



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 32701-03182
AMENDMENT # 1
FOR JACKSON FLOOD CONTROL CONSULTATION
SERVICES**

DATE: 9/8/2017

RFP # 32701-03182 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

EVENT		TIME (Central Time Zone)	DATE (all dates are State business days)
1.	RFQ Issued		August 21, 2017
2.	Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	August 24, 2017
3.	Pre-Response Conference	10:00 a.m.	August 29, 2017
4.	Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	August 30, 2017
5.	Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	September 5, 2017
6.	State response to written "Questions & Comments"		September 8, 2017
7.	RFQ Technical Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	September 15, 2017
8.	State Notice of Qualified Respondent(s) Released		September 21, 2017
9.	RFQ Cost Proposal Deadline (ONLY for Qualified Respondents)	2:00 p.m.	September 28, 2017
10.	State Notice of Intent to Award Released and RFQ Files Opened for Public Inspection		October 3, 2017
11.	End of Open File Period		October 9, 2017
12.	State sends contract to Contractor for signature		October 10, 2017
13.	Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	October 13, 2017

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

QUESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
1 Section 3.1.4 of the RFQ deals with the Cost Proposal, for Qualified Respondents only. Section 3.1.4.1 states that this section only applies to those respondents identified as being Qualified. Reference is made to "State	The schedule of events has been revised to include "State Notice of Qualified Respondent(s) Released." The schedule has also been revised to include "RFQ Cost Proposal Deadline (ONLY for Qualified Respondents). The State will not solicit Cost

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<p>Notice of Qualified Respondents Released” on the RFQ Schedule of Events. However, that event is not listed on the Schedule of Events within this RFQ. It is our understanding that despite the language of Section 3.1.4.1, the sealed cost proposal is to be submitted at the same time as the Technical Response submittal, and will only be opened for the highest qualified respondent. Is that correct?</p>	<p>Proposals with the technical responses. After evaluation of the Technical Responses, the State will request a Cost Proposal from the most qualified respondent ONLY. At that time, the State will enter into direct negotiation with the most qualified respondent.</p>
<p>2 Section 5.4.2.1 references “responsive respondents within the competitive range” regarding cost negotiations. What is the competitive range, and how is this determined if all cost proposals are sealed except for the most qualified respondent? Will there be an opportunity for the most qualified firm (whose cost proposal is opened) to negotiate before the selection committee opens the second most qualified firm’s cost proposal and so on per TCA 12-4-107(a)(3)?</p>	<p>The “competitive range” for this solicitation is on the basis of the Technical Response. The competitive range which would constitute cost negotiations for this solicitation is ONLY the highest evaluated Respondent.</p>
<p>3 Task A within the project scope (<i>Concept Development and Environmental Review</i>) mentions that the task will be considered complete when the Contractor delivers to the State a minimum of one conceptual layout drawing per identified location and a narrative description of the project concept, including an outline of environmental permitting needs. By “identified location”, are you referring only to the (maximum of) ten storm water management structures located in key sediment producing areas of Jackson? Or, will concept layout drawings and narratives need to also be produced for the proposed flood-reduction measures along Cane Creek in the Bemis community, as well as the proposed greenway, in order for Task A to be deemed completed?</p>	<p>Task A will include up to (10) storm water management areas and the Greenway from Jackson to Bemis which is a linear project and will include drainage improvements along its length.</p>
<p>4 Task C within the project scope (Design Development) mentions that the State</p>	<p>The State objective is that each project have</p>

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<p>will host one coordination meeting to verify proposed designs at 70% completion. Will it be possible to hold one single meeting as coordination for the ten proposed storm water management structures, and then separate meetings for the Bemis community improvements and the greenway? Or, would it be possible to hold a single coordination meeting to cover all three of the project components at the same sitting?</p>	<p>a coordination meeting to verify proposed designs. If this can be arranged to happen at one extended meeting instead of separate meetings then that will be acceptable. If circumstances do not allow a single combined meeting the consultant should be prepared to attend more than one.</p>
<p>5 Is current geotechnical information available for the ten locations identified in the RFQ, or will a geotechnical evaluation need to be included as part of the requirements of Task C (<i>Design Development</i>)?</p>	<p>Geotechnical evaluations have not been completed. The consultant should include any and all information gathering that will be necessary to provide an engineer stamped design.</p>
<p>6 Task E within the project scope (<i>Construction Solicitation</i>) mentions that individual construction sites may be aggregated into larger construction contracts. Does the State have an estimate of how many separate construction contracts may be awarded for this construction work, or how the individual sites will be aggregated? Having an approximate estimation of the site aggregation will allow for better approximation of construction inspection and pre-construction meeting frequencies.</p>	<p>The aggregation was mentioned in regard to bid purposes and should not have a bearing on the volume of actual construction. The maximum probably extent is (10) stormwater management sites and the greenway extending from south Jackson along Cane Creek. The number of individual contracts awarded for the construction work will depend on how fast designs are completed. The State would prefer to minimize the total number of separate contracts where possible.</p>
<p>7 Will as-built surveys/drawings be required as part of Task G (<i>Project Closeout</i>)?</p>	<p>Yes. The consultant shall include as-built surveys for each completed storm water management area and the greenway.</p>
<p>8 The project description within the RFQ mentions that three storm water management structures are already constructed with the Sandy Creek watershed. Is that correct, and if so, are you able to provide information regarding the location of these installed features?</p>	<p>An example storm water management structure was completed in the Sandy Creek watershed to the west of Muse Park and south of North Parkway Blvd. This area incorporates several features that are relevant to this proposal.</p>
<p>9 The proposed storm water management structures will result in impoundments</p>	<p>Assessment of multiple areas during pre-planning did not identify any conflicts with</p>

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<p>along stream features. If any of these streams are determined to be jurisdictional features, permitting requirements may include the need to provide compensatory mitigation to offset stream impacts. Have mitigation requirements been evaluated for these structures? Will the State or the Contractor be responsible for identifying, coordination, and designing the required mitigation as part of the scope of this project?</p>	<p>jurisdictional streams or wetlands. Required compensatory mitigation will be identified and quantified by the consultant as projects move through the permitting stage. Compensatory mitigation design will not be the responsibility of the consultant under this proposal. Any required mitigation design will be considered as additional services or will be completed by the WTRBA.</p>
<p>10 Where proposed storm water management structures coincide with FEMA floodplains, the proposed improvements will likely need to be coordinated with the local floodplain administrator and/or FEMA. In these locations, if the improvements will alter the effective delineations and a Letter of Map Change is therefore required, will the contractor be responsible for preparing the necessary modeling and documentation, and obtaining approval from the local floodplain administrator and/or FEMA, in order to complete Task C (<i>Design Development</i>)?</p>	<p>Yes. Hydraulic modeling and activities associated with maintaining community compliance with FEMA regulations will be required in areas where established FEMA models exist.</p>
<p>11 What types of information will be made available to the contractor as part of the “pre-planning data”, per Section A.3.a of the RFQ? Plans, reports, models, surveys, etc.?</p>	<p>Any and all maps, drawings, notes, pictures, or data collected by the WTRBA or its representatives. All current information is conceptual and will not supplement physical surveys or assessments such as geotechnical analysis. This pre-planning information should be viewed as insight into the goals of each project and as a head-start on completing the concept development phase.</p>

3. Add the following as RFP section 5.3 and renumber any subsequent sections as necessary:

Cost Proposals: If included as part of this solicitation then only Qualified Respondents, that are responsive and responsible and in the competitive range, will continue onto Part Two, Cost Proposal evaluation. The Cost Proposal containing the lowest cost will receive the maximum number of points per each section. See RFQ Attachment D, Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide.

4. RFP Amendment Effective Date. The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.