

**DETERMINATION DECISION MEMO**

**Meadow Grounds Lake Dam Repair**

**Project Number: A-199-87**

**Location: Fulton County**

**Project Allocation: \$3,900,000**

**Est. Construction Duration: 365 CD**

**DETERMINATION REGARDING THE USE OF THE  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) METHOD OF PROCUREMENT**

The use of the standard competitive sealed bid process for the repair of the Meadow Grounds Lake Dam is not practical or advantageous to the Commonwealth. The scope of renovating this high hazard dam requires a contractor with dam-specific construction experience. Specifically, the project scope will require:

- extensive experience with safety and water control since the existing concrete spillway must be removed which must be tightly scheduled and coordinated to minimize risk.
- familiarity and experience in preparing an emergency action plan to ensure the safety of approximately 40 people living downstream of the dam. .
- extensive experience with scheduling water stops and other dam activities which distinguish concrete dam experience from bridge or roadway concrete work and equipment.

The above factors demonstrate the unique construction considerations on this project, which requires specific contractor knowledge, skill and experience to safely and successfully complete the renovations to this dam. Consequently, it is not practical or advantageous to use the competitive sealed bidding process because the low bid approach does not allow the Commonwealth to consider the specific factors presented herein and cost in the award process in a timely manner.

  
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Deputy Secretary for Public Works

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Date