

IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

**CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING, INSPECTION,
MATERIALS TESTING, AND
PROJECT CLOSE-OUT**

FOR

**I-84, SOUTH JEROME IC JEROME COUNTY
PROJECT NO. A019(338)
KEY NO. 19338**

September 15, 2023

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PROPOSAL

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is seeking qualified and experienced respondents from interested firms to submit a proposal to provide construction engineering, inspection, sampling and testing services for the I-84, Jerome IC Jerome County. Construction projects for this work are as follows:

Key No. 19338, I-84, Jerome IC Jerome County

GENERAL TERMS

This Request for Proposals (RFP) does not commit ITD to enter into an agreement or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal or in subsequent negotiations.

REVISIONS TO RFP

All addenda to this solicitation will be posted on the Consultant Services web page. No notice will be given by mail.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS BY ITD

The issuance of this RFP does not constitute an assurance by ITD that any contract will actually be entered into by ITD, and expressly reserves the right to:

- Waive any immaterial defect or informality in any response or response procedure
- Reject any and all proposals
- Reissue the Request for Proposals
- Invite additional respondents to the proposal
- Request additional information and data from any or all respondents
- Extend the date for submission of responses
- Supplement, amend, or otherwise modify the RFP, and cancel this request with or without the substitution of another RFP
- Disqualify any respondent who fails to provide information or data requested herein or who provides inaccurate or misleading information or data
- Disqualify any respondent on the basis of any real or apparent conflict of interest

By responding to this proposal, each respondent agrees that any finding by ITD of any fact in dispute as to this proposal or the responses thereto shall be final and conclusive, except as provided herein.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

By the submission of a proposal, the Consultant agrees to ensure that, at the time of contracting, the Consultant will have no interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the Consultant's obligations under the Agreement. The Consultant shall further covenant that, in the performance of the contract, the Consultant shall not employ any person, or subcontract with any entity, having any such known interest.

EEO REQUIREMENTS

Respondent, by submission of a proposal, agrees to not discriminate against any worker, employee, application subcontractor or any member of the public because of race, color, gender, age, national origin, or disability, or otherwise commit an unfair employment practice. Respondent further agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and Local equal employment opportunity requirements and the requirements of the ITD EEO Special Provisions, accessible at the following web site:

<http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/index.aspx>.

All firms who seek to work for the Idaho Transportation Department are required to be registered on ITD's Bidders List. If your firm is not registered, go to the following web site for instructions:

<http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/index.aspx>. Your subconsultants are also required to be registered. For further information regarding this requirement, call the ITD EEO Office at (208) 334-8884.

DBE PARTICIPATION:

In an effort to achieve ITD's DBE Annual Participation Goal (APG) of 10% utilization, ITD respectfully requests and encourages responder to consider utilizing subcontractors and suppliers listed on our DBE Directory located at: <https://itd.dbesystem.com> . For more information regarding ITD's DBE Program, please contact the Office of Civil Rights at (208) 334-8567.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to negotiating an agreement, the selected consultant and their subconsultants will be required to submit certified hourly rates and their last years' financial information and overhead schedule in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FARs) and the ITD Overhead Rate Policy. The Overhead Rate Policy can be viewed at the following web site:

<http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/index.aspx>.

PROPRIETARY MATERIAL

ITD assumes no liability for disclosure of proprietary material submitted by respondents. Proposal submittals shall be considered public documents under applicable state law except to the extent portions of the submittals are otherwise protected under applicable law.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

All proposals must contain a signed Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters form for the prime and each subconsultant.

The certification form is located on the Consultant Services web page at <http://itd.idaho.gov/business/?target=consultant-agreements>.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND SELECTION

An Evaluation Committee will evaluate and determine the individual and comparative merits of each of the proposals received. It is the responsibility of the Consultant to ensure that it complies with this RFP and provides the information requested. If the Consultant fails to provide any information requested in this RFP, such failure may result in either a lowered evaluation score of the proposal or disqualification of the proposal.

It is the intent of the department to take approximately thirty days, commencing on the submission date shown below, to evaluate the submitted proposals. The department intends to notify the successful and unsuccessful Consultants as soon as practicable after the evaluations have been completed, and after approval has been given on the Evaluation Committee's recommendations.

As part of the selection process, the top-ranked firms may be required, at their expense, to give a presentation and/or answer interview questions.

If your firm is selected and approved, negotiations will begin. If negotiations break down with a selected Consultant, they will be formally ended and negotiations will begin with the next ranked Consultant.

CONTACT INFORMATION

All questions concerning the procedures of this request for proposal shall be directed to Andrea Aliev at ITD via email at Andrea.Aliev@itd.idaho.gov.

All project specific questions shall be directed by e-mail to Kenny Lively at Ken.Lively@ITD.Idaho.gov. No questions will be accepted by telephone. All questions will be responded to by e-mail, within two days of receipt of the question(s).

Interested firms are encouraged to submit a contact e-mail address to Mr. Lively with a request to be included on an electronic mailing list. Firms on the mailing list will receive copies of the response to all project questions submitted. No firms will be identified in the responses. No project specific questions will be accepted after September 28, 2023.

PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Proposals must conform to the following instructions. Any non-conforming proposal will be rejected.

Proposals must be received by ITD by 4:00 p.m. MDT on October 5, 2023. Proposals must be submitted via e-mail with the project name and the consultant's name clearly indicated in the subject line. Late proposals will not be considered.

E-Mail Address for proposal submittal is: consultantadminunit@itd.idaho.gov

FORMAT:

- Required File Format: pdf
- Maximum length of the submittal shall be seven (7) pages.
- Cover pages are discouraged. If they are included, they will be counted in the proposal page total.
- The introductory letter is limited to one (1) page.
- Except as otherwise noted, pages shall be 8 ½ x 11 inches, with minimum of ½” margins and a minimum font size of 11.

- The following items do not count in the proposal page total.
 - Introductory letter
 - Certification Regarding Debarment
 - The 5-Year ITD CE&I Project Log

INTRODUCTORY LETTER

The introductory letter should be addressed to:

Andrea Aliev
Contracts Officer
Consultant Services
Idaho Transportation Department
P.O. Box 7129
Boise, Idaho 83707-1129

The introductory letter should introduce the Consultant, identify the Project Manager, and list a contact telephone number, and contain a statement confirming the commitment of the key personnel identified in the submittal to meet ITD's quality and schedule expectations. The Consultant shall include his/her acceptance of the terms and provisions of the Sample Agreement located at <http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/index.aspx>, and indicate willingness to execute said agreement.

PROPOSAL

It is essential that the consultant provide an adequate staff of experienced personnel or subconsultants capable of and devoted to the successful accomplishment of work to be performed under this contract. The specific individuals or subconsultants listed in the proposal, including Project Manager and Lead Inspector, shall be assigned to the key positions and shall not be removed or replaced without the prior written approval of ITD. Replacement personnel submitted for approval must have at least equal qualifications, experience and expertise as those listed in the proposal.

The following criteria will be considered in the evaluation and selection, and apply only to the Consultant, except where specifically requested for the Consultant and each Subconsultant. The weights listed will be applied to the scoring for each criteria.

CRITERIA 1 - PROJECT MANAGER

(Weight 3) *(Complete for Lead Consultant Project Manager Only)*

- Identify the Project Manager who will be responsible for the quality, timeliness and delivery of the consultant's work, and for ensuring that adequate personnel and other resources are available for this project.
- Provide a brief summary of education, experience, and qualifications pertaining to the management of this project. Include Idaho professional registration (if applicable). CE&I experience in working on state Federal-aid interstate roadway construction projects should be included if available. List all CE&I experience on the 5-year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log included in this solicitation.
- Describe the Project Manager's experience assisting State or Local agencies with contract administration and project close out. Provide specific examples, the roles and responsibilities of the project manager, and the success rate or challenges that were overcome.
- Describe availability to the project. If the Project Manager is currently assigned to other projects, note how the other project(s) will be impacted and the impact resolved.

CRITERIA 2 - LEAD INSPECTOR ONSITE
(Weight 4)

- Identify the Lead Inspector to be assigned onsite to the project and describe their duties including qualifications (WAQTC & IQP) on this project. The Lead Inspector must be on-site for no less than 70% of the time the contractor is onsite.
- Include Idaho professional registration (if applicable).
- Describe the Lead Inspector's CE&I experience in working on state Federal-aid interstate roadway construction projects as the lead inspector on similar scoped projects. Include the roles and responsibilities on those projects, their experience with major work items as they relate to this project.
- List all CE&I experience on the 5-year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log included in this solicitation.
- Describe availability to the project. If the Lead Inspector is currently assigned to other projects, note how the other project(s) will be impacted and the impact resolved.

CRITERIA 3 – KEY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE PROJECT
(Weight 3) *(Complete for Consultant and each Subconsultant)*

- Identify the key personnel to be assigned to the project and describe each person's role, duties and office location.
- List each person's qualifications (WAQTC & IQP if applicable) and include Idaho professional registration (if applicable).
- Key Personnel should list proof of direct applicable CE&I experience in working on Federal-aid construction projects. List all CE&I experience on the 5-year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log included in this solicitation.
- Describe availability to the project. Scoring consideration will be made on staff known to be assigned to other ITD and local agency projects.

**CRITERIA 4 – PROJECT TEAM SUCCESS
(Weight 3)**

- Describe why your proposed team is uniquely qualified to provide services for this project.
- How do you propose to use your team to ensure this project is completed efficiently and effectively?
- How do you propose to effectively manage the project so that it is closed out within 90 days of completion with full acceptance?

**CRITERIA 5 – SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE
(Weight 2)**

- Describe the Consultant's experience with AASHTOWare, ProjectWise, QASP, and D4 MSR Spreadsheet. Include what projects you have used them on as well as the roles and responsibilities you have had with this software. Be specific about who on your proposed team has experience and what experience they have.

5-Year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log

<i>Project Information</i>						<i>Assigned Staff</i>		
<i>Project Key Number</i>	<i>ITD Dist.</i>	<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Project Type*</i>	<i>Date Completed</i>	<i>Const. Amt.</i>	<i>Project Manager</i>	<i>Lead Inspector</i>	<i>Other</i>

*Project Type: i.e. Bridge or Roadway

SCOPE OF WORK

CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING, INSPECTION & TESTING (CEIS&T) SERVICES

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is soliciting CE&I services to augment District Four Design/Construct staff during the 2023-2025 construction seasons. The selected consultant will be expected to proactively represent ITD and effectively function as a member of the D4 Design/Construct team while providing the CE&I services required to assure timely completion and closeout of the project.

The scope of work is to provide CE&I services, including contract administration, inspection, materials sampling and testing, project office documentation, and project closeout under the general direction of the ITD Resident Engineer. This scope of services encompasses a list of specific project tasks that may be negotiated under an agreement, but is not a guarantee that any specific services will be required.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

I-84, Jerome IC to Twin Falls IC

This project reconstructs and widens I-84 from the Jerome IC to the Twin Falls IC. The eastbound and westbound will consist of three travel lanes, MSE Wall and bridge reconstruction.

Construction projects are as follows:

Key No. 23343, I-84, Jerome IC to Twin Falls IC

Construction is anticipated from March 2023 to October 2025.

PRIMARY TASKS

The minimum level of effort for this project is identified below. Some of the effort may be retained by ITD. Final level of effort and required tasks will be determined prior to scoping and negotiating an agreement with the selected consultant(s).

Construction Administration - Provide the qualified personnel necessary to administer the Plans, Special Provisions, and Specifications of the projects to ensure the projects are accepted by ITD. Administrator/Coordinator must hold applicable and current Professional Engineering licensure. The following sub-tasks represent a partial list of those activities necessary to administer the contract:

- Submittal Log & Minimum Testing Requirements (MTR's)
- Pre-construction Conference
- Filing & Records Verification
- Materials Certifications
- Progress Estimate Preparation

Contract Changes
Progress Meetings
Subcontracts & Certified Payroll Reviews
Change Orders
Contract Submittal Review
Monthly Invoicing
Claims
Project Closeout – Materials & DRI acceptance

Project Inspection – Inspection will be performed by qualified and certified inspection staff. Additionally, an experienced pre-cast inspector is required for all precast work. A spread sheet with qualifications and certifications will be prepared and maintained to ensure full compliance with ITD, WAQTC, and IQP requirements. Inspection will include the activities to measure and verify contractor work and verify survey submittals for contractor payments.

Materials Sampling & Testing – Provide materials sampling & testing services as required by ITD specifications and the Resident Engineer. All work shall be completed/submitted on ITD forms. Provide testing and sampling equipment. Materials sampling & testing will be performed by qualified and certified testing staff. All personnel performing this task shall be WAQTC and IQP qualified.

Record Drawings & Project Close-Out - Track changes and deviations from the plans and prepare the As-Built drawings. At the completion of each project, marked drawings will be submitted to the Resident Engineer for preparation of the record drawings. At project close-out, all records will be finalized and quantity calculations verified. A final package of records will be submitted to the D4 Materials Engineer for review and acceptance no later 120 days following the last day charged to the project. Upon acceptance, the Consultant will be readily available to assist District Records Inspector (DRI) in final reconciliation of project records.

KEY UNDERSTANDINGS

It is required that each Consultant personnel assigned to the project be furnished with a vehicle, lap top computer, digital camera and cellular phone by Consultant and all work will be under the supervision of the Resident Engineer or their assigned representative.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

The scope of work for these projects will run in accordance with the contractor's construction schedule. It is anticipated that the Consultant will be engaged in CE&I services, as deemed necessary on each project, from the date of the Agreement NTP through closeout.