

Clinton CSO Storage Project

Bidding and Award

Pre-Bid Budget: \$61,500,000

Low Bid: \$70,680,000 (July 14, 2011)

Three Lowest Bids ranging from \$70,680,000 to \$76,335,750 were proposing alternate means and methods of cut and cover construction in lieu of tunneling.

Three high bids ranging from \$84,589,101 to \$98,811,750 bid as designed with conventional tunneling.

Both options required jet grouting and barrier walls to cut off high chloride groundwater.

Why award to low bidder that is \$9 million over the budget and proposing an alternate means and methods?

- Rejection of bids and rebidding would risk violation of ACJ Milestone with no indication that cost would be less.
- Rejection of bids, redesign and rebidding would significantly delay project completion, violation of ACJ milestone with no guarantee to reduce cost.
- Low Bid Contractor (Jett Industries, division of Kiewit) highly recommended.
- Proposed alternate means and methods reviewed and acceptable
- Jett Industries retained reputable engineering firm to conduct redesign and coordinated with County's Design firm (EEA) and Construction Project Manager (CDM/C&S)