

Pre-bid Virtual Tour Guide 2026 New Salem AML Project

The Pre-bid, Virtual Tour replaces the mandatory pre-bid, onsite meeting that was required in the past for AML drilling and Controlled Low-Strength Material (CLSM) injection projects. This document does not replace or take precedence over the Invitation for Bid (IFB) or any other project documents.

- The 2026 New Salem AML Project IFB can be found by searching the State Procurement Office (SPO) website at:

<https://public.ndbuys.nd.gov/>

Bidding Information (Section 1 of IFB)

1. Bid opening: **Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 10:00 A.M., Central Time (CT)**. Read the IFB completely, bidder's instructions are included. Late bids will not be accepted.
2. Include a 5% bid bond or cashier's check with bid package.
3. Deadline for questions is **April 9, 2026, at 5:00 P.M., CT**. Questions must be submitted in writing. Emailed questions are accepted at bjob@nd.gov
4. All attached forms must be completed with the bid.

2026 IFB Points to Highlight

1. Performance Period: **July 7 to September 11, 2026**. The contractor is expected to start soon after the start date. Weather delays must be documented by CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR and are reviewed by the Commission's Project Manager.
2. All Quantities are Estimated: No allowance will be made for any increased expense, loss of expected reimbursement, or loss of anticipated profits suffered or claimed by CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR resulting from either field conditions or unbalanced bid prices or any other cause.
3. Pre-Construction Requirements:
 - a. Pre-construction workshop: CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR shall plan and conduct an informational pre-construction workshop at the site at least 3 business days prior to beginning work.
 - b. Aggregate source(s) with NDDOT Material Source Certificate(s) of Approval and initial gradation.
 - c. Schedule of Construction: start and completion dates for mobilization, drilling, CLSM Injection; list of all equipment needed to complete the job; method of CLSM formulation and delivery; safety plans.

- d. Utility Locates: The 2026 New Salem AML Project sites will require public utility locates. The locate requests and renewals must be sent to the project manager as they become available.

Once these items are completed and approved, a Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued. If work cannot begin as specified on the NTP, CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR shall provide a written explanation of the delay and request an alternate firm start date. The Performance Period will remain unchanged.

4. Payments - Invoices may be submitted no later than the **1st and 15th** of each month for payment on the 10th & 25th of the month. Payments are only made on the 10th and 25th. Submit signed invoices to the Commission's Project Manager.
5. Traffic Control – All traffic control must conform to the latest edition of the [Traffic Control Requirements for NDDOT Operations on Highways and Streets](#).
6. Clean-Up Provisions – Final payment will not be issued until clean-up efforts are approved by the Commission's Project Manager.

Work Plans: Drilling and CLSM Pumping

1. Groundwater monitoring wells must be installed 21 days prior to drilling or CLSM pumping. Water sampling must occur prior to drilling or CLSM Pumping. CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR will not be required to perform the sampling, but adequate time to perform sampling must be given to a third-party contractor.
2. The Commission's Project Manager will determine the drilling and CLSM pumping sequences. Please see the preliminary drilling paths and existing cased holes (labeled as void) to be pumped on the project maps (page 4). Drilling must be available during CLSM pumping.
3. A liquid vacuum truck will be required to capture and contain all drill cuttings and fluids created by the drilling and CLSM injection process.
4. Excess CLSM must be cleaned up daily and hauled off-site as soon as possible. Once a hole is filled with CLSM the casing must be removed immediately.
5. All casing used as a conduit for CLSM must be removed immediately upon refusal or completion of pumping that hole. PVC casing must be removed as soon as possible on holes filled by adjacent pumping, but not more than 24 hours after the hole is completed.

Documentation

1. The CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR is expected to complete a drill log form for every hole and to submit drill log forms to the Commission's Project Manager daily. The required form is in Section 7 Attachments of the IFB.
2. Provide CLSM injection forms to Commission's Project Manager daily. The required form is in Section 7 Attachments of the IFB.

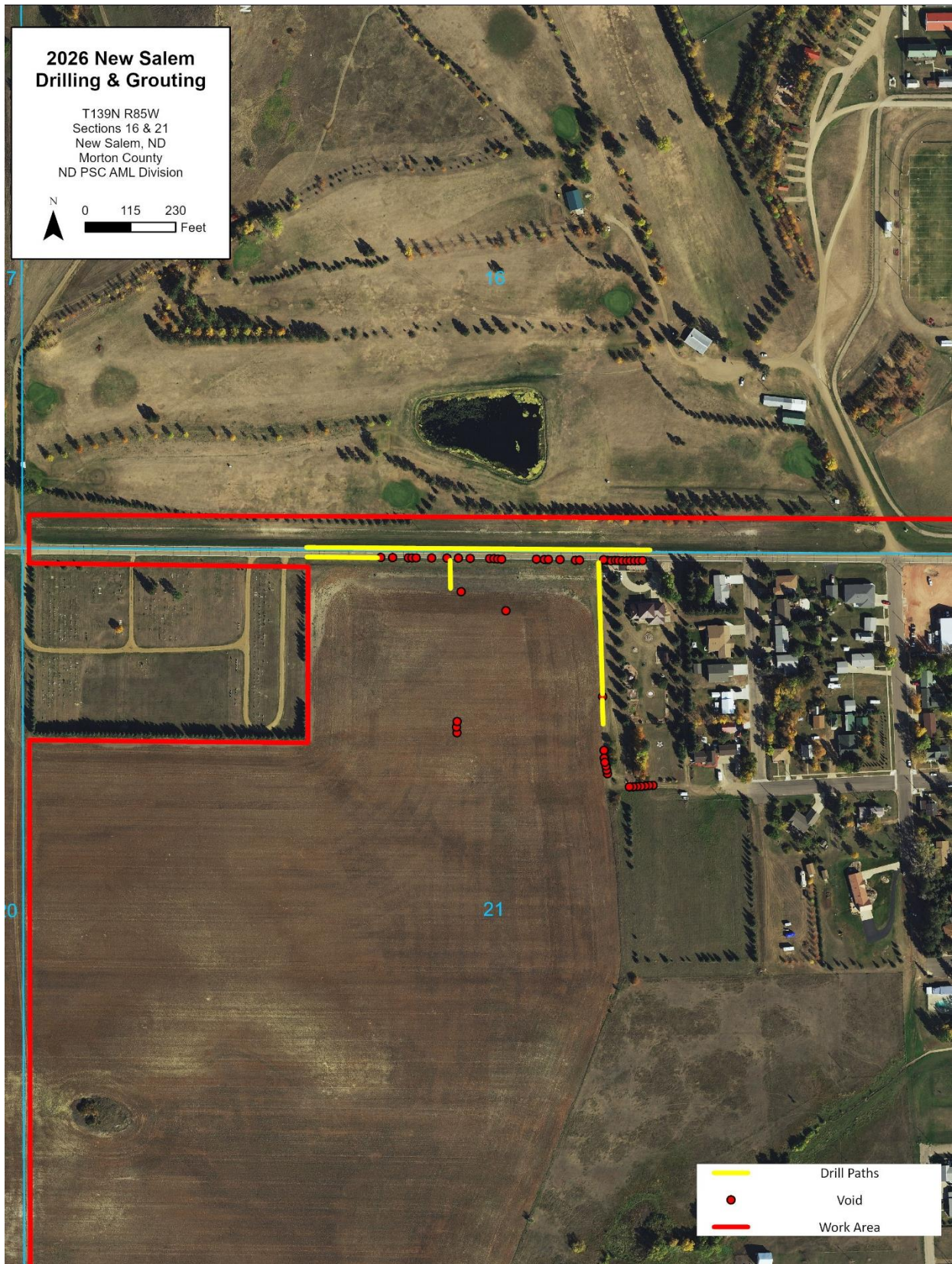
Contractor Cooperation

1. It is the **CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR'S responsibility** to ensure the Material Testing Contractor is given timely notification regarding pumping activities. The CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR must give the Material Tester a **fixed firm start date for CLSM pumping at least 3 workdays prior to pumping**. The Material Tester will be required to be available on that date and for any pumping activities until the end of the project during the standard work week. During CLSM Injection, the CLSM INJECTION CONTRACTOR must notify the material tester of any stoppages in pumping as specified in the IFB.
2. Bills of lading for all aggregate, fly ash, and cement shall be given to the Material Testing Contractor.

Material Testing Contractor

1. Material Testing Contractor will be responsible for performing two (2) fine aggregate gradations and 20 series of concrete strength testing. Each series will contain four individual specimen breaks.
2. Material Testing Contractor will be responsible for providing sufficient storage for CLSM samples. This initial curing of concrete must comply with ASTM C31 for standard curing and transportation.
3. Material Testing Contractor will be responsible for performing one (1) structural survey (Pre-construction and Post-construction).

2026 New Salem AML Project information and photographs are included in this document for CONTRACTOR reference.



New Salem Project Map



Figure 1 – Ash Ave., Morton County Right of Way



Figure 2 – Ash Ave., Morton County Right of Way



Figure 3 – Ash Ave., Morton County Right of Way



Figure 4 – New Salem Right of Way