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**CONTRACT NO. 4400017438**  
**MRB SOUTH GBR: LA 1 TO LA 30 CONNECTOR**  
**STATE PROJECT NO. H.013284**  
**F.A.P. NO. H013284**  
**ROUTE: NEW ROUTE**  
**PARISH: TO BE DETERMINED**

### Question and Answer

**July 22, 2019:**

- Q1. Will a firm participating in Part I or Part II of Contract No. 4400017438 be prohibited from pursuing any additional contracts that are advertised as a result of Part I or Part II?
- A1. It may be perceived as a conflict of interest. Conflict of interest determinations are made on a case-by-case basis and involve several considerations, including, but not limited to, the following:
- The status/stage of this contract at the time of procurement of the design contract for the project;
  - Whether a NEPA decision document has been issued or if it is still underway at the time of the design contract procurement;
  - An assessment of the objectivity of the environmental documentation, if deciding prior to submission to the FHWA; and
  - Whether the design procurement will be a part of an innovative procurement method.
- Q2. Will the selected consultant be eligible to pursue Procurement Support Services contracts for Alternate Delivery Projects (44-17327, 44-17328 and 44-17329)?
- A2. Yes.
- Q3. Will the selected consultant be eligible to provide design engineering services to a DB Contractor / PPP Concessionaire?
- A3. Yes.
- Q4. Attachment B, MRP No. 24 states " At least one (1) professional land surveyor, registered in the state of Louisiana, with a minimum of five (5) years of experience in developing surface models from LiDAR data." Does LiDAR experience included Mobile LiDAR and Terrestrial Scanning LiDAR?
- A4. The experience can be from any method of obtaining the LiDAR data, as long as the experience includes developing the surface models from the LiDAR data.

**July 29, 2019:**

- Q5. Is a past performance rating for RU (Road Design – Urban) equivalent to RX (Road Design – all work type codes) with respect to MPR No. 23?
- A5. **RX – Road Design is in the Past Performance Rating Categories Table. The ten (10) years of minimum experience requirement can be from any type of Road Design work.**
- Q6. There have not been many projects (local or state) within Louisiana that have required mesoscopic modeling in the past. But, mesoscopic models are a hybrid of macro and micro traffic models and can be developed by persons who have significant experience with developing travel demand models and microscopic traffic simulation models. As such, we believe that person(s) with this experience can fulfill MPR No. 22 without compromising the intent of this MPR. We request that this MPR be modified from person(s) who have developed five mesoscopic models to a person(s) who have significant (5+ years) experience in developing travel demand modes and micro simulation models.
- A6. **The requirements will remain the same. DOTD does not consider the programming and calibration efforts to be the same as the travel demand models and/or microsimulation models. For this project, DOTD needs someone who is experienced and efficient in this specific type of program.**
- Q7. MPR No. 20 requires at least one (1) professional engineer, registered in the state of Louisiana, with a minimum of five (5) years of experience in navigational analyses acceptable to the United States Coast Guard. Is it necessary that this requirement be limited to a Professional Engineer registered in the state of Louisiana, as the Mississippi River is a federal channel and United States Coast Guard is a Federal Agency?
- A7. **Please contact the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board.**
- Q8. MPR No. 24 states that a licensed surveyor must have a minimum of 5 years of experience in creating surface models from LiDAR data. For initial site investigations this seems to be a specific request. Depending on the nature of the areas, LiDAR may not be applicable to start with. Is LiDAR an absolute requirement at this stage of the project, and if so, why?
- A8. **Since there is a possibility that the initial engineering contract may be supplemented with the work associated with Part 2, the Minimum Personnel Requirements must be met for this advertisement.**

**August 6, 2019:**

- Q9. Will a consultant that participates in the H.013284 contract be eligible to pursue a future procurement support services contract for the construction of this project?
- A9. **The selected consultant for this contract will not be precluded from pursuing a procurement support services contract that may include the construction of the project MRB SOUTH GBR: LA1 TO LA 30 CONNECTOR.**

Q10. Regarding MPR No. 22, does the professional have to be a Louisiana PE, or can it be a registered PE that has performed for other state DOT's, similar to the requirement for MPR Nos.14 and 15?

A10. See Addendum No. 2.

Q11. Experts who perform navigation analysis are not typically professional engineers. They are also professional mariners or hold an Unlimited Tonnage USCG Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC). In order to expand the pool of expertise available to DOTD, would DOTD consider eliminating the professional engineer, registered in the state of Louisiana requirement for MPR No. 20?

A11. See Addendum No. 3.

Q12. Is a past performance rating for RU (Road Design – Urban) equivalent to RX (Road Design – all work type codes) with respect to MPR No. 23?

A12. **RX – Road Design is in the Past Performance Rating Categories Table. The ten (10) years of minimum experience requirement can be from any type of Road Design work.**

**RX includes Road Design – Controlled Access Facilities (RC), Road Design – Rural (RR) and Road Design – Urban (RU).**

**RX does not include Road Design – Pavement Preservation (RP) or Road Design – Subsurface Utility Engineering Services (RD).**

**August 26, 2019:**

Q13. Is the bridge design component of the scope considered significant enough to warrant the inclusion of a Bridge QA/QC plan with the submittal?

A13. **A bridge design QA/QC plan will not be required to be submitted with the consultant's proposal.**