



**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF GRAVITY SEWER
REPAIR AND REHABILITATION FOR CAPE FEAR PUBLIC UTILITY AUTHORITY
WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA
July 7, 2026**

GENERAL

The Cape Fear Public Utility Authority (CFPUA) is seeking a qualified engineering firm experienced in the repair and rehabilitation of gravity sewer infrastructure using cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining and related trenchless technologies. This repair and rehabilitation work may include, but not be limited to, condition assessment, planning, design, preparation of bid documents and bidding assistance, construction administration and observation, and surveying.

Potential tasks include:

- Professional engineering services associated with sanitary sewer pipe and manhole rehabilitation utilizing CIPP lining, point repairs (internal and by open cut), pipe bursting, manhole rehabilitation to include lining/insert technologies, etc. The sanitary sewer work will include bypass pumping, flushing, cleaning, pre/post construction CCTV inspections, etc. Selected engineering firm will coordinate with applicable CFPUA staff throughout the project and provide recommended action plans as necessary throughout construction. In the event that the infrastructure fails during the course of the work, the engineering firm may be required to perform emergency engineering services as required.
- Preparation of design, permitting, and bid documents, bidding assistance, construction administration and construction observation (CA/CO), closeout services including as-built preparation, etc. will be utilized for this project. CA/CO services shall consist of field observation, coordination, preliminary submittal review, preliminary pay request review, etc. The construction observer will report directly to the Engineer of Record.
- Experience with gravity sewer rehabilitation and repair projects in an active urban environment is required. Surveying, if necessary, will typically be manhole rim and inverts of all pipes entering and exiting the structure or equivalent shots on other linear infrastructure. Survey shall be conducted to the nearest tenth of a foot unless otherwise stated.
- For this project, it is anticipated that the CIPP contractor will be a licensed utility contractor and will self-perform the flushing, cleaning, CCTV, CIPP lining, etc.

The contract will include the repair and rehabilitation of gravity sewer infrastructure in different areas of the CFPUA collection system as outlined below:

- Area 1 - Park Avenue and surrounding streets. See Area 1 Figure (attached) for best available information on gravity main sizes and materials.
- Area 2 – N. 6th St. and surrounding streets. See Area 2 Figure (attached) for best available information on gravity main sizes and materials.
- Miscellaneous – There are known segments of gravity sewer pipe outside of Areas 1 and 2 that will likely be included with this project as well.

Prompt delivery and demonstrated accuracy is relevant to selection.

SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

Consulting engineering firms are invited to submit a Statement of Qualification (SOQ) to the CFPUA to be received no later than 2:00 PM on August 6, 2026. Submittals received after this deadline will not be considered.

CFPUA will address questions regarding the RFQ until 2:00 PM on July 28, 2026. Questions submitted after this time will not be addressed. Questions concerning this advertisement should be directed to Ben Guerrieri, Procurement Manager, Cape Fear Public Utility Authority, at bids@cfpua.org.

SOQs shall be limited to 20-pages or less, excluding cover page, table of contents, tabs, resumes and appendices.

Firms shall submit their statement of qualifications for consideration in .pdf format to bids@cfpua.org. Maximum file size for .pdf submission is 25MB. A reply will be sent to the email address submitting the statement of qualifications to confirm receipt. It is the submitting firms' responsibility to confirm that CFPUA has received statement of qualifications via email. If email reply is not received from bids@cfpua.org, please call 910-332-6472 or 910-332-6651 before deadline for submission.

Submitted information shall comply with N.C.G.S. 143-64.31 through 64.34 (aka Mini Brooks Act).

All SOQ's will be evaluated by a CFPUA selection team.

One firm will be selected from this request for qualifications.

Firms submitting Qualifications are encouraged to carefully check them for conformance to the requirements stated herein. Qualifications that do not meet ALL the below listed requirements or are sent to any address other than those shown below, will be disqualified. No exception will be granted.

EVALUATION

Firms submitting Qualification Statements to perform the Engineering Services will be evaluated based upon the firm's experience, knowledge and familiarity in engineering services for the typical scope of work as defined in the General section of this Request for Qualification, by demonstration with previous project experience, and references.

CFPUA projects are generally contained within New Hanover County, North Carolina. Firms submitting Qualification Statements to perform engineering services shall demonstrate their experience, knowledge and familiarity in typical work assignments as outlined above.

SCHEDULE

Schedule shall be determined for each Task Order.

REQUIREMENTS

Qualifying Statements shall include:

1. Firm name, address, telephone number, fax number, email address, and contact person(s).
2. Year in which the firm was established and any former names under which the firm operated.
3. Qualifications and experience of personnel who would be providing design services for the project(s) by providing:
 - a. A list of design projects demonstrating experience/understanding of the experience described in the General section above. Project information shall include:
 - i. a summary of the scope of work and deliverables,
 - ii. the owner of the project, and
 - iii. the name, number, and email of a reference for the project.

The following criteria will be deemed necessary for selection:

- The firm must meet the following insurance requirements. Workers' Compensation may be waived if firm has no employees.
- General Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$2,000,000 aggregate. Authority must be additional insured and endorsement required.
- Workers Compensation \$500,000/\$500,000/\$500,000. Waiver of Subrogation against the Authority and endorsement required.
- Auto Liability Insurance \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limits applicable to claims due to bodily injury and/or property damage. Authority must be additional insured and endorsement required.
- Professional Liability not less than \$2,000,000 per loss.

Any firm wishing to be considered must be properly registered with the Office of the Secretary of State.

NOTIFICATION

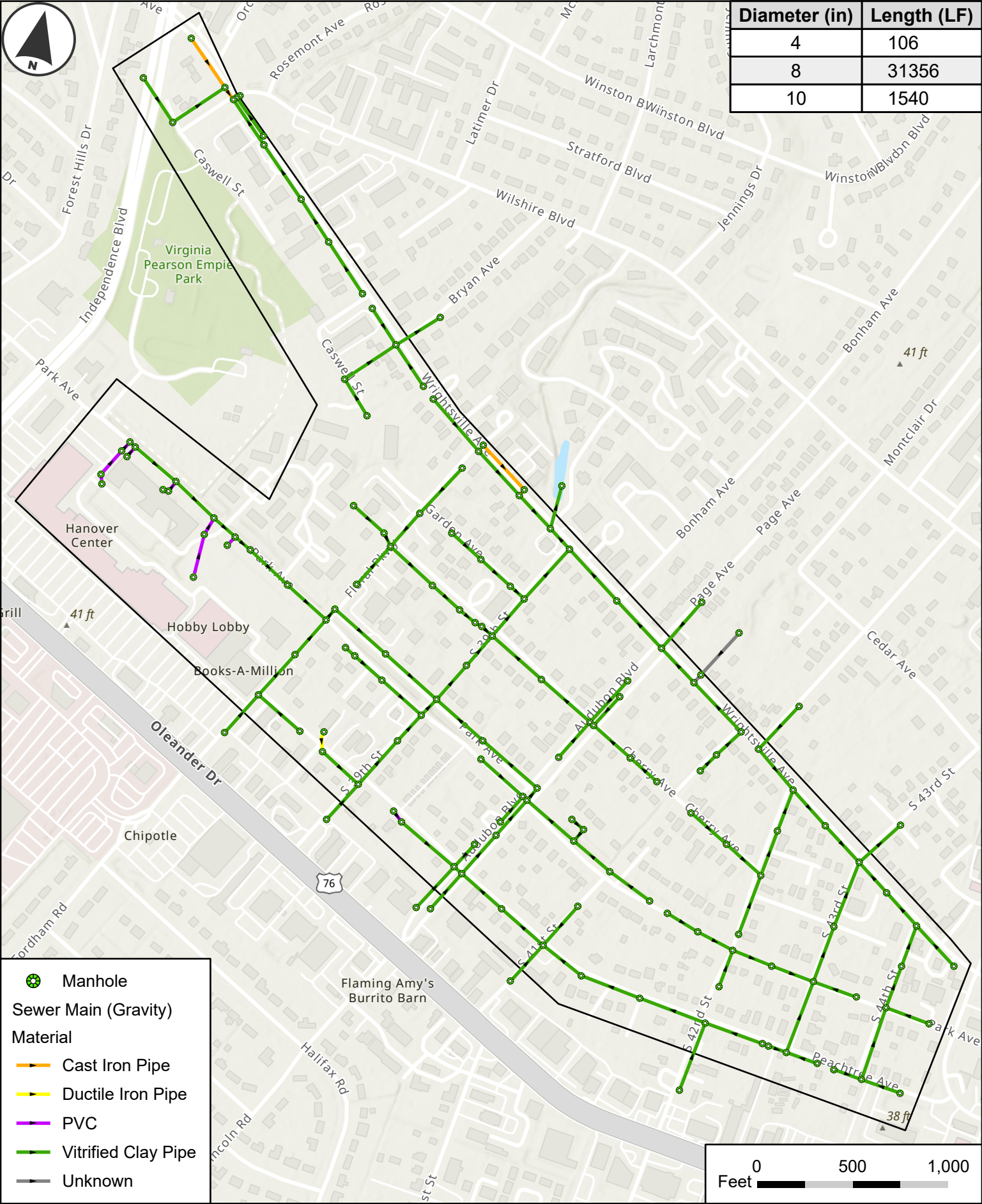
The selected firm will be notified by telephone and/or email.

The CFPUA reserves the right to reject any and all submissions.

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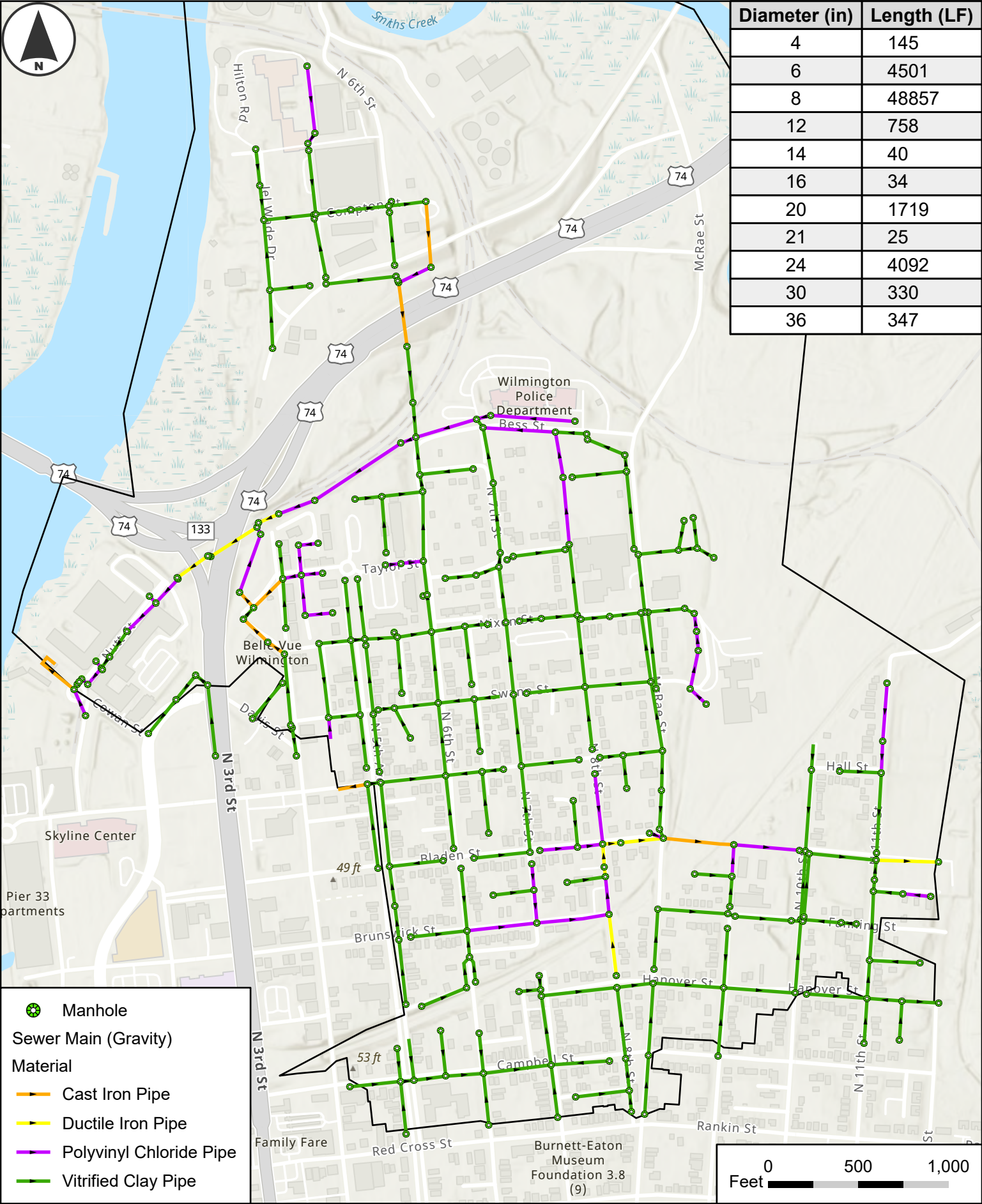
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FY27 Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation Area 1



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FY27 Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation Area 2



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