

FORM RFQ-C

Proposer's Question Request

Project Name: Bundle 414 US 395: McKay Cr. – Silvies Slough (MSS) DB Project Key Number: 14610

| | RFQ Section No. or Appendix | Question | Reserved for Agency Response |
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| 1 | Letter of Interest | From what I find in the RFQ Special Provisions, the mandatory letter of interest must be submitted in accordance with RFQ 1.6. I do not find any form for this, so is it just a brief letter that states we are interested, is that correct? Presumably this could be just a paragraph or two on our company letterhead? | A firm may submit their interest in a Design-Build project and state their intent to submitting a SOQ as prescribed in RFQ Subsection 1.6. through the means of official letter, e-mail or fax. |
| 2 | Reference Documents Also | <p>During the Industry Open House for this project there was an indication that ODOT would release concept drawings for this project prior to the Statement of Qualifications due date to help facilitate the proposers' project understanding and to obtain early feedback. We have not been able to find any concept plans among the documents released as of August 20th. We are interested in reviewing the concept plans as early in the acquisition process as possible and are still interested in developing a comprehensive project understanding prior to submitting the SOQ. When will the concept plans be available? If they are already available, please let us know how to obtain the files.</p> <p>During the Industry Open House for this project there was an indication ODOT would release the concept drawings for this project early to obtain feedback. I could not find in the early release reference documents drawing developed to the level of detail that were presented at the Industry Open House. Not sure if I need to submit this inquiry per SP 2.2 but our team is most anxious to perform further review of the concept documents and so was interested in knowing if the designs will be released this week or, if they are already out there, what is the link?</p> | <p>The Agency has developed a disclaimer specifying the reliability and use of preliminary technical/conceptual design data prior to and after active procurement phases.</p> <p>Preliminary technical/conceptual design data is now available on the Agency's Design-Build web site. http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/OPD/DBprocurement.shtml</p> <p>After RFQ release, all questions must be submitted through the formal question and answer process outlined in RFQ SP Subsection 2.2.</p> <p>The disclaimer mentioned above is included with the information on the referenced website</p> |
| 3 | RFQ 1.5.1 | Since the submittal of a Letter of Interest is mandatory, when will the interested parties be informed of the identities of teams that have submitted a Letter of Interest? | The Agency will publish a list of firms that submitted Letters of Interest and are eligible to submit SOQ's on the Design- |

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| | | | Build website the day after the Letter of Interest deadline. |
| 4 | RFQ 1.5.1 | In the event that ODOT receives three or fewer Letters of Interest, each from a previously-qualified firm, will ODOT shortcut the SOQ process by immediately shortlisting the previously qualified firms? Since the SOQ process is only a qualifying exercise and bears no weight on the RFP Best-Value selection process, we would think that previously qualified proposers would be amenable to streamlining this part of the acquisition process. | The Agency does not have a process in place to "pre-qualify" Proposers for Design-Build projects and will follow the formalized evaluation and qualification process outlined in the RFQ, without deviation. |
| 5 | RFQ 3.4.5 (2) | Form S, Safety Questionnaire, is a multi-page form that also requires attached examples. At minimum, the form takes up 5 pages of the 52 page limit. The RFQ asks that this form be submitted for each Principal Participant and Construction Major Subcontractor. For some teams, this means submitting multiple versions of the form, which could take up a significant portion of the allotted pages. Would ODOT consider not including Form S in the page limit? | Form S is included in the total page count as prescribed in RFQ Subsection 3.3. |
| 6 | RFQ 1.6 | Do contractors need to be prequalified as an ODOT contractor? If so, at what phase must they be prequalified (i.e. prior to Letter of interest, SOQ, RFP, etc)? | No, contractors do not need to be pre-qualified. For Design-Build projects the Agency uses the SOQ evaluation process, outlined in the RFQ, to qualify design-builders. |
| 7 | | Does ODOT have a dollar volume prequalification amount (i.e. eligible to bid up to \$5m, or \$10m) assessed to contractors, or is it simply a function of bonding capacity? In ODOT's prequalified contractors list, it appears that contractors qualify on different work classifications but not project size. | For Design-Build projects the Agency does not pre-qualify. One of the selection criteria for the Design-Builder eligibility is bonding capacity. (See Subsection 1.5.4 and 3.4.3) The Agency's prequalification list only applies to construction contracts and is not applicable to this process because Design-Build requires design and construction services. |
| 8 | SP3.4.4 | On past ODOT DB procurements the determination was made that if a current project is >50% complete, based on contract value, the proposer could include the project in their experience. Is this still the current position of the Agency? | Yes, the proposer may include projects >50% complete for project experience. As long as the actual percentage of completion is provided. |

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| 9 | SP3.4.4 (b)(5)b | Does this requirement mean how many years the Key Person has with his/her current firm? Or do you want to see a chronological list of employment? What do you mean, "... preferably with Principal Participant?" | <p>Focus on history of employment in reverse chronological order (most recent first) and experience as it relates to the proposed key personnel's position. Years with current firm or Principal Participant must be identified by the proposer. See definition for Principal Participant in Subsection 1.2.</p> <p>Addendum 1 will change SP 3.4.4(b)(5)b. to reflect the language used in this response.</p> |
| 10 | 3.4.5(b) (1) | The requirement states, "Using Form PP-1 (Appendix A)..." What is Appendix A referencing? | <p>In older versions of the RFQ, forms were located in Appendix A. Disregard references to Appendix A in Subsections 3.4.5(b)(1) ; 2.2 ; and 3.4.</p> <p>Removal of "Appendix A" from RFQ documents will be addressed in Addendum 1.</p> |
| 11 | Form S | Question #9 on Form S requests information "For Proposer only". Does this criteria for "Proposer only" apply to Work Zone Safety? | <p>Yes "Proposer only" applies to Work Zone Safety.</p> |
| 12 | Forms | To what extent can the forms be modified? | <p>Per Section 3.4, any material modification to the forms may result in the SOQ being declared non-responsive. You may expand lines and box space to input, view, and receive all requested information.</p> |
| 13 | Reference Documents | On Friday, August 24 th , ODOT issued an email stating that new documents and technical data pertaining to the RFQ & SOQ phase of the Bundle 414 project procurement are now available on ODOT's procurement website. A lot of discussion has occurred about releasing ODOT's preliminary concept plans during the SOQ phase to help proposers develop a good project understanding, which is a key evaluation category in the SOQ scoring, but no concept plans for any of | <p>Preliminary technical data has been made available through Agency's Design-Build website (link/path provided in our response to question #2) including survey and base map data; draft utility report and maps; geotechnical reports; fluvial reports; environmental tech memo; Level</p> |

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| | | the project sites have yet been posted. Will ODOT make the concept plans available during the SOQ phase? If so, when can proposers expect these documents to be posted? | 1 PCA; and draft constraints maps. Some conceptual design information is considered reference data including stormwater tech memos and conceptual design plans. Additional and revised data will continue to be posted as it becomes available. Preliminary conceptual plans can be accessed through folders "Bundle 414 - Region 5 - Preliminary Technical Data" and "Bundle 414 - Region 5 - Reference documents" through the referenced agency web site. |
| 14 | PCA Documents | The Level 1 PCAs posted on the ODOT procurement site identify several environmental, historical, archaeological and permitting documents that will be developed and submitted to the permitting agencies with the Level 3 PCAs. These documents include such things as Section 106 and Section 4(f) FOE, wetland determination reports, wetland delineation concurrences, fluvial reports, restoration plans, county land use permits, etc. Will the Design-Builder be responsible to complete the Level 3 PCAs? Will the Design-Builder be responsible to complete the aforementioned environmental, historical, archaeological and permitting documents? This question is intended to clarify the nature and extent of professional expertise that the Design-Builder should include in its design and construction teams. | Agency will complete Level 3 PCA's and submit permits for conceptual design to the regulatory agencies. Any variances to these permits and additional permits that may be necessary to support Design-Builder's proposed solutions will be the Design-Builder's responsibility. |
| 15 | 1.10 (a) | During the various phases of the Project, the Agency is responsible for the following activities: (a) Obtaining the appropriate environmental clearances except those specifically assigned to the Design-Builder; Question: During the Open House, a list of expected permits to be provided by ODOT was available. Can we presume that this list is still current, are there any updates to that list, and will these be included in the RFP when it comes out? | Yes, the list is still current. A list and copies of the submitted permits will be included in the RFP. |
| 16 | 1.9 (a) | The Design-Builder shall be responsible for furnishing all labor, material, plant, equipment, services and support facilities for the | Yes. The intent is for the Design-Builder to include cost of reimbursable utility |

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| | | <p>following (this list is not intended to be all-inclusive):</p> <p>(a) Design and construction of all Project components, including utility relocations.</p> <p>Question: Normally actual utility relocation work is performed by the appropriate utility. Is the intent of this statement to get the Design-Builder to include the cost of this work in their proposal, or to actually do the work themselves, or both?</p> <p>i.e. utility physically does the work, but Design Builder pays for it</p> | <p>relocation work in their price proposals.</p> |
| 17 | 3.4.7 (b) (3) | <p>Briefly describe how the Proposer will manage construction activity to be compatible with Agency provide corridor and mobility requirements... please provide where to find the Agency's corridor and mobility requirements?</p> | <p>The requirements will be included in the RFP.</p> |
| 18 | 1.10 (g) | <p>During the various phases of the Project, the Agency is responsible for the following activities:</p> <p>(g) Land acquisition for rights-of-way and easements except for those specifically assigned to the Design-Builder;</p> <p>Question: What are the specifically assigned land acquisitions for right-of-ways and easements that will be the Design-Builder's responsibility?</p> | <p>The Agency will acquire all Right-of-Way (ROW) for this Project, which will be identified in the RFP engineering data.</p> |
| 19 | 3.3 (Pg 16) | <p>The SOQ shall be limited to no more than 52 pages in Sections 1 through 7 of the SOQ, including required forms, but exclusive of dividers, appendices, and Form COI submittals.</p> <p>Question: No matter how many Form COI submittals are included in proposal, they will not be included in the page count, correct?</p> <p>Question: Will all resumes be included in the page count?</p> | <p>Yes, the Form COI is a multiple page form and is excluded from the page count.</p> <p>Yes, resumes are a single page and will be counted.</p> |
| 20 | 3.4.4 (b) (1) | <p>QUESTION:</p> <p>Using Form E-1 Past Project Description, provide no more than ten(10) past project descriptions, with a minimum of two (2) past projects per each Principal Participant, and the Designer, and additional past project descriptions from the Project Quality Manager, , highlighting experience in the last five years....” Are you looking for the personal experience of the individuals filling these key roles, or are you looking for the experience of the employers of these individuals? What about the Project Quality Manager – individual or firm?</p> | <p>Design-Builder teams may be composed of a wide variety of Entities. For the Principal Participant(s) and Designer we are primarily looking for company or firm experience. (Review Subsection 1.2 Definitions for Principal Participant, Designer, and Entity.) Project Quality Manager past project experience should be based on the firm's history.</p> |

Use additional sheets as necessary.