

Legal Notice

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) intends to employ a consulting firm to furnish and perform professional services utilizing a Cost plus Fixed Fee, Labor Hour/Unit Price or Lump Sum/Firm Fixed Price contract for the Pavement Condition Survey of the state-maintained highway system and of HPMS sample routes off the state-maintained system, as well as roughness data collection on the National Highway System (NHS), Project No. SPR-1(65)/106460-126000, Statewide. This approximate four-year contract includes the following:

1. Year One (approximate) - Off-year Mean Roughness Index (MRI)-only data collection for routes on the NHS and newly added HPMS samples.
2. Year Two (approximate) - The Year Two survey will include collection of condition, GPS, curve and grade data collected and coded using the newest HPMS field manual specifications, friction data, and perspective and pavement/downward digital pavement images. The contract will also provide for the automated post-processing, distress quantification and reporting on 100% of the rightmost through lane on asphalt pavements and visual post-processing, distress quantification and reporting on 100% of the rightmost through lane of concrete pavements. All condition and distress data will be used to produce the statewide distress analysis and condition rating calculations. The contractor will provide a web-based viewer and thumbnail images for this web-based viewer for the survey. The contractor will provide full-size images for viewing distresses and quality assurance by MDOT, as well as any distress rating/viewing software. The condition/distress data collection and analysis will be performed on (a) routes on the state-maintained highway system, (b) HPMS sample road sections off the state-maintained highway system, and (c) any NHS routes off the state-maintained system. Friction data will be collected and reported on the state-maintained system. Year Two will also include provision of a computer workstation, software, training on any software, and data storage space sufficient for all four years of survey and image data for Jackson and District personnel.
3. Year Three (approximate) - Off-year Mean Roughness Index (MRI)-only data collection for routes on the NHS and newly added HPMS samples.
4. Year Four (approximate) - The Year Four survey will include the same tasks as Year Two, minus the provision of the workstation, software (unless updates are needed), storage space (unless more space is needed for Year Four) and training.

Consulting firms interested in providing these services may so indicate by furnishing the Department **seven (7) copies** of an Expression of Interest which should consist of the following:

1. A cover letter specifying the name and complete description of the project, the name of the project manager, and the location and address of the managing office;
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. The team organizational chart should 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 for this work, the cost and scheduled completion (or actual completion) of this work performed by the firm;

4. A description of the technology used to collect each type of data: preferably line lasers for roughness data, and moving toward 3D automated technology for cracking, rutting, and faulting detection and measurement;
5. A description of the detection, processing and viewing capability and licensing: preferably a web-based viewer for ease of statewide viewing of pavements and distresses and ease of quality assurance for pavement management personnel;
6. 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; Consultant's (and any subconsultant's) in-house capabilities and available staff; Consultant's (and any subconsultant's) knowledge of the project; Experience, performance, and qualifications of the proposed Project Manager; 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 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 the recommended 25 page limit should be shown in a readable font, size 12 points or larger. Headers, charts, and other graphics may be provided in a different font type and size providing they are legible. 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.

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

The MDOT reserves the right to obtain references from any source listed in the PROPOSAL and any other source deemed appropriate for any of the requirements/criteria listed in this legal notice.

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

Scot Ehr Gott, P.E.,
MDOT Director of Consultant Services
e-mailed to sehr gott@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://sp.gomdot.com/Consulting%20Services/Pages/LegalAdvertisements.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.

MDOT reserves the right to select one (1) consultant or select a short list of consultants from whom more information will be required.

The DBE goal is 0%.

To be considered, all replies must be received by 5:00 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, December 13, 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 November 7th and 14th, 2012.

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