

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Jon Radermacher, City Administrator

FROM: Bill Angerman, P.E.  
Consulting City Engineer

DATE: March 20, 2025

RE: PFAS Source Identification and Reduction Grant –  
Professional Services Agreement  
City of Cannon Falls, MN

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, WHKS and City Staff submitted a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Pollutant Management Plan to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). That plan recommended further source identification/reduction work. On December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the MPCA awarded a grant in the amount of \$70,000 to the City of Cannon Falls for source identification and reduction of PFAS. The grant requires a 10% City match of \$7,000.

The grant covers the following:

- 24 additional PFAS samples.
- Purchase of a portable sampler.
- Engineering – the work will focus on coordinating with industries to reduce PFAS contributor to the sanitary sewer system.

The next step is to authorize the engineering team to proceed. Attached is a Professional Services Agreement for engineering services outlined in the PFAS Source Identification and Reduction Grant scope.



**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT, by and between **City of Cannon Falls** hereinafter referred to as the "Client" and WHKS & Co., hereinafter referred to as "WHKS", is made as follows:

WHEREAS, the Client has a need for certain professional services relating to the project described as **PFAS Source Identification and Reduction Grant Assistance**.

WHEREAS, WHKS proposes to furnish the professional services required by the Client for said project,

NOW THEREFORE, the Client hereby agrees to retain and compensate WHKS to perform the professional services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the attached Standard Terms and Conditions.

**Scope of Services**

WHKS shall perform the following described services for the Client:

**Engineering services as described on the attached Scope of Services included in Exhibit A.**

**Basis of Compensation**

For the services described above, the Client shall remunerate WHKS as follows:

**Items 1-5 - Billed Hourly with an Estimated Fee of \$49,000. Expenses billed at actual cost and mileage at the current published IRS rate per mile. External expenses include an administrative charge of 10 percent.**

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2025

**City of Cannon Falls, Minnesota**

***WHKS & CO.***

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: William Angerman, P.E.

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: C.O.O.



## **Exhibit A to Professional Services Agreement**

### **A. Project Description:**

The City voluntarily participated in a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) sampling program organized by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). The City found significantly high levels of PFAS in their City's wastewater stream during multiple sampling events.

The City has developed a Memorandum of Understanding with the MPCA in regard to PFAS monitoring. A PFAS Management Plan was submitted to the MPCA on July 1, 2024. The goal of this project is to enact the submitted PFAS Management Plan, and to expand on it with proposed additional sampling to narrow down the source of the PFAS pollution.

The next step for identifying PFAS pollutant sources is performing further sampling to identify the specific contributing industries. The City will perform 24 additional samples directly at suspected contributing industries.

The City and WHKS will also schedule meetings with industries to discuss source reduction measures.

WHKS will provide an updated PFAS Management Plan to the MPCA that will outline the additional samples taken and efforts to meet with businesses regarding PFAS usage.

### **B. Scope of Services Provided Under This Agreement:**

#### **1. Project Management and Meetings**

- Perform general project administrative duties including supervision and coordination of the project team, review of project costs and billings, prepare invoices using Consultant's standard forms, preparation of status reports, and general administrative activities.
- Hold kick-off meeting with Client to discuss the project and review the scope.
- Facilitate meetings with potential PFAS contributing businesses. Estimated fifteen businesses that will require two meetings each.
- Advise the Client of the necessity of obtaining Special Engineering Services as described in Paragraph C., and act as the Client's representative in connection with any such services not actually performed by WHKS.

**2. Research of Existing Conditions**

- Collect and review necessary available information (studies, maps, reports, flow records, plans, MPCA correspondence, etc.) relating to the collection system.
- Review existing permits/agreements with current industries.
- Review chemical data sheets from industries.
- Review existing businesses and potential sampling points in the collection system that can isolate suspected PFAS contributing businesses.
- Review Client's standard sampling procedure and provide suggested revisions for PFAS specific procedures.

**3. Funding Package – Technical Assistance**

- Provide technical assistance to City Staff in executing/adhering to grant requirements of the PFAS Source Identification and Reduction Grant.

**4. PFAS Pollutant Management Plan Execution**

- Provide recommendations for a sampling plan, including sampling protocol and locations. The goal is to obtain baseline conditions of each industry discharge; and correlating industry discharge to potential impacts at the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP).
- Revise recommended sampling locations as needed based on analysis of sampling results as they are obtained by Client.
- Gather and prepare public information documents and guidance for businesses / residents to be published on City website.

**5. PFAS Pollutant Management Plan Updates**

- Prepare updates to the original 2024 Report to reflect applicable changes by July 1, 2025.
- Provide two (2) bound copies of the report.
- Submit the updated PFAS Pollutant Management Plan documents to the MPCA for approval.

**C. The Following Information Is to Be Provided by The Client:**

1. Industry and WWTP process chemical lists.
2. WWTP flow records and available industry monitoring data for the past five years.
3. Current pretreatment agreements for existing industries.
4. User billing records for industries.
5. City sanitary sewer collection system map.

**D. Special Engineering Services:**

Special Engineering Services are those services not listed above, but which may be required or advisable to accomplish the Project. Special Engineering Services shall be performed when authorized by the Client for additional fees, to be determined at the time authorized.

Special Engineering Services include:

1. Land surveying and platting
2. Easement research, plats or descriptions
3. Negotiation for easements or land acquisition
4. Special assessment assistance
5. Quality control testing and construction materials testing
6. Permits other than those identified above
7. Funding assistance, including grant and/or loan applications other than Item 3 above.
8. Wetland Delineations or mitigation plans
9. Floodplain and hydraulic/hydrologic modeling
10. Water and/or sanitary sewer rate studies
11. Geotechnical design/recommendations
12. Cultural resource survey or other studies or documentation that may be required by regulatory agencies that are not specifically listed in the scope of services
13. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance, including historical and archeological investigations
14. Structural evaluation and/or design

## STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PUBLIC SECTOR PROJECTS

### 1. Scope of Services

Client and WHKS have agreed to a list of services WHKS will provide to Client as listed on the Professional Services Agreement Form.

### 2. Governing Law

The laws of the State of Minnesota will govern this Agreement, its interpretation and performance. Any litigation arising in any way from this Agreement shall be brought in the courts of that State.

### 3. Standard of Care

Services provided by WHKS under this Agreement will be performed in a manner consistent with that degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the same profession currently practicing under similar circumstances and locality.

### 4. Integration

This Agreement comprises the final and complete agreement between Client and WHKS. It supersedes all prior communications, representations, or agreements, whether oral or written, relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. Execution of this Agreement signifies that each party has read the document thoroughly. Amendments to this Agreement shall not be binding unless made in writing and signed by both Client and WHKS.

### 5. Guarantees and Warranties

WHKS shall not be required to sign any documents, no matter by whom requested, that would result in WHKS having to guarantee or warrant the existence of conditions whose existence WHKS cannot ascertain. Client also agrees not to

make resolution of any dispute with WHKS or payment of any amount due to WHKS in any way contingent upon WHKS signing any such guarantee or warranty.

### 6. Indemnification

WHKS agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold Client harmless from any damage, liability or cost (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of defense) to the extent caused by WHKS' negligent acts, errors or omissions in the performance of professional services under this Agreement and those of its subconsultants or anyone for whom WHKS is legally liable.

Client agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold WHKS harmless from any damage, liability or cost (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of defense) to the extent caused by Client's negligent acts, errors or omissions and those of Client's contractors, subcontractors or consultants or anyone for whom Client is legally liable.

Neither WHKS nor Client shall be obligated to indemnify the other party in any manner whatsoever for the other party's own negligence.

### 7. Billing and Payment Provisions

Invoices shall be submitted by WHKS monthly and are due upon presentation and shall be considered PAST DUE if not paid within thirty (30) calendar days of the invoice date.

If payment is not received by WHKS within thirty (30) calendar days of the invoice date, Client shall pay as interest an additional charge of one

and one-quarter percent (1.25%) of the PAST DUE amount per month. Payment thereafter shall first be applied to accrued interest and then to the unpaid principal.

If Client fails to make payments within sixty (60) days from the date of an invoice or otherwise is in breach of this Agreement, WHKS may, at its option, suspend performance of services upon five (5) calendar days' notice to Client. WHKS shall have no liability whatsoever to Client for any costs or damages as a result of such suspension caused by any breach of this Agreement by Client. If Client fails to make payment to WHKS in accordance with the payment terms herein, this shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall be cause for termination by WHKS.

In the event legal action is necessary to enforce the payment provisions of this Agreement, WHKS shall be entitled to collect from Client any judgment or settlement sums due, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs and expenses incurred by WHKS in connection therewith and, in addition, the reasonable value of WHKS personnel time and expenses spent in connection with such collection action, computed at WHKS current fee schedule and expense policies.

Payment of invoices is in no case subject to unilateral discounting or set-offs by Client, and payment is due regardless of suspension or termination of this Agreement by either party.

### 8. Ownership of Records

All reports, plans, specifications, field data and notes and other

documents, including all documents on electronic media, prepared by WHKS as instruments of service shall remain the property of WHKS.

Client shall be permitted to retain copies, including reproducible copies, of the plans and specifications for information and reference in connection with Client's use of the completed project. The plans and specifications shall not be used by Client or by others on other similar projects except by agreement in writing by WHKS.

#### **9. Delivery of Electronic Files**

In accepting and utilizing any drawings, reports and data on any form of electronic media generated and provided by WHKS, Client covenants and agrees that all such electronic files are instruments of service of WHKS, who shall be deemed the author, and who shall retain all rights under common and statutory laws, and other rights, including copyrights. Client is aware that differences may exist between the electronic files delivered and the respective construction documents due to addenda, change orders or other revisions. In the event of a conflict between the signed construction documents prepared by WHKS and electronic files, the signed construction documents shall govern.

Client and WHKS agree that the electronic files prepared by WHKS shall conform to the current CADD software in use by WHKS or to other mutually agreeable CADD specifications defined in the Agreement. Any changes to the CADD specifications by either Client or WHKS are subject to review and acceptance by the other party. Additional efforts by WHKS made necessary by a change to the CADD specifications or other software shall be compensated for as Additional Services.

The electronic files provided by WHKS to Client are submitted for an acceptance period of 60 days. Any defects Client discovers during this period will be reported to WHKS and will be corrected as part of the Scope

of Services. Correction of defects detected and reported after the acceptance period will be compensated for as Additional Services.

Client agrees not to reuse the electronic files, in whole or in part, for any purpose or project other than the project that is the subject of this Agreement. Client agrees not to transfer the electronic files to others without the prior written consent of WHKS, except as required by law. In addition, Client agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold WHKS harmless from any damage, liability or cost, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of defense, arising from any changes made by anyone other than WHKS or from any reuse of the electronic files without the prior written consent of WHKS.

Under no circumstance shall delivery of the electronic files for use by Client be deemed a sale by WHKS and WHKS makes no warranties, either express or implied, of merchantability and fitness for any particular purpose. In no event shall WHKS be liable for any loss of profit or any consequential damages.

#### **10. Changed Conditions**

Client shall rely on the judgment of WHKS as to the continued adequacy of this agreement in light of occurrences or discoveries that were not originally contemplated by or known to WHKS. Should WHKS call for contract renegotiation, WHKS shall identify the changed conditions necessitating renegotiation and WHKS and Client shall promptly and in good faith enter into renegotiation of this Agreement. If terms cannot be agreed to, the parties agree that either party has the absolute right to terminate this Agreement.

#### **11. Permits and Approvals**

WHKS shall assist Client in applying for those permits and approvals typically required by law for projects similar to the one for which WHKS services are being engaged. This assistance consists of completing

and submitting forms as to the results of certain work included in the Scope of Services.

#### **12. Suspension of Services**

If the project is suspended for more than thirty (30) calendar days in the aggregate, WHKS shall be compensated for services performed and charges incurred prior to receipt of notice to suspend and, upon resumption, an equitable adjustment in fees to accommodate the resulting demobilization and remobilization costs. In addition, there shall be an equitable adjustment in the project schedule based on the delay caused by the suspension. If the project is suspended for more than ninety (90) calendar days in the aggregate, WHKS may, at its option, terminate this Agreement upon giving notice in writing to Client.

#### **13. Termination**

Either Client or WHKS may terminate this Agreement at any time with or without cause upon giving the other party seven (7) calendar days prior written notice. Client shall within thirty (30) calendar days of termination pay WHKS for all services rendered and all costs incurred up to the date of termination, in accordance with the compensation provisions of the Agreement.

#### **14. Unauthorized Changes**

In the event Client, Client's contractors or subcontractors or anyone for whom Client is legally liable makes or permits to be made any changes to any reports, plans, specifications or other contract documents prepared by WHKS without obtaining WHKS' prior written consent, Client shall assume full responsibility for the results of such changes. Therefore, Client agrees to waive any claim against WHKS and to release WHKS from any liability arising directly or indirectly from such changes.

Client also agrees, to the extent permitted by laws, to indemnify and hold WHKS harmless from any

damage, liability or cost, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of defense, arising from such changes.

**15. Jobsite Safety**

Neither the professional activities of WHKS nor the presence of WHKS or its employees and subconsultants at a construction site, shall relieve the General Contractor and any other entity of their obligations, duties and responsibilities including, but not limited to, construction means, methods, sequence, techniques or procedures necessary for performing, superintending or coordinating all portions of the construction work in accordance with the contract documents and any health or safety precautions required by any regulatory agencies. WHKS and its personnel have no authority to exercise any control over any construction contractor or other entity or their employees in connection with their work or any health or safety precautions.

**16. Additional Services**

Services which are requested by Client or are required as part of the Project, but are not included in the Scope of Services, are considered Additional Services.

WHKS will notify Client in writing when Additional Services will be needed. WHKS and Client will agree on the extent of the Additional Service(s) required and will agree on the method and amount of the compensation for performance of said agreed upon Additional Services.

WHKS will not perform Additional Services which will result in additional cost to Client without documented verbal or written authority of Client.

In the event WHKS is requested or required to participate in any dispute resolution procedure which involves any aspect of the Project, Client agrees to compensate WHKS for the reasonable value of WHKS' personnel time and expenses spent

in connection with such procedures computed at WHKS' then current fee schedule and expense policies.

**17. Dispute Resolution**

In an effort to resolve any conflicts that arise, Client and WHKS agree that all disputes between them arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to nonbinding mediation unless the parties mutually agree otherwise.

**18. Third Party Beneficiaries**

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create a contractual relationship with or a cause of action in favor of a third party against either Client or WHKS. WHKS' services under this Agreement are being performed solely for Client's benefit, and no other entity shall have any claim against WHKS because of this Agreement or the performance or nonperformance of services hereunder.

**19. Extension of Protection**

Client agrees to extend any and all liability limitations and indemnifications provided by Client to WHKS to those individuals and entities WHKS retains for performance of the services under this Agreement, including but not limited to WHKS officers and employees and their heirs and assigns, as well as WHKS subconsultants and their officers, employees, heirs and assigns.

**20. Timeliness of Performance**

WHKS will perform the services described in the Scope of Services with due and reasonable diligence consistent with sound professional practices.

**21. Delays**

WHKS is not responsible for delays caused by factors beyond WHKS' reasonable control, including but not limited to delays because of strikes, lockouts, work slowdowns or stoppages, accidents, acts of God, failure of any governmental or other

regulatory authority to act in a timely manner, failure of Client to furnish timely information or approve or disapprove of WHKS' services or work product promptly, or delays caused by faulty performance by Client or by contractors of any level. When such delays beyond WHKS' reasonable control occur, Client agrees WHKS is not responsible for damages, nor shall WHKS be deemed to be in default of this Agreement.

**22. Right to Retain Subconsultants**

WHKS may use the services of subconsultants when, in the sole opinion of WHKS, it is appropriate and customary to do so. Such persons and entities include, but are not limited to, aerial mapping specialists, geotechnical consultants and testing laboratories. WHKS' use of other consultants for additional services shall not be unreasonably restricted by Client provided WHKS notifies Client in advance.

**23. Assignment**

Neither party to this Agreement shall transfer, sublet or assign any rights under or interest in this Agreement (including but not limited to monies that are due or monies that may be due) without the prior written consent of the other party.

**24. Severability and Survival**

Any provision of this Agreement later held to be unenforceable for any reason shall be deemed void, and all remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

**25. Hazardous Materials**

It is acknowledged by both parties that WHKS' Scope of Services does not include any services related to asbestos or hazardous or toxic materials. In the event WHKS or any other party encounters asbestos or hazardous or toxic materials at the jobsite, or should it become known in any way that such materials may be present at the jobsite or any adjacent areas that may affect the performance of WHKS services,



WHKS may, at its option and without liability for consequential or any other damages, suspend performance of services on the project until Client retains appropriate specialist consultant(s) or contractor(s) to identify, abate and/or remove the asbestos or hazardous or toxic materials, and warrant that the jobsite is in full compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

## **26. Joint Participation**

The parties have participated jointly in the negotiation and preparation of all agreements between the parties. Each party has had an opportunity to obtain the advice of legal counsel and to review and comment upon this instrument. Accordingly, no rule of construction shall apply against any party or in favor of any party. This instrument shall be construed as if the parties jointly prepared it and any uncertainty or ambiguity shall not be interpreted against one party and in favor of another.

## **27. Record Documents**

If required in the Professional Services Agreement, WHKS shall, upon completion of the Work, compile for and deliver to the Client a reproducible set of Record Documents that are based upon the marked-up record drawings, addenda, change orders and other data furnished by the Contractor or other third parties. These Record Documents may show certain significant changes from the original design made during construction. Because these Record Documents are based on unverified information provided by other parties, which the Consultant is entitled to assume as reliable, the Consultant does not warrant their accuracy.

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# Grant Agreement

State of Minnesota

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SWIFT Contract Number: 263037

Agency Interest ID: 186393

Activity ID: PRO20240001

This Grant Agreement is between the state of Minnesota, acting through its Commissioner of the **Minnesota Pollution Control Agency**, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155-4194 ("MPCA" or "State"), and **City of Cannon Falls**, 918 River Road, Cannon Falls, MN 55009 ("Grantee" or "City").

## Recitals

1. Under Minn. Stat. § 116.03, subd. 2, the State is empowered to enter into this grant.
2. The City is authorized to enter into this grant under Minn. Stat. § 412.211.
3. The State and City are in need of the **City of Cannon Falls Perfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Source Identification and Reduction Project** (project).
4. Grantee will comply with required grants management policies and procedures set forth through [Minn. Stat. § 16B.97](#), subd. 4(a)(1).
5. The Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this grant agreement to the satisfaction of the State. Pursuant to [Minn. Stat. § 16B.98](#), subd. 1, the Grantee agrees to minimize administrative costs as a condition of this grant.

## Grant Agreement

### 1. Term of Grant Agreement

- 1.1 Effective date: January 29, 2025**, Per [Minn. Stat. § 16B.98](#), Subd. 5, the Grantee must not begin work until this grant contract is fully executed and the State's Authorized Representative has notified the Grantee that work may commence. Per [Minn. Stat. § 16B.98](#) Subd. 7, no payments will be made to the Grantee until this grant contract is fully executed.
- 1.2 Expiration date: December 18, 2026**, or until all obligations have been satisfactorily fulfilled, whichever occurs first.
- 1.3 Survival of terms.** The following clauses survive the expiration or cancellation of this grant agreement: Indemnification; State Audits; Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property; Publicity and Endorsement; Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue; and Data Disclosure.

### 2. Grantee's Duties

The City will enact the PFAS Management Plan that was submitted to the MPCA on July 1, 2024 and expand on it as needed, and perform sampling at twelve suspected contributing industries. A portable sampler will be purchased for facilitating these additional samples. The City will meet the reporting requirements as outlined in Clause 4.5 below.

### 3. Time

The Grantee must comply with all the time requirements described in this grant agreement. In the performance of this grant agreement, time is of the essence.

### 4. Consideration and Payment

- 4.1 Consideration.** The State will pay for all services performed by the Grantee under this grant agreement as follows:

- (a) Compensation.** The MPCA will reimburse the Grantee according to approved invoices relating to the duties listed in Clause 2. The MPCA will review the expense documentation submitted by the Grantee for the costs and will reimburse the Grantee for reasonable and necessary expenditures, as determined by the MPCA. Grantee certifies they will provide no less than 10% (ten percent) of the total grant amount as cash match or in-kind services.
- (b) Travel expenses.** Reimbursement for travel and subsistence expenses actually and necessarily incurred by the Grantee as a result of this grant agreement will be provided to meet the duties listed in Clause 2; provided that the Grantee will be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses in the same manner and in no greater amount than provided in the current "Commissioner's Plan" promulgated by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB). The Grantee will not be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses incurred outside Minnesota unless it has received the State's prior written approval for out of state travel. Minnesota will be considered the home state for determining whether travel is out of state.
- (c) Total obligation.** The total obligation of the State for all compensation and reimbursements to the Grantee under this grant agreement will not exceed **\$70,000.00 (Seventy Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents)**.

#### 4.2 Payment

- (a) Invoices.** The State will promptly pay the Grantee after the Grantee presents an itemized invoice for the services actually performed and the State's Authorized Representative accepts the invoiced services. Invoices must be submitted timely and according to the following schedule:

Invoices for expenses incurred to date may be submitted as frequently as monthly. The first invoice is required no later than 6 (six) months or midway through the project, whichever comes first. Email updates about the status of the project are required to be provided to the State's Authorized Representative whenever an invoice is submitted to MPCA Accounts Payable. The State's Authorized Representative will not approve an invoice through the state system without this project update. A final invoice for payment of remaining grant funds expended by the project is required to be submitted at the completion of the project after a final report has been submitted to the State's Authorized Representative. Payment of the final 10% (ten percent) of grant funds will be held back until the project is completed satisfactorily and all deliverables have been submitted and approved.

Invoices must be emailed to [mpca.ap@state.mn.us](mailto:mpca.ap@state.mn.us), and contain the following information:

- Name of Grantee
- Grantee project manager
- Invoice number
- Invoice date
- Paid in full receipts
- MPCA project manager
- SWIFT Contract No.
- Invoicing period (actual working period)
- Prevailing Wage documentation

If there is a problem with submitting an invoice electronically, please contact the Accounts Payable Unit at 651-757-2491.

The Grantee shall submit an invoice for the final payment upon submittal of the final progress and financial report within 15 (fifteen) days of the original or amended end date of this grant agreement. The State reserves the right to review submitted invoices after 15 (fifteen) days and make a determination as to payment.

- (b) Unexpended Funds.** The Grantee must promptly return to the State any unexpended funds that have not been accounted for annually in a financial report to the State due at grant closeout.

#### 4.3 Contracting and Bidding Requirements

Per [Minn. Stat. §471.345](#), grantees that are municipalities as defined in Subd. 1 must follow the law.

- (a) For projects that include construction work and have a total project cost of \$25,000 or more, prevailing wage rules apply per [Minn. Stat. §§177.41 through 177.44](#). These rules require that the wages of laborers and workers should be comparable to wages paid for similar work in the community as a whole.
- (b) The grantee must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred in MN:  
<https://mn.gov/admin/osp/government/suspended-debarred/index2.jsp>

#### 4.4 Prevailing Wage

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 177.41 to 177.44 and corresponding Minnesota Rules 5200.1000 to 5200.1120, this contract is subject to the prevailing wages as established by the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry. Specifically, all contractors and subcontractors must pay all laborers and mechanics the established prevailing wages for work performed under the contract. Failure to comply with the aforementioned may result in civil or criminal penalties. Rates are listed in **Attachment A**.

In compliance with Minn. Stat. § 177.43, subd. 3 and §177.44, subd. 5, the wages of laborers, workers, and the mechanics on projects financed in whole or part by State Funds should be comparable to wages paid for similar work in the community as a whole. Project includes erection, construction, remodeling, or repairing of a public building or other public work financed in whole or part by State funds.

Any work on real property which uses the skill sets of any trades covered by Labor Code and Class under prevailing wages is construction and requires prevailing wages. See <http://www.dli.mn.gov/business/employment-practices/prevailing-wage-information> for a list of affected trades.

The Contractor shall pay prevailing wages to its employees when conducting construction activities under this agreement.

**Applicability.** In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 177.43, subd. 7. This does not apply to an agreement or work under an agreement, under which:

- A. the estimated total cost of completing the project is less than \$2,500 and only one trade or occupation is required to complete the work; or
- B. the estimated total cost of completing the project is less than \$25,000 and more than one trade or occupation is required to complete it.

#### **Choose from Commercial, Highway/Heavy, or Residential Wage Rates:**

The prevailing wage rate requirements are attached as **Attachment A**.

#### **Prevailing Wage Payroll Information:**

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 177.30, subd. 4, and § 177.43, subd. 3, the Contractor and Subcontractor shall furnish to the Contracting Authority and the Project Owner:

- All payrolls, of all workers on the project, a certified payroll report via e-mail as attachments, a State of Minnesota Prevailing Wage Payroll Report as a Microsoft Excel file and Statement of Compliance Form as a PDF file to the appropriate e-mail addresses: [prevailingwage.pca@state.mn.us](mailto:prevailingwage.pca@state.mn.us) and the MPCA Authorized Representative.
- The Subject line on the Contractor's or Subcontractor's e-mail must give their firm's name and the Contract or Purchase Order Number.
- These completed forms must be furnished not more than 14 days after the end of each pay period.

- The State of Minnesota Prevailing Wage Payroll Report and Statement of Compliance Form are available on the MMD website at <http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/mn02000.htm>. Submit the completed and signed State of Minnesota Prevailing Wage Payroll Report as a Microsoft Excel file and the Statement of Compliance Form as a PDF file, no other payroll forms will be accepted to meet this requirement.

The prevailing wage payroll information forms that are submitted shall be maintained by the contracting agency for a minimum of three years after final payment has been made on the project. All of the data provided on the Prevailing Wage Payroll Information Form will be public data, which is available to anyone upon request.

Refer vendor questions regarding the Prevailing Wage Laws to the Department of Labor and Industry at 651-284-5091 or visit the website for Labor Standards Section, Prevailing Wage <http://www.dli.mn.gov/business/employment-practices/prevailing-wage-information>.

All construction work needs an IC-134 form submitted by the Contractor before payment can be made. The Contractor can find a copy of the IC-134 online at the Minnesota Department of Revenue website at <https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/construction-contracts-state-or-local-government-agencies>.

#### **4.5 Reporting Requirements**

Grantee is required to submit a final report that includes, but is not limited to, a detailed summary of activities completed, estimated and actual concentrations of PFAS identified and/or removed, and overall results of the project once completed. The final report is due 90 days after completion of the activities, or by the expiration date of this agreement, whichever occurs first. Final 10% (ten percent) reimbursement of the grant funding will be held until the report is received by the MPCA.

#### **5. Conditions of Payment**

All services provided by the Grantee under this grant agreement must be performed to the State's satisfaction, as determined at the sole discretion of the State's Authorized Representative/MPCA's Project Manager and in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Grantee will not receive payment for work found by the State to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state, or local law.

#### **6. Authorized Representative**

The State's Authorized Representative/Project Manager is **Austin Dehn**, 525 Lake Avenue South, Suite 400, Duluth, MN 55802, 218-302-6683, [austin.dehn@state.mn.us](mailto:austin.dehn@state.mn.us), or their successor, and has the authority to monitor the Grantee's performance and to accept the services provided under this agreement. If the services are satisfactory, the MPCA's Project Manager will certify acceptance of each invoice submitted for payment.

The Grantee's Authorized Representative is **Jed Petersen**, 918 River Road, Cannon Falls, MN 55009, 507-263-9344, [pwdirector@cannonfallsmn.gov](mailto:pwdirector@cannonfallsmn.gov), or their successor. If the Grantee's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this grant agreement, the Grantee must immediately notify the State.

#### **7. Assignment, Amendments, Change Orders, Waiver, and Grant Agreement Complete**

**7.1 Assignment.** The Grantee shall neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this grant agreement without the prior written consent of the State, approved by the same parties who executed and approved this grant agreement, or their successors in office.

**7.2 Amendments.** Any amendments to this grant agreement must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original grant agreement, or their successors in office.

**7.3 Change orders.** If the State's Project Manager or the Grantee's Authorized Representative identifies a change needed in the workplan and/or budget, either party may initiate a Change Order using the Change Order Form provided by the MPCA. Change Orders may not delay or jeopardize the success of the Project, alter the overall scope of the Project, increase or decrease the overall amount of the Contract/Agreement, or cause an extension of the term of this Agreement. Major changes require an Amendment rather than a Change Order.

The Change Order Form must be approved and signed by the State's Project Manager and the Grantee's Authorized Representative **in advance of doing the work**. Documented changes will then become an integral and enforceable part of the Agreement. The MPCA has the sole discretion on the determination of whether a requested change is a Change Order or an Amendment. The state reserves the right to refuse any Change Order requests.

**7.4 Waiver.** If the State fails to enforce any provision of this grant agreement, that failure does not waive the provision or the State's right to enforce it.

**7.5 Grant agreement complete.** This grant agreement contains all negotiations and agreements between the State and the Grantee. No other understanding regarding this grant agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.

## 8. Indemnification

The Grantee must indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents, and employees harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney's fees incurred by the State, arising from the performance of this grant agreement by the Grantee or the Grantee's agents or employees. This clause will not be construed to bar any legal remedies the Grantee may have for the State's failure to fulfill its obligations under this grant agreement.

## 9. State Audits

Under [Minn. Stat. § 16B.98](#), subd.8, the Grantee's books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices of the Grantee or other party relevant to this grant agreement or transaction are subject to examination by the State and/or the State Auditor or Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six years from the end of this grant agreement, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the required period of time to satisfy all state and program retention requirements, whichever is later.

## 10. Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property

**10.1 Government data practices.** The Grantee and State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, [Minn. Stat. Ch. 13](#), as it applies to all data provided by the State under this grant agreement, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Grantee under this grant agreement. The civil remedies of [Minn. Stat. § 13.08](#) apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by either the Grantee or the State. If the Grantee receives a request to release the data referred to in this Clause, the Grantee must immediately notify the State. The State will give the Grantee instructions concerning the release of the data to the requesting party before the data is released. The Grantee's response to the request shall comply with applicable law.

### 10.2 Intellectual property rights

**(a) Intellectual property rights.** The State owns all rights, title and interest in all of the intellectual property rights, including copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks, and service marks in the Works and Documents created and paid for under this grant agreement. Works means all inventions, improvements, discoveries (whether or not patentable), databases, computer programs, reports, notes, studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings specifications, materials, tapes, and disks conceived, reduced to practice, created or originated by the Grantee, its employees, agents, and subcontractors, either individually or jointly with others in the performance of this grant agreement. Works includes "Documents." Documents are the originals of any databases, computer programs, reports, notes studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings, specifications, materials, tapes, disks, or other materials, whether in tangible or electronic forms, prepared by the Grantee, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in the performance of this grant agreement. The Documents shall be the exclusive property of the State and all such Documents must be immediately returned to the State by the Grantee, at the Grantee's expense, upon the written request of the State, or upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this grant agreement. To the extent possible, those Works eligible for copyright protection under the United States' Copyright Act will be deemed to be "works made for hire." The Grantee assigns all right, title, and interest it may have in the Works and the Documents to the State. The Grantee must, at

the request of the State, execute all papers and perform all other acts necessary to transfer or record the State's ownership interest in the Works and Documents.

**(b) Obligations.**

- (1) **Notification.** Whenever any invention, improvement, or discovery (whether or not patentable) is made or conceived for the first time or actually or constructively reduced to practice by the Grantee, including its employees and subcontractors, in the performance of this grant agreement, the Grantee shall immediately give the State's Authorized Representative written notice thereof, and must promptly furnish the Authorized Representative with complete information and/or disclosure therein.
- (2) **Representation.** The Grantee must perform all acts, and take all steps necessary to ensure that all intellectual property rights in the Works and Documents are the sole property of the State, and that neither Grantee nor its employees, agents, or subcontractors retain any interest in and to the Works and Documents. The Grantee represents and warrants that the Works and Documents do not and will not infringe upon any intellectual property rights of other persons or entities. Notwithstanding Clause Liability, the Grantee shall indemnify, defend, to the extent permitted by the Attorney General, and hold harmless the State, at the Grantee's expense, from any action or claim brought against the State to the extent that it is based on a claim that all or part of the Works or Documents infringe upon the intellectual property rights of others. The Grantee will be responsible for payment of any and all such claims, demands, obligations, liabilities, costs, and damages, including, but not limited to, attorney fees. If such a claim or action arises or in Grantee's or the State's opinion is likely to arise, the Grantee must, at the State's discretion, either procure for the State the right or license to use the intellectual property rights at issue or replace or modify the allegedly infringing Works or Documents as necessary and appropriate to obviate the infringement claim. This remedy of the State will be in addition to and not exclusive of other remedies provided by law.
- (3) **License.** The State hereby grants a limited, no-fee, noncommercial license to the Grantee to enable the Grantee's employees engaged in research and scholarly pursuits to make, have made, reproduce, modify, distribute, perform, and otherwise use the Works, including Documents, for research activities or to publish in scholarly or professional journals, provided that any existing or future intellectual property rights in the Works or Documents (including patents, licenses, trade or service marks, trade secrets, or copyrights) are not prejudiced or infringed upon, that the Minnesota Data Practices Act is complied with, and that individual rights to privacy are not violated. The Grantee shall indemnify and hold harmless the State for any claim or action based on the Grantee's use of the Works or Documents under the provisions of Clause 10.2(b)(2). Said license is subject to the State's publicity and acknowledgement requirements set forth in this grant agreement. The Grantee may reproduce and retain a copy of the Documents for research and academic use. The Grantee is responsible for security of the Grantee's copy of the Documents. A copy of any articles, materials or documents produced by the Grantee's employees, in any form, using or derived from the subject matter of this license, shall be promptly delivered without cost to the State.

**11. Workers' Compensation**

The Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with [Minn. Stat. § 176.181](#), subd. 2, pertaining to workers' compensation insurance coverage. The Grantee's employees and agents will not be considered State employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Act on behalf of these employees and any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of these employees are in no way the State's obligation or responsibility.

**12. Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue**

Minnesota law, without regard to its choice-of-law provisions, governs this grant agreement. Venue for all legal proceedings out of this grant agreement, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota.



### 13. Termination

#### 13.1 Termination by the State.

(a) **Without Cause.** The State may immediately terminate this grant agreement without cause, upon 30-days' written notice to the Grantee. Upon termination, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed.

(b) **With Cause.** The State may immediately terminate this grant agreement if the State finds that there has been a failure to comply with the provisions of this grant agreement, that reasonable progress has not been made or that the purposes for which the funds were granted have not been or will not be fulfilled. The State may take action to protect the interests of the state of Minnesota, including the refusal to disburse additional funds and requiring the return of all or part of the funds already disbursed.

**13.2 Termination by The Commissioner of Administration.** The Commissioner of Administration may immediately and unilaterally cancel this grant contract agreement if further performance under the agreement would not serve agency purposes or is not in the best interest of the State.

**13.3 Termination for insufficient funding.** The State may immediately terminate this grant agreement if:

(a) It does not obtain funding from the Minnesota Legislature.

(b) Or, if funding cannot be continued at a level sufficient to allow for the payment of the services covered here. Termination must be by written or fax notice to the Grantee. The State is not obligated to pay for any services that are provided after notice and effective date of termination. However, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed to the extent that funds are available. The State will not be assessed any penalty if the agreement is terminated because of the decision of the Minnesota Legislature, or other funding source, not to appropriate funds. The State must provide the Grantee notice of the lack of funding within a reasonable time of the State's receiving that notice.

### 14. Data Disclosure

Under [Minn. Stat. § 270C.65](#), subd. 3, and other applicable law, the Grantee consents to disclosure of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number, and/or Minnesota tax identification number, already provided to the State, to federal and state tax agencies and state personnel involved in the payment of state obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and state tax laws which could result in action requiring the Grantee to file state tax returns and pay delinquent state tax liabilities, if any.

### 15. Payment to subcontractors (if applicable)

As required by Minn. Stat. § 16A.1245, the prime contractor must pay all subcontractors, less any retainage, within 10 calendar days of the prime contractor's receipt of payment from the State for undisputed services provided by the subcontractor(s) and must pay interest at the rate of one and one-half percent per month or any part of a month to the subcontractor(s) on any undisputed amount not paid on time to the subcontractor(s).

### 16. Publicity and Endorsement

**16.1 Publicity.** Any publicity regarding the subject matter of this grant contract must identify the State as the sponsoring agency and must not be released without prior written approval from the State's Authorized Representative. For purposes of this provision, publicity includes notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Grantee individually or jointly with others, or any subcontractors, with respect to the program, publications, or services provided resulting from this grant contract. All projects primarily funded by state grant appropriations must publicly credit the State of Minnesota, including on the grantee's website when practicable.

**16.2 Endorsement.** The Grantee must not claim that the State endorses its products or services.

### Signatures

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