

Legal Notice

The Mississippi Department of Transportation proposes to execute a Master Contract(s) with firms for the purpose of providing Wetlands, Waters of the US, and Threatened & Endangered Species Assessment Services, Statewide. This includes gathering data on Wetlands, Waters, and Threatened & Endangered Species, conduct the field assessments, prepare reports, assessments, applications and any other related activities, assist MDOT with any coordination meetings related to the above activities, and assist MDOT in establishing any mitigation banks/service areas by providing the necessary documentation such as prospectus, banking instrument, and any other related activities. The Master Contract will utilize Cost plus Fixed Fee, Labor Hour/Unit Price, or Firm Fixed Price Work Assignments. The terms of a Master Contract for a selected consultant will not exceed 3 years with an estimated maximum contract amount of up to (1) million dollars. Selected consultants may be assigned Work Assignments throughout the Master Contract term. Work Assignments will be assigned based on MDOT's standard operating procedures.

Consulting firms interested in providing these services may so indicate by furnishing the Department **seven (7) copies** of the following:

1. A cover letter specifying the name and complete description of the project, the name of the project manager, the location and address of the managing office, and the location and address of the office(s) that may be assigned the work;
2. A resume for each principal member, the project manager, and employee(s) of the firm anticipated to be assigned to the project. Also, provide a team organizational chart and list each person's experience and qualifications, including proof that the Project Manager has a degree in biological or natural resource sciences or licensed as a Mississippi Professional Engineer. The team organizational chart shall include each individual's name, job description (for the project), and company of employment.
3. A description of similar type work completed during the past five (5) years which qualifies the consultant and any subconsultants for this work;
4. Part II of Standard Form (SF) 330, Architect-Engineer Qualifications. This Form can be obtained at http://www.gomdot.com/Divisions/AdministrativeServices/Resources/Forms/pdf/MDOT_sf330_Part2.pdf. Interested firms without internet access may obtain this information by contacting Scot Ehrigott at (601)359-7536; and,
5. A response containing the information upon which the consultant will be evaluated (see below).

The Department will evaluate the Expressions of Interest based on the following factors listed in their relative order of importance: Experience, performance, and qualifications of the team's staff; Past performance of the consultant (and any subconsultants) on similar projects with MDOT and/or other clients; Experience, performance, and qualifications of the proposed Project Manager; Consultant's (and subconsultant's) past performance and experience in achieving agreed project delivery schedules and mitigating project delays; and Quality of Proposal.

To be considered, the "Expression of Interest" proposal must respond to all requirements of this legal ad and any addenda. The recommended proposal length should not exceed twenty five (25) pages, exclusive of appendices. The resumes, SF-330 Part II, and other information not relevant to the requirements should be included in the appendices. The Consultant's cover letter, table of contents, summaries and introductions, team organizational chart, past performances, & responses to the evaluation criteria should be included in the 25 pages. Pages should be numbered, single-spaced, one-sided, 8.5" by 11" with margins of at least one inch on all four sides. No more than five pages may be 11" by 17", but they may count as two sheets each against the recommended 25 page maximum. Information within the recommended 25 page limit of the proposal should be complete and sufficient in scope for the selection committee to evaluate the Consultant. Also, all text information in recommended 25 page limit should be shown in a readable font, size 12 points or larger. Section dividers, tabs, or similar means are

recommended but are not counted as part of the recommended 25 page limit. These recommendations will be considered when evaluating the quality of proposal.

DBE goals may be applied to Work Assignments at MDOT's discretion. In the event that a DBE goal is required on an individual work assignment, MDOT approval of the DBE sub consultant(s) will be required.

The MDOT reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals and/or to discontinue contract execution with any party at any time prior to final contract execution.

All questions related to this solicitation shall be e-mailed to the addressee below:

Scot Ehrgott, P.E.,
MDOT Director of Consultant Services
e-mailed to sehrgott@mdot.state.ms.us
and copy srone@mdot.state.ms.us

Only written requests e-mailed to the above addressee will be considered. No requests for additional information or clarification to any other MDOT office, consultant, or employee will be considered. All responses and addenda will be in writing and will be posted to the MDOT website (<http://www.gomdot.com/Divisions/AdministrativeServices/Resources/LegalAds/Home.aspx>) no later than 7 days prior to the submittal deadline. The submission deadline for questions will be 10 days prior to the submittal deadline. Consultants shall be solely responsible for checking the website for updates. The MDOT will not be responsible for any oral exchange or any exchange of information that occurs outside the official process specified herein.

To be considered, all replies must be received by 5:00 p.m., Central Time, Friday, March 2, 2012, in the Office of the Director of Consultant Services, Scot Ehrgott, Mail Code 90-01, Mississippi Department of Transportation Building, 401 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201.

This Legal Notice will appear in the Clarion Ledger on February 1st and 8th, 2012.

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