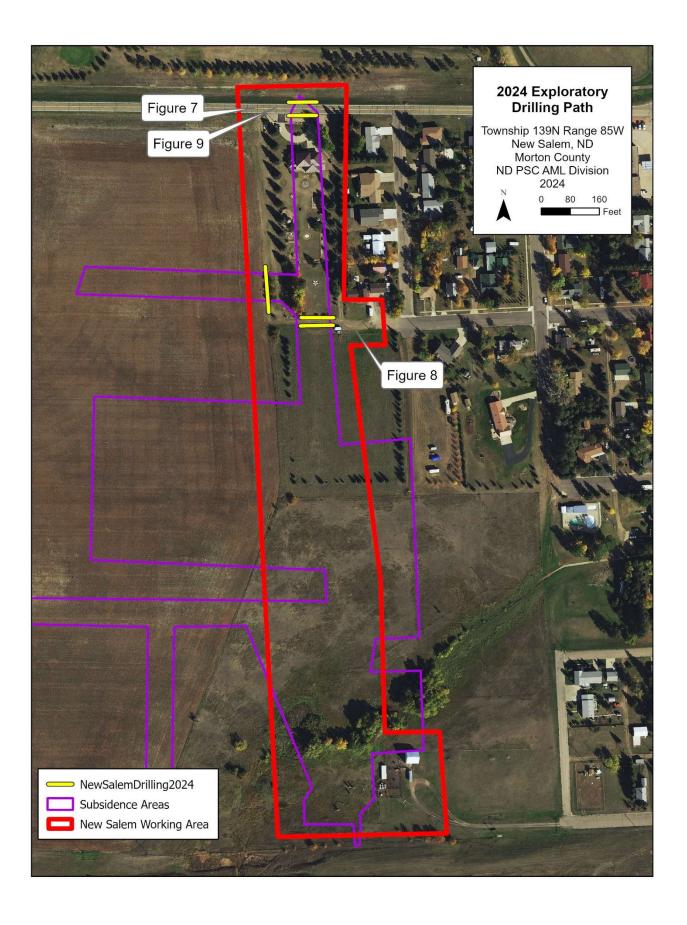




Figure 1: Access Road to Scranton Equity



Figure 2: Access Road to Scranton Equity



Figure 3: Parking Lot Adjacent to Access Road to Scranton Equity



Figure 4: Access Road to Scranton Equity



Figure 5: Scranton Equity Railroad Spur



Figure 6: Bowman County Right of Way



Figure 7: New Salem Right of Way



Figure 8: New Salem Right of Way



Figure 9: HWY 10 Right of Way, New Salem