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The Western Intake Partnership (WIP) is pleased to provide an update to the water utility construction industry relating to the Jordan Lake Water Supply Project. The individual WIP construction contracts, along with the planned delivery model and year of procurement for each project, are summarized below. Please note that the delivery model and anticipated year of procurement may change based on unanticipated factors.

Contract 1 - Intake & Raw Water Transmission Progressive Design-Build Anticipated Year of Procurement: 2025

Contract 2 - Regional Water Treatment Facility Progressive Design-Build Anticipated Year of Procurement: 2025

Contract 3 - Finished Water Transmission Pipeline Design-Bid-Build Anticipated Year of Procurement: 2027

Contract 4 - Transmission Pipeline Storage Tanks Design-Bid-Build Anticipated Year of Procurement: 2027

The Partners conducted a thorough decision analysis to define the construction contracts and delivery models. The City of Durham will act as contracting agent for the WIP construction projects. Each contract will be administered as a City of Durham capital project in accordance with the City's standards and practices for procuring and conducting professional and/or construction services, including goals for utilization of minority-owned and women-owned businesses. Contracts 3 and 4 have been identified to be constructed using a traditional design-bid-build delivery model. The WIP anticipates Hazen, who has been the consultant for the preliminary engineering phase of the finished water transmission infrastructure, will continue on the project for final design of both projects through amendment of their existing contract.

The Partners are committed to keeping the water utility construction industry informed about the project.

During 2024, the Partners plan multiple in-person and virtual briefings about the project, including sessions reviewing the Preliminary Engineering Reports. In addition, during 2024 the WIP's program manager, HDR, will organize opportunities for contractors and engineers interested in the project to have individual in-person conversations about the project with the WIP project team.

About the Partnership

The Western Intake Partnership is focused on securing a long-term regional water supply for the communities they serve. The partnership was formed in 2014 between Chatham County, the City of Durham, Orange Water and Sewer Authority (OWASA) and the Town of Pittsboro. Together, the Partnership is moving forward with a plan to withdraw and treat water from Jordan Lake to continue to provide reliable, high quality drinking water to the Triangle region.



Learn more about the WIP project opportunities at westernintakepartnership.com, including the "Work With Us" page, and contact WIP Program Manager Jeff Adkins (919-232-6639, jeff.adkins@ hdrinc.com) to register for project-related updates.