

November 19, 2025

Randy Johnston
City of Three Forks
206 Main Street
PO Box 187
Three Forks, MT 59752

**RE: Recommendation to Award
Municipal Wells – Electrical Project**

Dear Mr. Johnston:

The Bid Opening for the City of Three Forks Municipal Wells – Electrical Project was held November 18, 2025. The certified bid tabulations are enclosed for your reference. A total of 2 bids were received. The Third Element, Inc. (Third Element) was the low bidder with a bid of \$268,592.00 for the base bid plus the three additive alternates.

After reviewing the available funding and the bid prices, the City has sufficient funding available to award the base bid and the first two additive alternates, as well as allowing for a 10% contingency as required by the funding agency.

Base Bid	\$138,426.00
Additive Alternate 1	\$7,276.00
Additive Alternate 2	\$70,332.00
Additive Alternate 3	\$52,558.00
Total	\$268,592.00
Total – BB+AA1+AA2	\$216,034.00
10% Contingency	\$21,600.00
Total + Contingency	\$237,634.00
Funding Available	
MCEP (Construction + Cont)	\$237,634.00

Third Element has submitted a qualifications statement, and references have been checked. They have completed multiple projects of this nature and their qualifications are satisfactory.

Based upon the above factors, I recommend awarding the project Base Bid and Additive Alternates 1 and 2 to Third Element, and I have prepared the attached Notice of Award for your signature.

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Helena, MT 59601
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Meridian, ID 83642
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GREAT FALLS
702 2nd Street S, #2
Great Falls, MT 59405
Ph: (406) 952-1109

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Spokane, WA 99218
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As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Great West Engineering, Inc.

Susan Hayes
Susan Hayes, PE
Project Engineer

Encl.: Certified Bid Tabulations

cc: file