

# Memorandum

**To:** Board of Commissioners

**CC:** Kenny DeHart

**From:** Lawrence Blood, District Manager

**Date:** 8/13/2020

**Re:** Bid opening for construction of building pad, interlocking blocks and concrete flat work

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On August 13, 2020, the District Manager opened two sealed bids for construction of a 40'X 60' building pad, interlocking blocks and concrete flat work for the sand and salt storage building project. Heavy Constructors of Arkansas was the apparent low bidder with a lump sum bid of \$73,350. R&R Dirtworks Inc. was the second bid at \$75,000.

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**The sand and salt storage building was my top priority CIP project; however, I cannot recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the bid from either Heavy Constructors of Arkansas or R&R Dirtworks Inc.**

The low bid of \$73,350 exceeds the entire project budget of \$72,000, which does not include the price of the structure. The following options are not prioritized and are in no particular order:

Option 1, Increase the project budget by \$25,000 – \$30,000 to accommodate the costs for the structure, tax, and shipping. Approve the low bid of \$73,000.

Option 2, Two phase/multiyear project. Approve the low bid of \$73,000 for the 40'X 60' building pad, interlocking blocks and concrete flat work. Budget \$30,000 in the 2021 CIP budget for the structure. Note: The concrete pad can be used for the storage of sand without the structure.

Option 3, Reject all bids. Reduce the footprint of the project and RFP a smaller project.

Option 4, Other