



Advertise Date: **Tuesday, January 28, 2025**

**Lee County Board of County Commissioners  
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT**

**Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN) Request for Proposal**

Solicitation No.:	<b>CN240528BJB</b>		
Solicitation Name:	<b>Able Canal Pathway CEI &amp; Grant Compliance Services</b>		
Open Date/Time:	<b>Friday, February 28, 2025</b>	Time:	<b>2:30 PM</b>
Location:	Lee County Procurement Management 2115 Second Street, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Fort Myers, FL 33901		
Procurement Contact:	<b>Brian Boehs</b>	Procurement Analyst	
Phone:	<b>(239) 533-8887</b>	Email:	<b><a href="mailto:bboehs@leegov.com">bboehs@leegov.com</a></b>
Requesting Dept.	<b>Facilities Construction &amp; Management</b>		

**Pre-Solicitation Meeting:**

Type:	No meeting scheduled at this time
Date/Time:	N/A
Location:	N/A

All solicitation documents are available for download at  
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**FUNDED IN PART OR IN WHOLE BY:  
The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)  
FDOT Project #: 435351-2-68-01**

Advertise Date: **Tuesday, January 28, 2025****Notice to Contractor / Vendor / Proposer(s)****REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN)**

Lee County, Florida, is requesting proposals from qualified individuals/firms for

**CN240528BJB Able Canal Pathway CEI & Grant Compliance Services**

Then and there to be publicly opened and read aloud for the purpose of selecting a vendor to furnish; all necessary labor, services, materials, equipment, tools, consumables, transportation, skills and incidentals required for Lee County, Florida, in conformance with proposal documents, which include technical specifications and/or a scope of work.

Those individuals/firms interested in being considered are instructed to submit, in accordance with specifications, their proposals, pertinent to this project prior to **2:30 PM Friday, February 28, 2025** to the office of the **Procurement Management Director, 2115 Second Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fort Myers, Florida 33901**. The Request for Proposal shall be received in a sealed envelope, prior to the time scheduled to receive proposals, and shall be clearly marked with the solicitation name, solicitation number, Proposer name, and contact information as identified in these solicitation documents.

The solicitation documents are available from [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement). Documents obtained from sources other than [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement) are cautioned that the solicitation package may be incomplete. The County's official Proposer list, addendum(s) and information must be obtained from [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement). It is the Proposer's responsibility to check for posted information. The County may not accept incomplete proposals.

*The County is seeking a **VENDOR** to provide construction engineering inspection & grant compliance services for Able Canal Pathway.*

*This project is funded in part or in whole by: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) as a Local Agency Program (LAP) project. FDOT Project #: 435351-2-68-01*

*This project requires that the awarded Consultant be FDOT Pre-Qualified under the following work types with a level of qualification as 10.1: Roadway CEI, 10.3: Construction Materials Inspection, Work 10.4: Minor Bridge and Miscellaneous Structures CEI. Further details regarding qualifications may be found within the project solicitation package. Consultant(s) that do not meet this qualification shall not be considered for award of this project.*

**No Pre-proposal Conference is scheduled at this time**

It has been determined that the specifications and scope of work within this solicitation are adequate to describe the product or services being requested. A pre-proposal conference and site visit has not been scheduled for this solicitation. Questions regarding this Request for Proposal are to be directed, in writing, to the individual listed below using the email address listed below or faxed to (239) 485 8383 during normal working hours.

Brian Boehs, [bboehs@LeeGov.com](mailto:bboehs@LeeGov.com)

Sincerely,

Robin Dennard, CPPB  
Procurement Manager

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## Terms and Conditions Request for Proposal Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CN)

### 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. **Addendum/Addenda:** A written change, addition, alteration, correction or revision to a bid, proposal or contract agreement. Addendum/Addenda may be issued following a pre-bid/pre-proposal conference or as a result of a specification or work scope change to the solicitation.
- 1.2. **Approved Alternate:** Solicitation documents may make reference of specific manufacturer(s) or product(s). These references serve only as a recommendation and a guide to minimum quality and performance. The references are not intended to exclude approved alternatives of other manufacturer(s) or product(s).
- 1.3. **Bid/Proposal Package:** A bid/proposal is a document submitted by a vendor in response to some type of solicitation to be used as a basis for negotiations or for entering into a contract.
- 1.4. **Bidder/Responder/Proposer:** One who submits a response to a solicitation.
- 1.5. **County:** Refers to Lee County Board of County Commissioners.
- 1.6. **Due Date and Time/Opening:** Is defined as the date and time upon which a bid or proposal shall be submitted to the Lee County Procurement Management Division. Only bids or proposals received prior to the established date and time will be considered.
- 1.7. **Liquidated Damages:** Damages paid usually in the form of monetary payment, agreed by the parties to a contract which are due and payable as damages by the party who breaches all or part of the contract. May be applied on a daily basis for as long as the breach is in effect.
- 1.8. **Procurement Management:** shall mean the Director of Lee County's Procurement Management Department or designee.
- 1.9. **Responsible:** A vendor, business entity or individual who is fully capable to meet all of the requirements of the bid/proposal solicitation documents and subsequent contract. Must possess the full capability including financial and technical, to perform as contractually required. Must be able to fully document the ability to provide good faith performance.
- 1.10. **Responsive:** A vendor, business entity or individual who has submitted a bid or request for proposal that fully conforms in all material respects to the bid/proposal solicitation documents and all of its requirements, including all form and substance.
- 1.11. **Solicitation:** An invitation to bid, a request for proposal, invitation to negotiate or any document used to obtain bids or proposals for the purpose of entering into a contract.

### 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

- 2.1. If a conflict exists between the "Terms and Conditions" the following order of precedents will apply:
  - 2.1.1. Florida Statute , Chapter 287.055 Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), (CN).
  - 2.1.2. Lee County Procurement Management Department Ordinance 22-06 & 23-21
  - 2.1.3. Special Conditions and Supplemental Instructions
  - 2.1.4. Detailed Scope of Work
  - 2.1.5. These Terms and Conditions

### 3. RULES, REGULATIONS, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND LICENSES

- 3.1. It shall be the responsibility of the Proposer to assure compliance with all other federal, state, or county codes, rules, regulations or other requirements, as each may apply. Any involvement with the Lee County shall be in accordance with but not limited to:
  - 3.1.1. Lee County Procurement Policy Ordinance 22-06 & 23-21
  - 3.1.2. Florida State Statute 287.055: Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), (CN)
  - 3.1.3. Pursuant to FL § Section 119.071, Public Records, General exemptions from inspection or copying of public records, sealed bids or proposals received by the County. Pursuant to this, solicitation are exempt from public records request (s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I, of the Florida Constitution) until such time as the agency provides notice of a decision or intended decision (pursuant to s. 119.071(2)) or within 30 days after bid or proposal opening, whichever is earlier.
  - 3.1.4. Florida Statute 337.168 Confidentiality of official estimates, identities of potential bidders, and bid analysis and monitoring.

- 3.1.5. FL § Section 607.1501(1) states: A foreign corporation may not transact business in the State of Florida until it obtains a certificate of authority from the Department of State.
- 3.2. **Local Business Tax:** If applicable, provide with proposal.
- 3.3. **License(s):** Proposer should provide, at the time of the opening of the proposal, all necessary permits and/or licenses required for this product and/or service.
4. RFP – PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL
  - 4.1. Proposals must be sealed in an envelope, and the outside of the envelope must be affixed with the label included in the forms section.
  - 4.2. **Submission Format:**
    - 4.2.1. Required Forms: complete and return **all** required forms. If the form is not applicable, please return with “Not Applicable” or “N/A” in large letters across the form.
    - 4.2.2. Execution of Proposal: All documents must be properly signed by corporate authorized representative, and where applicable witnessed and corporate and/or notary seals affixed. All proposals shall be typed or printed in ink. The Proposer may not use erasable ink. All corrections made to the proposal shall be initialed.
    - 4.2.3. Should not contain links to other Web pages.
  - 4.3. **Preparation Cost:**
    - 4.3.1. The Proposer is solely responsible for any and all costs associated with responding to this solicitation. No reimbursement will be made for any costs associated with the preparation and submittal of any proposal, or for any travel and per diem costs that are incurred by any Proposer, as a result of this solicitation and subsequent evaluation process.
5. RESPONSES RECEIVED LATE
  - 5.1. It shall be the Proposer’s sole responsibility to deliver the proposal submission to the Lee County Procurement Management Division prior to or on the time and date stated.
  - 5.2. Any proposals received after the stated time and date will not be considered. The proposal shall not be opened at the public opening. Arrangements may be made for the unopened proposal to be returned at the Proposer’s request and expense.
  - 5.3. The Lee County Procurement Management Division shall not be responsible for delays caused by the method of delivery such as, but not limited to; Internet, United States Postal Service, overnight express mail service(s), or delays caused by any other occurrence.
6. PROPOSER REQUIREMENTS (unless otherwise noted)
  - 6.1. **Responsive and Responsible:** Only proposals received from responsive and responsible Proposers will be considered. The County reserves the right before recommending any award to inspect the facilities and organization; or to take any other necessary action, such as background checks, to determine ability to perform is satisfactory, and reserves the right to reject submission packages where evidence submitted or investigation and evaluation indicates an inability for the Proposer to perform.
    - 6.1.1. Additional sources may be utilized to determine credit worthiness and ability to perform.
    - 6.1.2. Any Proposer or sub-Proposer that will have access to County facilities or property may be required to be screened to a level that may include, but is not limited to fingerprints, statewide criminal. There may be fees associated with these procedures. These costs are the responsibility of the Proposer or sub-Proposer.
    - 6.1.3. Proposers are responsible for ensuring that any required background screening are conducted in accordance with Chapter 435. Proposers shall be aware, understand, and ensure compliance with the statutory requirements regarding background checks. FL Statutes Chapter 435 governs required background screenings for any employees, contractors, subcontractors, or agents of the Proposer who will have contact with any vulnerable person, as defined by statute, or who otherwise are required to undergo a Level 1 or Level 2 background screening in accordance with Florida law. Such requirements shall flow down to sub-contractors/consultants of the prime Proposer and prime Proposer shall ensure compliance with Chapter 435 of such parties.
      - 6.1.3.1. Documentation of such completed background screenings must be maintained for a period of no less than five (5) years and are subject to audit by Lee County at any time during such five (5) year period.

- 6.2. **Past Performance:** All vendors will be evaluated on their past performance and prior dealings with Lee County (i.e., failure to meet specifications, poor workmanship, late delivery, etc.) Poor or unacceptable past performance may result in Proposer disqualification.
  - 6.3. **Prohibition Against Considering Social, Political Or Ideological Interests in Government Contracting – F.S. 287.05701:** Bidders are hereby notified of the provisions of section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, as amended, that the County will not request documentation of or consider a Bidder's social, political, or ideological interests when determining if the Bidder is a responsible Bidder. Bidders are further notified that the County's governing body may not give preference to a Bidder based on the Bidder's social, political, or ideological interests.
7. **PRE-SOLICITATION CONFERENCE**
- 7.1. A pre-solicitation conference will be held in the location, date, and time specified on the cover of this solicitation. The cover will also note if the pre-solicitation conference is Non-Mandatory or Mandatory. All questions and answers are considered informal. All prospective Proposers are encouraged to obtain and review the solicitation documents prior to the pre-proposal so they may be prepared to discuss any questions or concerns they have concerning this project. All questions must be submitted formally in writing to the procurement staff noted on the first page of the solicitation document. A formal response will be provided in the form of an addendum (see "County Interpretation/Addendums" for additional information.) A site visit may follow the pre-proposal conference, if applicable.
  - 7.2. **Non-Mandatory:** Pre-solicitation conferences are generally non-mandatory, but it is highly recommended that prospective Proposers participate.
  - 7.3. **Mandatory:** Failure to attend a mandatory pre-solicitation conference will result in the proposal being considered **non-responsive**.
8. **COUNTY INTERPRETATION/ADDENDUMS**
- 8.1. Each Proposer shall examine the solicitation documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the solicitation shall be **submitted in writing prior to 5:00 PM at least eight (8) calendar days prior to the date when the submission is due.**
  - 8.2. Response(s) will be in the form of an Addendum posted on [www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement). It is solely the Proposer's responsibility to check the website for information. No notifications will be sent directly to proposers by Lee County Procurement Management Division associated with this solicitation.
  - 8.3. All Addenda shall become part of the Contract Documents.
  - 8.4. The County shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any County employee, representative, or others. Interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications or any other contract document, or for correction of any apparent ambiguity, inconsistency or error there in, shall be in writing. Issuance of a written addendum by the County's Procurement Management Division is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.
9. **ADDITIONS, REVISIONS AND DELETIONS**
- 9.1. Additions, revisions, or deletions to the Terms and Conditions, Specifications, Bid Schedule, or other document provided by Lee County Procurement Management Division that changes the intent of the solicitation will cause the solicitation to be non-responsive and the proposal will not be considered. The Procurement Management Director shall be the sole judge as to whether or not any addition, revision, or deletion changes the intent of the solicitation.
10. **CONFIDENTIALITY**
- 10.1. Proposers should be aware that all proposals provided are subject to public disclosure and will **not** be afforded confidentiality, unless provided by Chapter 119 Florida Statute.
  - 10.2. If information is submitted with a proposal that is deemed "Confidential" the Proposer must stamp those pages of the proposal that are considered confidential. The Proposer must provide documentation as to validate why these documents should be declared confidential in accordance with Chapter 119, "Public Records," exemptions.

- 10.3. Lee County **will not reveal engineering estimates or budget amounts for a project** unless required by grant funding or unless it is in the best interest of the County. According to Florida State Statute 337.168: A document or electronic file revealing the official cost estimate of the department of a project is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) until the contract for the project has been executed or until the project is no longer under active consideration.

#### 11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 11.1. All Proposers are hereby placed on formal notice that per Section 3 of Lee County Ordinance No. 92-22: The County is prohibited from solicitation of a professional services firm to perform project design and/or construction services if the firm has or had been retained to perform the project feasibility or study analysis.
- 11.2. Should your proposal be found in violation of the above stated provisions; the County will consider this previous involvement in the project to be a conflict of interest, which will be cause for immediate disqualification of the proposal from consideration for this project.
- 11.3. **Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement:** The award hereunder is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Public Officers and Employees: General Provisions, Florida Statutes. All Proposers must disclose with their proposal the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the Lee County or any of its agencies. Further, all Proposers must disclose the name of any County employee who owns directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the Proposer's firm or any of its branches.

#### 12. ANTI-LOBBYING CLAUSE (Cone of Silence)

- 12.1. Upon the issuance of the solicitation, prospective Proposers or any agent, representative or person acting at the request of such Proposer shall not have any contact, communicate with or discuss any matter relating in any way to the solicitation with any Commissioner, Evaluation Review Committee, agent or employee of the County other than the Procurement Management Director or their designee. This prohibition begins with the issuance of any solicitation and ends upon execution of the final contract or when the solicitation has been cancelled. **If it is determined that improper communications were conducted, the Proposer maybe declared non- responsible.**

#### 13. ANTITRUST VIOLATION

- 13.1. A person or an affiliate who has been placed on the antitrust violator vendor list, available at [Antitrust Violator Vendor List / Vendor Registration and Vendor Lists / State Agency Resources / State Purchasing / Business Operations / Florida Department of Management Services - DMS \(myflorida.com\)](#), following a conviction or being held civilly liable for an antitrust violation may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for any new contract to provide any goods or services to Lee County; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply for a new contract with Lee County for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on new leases of real property to Lee County; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a new contract with Lee County; and may not transact new business with Lee County.

#### 14. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

- 14.1. Lee County Board of County Commissioners encourages Drug Free Workplace programs.

#### 15. FLORIDA CERTIFIED ENTERPRISES

- 15.1. The County encourages the use of Florida Certified Enterprises such as such as Disadvantaged, Minority, Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE) firms.
- 15.2. Bidder/Proposer is requested to indicate whether the Firm and/or any proposed sub-consultants are a Florida Certified Enterprise. Lee County encourages the utilization and participation of DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE or similar in procurements, and evaluation proceedings will be conducted within the established guidelines regarding equal employment opportunity and nondiscriminatory action based upon the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin. Interested Florida Certified Enterprises such as Disadvantaged, Minority, Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE) firms and similar are encouraged to submit.

#### 16. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



- 16.1. The Proposer agrees to comply with 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) that furnishing goods or services to the County hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination.
- 16.2. The Proposer will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status. The Proposer will make affirmative efforts to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, disability or marital status.
- 16.3. The Proposer will include the provisions of this section in every sub-contract under this contract to ensure its provisions will be binding upon each sub-contractor. The Proposer will take such actions in respect to any sub-contractor, as the contracting agency may direct, as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance.
- 16.4. An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the State of Florida's Discriminatory Vendor List (This list may be viewed by going to the Department of Management Services website at <http://www.dms.myflorida.com>) may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not award or perform work as a vendor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

#### 17. SUB-PROPOSER/CONSULTANT

- 17.1. The use of sub-Proposer/consultant under this solicitation is not allowed without prior written authorization from the County representative.

#### 18. RFP - PROJECT GUIDELINES

- 18.1. The County has established the following Guidelines, Criteria, Goals, Objectives, Constraints, Schedule, Budget and or Requirements which shall service as a guide to the Proposer(s) in conforming the professional services and work to provide pursuant to this Agreement/Contract:
  - 18.1.1. No amount of work is guaranteed upon the execution of an agreement/contract.
  - 18.1.2. Hourly rates and all other negotiated expenses will remain in effect throughout the duration of the agreement/contract period; inclusive of any renewals unless otherwise specified herein.
  - 18.1.3. This contract does not entitle any firm to exclusive rights to County agreements/contracts. The County reserves the right to perform any and all available required work in-house or by any other means it so desires.
  - 18.1.4. In reference to vehicle travel, mileage and man-hours spent in travel time, is considered incidental to the work and not an extra compensable expense.
  - 18.1.5. Lee County reserves the right to add or delete, at any time, and or all tasks or services associated with this agreement.
  - 18.1.6. Any Single Large Project: The County, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to separately solicit any project that is outside the scope of this solicitation, whether through size, complexity or the dollar value.

#### 19. RFP – EVALUATION

- 19.1. **Ranking Method:** Lee County uses the Dense Ranking (1223" ranking). In Dense Ranking, items that compare equal, receive the same ranking number, and the next item(s) receive the immediately following ranking number. Equivalently, each item's ranking number is 1 plus the number of items ranked above it that are distinct with respect to the ranking order. This ranking method is used for each individual committee member's scores. Thus, if A ranks ahead of B and C (which compare equal) which are both ranked ahead of D, then A is ranked number 1("first"), B is ranked number 2 ("joint second"), C is also ranked number 2 ("joint second") and D is ranked number 3 ("third").
- 19.2. **Evaluation Meeting(s):**
  - 19.2.1. The first evaluation will rank Proposers based on the scores from the selection criteria point values.

- 19.2.2. Following the initial evaluation process, the short-listed proposer(s) may be required to provide an on-site interview/presentation.
- 19.2.3. Such subsequent evaluations are to be accomplished by simply ranking the Proposers based off the details provided through the on-site interview/presentation. Proposers will be ranked in sequential order with one (1) being the highest ranking. Proposers' rankings will then be totaled with the total lowest scores receiving final rank order starting with one (1) that shall indicate the highest technically evaluated and most qualified Proposer by the evaluation committee.
- 19.2.4. Proposed short-list and final selection meeting dates are posted on the Procurement Management web page: [www.lee.gov/procurement](http://www.lee.gov/procurement) (Projects, Award Pending.)

## 20. RFP – SELECTION PROCEDURE

- 20.1. The selection will be made in accordance with Lee County Procurement Policy and Chapter 287.055 FL § for Professional Services Contracts. Some or all of the responding Proposer(s) may be requested to provide interviews and/or presentations of their proposal, for the ranking process
- 20.2. Agreement/Contract fees will be negotiated in accordance with Section 287.055 FL §.
- 20.3. The recommendation to award, negotiated rates and agreement/contract(s) will be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.
- 20.4. If a satisfactory agreement/contract(s) cannot be negotiated, in a reasonable amount of time, the County, in its sole discretion, may terminate negotiations with the selected Proposer(s) and begin agreement/contract negotiations with the next finalist.
- 20.5. The Procurement Management Director reserves the right to exercise their discretion to:
  - 20.5.1. Make award(s) to one or multiple Proposers.
  - 20.5.2. Waive minor informalities in any response;
  - 20.5.3. Reject any and all proposals with or without cause;
  - 20.5.4. Accept the response that in its judgment will be in the best interest of Lee County.

## 21. RFP – TIEBREAKER

- 21.1. In the event of a tie, two or more proposers that have the same ranking, the following steps will be taken to determine the highest ranked proposer. This method shall be used for all (RFP) ties.
  - 21.1.1. Step 1: The proposer that has the highest number of 1<sup>st</sup> place rankings shall be deemed the first ranked proposer. In the event a tie still exists the proposer with the highest number of 2<sup>nd</sup> place rankings shall be the first ranked proposer. Should a tie still remain the method used above will continue with each ranking level, 3<sup>rd</sup>, then 4<sup>th</sup>, then 5<sup>th</sup>, etc. rank, will be counted until the tie is broken.
  - 21.1.2. INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK DUE TO FUNDING
  - 21.1.3. Step 3: In the event the tie exists then the highest ranked proposer from the first evaluation committee meeting, in which point values were applied, will win the award. One being the highest.
  - 21.1.4. INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK DUE TO FUNDING
- 21.2. When the tiebreaker is determined the highest ranked Proposer shall be awarded the contract or receive the first opportunity to negotiate, as applicable.
- 21.3. If an award or negotiation is unsuccessful with the highest ranked Proposer, award or negotiations may commence with the next highest ranked Proposer.

## 22. RFP – EVALUATION/ SELECTION COMMITTEE

- 22.1. The selection shall be by a Selection Committee consisting of staff representatives from the appropriate County Departments as approved by the Procurement Management Director or designee unless otherwise mandated by law.
- 22.2. The Selection Committee will receive and review written proposals in response to this Request for Proposal (RFP). Responses will be evaluated against a set of criteria to determine those Proposers/Firms most qualified and suited for this project, resulting, where applicable, in a short-list of no fewer than three (3) firms to be interviewed or provide presentations.
- 22.3. The County reserves the right, where allowable and applicable, to begin negotiations with the top ranked firm(s) without hosting interviews/presentations.



## 23. WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

- 23.1. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of **180 calendar days** after the scheduled time for receiving proposals. A proposal may be withdrawn prior to the proposal opening date and time. Withdrawal requests must be made in writing to the Procurement Management Director, who will approve or disapprove the request.
- 23.2. A Proposer may withdraw a proposal any time prior to the opening of the solicitation.
- 23.3. After proposals are opened, but prior to award of the contract by the County Commission, the Procurement Management Director may allow the withdrawal of a proposal because of the mistake of the Proposer in the preparation of the proposal document. In such circumstance, the decision of the Procurement Management Director to allow the proposal withdrawal, although discretionary, shall be based upon a finding that the Proposer, by clear and convincing evidence, has met each of the following four tests:
  - 23.3.1. The Proposer acted in good faith in submitting the proposal,
  - 23.3.2. The mistake in proposal preparation that was of such magnitude that to enforce compliance by the Proposer would cause a severe hardship on the Proposer,
  - 23.3.3. The mistake was not the result of gross negligence or willful inattention by the Proposer; and
  - 23.3.4. The mistake was discovered and was communicated to the County prior to the County Commission having formally awarded the contract/agreement.

## 24. PROTEST RIGHTS

- 24.1. Any Bidder that has submitted a formal Response to Lee County, and who is adversely affected by an intended decision with respect to the Award, has the right to protest an intended decision posted by the County as part of the Solicitation process.
- 24.2. Notice of Intended Decision is posted on the Lee County Department of Procurement Management website ([www.leegov.com/procurement](http://www.leegov.com/procurement)). Bidders are solely responsible to check for information regarding the Solicitation.
- 24.3. Refer to the “Procurement Protest” section of the Lee County Procurement Ordinance 22-06 & 23-21 for a complete description of the protest process and associated requirements. The ordinance is posted on the Lee County website or may be obtained by contacting the Procurement Management Director.
- 24.4. In order to preserve the right to protest, a written **“Notice of Intent to File a Protest” must be filed with the Lee County Procurement Management Director within seventy-two (72) hours of Posting of the Notice of Intended Decision.**
  - 24.4.1. The notice shall clearly indicate all grounds being claimed for the protest.
  - 24.4.2. The notice must be physically received by the Procurement Management Director within the required time frame described above. No additional time will be granted for mailing.
- 24.5. Following receipt of the Notice of Intent to File a Protest, a **“Protest Bond”** and **“Formal Written Protest”** must be filed **within ten (10) business days** of Posting of the Notice of Intended Decision.
- 24.6. **Failure to follow the protest procedures requirement within the time frames as prescribed herein and in the Lee County Procurement Ordinance 22-06 & 23-21 shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest and shall bar any resulting claims.**

## 25. AUTHORITY TO UTILIZE BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

- 25.1. This opportunity is also made available to any government entity. Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the vendor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Lee County Board of County Commissioners will not be financially responsible for the purchases of other entities from this solicitation.

## 26. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 26.1. **Designated Contact:**
  - 26.1.1. The awarded Proposer shall appoint a person(s) to act as a primary contact for all County departments. This person or back-up shall be readily available during normal working hours by phone or in person, and shall be knowledgeable of the terms and procedures involved.
  - 26.1.2. Lee County requires that the awarded Proposer to provide the name of a contact person(s) and phone number(s) which will afford Lee County access 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, of this service in the event of major breakdowns or natural disasters.

26.2. **RFP – Term:**

26.2.1. Unless otherwise stated in the scope of work, specifications, or special conditions the default **contract term shall be for one (1) three (3) year period. Upon mutual written agreement of both parties, the parties may renew the Agreement, in whole or in part, for a renewal term or terms not to exceed the term of two (2) years. The increments of renewal shall be at the sole discretion of the County as deemed in its best interest.**

26.2.2. The County reserves the right to renew this contract, or any portion thereof, and to negotiate pricing as a condition for each.

26.2.3. The County's performance and obligation to pay under this contract, and any applicable renewal options, is contingent upon annual appropriation of funds.

26.3. **RFP – Basis of Award:**

26.3.1. Award will be made to the most responsible and responsive Proposer based on the evaluation criteria.

26.4. **Agreement/Contract:**

26.4.1. The awarded Proposer will be required to execute an Agreement/Contract as a condition of award. A sample of this document may be viewed on-line at <http://www.leegov.com/procurement/forms>.

26.5. **Records:**

26.5.1. Retention: The Proposer shall maintain such financial records and other records as may be prescribed by Lee County or by applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations. Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, the Proposer shall retain these records for a period of five years after final payment, or until they are audited by Lee County, whichever event occurs first.

26.5.2. Right to Audit/Disclosure: These records shall be made available during the term of the contract as well as the retention period. These records shall be made readily available to County personnel with reasonable notice and other persons in accordance with the Florida General Records Schedule. Awarded Bidder/Proposer(s) are hereby informed of their requirement to comply with FL §119 specifically to:

26.5.2.1. Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service.

26.5.2.2. Upon request from the County's custodian of public records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided or as otherwise provided by law.

26.5.2.3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the County.

26.5.2.4. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service. If the contractor transfers all public records to the County upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the County's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.

26.5.3. Public Record: **IF THE VENDOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE VENDOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 239-533-2221, 2115 SECOND STREET, FORT MYERS, FL 33901, Email at [PRRCustodian@leegov.com](mailto:PRRCustodian@leegov.com) or Visit <http://www.leegov.com/publicrecords>.**

26.5.4. Ownership: It is understood and agreed that all documents, including detailed reports, plans, original tracings, specifications and all data prepared or obtained by the successful Proposer in connection with its services hereunder, include all documents bearing the professional seal of the successful Proposer, and shall be delivered to and become the property of Lee County, prior to final payment to the successful Proposer or the termination of the agreement. This includes any electronic versions, such as CAD or other computer aided drafting programs.

**26.6. Termination:**

- 26.6.1. **MATERIAL BREACH** A Contractor may be Terminated for Cause by the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, for failing to perform a contractual requirement or for a material breach of any term or condition. A material breach of a term or condition of the Agreement may include but is not limited to: 1. Contractor failure to perform services or deliver materials, supplies, or equipment by the date required or by an alternate date as mutually agreed in a written amendment to the Agreement; 2. Contractor failure to carry out any warranty or fails to perform or comply with any mandatory provision of the Agreement; 3. Contractor becomes insolvent or in an unsound financial condition so as to endanger performance hereunder; 4. Contractor becomes the subject of any proceeding under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, or relief from creditors and/or debtors that endangers the Contractor's proper performance hereunder; 5. Appointment of any receiver, trustee, or similar official for Contractor or any of the Contractor's property and such appointment endangers the Contractor's proper performance hereunder; 6. A determination that the Contractor is in violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations and that such determination renders the Contractor unable to perform any aspect of the Agreement.
- 26.6.2. **OPPORTUNITY TO CURE** In the event that Contractor fails to perform a contractual requirement or materially breaches any term or condition, the County may issue a written cure notice. The Contractor may have a period of time in which to cure. The County is not required to allow the Contractor to cure defects if the opportunity for cure is not feasible as, determined solely within the discretion of the County. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages, or otherwise affect any other remedies available against Contractor under the Agreement or by law. If the breach remains after Contractor has been provided the opportunity to cure, the County may do any one or more of the following: 1. Exercise any remedy provided by law; 2. Terminate this Agreement and any related contracts or portions thereof; 3. Procure replacements and impose damages as set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, if applicable; 4. Impose actual or liquidated damages; 5. Suspend or bar Contractor from receiving future solicitations or other opportunities; 6. Require Contractor to reimburse the County for any loss or additional expense incurred as a result of default or failure to satisfactorily perform the terms of the Agreement.
- 26.6.3. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE** In the event the Procurement Management Director, in his/her sole discretion, determines that the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this Agreement in a timely manner or is in material breach, the Procurement Management Director has the right to terminate this Agreement, in part or in whole. The Procurement Management Director shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within thirty (30) calendar days or as otherwise specified by the Procurement Management Director, or if such corrective action is deemed by the County to be insufficient, the Agreement may be terminated. The County reserves the right to withhold further payments, or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by the County to terminate the Agreement. In the event of termination, the County shall have the right to procure any replacement materials, supplies, services and/or equipment that are the subject of this Agreement on the open market. In addition, the Contractor shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any price difference between the original Agreement and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time. If it is determined that: (1) the Contractor was not in material breach; or (2) failure to perform was outside of Contractor's or its subcontractor's control, fault or negligence, the termination shall be deemed to be a "Termination for Convenience." The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Agreement are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

26.6.4. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part by giving thirty (30) calendar days written notice beginning on the second day after mailing to the Contractor. If this Agreement is so terminated, the County shall be liable only for payment required under this Agreement for properly authorized services rendered, or materials, supplies and/or equipment delivered to and accepted by the County prior to the effective date of Agreement termination. The County shall have no other obligation whatsoever to the Contractor for such termination.

26.6.5. The Procurement Management Director may immediately terminate any agreement as a result of this solicitation for emergency purposes, as defined by the Lee County Procurement Management Ordinance 22-06 & 23-21.

26.6.6. Any Proposer who has voluntarily withdrawn from a solicitation without the County's mutual consent during the contract period shall be barred from further County procurement for a **period of 180 days**. The vendor may apply to the Board for a waiver of this debarment. Such application for waiver of debarment must be coordinated with and processed by the Procurement Management Department.

26.6.7. The County reserves the right to terminate award or contract following any of the below for goods or services over \$1,000,000:

26.6.7.1. Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under FL § 287.135 (5);

26.6.7.2. Contractor has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List;

26.6.7.3. Contractor has engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria;

26.6.7.4. Contractor has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel – beginning October 1, 2016.

## 27. WAIVER OF CLAIMS

27.1. Once this contract expires, or final payment has been requested and made, the awarded vendor shall have no more than **thirty (30) calendar days** to present or file any claims against the County concerning this contract. After that period, the County will consider the vendor to have waived any right to claims against the County concerning this agreement.

## 28. LEE COUNTY PAYMENT PROCEDURES

28.1. All vendors are requested to mail an original invoice to:

**Lee County Finance Department  
Post Office Box 2238  
Fort Myers, FL 33902-2238**

28.2. All invoices will be paid as directed by the Lee County payment procedure unless otherwise stated in the detailed specification portion of this project.

28.3. Lee County will not be liable for requests for payment deriving from aid, assistance, or help by any individual, vendor, Proposer, or bidder for the preparation of these specifications.

28.4. Lee County is generally a tax exempt entity subject to the provisions of the 1987 legislation regarding sales tax on services. Lee County will pay those taxes for which it is obligated, or it will provide a Certificate of Exemption furnished by the Department of Revenue. All Proposers should include in their proposal, all sales or use taxes, which they will pay when making purchases of material or sub-contractor's services.

## 29. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE

29.1. The Procurement Management Department will adhere to the Lee County Ordinance No. 22-06 & 23-21 and as may be amended from time to time (the County's "Local Vendor Preference"). It shall be at the discretion of the County Manager or Designee whether to apply Local Vendor Preference to any particular Solicitation.

29.2. The County's Local Vendor Preference, as it relates to Bidding preferences for local Vendors, is not applicable to Solicitations or Contracts when Commodities and/or Services may be provided in the event of an Emergency.

- 29.3. The County's Local Vendor Preference shall not apply in any procurement for Commodities or Services if the use of the Local Vendor Preference is prohibited by the terms of a grant or funding agreement or other prevailing law or policy.

30. INSURANCE (AS APPLICABLE)

- 30.1. Insurance shall be provided by the awarded Proposer. Upon request, a certificate of insurance (COI) complying with the attached guide shall be provided by the Proposer.
- 30.2. Insurance carriers providing coverage required herein shall be licensed to conduct business in the State of Florida and shall possess a current A.M. Best's Financial Strength Rating of "B or better."

**End of Terms and Conditions Section**



## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lee County Insurance Requirements Includes Professional Liability</b></p>
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**Minimum Insurance Requirements:** *Risk Management in no way represents that the insurance required is sufficient or adequate to protect the vendors' interest or liabilities. The following are the required minimums the vendor must maintain throughout the duration of this contract. The County reserves the right to request additional documentation regarding insurance provided*

- a. **Commercial General Liability** - Coverage shall apply to premises and/or operations, products and completed operations, independent contractors, contractual liability exposures with minimum limits of:
  - \$1,000,000 per occurrence
  - \$2,000,000 general aggregate
  - \$1,000,000 products and completed operations
  - \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury
- b. **Business Auto Liability** - The following Automobile Liability will be required and coverage shall apply to all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles use with minimum limits of:
  - \$1,000,000 combined single limit (CSL); or
  - \$500,000 bodily injury per person
  - \$1,000,000 bodily injury per accident
  - \$500,000 property damage per accident
- c. **Workers' Compensation** - Statutory benefits as defined by FS 440 encompassing all operations contemplated by this contract or agreement to apply to all owners, officers, and employees regardless of the number of employees. Workers Compensation exemptions may be accepted with written proof of the State of Florida's approval of such exemption. Employers' liability will have minimum limits of:
  - \$500,000 per accident
  - \$500,000 disease limit
  - \$500,000 disease – policy limit
- d. **Errors and Omissions** - Coverage shall include professional liability insurance, to cover claims arising out of negligent acts, errors or omissions of professional advice, privacy and network security insurance covering for losses arising from disclosure of confidential information, or other professional services.
  - \$1,000,000 per occurrence

*\*The required minimum limit of liability shown in a. and b. may be provided in the form of "Excess Insurance" or "Commercial Umbrella Policies." In which case, a "Following Form Endorsement" will be required on the "Excess Insurance Policy" or "Commercial Umbrella Policy."*

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**Lee County Insurance Requirements  
Includes Professional Liability**

**Verification of Coverage:**

1. Coverage shall be in place prior to the commencement of any work and throughout the duration of the contract. A certificate of insurance will be provided to the Risk Manager for review and approval. The certificate shall provide for the following:

**a. Under the Description of Operations, the following must read as listed:**

*"Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida, its agents, employees, and public officials are automatic additional insureds and includes an automatic waiver of subrogation with regard to general liability. The certificate holder is an additional insured on a primary and noncontributory basis with regards to general liability."*

**b. The certificate holder must read as follows:**

Lee County, a political subdivision and Charter County of the State of Florida  
P.O. Box 398  
Fort Myers, Florida 33902

**Special Requirements:**

1. An appropriate "Indemnification" clause shall be made a provision of the contract.
2. It is the responsibility of the general contractor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with all insurance requirements.

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**Grant/Funding Special Insurance Requirements**

To the fullest extent provided by law, the Contractor/Consultant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, and The State of Florida, Department of Transportation, and its officers, agents, and employees, against any actions, claims or damages arising out of, relating to, or resulting from negligent or wrongful act(s) of Contractor/Consultant, or any of its officers, agents, or employees, acting within the scope of their office or employment, in connection with the rights granted to or exercised by Contractor/Consultant hereunder, to the extent and within the limitations of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

The foregoing indemnification shall not constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity beyond the limits set forth in Florida Statutes, Section 768.28. Nor shall the same be construed to constitute agreement by Contractor/Consultant to indemnify County for the negligent acts or omissions of County, its officers, agents, or employees, or third parties. Nor shall the same be construed to constitute agreement by Contractor/Consultant to indemnify the Department for the negligent acts or omissions of the Department, its officers, agents, or employees, or third parties. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

In addition to the County, the State of Florida, Department of Transportation shall also be listed as additional insured and certificate holder.

The additional certificate holder shall read:

**State of Florida Department of Transportation  
605 Suwannee Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450**

**End of Insurance Guide section**

## **FEDERAL PROCUREMENT SUPPLEMENTAL CLAUSES TO INCLUDE APPENDIX II**

**The following clauses shall apply to any Purchase Orders/Contracts issued under a declaration of emergency and/or where federal funds apply. All clauses shall apply unless stated below, due to threshold.**

### **NOTICE TO CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR REGARDING FEDERAL FUNDING**

When property or services are procured using funds derived from a Federal grant or Agreement whether direct to the County or “pass-through” from another entity, the County is required to and will follow the Federal procurement standards in the “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards”, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Sections 200.318 through 200.327.

CONTRACTOR, further referred to as CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR within this section, shall work with the County under this Agreement to assure that it will comply with the following statutes and regulations to the extent applicable:

- (1) 2 CFR, Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Appendix II
- (2) The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., and Related Authorities
- (3) Sections 1361(A) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4104c, as amended by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Public Law 103-325 and the Bunning-Bereuter-Blumenauer Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004, Public Law 108-264
- (4) 31 CFR Part 25 Rules and Procedures for Funds Transfers

**Contract Cost and Price:** For every procurement in excess of the Simplified Acquisition Threshold, including contract modifications, the County shall perform a cost or price analysis in connection with every procurement subject to Federal procurement guidelines, which shall include an independent estimate of cost prior to issuing bids or proposals. For proposals where price is not considered in the award, profit shall be negotiated as a separate element of the price. In determining whether profit is fair and reasonable, the County shall consider the complexity of work, the risk to be borne by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, the CONSULTANTS/CONTRACTORS/VENDORS investment, the amount of subcontracting necessary, the quality of the CONSULTANTS/CONTRACTORS/VENDOR’s record and past performance, and industry profit rates for the surrounding geographical area. “Cost Plus Percentage” methods for determining profit may not be used.

## **FEDERAL CLAUSES**

### **1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:**

1.1. During the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees as follows:

- 1.1.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment, or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- 1.1.2. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- 1.1.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's legal duty to furnish information.
- 1.1.4. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 1.1.5. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 1.1.6. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 1.1.7. In the event of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 1.1.8. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (h) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR as a result of such direction, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**2. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS:**

- 2.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will keep and maintain adequate records and supporting documentation applicable to all of the services, work, information, expense, costs, invoices, and materials provided and performed pursuant to the requirements of this agreement. Said records and documentation will be retained by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of termination of this agreement, or for such period is required by law.
- 2.2. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall provide when requested, access by the County, Federal granting agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- 2.3. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- 2.4. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to provide the GRANT AGENCY Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- 2.5. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall retain all records associated with this solicitation and any agreements that are created in response to the solicitation for a period of no less than five (5) years after final payments and all other pending matters are closed.
- 2.6. The County and its authorized agents shall, with reasonable prior notice, have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as the County deems necessary during the period of this agreement, and during the period as outlined in the paragraphs above; provided, however, such activities shall be conducted only during normal business hours of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR and at the expense of the County.

**3. DHS SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS:**

- 3.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific GRANT AGENCY pre-approval. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall include this provision in any subcontracts.

**4. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE EXCLUSION:**

- 4.1. Local Vendor Preference Ordinance has been waived for this service/purchase request and any and all references contained herein are non-applicable to this request and subsequent contract and/or purchase order(s).

**5. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, and EXECUTIVE ORDERS:**

- 5.1. This is an acknowledgment that GRANT AGENCY financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, GRANT AGENCY policies, procedures, and directives.

**6. NO OBLIGATION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:**

- 6.1. The Federal Government is not a party to this solicitation and/or contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non- Federal entity, CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Solicitation.

**7. FRAUD and FALSE OR FRAUDULENT OR RELATED ACTS:**

- 7.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS actions pertaining to this solicitation and/or contract.

**8. SUBCONTRACTS:**

- 8.1. The selected firm must require compliance with all federal requirements of all sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS performing work for Prime CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR under this Agreement, by including these federal requirements in all contracts with sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS.

**9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

- 9.1. No employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a Federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officers, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization that employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract. The officers, employees, and agents of the non-Federal entity must neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS or parties to subcontracts.

**10. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM (E-VERIFY):**

- 10.1. Statutes and Executive Orders require employers to abide by the Immigration laws of the United States and to employ only individuals who are eligible to work in the United States. The Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify) operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in partnership with the Social Security Administration (SSA) to provides an internet-based means of verifying the employment eligibility of workers in the United States; it is not a substitute for any other employment eligibility verification requirements.
- 10.2. Sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR requirement: Vendors shall require all subcontracted vendors to flow down the requirement to use E-Verify to sub-CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS.
- 10.3. It shall be the vendor's responsibility to familiarize themselves with all rules and regulations governing this program.
- 10.4. For additional information regarding the Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify) program visit the following website: <http://www.dhs.gov/E-Verify>.

**11. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT:**

- 11.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR must follow any mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201).

**12. SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS:**

- 12.1. If subcontracts are to be let, the prime CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.
- a) Place qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.
  - b) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.
  - c) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
  - d) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.

- e) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.

### **13. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENT (2 C.F.R. § 200.322):**

13.1. As appropriate and to the greatest extent consistent with law, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all sub-awards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. 2 C.F.R. § 200.322 also provides specific definitions for "Produced in the United States" and "manufactured products" that states should review.

13.1.1. Produced in the United States means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

13.1.2. Manufactured product means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

### **14. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS OR SERVICES (2 C.F.R. § 200.216):**

14.1 The Contractor shall comply with 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services:

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause—

(b) Prohibitions.

(1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.

(2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:

(i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;

(ii) Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;

(iii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or

(iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(c) Exceptions.

(1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:

(i) Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:

i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and



ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.

(ii) Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(d) Reporting requirement.

(1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or sub-recipient unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:

(i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent the use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.”

## **15. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND/OR CONVENIENCE:**

15.1. **MATERIAL BREACH** A Contractor may be Terminated for Cause by the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, for failing to perform a contractual requirement or for a material breach of any term or condition. A material breach of a term or condition of the Agreement may include but is not limited to: 1. Contractor failure to perform services or deliver materials, supplies, or equipment by the date required or by an alternate date as mutually agreed in a written amendment to the Agreement; 2. Contractor failure to carry out any warranty or fails to perform or comply with any mandatory provision of the Agreement; 3. Contractor becomes insolvent or in an unsound financial condition so as to endanger performance hereunder; 4. Contractor becomes the subject of any proceeding under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, or relief from creditors and/or debtors that endangers the Contractor’s proper performance hereunder; 5. Appointment of any receiver, trustee, or similar official for Contractor or any of the Contractor’s property and such appointment endangers the Contractor’s proper performance hereunder; 6. A determination that the Contractor is in violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations and that such determination renders the Contractor unable to perform any aspect of the Agreement.

15.2. **OPPORTUNITY TO CURE** In the event that Contractor fails to perform a contractual requirement or materially breaches any term or condition, the County may issue a written cure notice. The Contractor may have a period of time in which to cure. The County is not required to allow the Contractor to cure defects if the opportunity for cure is not feasible as, determined solely within the discretion of the County. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages, or otherwise affect any other remedies available against Contractor under the Agreement or by law. If the breach remains after Contractor has been provided the opportunity to cure, the County may do any one or more of the following: 1. Exercise any remedy provided by law; 2. Terminate this Agreement and any related contracts or portions thereof; 3. Procure replacements and impose damages as set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, if applicable; 4. Impose actual or liquidated damages; 5. Suspend or bar Contractor from receiving future solicitations or other opportunities; 6. Require Contractor to reimburse the County for any loss or additional expense incurred as a result of default or failure to satisfactorily perform the terms of the Agreement.

15.3. **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE** In the event the Procurement Management Director, in his/her sole discretion, determines that the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this Agreement in a timely manner



or is in material breach, the Procurement Management Director has the right to terminate this Agreement, in part or in whole. The Procurement Management Director shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within thirty (30) calendar days or as otherwise specified by the Procurement Management Director, or if such corrective action is deemed by the County to be insufficient, the Agreement may be terminated. The County reserves the right to withhold further payments or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by the County to terminate the Agreement. In the event of termination, the County shall have the right to procure any replacement materials, supplies, services and/or equipment that are the subject of this Agreement on the open market. In addition, the Contractor shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any price difference between the original Agreement and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time. If it is determined that: (1) the Contractor was not in material breach; or (2) failure to perform was outside of Contractor's or its subcontractor's control, fault or negligence, the termination shall be deemed to be a "Termination for Convenience." The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Agreement are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

- 15.4. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part by giving thirty (30) calendar days written notice beginning on the second day after mailing to the Contractor. If this Agreement is so terminated, the County shall be liable only for payment required under this Agreement for properly authorized services rendered, or materials, supplies and/or equipment delivered to and accepted by the County prior to the effective date of Agreement termination. The County shall have no other obligation whatsoever to the Contractor for such termination.

## **16. CHANGES:**

- 2.1. Changes to any federal grant or federally funded cooperative agreement shall be in writing, executed by change order and the costs of any change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, and within the original scope of the federal grant or federal cooperative agreement. Changes should be reasonable and necessary for the completion of the original project scope. Any changes must be permissible under state, local and federal laws. Any change recommended and accepted by both parties, in writing, will not be considered a contract breach. Modifications to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work for any reason shall be completed following the terms and provisions of the associated contract documents. No changes to the contract documents or the performance provided shall be made unless the same is in writing and signed by both the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR and the County.

## **17. LICENSE AND DELIVERY OF WORKS SUBJECT TO COPYRIGHT AND DATA RIGHTS:**

- 17.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR grants to the County, a paid-up, royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in data first produced in the performance of this contract to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, including preparing derivative works, distributing copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly such data. For data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will identify such data and grant to the County or acquires on its behalf a license of the same scope as for data first produced in the performance of this contract. Data, as used herein, shall include any work subject to copyright under 17 U.S.C. § 102, for example, any written reports or literary works, software and/or source code, music, choreography, pictures or images, graphics, sculptures, videos, motion pictures or other audiovisual works, sound and/or video recordings, and architectural works. Upon or before the completion of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR will deliver to the County data first produced in the performance of this contract and data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract in formats acceptable by the County."

**18. TIME & MATERIAL, TIME & EQUIPMENT, FIRM FIXED PRICE LUMP SUM CONTRACTS:**

- 18.1. The following applies to purchases made or reimbursed with Federal funds as per 2 CFR 200.318(j) and other Federal Regulations. For a firm fixed price, lump sum, Time & Material (T&M), and/or Time & Equipment (T&E) procurements, a Purchase Order represents a CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR's Notice to Proceed (NTP). Line-item Extended Price(s) shall be considered Not to Exceed (NTE) ceiling value(s). Additionally, the Total Order value for a Purchase Order represents an NTE ceiling value. If the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR anticipates exceeding either of these NTE values, they should contact the Lee County Procurement Department for a change order. If a CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR exceeds a Line Item or Total Order NTE value, it does so at its own risk.

**19. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT:**

- 19.1. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR is required to verify that none of the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- 19.2. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- 19.3. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the awarded CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR. If it is later determined that the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Lee County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- 19.4. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower-tier covered transactions.
- 19.5. If, at any point during the term of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR or any principals thereof are found to be on a federal or state debarment list, or if federal or state debarment action is initiated against the contractor or their principals during this time period, this contract shall be immediately rendered null and void.
- 19.5.1. If debarment action has been taken against any subcontractor, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall provide an alternative subcontractor within 10 days of notification. The debarred subcontractor may not work on the project.

**20. RECOVERED MATERIALS:**

- 20.1. In the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
- Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
  - Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - At a reasonable price.
- 20.2. Information about this requirement is available on the EPA'S Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines website, <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/> The list of EPA- designate items is available at

<http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/htm>

- 20.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 or the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

## **21. OTHER REMEDIES AND RIGHTS:**

- 21.1. Pursuing any of the above remedies will not keep the County from pursuing any other rights or remedies, which may be otherwise available under law or in equity. If the County waives any right or remedy in this Agreement or fails to insist on strict performance by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR, it will not affect, extend, or waive any other right or remedy of the County, or affect the later exercise of the same right or remedy by the County for any other default by the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR.
- 21.2. Unless otherwise provided by the Contract, all claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between the County and the CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR arising out of or relating to the Agreement between the parties, or the breach of it, that cannot be resolved by and between the parties after conferring in good faith, will be decided by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Florida law. If such a dispute is in state court, the venue shall be in the Twentieth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Lee County, Florida. If in federal court, the venue shall be in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Ft. Myers Division.

## **22. CONTRACT WORK HOURS & SAFETY STANDARDS (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708):**

- 22.1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- 22.2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or territory, to such District or such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause outlined in paragraph (1) of this section.
- 22.3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The State of Florida Division of Emergency Management shall upon its action or written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any money payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause outlined in paragraph (2) of this section.
- 22.4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses outlined in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower-tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower-tier subcontractor with the clauses outlined in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

**23. CLEAN AIR ACT:**

- 23.1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 23.2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency and understands and agrees that the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the County, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 23.3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by GRANT AGENCY.

**24. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT:**

- 24.1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 24.2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency and understands and agrees that the GRANT AGENCY and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the County, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 24.3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by GRANT AGENCY.

**25. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT:**

- 25.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDORS who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with nonfederal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

**26. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT:**

- 26.1. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and Lee County enters into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the County must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements), and any implementing regulations issued by the Federal Awarding Agency. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(F).

**27. FLY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS:**

- 27.1. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and sub-recipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance

with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

## **28. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA):**

- 28.1. All design and construction must be accessible to individuals with disabilities pursuant to Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## **29. CARGO PREFERENCE:**

- 29.1. The Cargo Preference requirements apply to all contracts involving equipment, materials, or commodities which may be transported by ocean vessels.
- 29.2. Use of United States – Flag Vessels:
- 29.3. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to use privately owned United States- Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to the underlying Contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-Flag commercial vessels.
- 29.4. Furnish within twenty (20) business days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within thirty (30) business days following the date of leading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in the preceding 6 paragraph to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to LCBOCC (through the Contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading.)
- 29.5. Include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to the Contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

## **30. SEISMIC SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS OR ADDITION TO EXISTING BUILDINGS:**

- 30.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation Seismic Safety Regulations 49 C.F.R. Part 41 and will certify compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR also agrees to ensure that all Work performed under the Contract including Work performed by a subcontractor is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety Regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

## **31. ENERGY CONSERVATION:**

- 31.1. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/VENDOR agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the Florida energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 USC § 6321 *et seq.*, and perform an energy assessment for any building constructed, reconstructed, or modified with Federal funds required under Federal regulations, "Requirements for Energy Assessment," 49 CFR part 622, subpart C.

### **End of Supplemental Clauses**



## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

These are provisions that are in relation to this solicitation only and have not been included in the County's standard Terms and Conditions or the Scope of Work. Failure to abide by any of the below provisions may serve as grounds for disqualification for award of this contract to the firm. The below provisions and those found herein pertaining to the grant funding of this project apply to any participating Contractor and shall be further understood to be incorporated into any subsequent agreement/contract executed between the Contractor and the County. It shall be further understood that these provisions shall be incorporated into any related agreements/contracts executed between the prime Contractor and any sub-contractors.

### **1. PROJECT TERM**

- 1.1. The Agreement shall commence on the date agreed upon through negotiations and set forth in the subsequent and associated Agreement documents. The term of this Agreement is anticipated to be for a period of approximately 28 MONTHS from the commencement date of the Notice to Proceed. The Agreement is to remain in effect for one year following the final completion of construction work associated with this solicitation and Agreement package.

### **2. LAP APPENDIX I SPECIFICATIONS**

- 2.1. Following federal funding requirements, this project shall follow LAP Division I Specifications projects provided herein. Such specifications and any applicable exemptions or amendments have been incorporated and made part of this solicitation.

### **3. CONTRACTOR PURCHASED EQUIPMENT FOR STATE OR LOCAL OWNERSHIP**

- 3.1. The purchase of equipment for state or local ownership is not allowed as part of this contract.

### **4. DISADVANTAGE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)**

- 4.1. The Florida Department of Transportation began its DBE race neutral program January 1, 2000. Contract specific goals are not placed on Federal/State contracts; however, the Department has an overall 10.54% DBE goal it must achieve.
- 4.2. Contractors shall follow DBE requirements as described herein through FDOT's standard specification section 7-24.
- 4.3. FDOT must maintain a statewide database of all firms that are participating or attempting to participate in FHWA-assisted contracts. The list must include all firms that bid on prime contracts or bid or quote subcontracts on FHWA-assisted projects, including both DBEs and non-DBEs. The Bid Opportunity List is used to record Bidders' information for all subcontractors or sub consultants who submitted bids to primes. All participating Bidders must enter their bid opportunity information in the [Equal Opportunity Compliance \(EOC\) System](#) within 3 business days of submission of the bid or proposal for all subcontractors or sub-consultants who quoted bids for FHWA-assisted projects.

### **5. DOMESTIC-OWNED CONTRACTOR LIMITATIONS**

- 5.1. This request for bids or proposal shall not be limited to domestic-owned contractors and may not include or incorporate the Florida orders on business with Syria, Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Israel. Any statements found that express the contrary shall be considered void and not applicable to the project described herein.

### **6. INCENTIVE/DISINCENTIVE CLAUSES**

- 6.1. Incentive and/or Disincentive clauses are not applicable to this project and subsequent contract.

### **7. INDIAN PREFERENCE ON FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS (LABOR & EMPLOYMENT)**

- 7.1. Indian preference on federal-aid projects is not applicable to this project and subsequent contract.

**8. LOBBYING**

8.1. General: Participating Contractors shall adhere to the Anti-Lobbying clause as provided herein. Following this clause, the participating Contractors are hereby notified they shall not have any contact, communicate with or discuss any matter relating in any way to the solicitation with any Commissioner, Evaluation Review Committee, agent or employee of the County other than the Procurement Management Director or their designee.

8.2. Federal-Aid Contracts:

8.2.1. By participating in this solicitation and completion of affixed affidavit the Contractor certifies that to the best their knowledge:

(1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Contractor shall complete and submit Standard

8.3. Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities", in accordance with its instructions

8.4. Submission of the certification found herein is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

8.5. The Contractor also agrees by submitting their proposal that they shall require that the language of the applicable certification found herein be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**9. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE EXCLUSION**

9.1. Local Vendor Preference Ordinance has been waived for this solicitation and any and all references contained herein are not applicable to this solicitation and subsequent contract.

**10. NON-COLLUSION**

10.1. Contractor shall declare, through completion of the declaration form found herein and participation with this solicitation that the Contractor has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action, in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with its bid.

**11. OWNER FORCE ACCOUNT/COST-EFFECTIVE JUSTIFICATION**

11.1. Owner Force Account / Cost-Effective Justification is not applicable or permissible to this project and subsequent contract.

**12. PATENTED/PROPRIETARY MATERIALS**

12.1. Patented/Proprietary Materials are applicable to this project. FDOT Procedure No. 630-020-005 has been followed with Florida Department of Transportation approval to allow for the specified product usage as described in form no. 630-020-07 and specifications contained herein. See approved Proprietary Product Certification Dated: February 2, 2017, issued by FDOT District 1.



**13. PREQUALIFICATION**

13.1. Florida Law (Chapter 337.14 F.S.) And Rules of the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, (Chapter 14-22, F.A.C.) require contractors to be prequalified with the Florida Department of Transportation in order to bid for the performance of road, bridge, or public transportation construction contracts greater than \$250,000.00. Contractors shall be prequalified as required by FDOT and as stated herein.

**14. PUBLIC AGENCIES IN COMPETITION WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR**

14.1. The County does not allow other Public Agencies to compete with or bid on construction projects against the private sector.

**15. PUBLICLY-OWNED EQUIPMENT**

15.1. The County does not allow publicly owned equipment in contract.

**16. STATE (FLORIDA OR OTHER) PRODUCED MATERIALS**

16.1. The County affirms that preference is not given to Contractors who purchase materials from Florida or any other specifically designated state.

**17. STATE/LOCAL OWNED/FURNISHED/DESIGNATED MATERIALS**

17.1. All materials required for this project shall be furnished by the Contractor. Materials shall not be furnished by the County nor purchased through way of Direct Material Purchase Order.

**18. DEBARMENT & SUSPENSION**

18.1. By participating in this solicitation and completion of affixed affidavit the Contractor certifies that:

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
  - Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

**19. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND/OR CONVENIENCE**

19.1. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part by giving thirty (30) calendar days written notice beginning on the second day after mailing to the Contractor. If this Agreement is so terminated, the County shall be liable only for payment required under this Agreement for properly authorized services rendered, or materials, supplies and/or equipment delivered to and accepted by the County prior to the effective date of Agreement termination. The County shall have no other obligation whatsoever to the Contractor for such termination.

**20. WARRANTY CLAUSES**

- 20.1. Warranty provisions shall be for a specific construction product of feature. Items of maintenance are not eligible under federal projects and shall thus not be covered. General condition warranties for an entire project are prohibited under this contract. Transfer of product warranties is allowed under this contract.

**21. INSPECTOR GENERAL**

- 21.1. Pursuant to FL § 20.55(5), Consultant shall cooperate and comply with the inspector general in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing pursuant to FL § 20.55.

**22. CLEAN AIR ACT & FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT**

- 22.1. The successful firm awarded a contract in excess of \$150,000 agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C 1251-1387). Violations shall be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**23. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- 23.1. In addition to other Conflict of Interest terms contained herein, no member, office or employee of the County during his tenure or for 2 years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract or the proceeds thereof.

**24. FEMA REIMBURSEMENT**

- 24.1. Work completed under this Agreement may be reimbursed by FEMA as a result of an emergency or disaster. The Vendor(s) agrees to abide by and comply with all Federal terms, conditions, provisions, certifications, affidavits, or otherwise as applicable and stated within this solicitation package. Vendors are required to comply in accordance with Federal Grant Requirements, 2 CFR part 200, terms, conditions, and specifications.

**25. CONDUCT**

- 25.1. Vendor agrees that all of its officers, employees and representatives shall conduct themselves in a professional manner and shall communicate with County employees and members of the public in a civil manner whenever conducting County business. All aspects of Vendor's performance, including complaints received from the public, may impact the County's decision to renew or terminate this Agreement in accordance with the provision contained here. Vendor shall remove or suspend, or further investigate, their employees for any act of violence, sexual harassment, substance abuse, or act of bigotry/prejudice.

**26. COST BREAKDOWN / ALLOWABLE COSTS**

- 26.1. The Vendor shall be expected to provide a proposal or fee that includes a detailed cost breakdown including General and Administrative Expenses, Overhead, and Profit rates, if requested by the County. Vendor must advise if audited rates are available and shall provide such rates and documentation for use in negotiation and Cost Analysis if such method is used. Vendor shall provide fee and cost breakdown supporting documentation where and as requested by the County and funding source.
- 26.2. A determination of allowable costs in accordance with the Federal cost principles will be performed for services rendered under this contract.

**27. CONFLICT OF INTEREST – PROHIBITED ACTIONS**

- 27.1. The Consultant shall not receive compensation from both the County and the selected construction Contractor for services provided or associated with this project either directly or indirectly.

**28. APPLICABLE & MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT PROVISIONS**

- 28.1. In the event of a conflict between the Contract Document terms, Federal Guidelines, State, Local, or other applicable requirements associated with this project that is unable to be resolved through the Order of Precedence as defined herein, the Consultant should provide a written description of such conflict to the County Project Manager in order to receive final guidance on proceeding with conflicted items.

## 29. AFTER PROJECT EVALUATION

- 29.1. The County shall provide an evaluation of the Consultant after the project is completed. Evaluations of the Consultant may be conducted to include the areas of Schedule, Management and Quality. The Schedule grade is based on the Consultant's compliance with the contract schedule. The Management grade is based on the Consultant's ability to manage all necessary project resources, including subs. The Quality grade is based on the Consultant's attention to the established quality control plan and delivery of a quality product and service.
- 29.2. Sub-consultants may also be evaluated, but only on Quality, because the prime Consultant is responsible for Management, Schedule, and Constructability (when applicable). The County may request the input of the Prime Consultant when evaluating sub-consultants.

## 30. PAYMENT

- 30.1. Payment will be made upon receipt of a proper invoice and in compliance with FL § Chapter 218, otherwise known as the "Florida Prompt Payment Act," and, pursuant to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners payment policies as described herein.
- 30.2. The County, in its sole discretion, will determine the method of payment for goods and/or services as part of this agreement. Payment methods available are outline in the Professional Services Agreement contract document. A sample of this document may be viewed on-line at <http://www.leegov.com/procurement/forms>.
- 30.3. Payment Methods Include:
- Monthly Statements
  - Payment for Services Performed
  - Payment Schedule
31. Neither the Recipient nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any contract, subcontract or arrangement in connection with the Project or any property included or planned to be included in the Project in which any member, officer or employee of the Recipient or the locality during tenure or for 2 years thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer or employee involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Recipient, the Recipient, with prior approval of the Department, may waive the prohibition contained in this paragraph provided that any such present member, officer or employee shall not participate in any action by the Recipient or the locality relating to such contract, subcontract or arrangement. The Recipient shall insert in all contracts entered into in connection with the Project or any property included or planned to be included in any Project, and shall require its contractors to insert in each of their subcontracts, the following provision:

"No member, officer or employee of the Recipient or of the locality during his tenure or for 2 years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof."

The provisions of this paragraph shall not be applicable to any agreement between the Recipient and its fiscal depositories or to any agreement for utility services the rates for which are fixed or controlled by a governmental agency.

End of Special Conditions Section

## SCOPE OF WORK AND SPECIFICATIONS

### 1. GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

1.1. Lee County Board of County Commissioners seeks to contract with a qualified CONSULTANT for Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services. CONSULTANT to provide contract administration, inspection and materials sampling and testing services, and grant compliance administration and oversight for the projects known as Able Canal Pathway, which runs from Harns Marsh to Joel Boulevard in general accordance with Lee County, Florida Greenbook, and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) policy, procedures and requirements.

1.1.1. The purpose of this exhibit is to define, describe, and summarize the generalized scope of work and responsibilities required of the CONSULTANT selected to provide CEI services for the purpose of selecting a CEI consultant. The County reserves the right to finalize aspects of this scope of work during contract negotiations prior to the final agreement.

### 2. BACKGROUND

2.1. This project proposes a shared use pathway along the north side of the Able Canal in Lehigh Acres, Florida. The project spans approximately six miles from Harns Marsh to Joel Boulevard and will have pathway connections to Harns Marsh, Lehigh Acres Park, and Lehigh Acres Trailhead Park. The pathway shall be constructed within the Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District (LA-MSID) right-of-way.

2.2. The FDOT and Lee County have entered into a Local Agency Project (LAP) agreement to oversee the construction of this project. LAP agreements are a partnership between the local agency and the State in which the local agency agrees to act as an extension of the State in an effort to complete a project with a State and/or Federal funding source. LAP partnerships require the local agency to abide by the applicable Federal regulations in the delivery of the project. Upon completion, Lee County will assume operation and maintenance responsibility for the infrastructure.

2.2.1. The Federal Project details for which the services are requested is:

2.2.1.1. Financial Project Id: 435351-2-68-01

2.2.1.2. Federal Aid Project No.: D120-023-B

2.2.1.3. Description: Able Canal from Harns Marsh to Joel Boulevard, CEI & Grant Compliance

### 3. DETAILED SCOPE OF WORK

3.1. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for providing CEI services and oversight of the Project and Contractor selected to construct and commission the Able Canal Pathway. As such the CEI Consultant is expected to provide all services as defined and described herein and shall follow all applicable Federal, State, County, and Grant regulations, laws, provisions, procedures and the alike.

### 4. REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONSULTANT

4.1. The CONSULTANT shall exercise independent and professional judgment in performing obligations and responsibilities under this Agreement. Pursuant to Section 4.1.5 of the FDOT Construction Project Administration Manual (CPAM), the authority of the CONSULTANT's lead person, such as the Senior Project Engineer, and the CONSULTANT's Project Administrator shall be identical to the COUNTY Project Manager and shall be interpreted as such. Improvements are to be designed in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways (the "Florida Greenbook").

- 4.2. Services provided by the CONSULTANT shall comply with Lee County, Florida Greenbook, and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) manuals, procedures, and memorandums in effect as of the date of execution of the Agreement unless otherwise directed in writing by the COUNTY.
- 4.3. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to administer, monitor, and inspect the Construction Contract such that the project is constructed in reasonable conformity with the plans, specifications, and special provisions of the associated Construction Contract.
- 4.4. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to observe the Contractor's work to determine the progress and quality of work. Identify discrepancies, report significant discrepancies to the COUNTY, and direct the Contractor to correct such observed discrepancies.
- 4.5. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to inform the Construction Project Manager of any significant omissions, substitutions, defects, and deficiencies noted in the work of the Contractor and the corrective action that has been directed to be performed by the Contractor.
- 4.6. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to check or establish the survey control baseline(s) along with sufficient baseline control points and bench marks at appropriate intervals along the project in order to:
  - 4.6.1. (1) Make and record measurements necessary to calculate and document quantities for pay items;
  - 4.6.2. (2) Make and record pre-construction and final cross section surveys of the project site in those areas where earthwork (i.e., embankment, excavation, subsoil excavation, etc.) is part of the construction project; and
  - 4.6.3. (3) Perform incidental engineering surveys.
  - 4.6.4. Any questions or request for "Waiver of Survey" should be directed to the COUNTY Project Manager.
- 4.7. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to monitor the Contractor's on-site construction activities, inspect and test materials entering into the work in accordance with the plans, specifications, and special provisions of the associated Construction Contract to determine that the project(s) are constructed in reasonable conformity with such documents. Maintain detailed accurate records of the Contractor's daily operations and of significant events that affect the work.
- 4.8. If applicable, monitor and inspect Contractor's Work Zone Traffic Control Plan and review modifications to the Work Zone Traffic Control Plan, including Alternate Work Zone Traffic Control Plan, in accordance with the COUNTY's procedures.
- 4.9. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to perform sampling and field testing of component materials and completed work in accordance with the Construction Contract documents. The minimum sampling frequencies set out in the Florida Department of Transportation LAP Big 4 Specifications and COUNTY standards shall be met.
- 4.10. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to determine the acceptability of all materials and completed work items on the basis of either test results or verification of a certification, certified mill analysis, DOT label, DOT stamp, etc.
- 4.11. Sampling, testing and laboratory methods shall be as required by the Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications or as modified by the Special Provisions of the Construction Contract.
- 4.12. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to coordinate the Construction Contract administration activities of all parties other than the Contractor involved in completing the construction project. Notwithstanding the above, the CONSULTANT is not liable to the COUNTY for failure of such parties to follow written direction issued by the CONSULTANT.



- 4.13. Services shall include maintaining the required level of surveillance of the Contractor's activities, interpreting plans, specifications, and special provisions of the associated Construction Contract. Maintain complete, accurate records of all activities and events relating to the project and properly document all project changes. The following services shall be performed:
- 4.13.1. Attend a pre-services meeting for the Agreement in accordance with FDOT Construction Project Administration Manual (CPAM). Provide appropriate staff to attend and participate in the pre-service meeting.
  - 4.13.2. Schedule and attend a Monthly Estimates informational meeting. Provide appropriate staff to attend and participate in this meeting.
  - 4.13.3. Verify that the Contractor is conducting inspections, preparing reports, and monitoring all stormwater pollution prevention measures associated with the project. For each project that requires the use of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit, provide at least one inspector who has successfully completed the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Stormwater Erosion and Sedimentation Control Inspector Training Program. The CONSULTANT's inspector will be familiar with the requirements set forth in the "State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection Generic Permit for Stormwater Discharge from Large and Small Construction Activities".
  - 4.13.4. Analyze the Contractor's schedule(s) (i.e. baseline(s), revised baseline(s), updates, as-built, etc.) for compliance with the contract documents. Elements including, but not limited to, completeness, logic, durations, activity, flow, milestone dates, concurrency, resource allotment, and delays will be reviewed. Verify the schedule conforms with the construction phasing and MOT sequences, including all contract modifications. Provide a written review of the schedule identifying significant omissions, improbable or unreasonable activity durations, errors in logic, and any other concerns as detailed in CPAM.
  - 4.13.5. Analyze problems that arise on a project and proposals submitted by the Contractor; work to resolve such issues and process the necessary paperwork.
  - 4.13.6. Monitor, inspect and document utility construction for conformance with Utility Agency's Standards and the Utility Agency's Approved Materials List. Facilitate coordination and communication between Utility Agency's representatives, COUNTY's staff and Contractors executing the work. Identify potential utility conflicts and assist in the resolution of utility issues including COUNTY and Local Government owned facilities.
  - 4.13.7. Identify, review, and track progress of Joint Project Agreements, and/or other COUNTY and utility agreements. Address work progress, track reimbursement activities, and address betterment and salvage determination. Prepare all necessary documentation to support reimbursement activities and betterment and salvage determination.
  - 4.13.8. Produce reports, verify quantity calculations and field measure for payment purposes as needed to prevent delays in Contractor operations and to facilitate prompt processing of such information in order for the COUNTY to make timely payment to the Construction Firm.
  - 4.13.9. Prepare and make presentations for meetings and hearings before the COUNTY in connection with the project covered by this Agreement.
  - 4.13.10. Assist the COUNTY in providing Public Information Services and be proactive in keeping the community aware of the status and traffic impacts of the referenced project. With approval from the COUNTY's designee, prepare and disseminate information to the public, elected officials and the

media of any upcoming events, which will affect traffic flow. Produce and distribute all publications (letters, flyers, brochures, and news releases) necessary for this contract. Prior to release, the COUNTY's designee will approve all responses, letters, news releases and the like. Provide timely, professional responses to project inquiries including emails, telephone calls, etc.

- 4.13.11. Prepare and submit to the Construction Project Manager monthly, a construction contract status report.
- 4.13.12. Video tape the pre-construction conditions throughout the project limits. Provide a digital photo log or video of project activities, with heavy emphasis on potential claim items/issues and on areas of real/potential public controversy.
- 4.13.13. Provide a digital camera for photographic documentation of pre-construction state and of noteworthy incidents or events during construction.

## **5. GRANT COMPLIANCE AND OVERSITE**

- 5.1. The CONSULTANT shall provide the appropriate Resident Compliance Specialist, to monitor the Contractor's performance for compliance with requirements associated with the grant(s) provisions, and regulations associated with this Agreement, and subsequent Construction Contract modifications.
- 5.2. The CONSULTANT shall assist the Grant Contract Administrator with verifying compliance with the Davis-Bacon Labor Standards to ensure that all bid documents, contracts, and subcontracts for Davis-Bacon covered work contain Federal labor standards provisions and the applicable Davis-Bacon wage decision.
- 5.3. The CONSULTANT shall conduct the necessary on-site inspections, as required to comply with the Federal requirements, which includes interviews with laborers and mechanics employed on the construction project. Employee interviews must be sufficient to establish the degree of compliance and to indicate the nature and extent of violations, if any. The interviews must also fairly represent all project employee classifications. Every effort shall be made, within existing staff levels to interview up to 10% of the workers in all trades participating long term on the construction project (more than six months).
- 5.4. The CONSULTANT shall ensure that the applicable Davis-Bacon wage decision and the Department of Labor's "Notice to All Employees" are posted at the job site.
- 5.5. The CONSULTANT shall collect certified payroll reports weekly from the Contractor and Subcontractors using the County's EADOC's web-based software system.
- 5.6. The CONSULTANT shall verify that a Statement of Compliance is completed for all certified payrolls which certifies that the information provided is correct and in compliance.
- 5.7. The CONSULTANT shall review certified payroll reports and related documentation to help ensure contractor compliance with labor standard provisions and the payment of prevailing wages to workers. Payroll reviews shall be conducted to determine correctness of the classifications, rates of pay, fringe benefit payments, and hours worked. The CONSULTANT shall identify any discrepancies and/or violations and assist with ensuring any needed corrections are made promptly.
- 5.8. The CONSULTANT shall assist the Facilities Project Manager with maintaining documentation of Federal Labor standards administration and enforcement activities and refer potential criminal or complex investigations to the Facilities Project Manager.

End of Scope of Work and Specifications

## SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION CRITERIA

### 1. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION CRITERIA

- 1.1 Interested firms shall include the following information in their submittal responses to this solicitation. The following format and sequence should be followed in order to provide consistency in the firm's responses and to ensure each proposal receives full consideration. Use 8 ½ x 11 sheet pages only with minimum font size of 10 points and with tabs or section dividers to separate sections as defined below. More than one section is permitted on one page unless otherwise indicated below. Undesignated information shall be inserted at the rear of each package. Place page numbers at the bottom of every page, excluding dividers. Proposal documents should not contain links to other web pages; such links will not be reviewed for evaluation purposes.
- 1.2 Submittal package may not exceed **15 pages** printed single-sided; **page restriction excludes required forms found herein and dividers**. **PLEASE INCLUDE PAGE TABS/SECTION DIVIDERS** so that those evaluating your submittal can easily compare each section with others that are submitted. If any of the information provided by the Proposer is found to be, in the sole opinion of the Evaluation Committee and Procurement Management Director, substantially unreliable their proposal may be rejected.
- 1.3 Proposers shall submit one (1) original hard copy (clearly marked as such) and one (1) electronic version on a USB flash drive set(s) containing the proposal submittal in an unlocked PDF format. The County may request specific files be submitted in specialty format (IE: Provide a Project Timeline in Excel format.) Vendor shall accommodate such specialty requests as stated within the submittal requirements describe herein. Should files not be provided in the format or quantity as requested Vendor may be deemed non-Responsive and therefore ineligible for award. In case of any discrepancies, the original will be considered by the County in evaluating the Proposal, and the electronic version is provided for the County's administrative convenience only. Limit the color and number of images to avoid unmanageable file sizes.

#### **COVER PAGE: Introduction**

- Project RFP Number & Name
- Firm's Name & Address
- Firm's Contact Person & Information (phone, fax and email address)
- How many years has Proposer been in business under present name?
- Under what other former names has your organization operated?

*\*Cover Page: Introduction does NOT count towards page restriction requested herein.\**

#### **TAB 1: Qualifications of Firm**

- Provide a description of your firm, your firm's experience, and underlying philosophy in providing the services as described and requested herein. Description should include details such as: abilities, capacity, skill, strengths, number of years, location of office(s), as well as MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar status, and recent, current, and/or projected workload, etc.

## TAB 2: Company Relevant Experience & Reference

- Provide details of a maximum of three (3) projects similar in scope and size to that being requested through this solicitation that your firm has completed recently. Details for each project example provided should include:
  - Project Name
  - Project Address
  - Customer Name
  - Customer Contact Information
    - Point of contact Name, Phone, and Email
  - Brief description of work provided.
  - Initial costs of work
  - Final costs of work
  - Number of change orders
  - Total completion time (From Notice to Proceed to Final Invoice payment)
- Provide a statement of understanding that your firm recognizes the County reserves the right to evaluate the proposing Firm on their past performance and prior dealings with Lee County (i.e., failure to meet specifications, poor workmanship, late delivery, etc.) as part of their experience criteria.

## TAB 3: Firm Plan of Approach

- Provide a detailed Plan of Approach that explains how your firm intends to comply with and meet the anticipated deliverables as detailed within this solicitation.

## TAB 4: Personnel

- Provide a detailed description of the firm's **specific** project management team, inclusive of sub-Consultants anticipated to be utilized, that will be assigned to the Lee County contract. Identify the roles and responsibilities of the primary team members as they pertain/apply to the Project Approach and include details that demonstrate individual's knowledge and understanding of the types of services to be performed as well as previous experience in similar or related work.
- Firm must identify staff members that will serve on this project. Indicate the staff person who will serve as CEI Senior Project Engineer/Project Director who will be authorized and responsible to act on behalf of the Consultant with respect to directing, coordinating and administering all aspects of the services to be provided and performed. If a portion of the services are to be performed by a sub-consultant, provide the required information above for the sub-consultant firm and its staff members as well.
- Provide a statement acknowledging your firm's understanding that the project management team/key team members assigned to the Lee County contract, as described above, shall not be substituted without the expressed permission of Lee County.
- Provide resumes, licensure, and certifications of proposed **specific** project management team, inclusive of sub-Consultants anticipated to be utilized, to be assigned to the Lee County contract.

*\*Resumes are not included within the page restrictions but should be limited to one (1) page per person.\**

*\*Firms are encouraged to submit valid copies of MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar certifications for adequate committee consideration.\**

## TAB 5: Required Forms

- Forms 1- 16

## 2. SCORING CRITERIA & WEIGHT

CRITERIA / TAB	CRITERIA DESCRIPTION	MAX. POINTS AVAILABLE
1	QUALIFICATIONS OF FIRM	25
2	COMPANY RELEVANT EXPERIENCE & REFERENCE	25
3	FIRM PLAN OF APPROACH	30
4	PERSONNEL	20
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>		<b>100</b>
<i>*Additional details and documents found within submittal package, although not located within tabs as listed above, may be reviewed and considered by evaluation committee when scoring Proposers.</i>		

## 3. RFP SUBMISSION SCHEDULE

Submission Description	Date(s)	Time
Advertise Request for Proposal (RFP)	Tuesday, January 28, 2025	N/A
Pre-Proposal Meeting	N/A	N/A
Proposal Question Deadline	8 Calendar days prior to submission deadline	Prior to 5:00 PM
Submission Deadline	Friday, February 28, 2025	Prior to 2:30 PM
First Committee Meeting & Discussion	Wednesday, March 12, 2025	10:00 a.m.
Notify Shortlist Selection via e-mail (If applicable)	Thursday, March 13, 2025	10:00 a.m.
Final Scoring/Selection Meeting (If applicable)	Wednesday, March 19, 2025	10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting	Tuesday, May 6, 2025	9:30 AM

### Additional notes on Submission Schedule:

- *Submission Schedule is provided as a guideline only and is subject to change at the discretion of Lee County authorized personnel.*
- *Changes in closing date or other parameters may occur and will be posted to the Lee County Procurement website. It shall be the responsibility of Contractor to verify all dates through County website.*
- *Unless otherwise stated, location of all openings and meetings will take place at **2115 Second Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fort Myers, FL 33901.***

*End of Submittal Requirements & Evaluation Criteria Section*



**LEE COUNTY DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT FORM****For****CN240528BJB Able Canal Pathway CEI & Grant Compliance Services**

These forms are required as indicated below and all required forms should be submitted with the Bidder's/Proposer's submission package. If it is determined that forms in this selection are not applicable to your company or solicitation they should be marked "N/A or Not Applicable" across the form in large letters and returned with your submission package.

<b>FORM #</b>	<b>TITLE / DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>REQUIRED STATUS (Required, Not Required, If Applicable)</b>	<b>VENDOR CHECK-OFF</b>
1	Solicitation Response Form	Required	
N/A	Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement	If Applicable	
2	Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws	Required	
3	Reference Survey	Required	
4	Negligence or Breach of Contract Disclosure Form	Required	
5	Sub-Contractor List	Required	
6	Public Entity Crime Form	Required	
7	Affidavit of Compliance with Section 287.138 and 787.06 Florida Statutes	Required	
8	E-Verify Affidavit	Required	
*	Evidence of Enrollment in the E-Verify Program (Profile or MOU)	Required	
9	Minimum Qualifications Requirements	Required	
10	375-030-30 - Truth in Negotiation Certification	Required	
11	375-030-32 - Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion	Required	
12	375-030-33 - Certification for Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	Required	
13	375-030-34 - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities	Required	
14	375-030-50 - Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality Certification for Consultant/Contractor/Technical Advisors	Required	
15	375-030-31 – Affidavit Regarding Labor and Services	Required	
*	Proposal Label	Required	

It is the Bidder's/Proposer's responsibility to review the submittal request in its entirety and ensure that all submittal requirements are included within their submission package. Failure to submit required forms may deem your company as non-responsive.

## FORMS DESCRIPTION & INSTRUCTIONS

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL CCNA

This table provides a brief list, description, and instructions regarding the standard requested forms that should be submitted with all bids or proposals. This is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of forms required for your submission, but rather a guide to assist in completion of the County's standard forms.

<u>Form #</u>	<u>Title/Description</u>
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1	<b><i>Solicitation Response Form</i></b>
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All signatures must be by a corporate authorized representative, witnessed, and corporate and/or notary seal (if applicable.) The corporate or mailing address must match the company information as it is listed on the Florida Department of State Division of Corporations. Attach a copy of the web-page(s) from <http://www.sunbiz.org> as certification of this required information. Sample attached for your reference.

Verify that all addenda and tax identification number have been provided.

*	<b><i>Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement</i></b>
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Sections 112.313(3) and 112.313(7), F.S., prohibit certain business relationships on the part of public officers and employees, their spouses, and their children. If this **disclosure is applicable, the Bidder must request the form entitled "INTEREST IN COMPETITIVE BID FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS"** (Required by § 112.313(12)(b), F.S.) to be completed and **returned with the Solicitation Response**. **It is the Bidder's responsibility to request the form and disclose this relationship; failure to do so may result in being declared non-responsive.**

NOTICE: UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF § 112.317, F.S., A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR, AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY, ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00.

2	<b><i>Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws</i></b>
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Form is acknowledgement that the Proposer is in compliance in regard to Immigration Laws.

3	<b><i>Reference Survey</i></b>
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Provide this form to reference respondents. This form **will be turned in with the proposal** package.

1. **Section 1:** Bidder/Proposer to complete with reference respondent's information prior to providing to them for their response. (This is **not** the Bidder/Proposer's information.)
2. **Section 2:** Enter the name of the Bidder/Proposer; provide the project information in which the reference respondent is to provide a response.
3. The reference respondent should complete "**Section 3.**"
4. **Section 4:** The reference respondent to print and sign name
5. **Three (3) Reference responses** are to be **returned with the proposal package**.
6. Failure to obtain reference surveys may make your company non-responsive.

4	<b><i>Negligence or Breach of Contract Disclosure Form</i></b>
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The form may be used to disclose negligence or breach of contract litigation that your company may be a part of over the past ten years. You may need to duplicate this form to list all history. If the Proposer has more than 10 lawsuits, you may narrow them to litigation of the company or subsidiary submitting the solicitation response. Include, at a minimum, litigation for similar projects completed in the State of Florida. Final outcome should include in whose favor the litigation was settled and was a monetary amount awarded. The settlement amount may remain anonymous.

If you have **no litigation**, enter "**None**" in the first "**type of incident**" block of the form. Please do not write N/A on this form.

**5**     *Sub-Contractor/Consultant List* (if applicable)

To be completed and returned when sub-contractor/consultants are to be utilized and are known at the time of the submission.

**6**     *Public Entity Crimes Form*

Any person or affiliate as defined by statute who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid or a contract to provide any goods or services to the County; may not submit a bid on a contract with the County for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids or leases of real property to the County; may not be awarded or perform works as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with the County, and may not transact business with the County in excess of \$25,000.00 for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

**7**     *Affidavit of Compliance with Section 287.138 and 787.06 Florida Statutes*

Vendor pursuant to Florida Statute certifies that Vendor is not owned by a government of a foreign country of concern, a government of a foreign country of concern does not have a controlling interest in Vendor, and Vendor is not organized under the law of nor has its principal place of business in a foreign country of concern, as defined by statute.

*E-Verify Affidavit*

**8**     Vendor shall complete this form and provide evidence of enrollment in the E-Verify program by providing their Profile or MOU.

**\***     *Evidence of Enrollment in the E-Verify Program (Profile or MOU)*

Vendor shall print of evidence of enrollment in the E-Verify program. This can be found on the E-Verify website.

**9**     *Minimum Requirements Table* (RFP-CCNA) (if applicable)

Provide relevant project information stating the minimum qualifications the Bidder/Proposer is required to meet in order to be considered for award or evaluation.

*375-030-30 – Truth in Negotiation Certification*

**10**     Form certifying that the Vendors cost and pricing data is accurate, complete and current.

**11**     *375-030-32 – Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion*

Form certifying that neither the Vendor nor its principals are presently suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.

*375-030-33 – Certification for Disclosure of Lobbying Activities*

**12**     Form certifying that the Vendor hasn't had any influence or participated in any Lobbying Activities.

*375-030-34 – Disclosure of Lobbying Activities*

**13**     Form to describe Lobbying Activities the Vendor participated in. Indicate if none or non-applicable.

**14**     *375-030-50 – Conflict of Interest / Confidentiality Certification for Consultant/Contractor/Technical Advisors*

Form to certify the Vendor has no present conflict of interest, their firm has no conflict, and if one does arise, they will recuse themselves if a conflict presents itself.

- 15**      ***375-030-31 – Affidavit Regarding Labor and Services***  
Form to certify the Vendor does not use coercion for labor or services.

- Proposal Label*** (Required)  
\* Self-explanatory. Please affix to the outside of the sealed submission documents.

- Include any licenses or certifications requested***  
\* Local Business Tax Account (as applicable) issued by City and/or County entity. This is necessary for all Florida vendors.

It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure the Solicitation Response is mailed or delivered in time to be received no later than the specified opening date and time. (If solicitation is not received prior to deadline, it cannot be considered or accepted.)

End of Section

**Form 1 – Solicitation Response Form**

**LEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT  
SOLICITATION RESPONSE FORM**

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Submission Deadline Date: **2/28/2025**

SOLICITATION IDENTIFICATION: CN240528BJB

SOLICITATION NAME: Able Canal Pathway CEI & Grant Compliance Services

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME & TITLE: (TYPED OR PRINTED) \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS: (PHYSICAL) \_\_\_\_\_

CORPORATE OR MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ SAME AS PHYSICAL

**ADDRESS MUST MATCH SUNBIZ.ORG** \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE REQUIREMENT: IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR TO CHECK LEE COUNTY PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT WEB SITE FOR ANY ADDENDA ISSUED FOR THIS PROJECT. THE COUNTY WILL POST ADDENDA TO THIS WEB PAGE, BUT WILL NOT NOTIFY.**

In submitting this proposal, Proposer makes all representations required by the instructions to Proposer and further warrants and represents that: Proposer has examined copies of all the solicitation documents and the following addenda:

No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____
No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____	No. _____	Dated: _____

Tax Payer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Employer Identification Number -OR- (2) Social Security Number:

**\*\* Lee County collects your social security number for tax reporting purposes only**

Please submit a copy of your registration from the website [www.sunbiz.org](http://www.sunbiz.org) establishing the Proposer/firm as authorized (including authorized representatives) to conduct business in the State of Florida, as provided by the *Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations*.

1 **Collusion Statement:** Lee County, Florida The undersigned, as Proposer, hereby declares that no person or other persons, other than the undersigned, are interested in this solicitation as Principal, and that this solicitation is submitted without collusion with others; and that we have carefully read and examined the specifications or scope of work, and with full knowledge of all conditions under which the services herein is contemplated must be furnished, hereby propose and agree to furnish this service according to the requirements set out in the solicitation documents, specifications or scope of work for said service for the prices as listed on the county provided price sheet or (CCNA) agree to negotiate prices in good faith if a contract is awarded.

2 **Scrutinized Companies Certification:**

Section 287.135, FL § , prohibits agencies from contracting with companies, for goods or services over \$1,000,000, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. Both lists are created pursuant to section 215.473, FL § .

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent, I hereby certify that the company identified above not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, FL § , the submission of a false certification may subject company to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs.



**Form 1 – Solicitation Form, Page 2**

- 3 Business Relationship Disclosure Requirement:** Sections 112.313(3) and 112.313(7), FL § , prohibit certain business relationships on the part of public officers and employees, their spouses, and their children. See Part III, Chapter 112, FL § and/or the brochure entitled "A Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers, Candidates and Employees" for more details on these prohibitions. However, Section 112.313(12), FL § (1983), provides certain limited exemptions to the above-referenced prohibitions, including one where the business is awarded under a system of sealed, competitive bidding; the public official has exerted no influence on bid negotiations or specifications; and where disclosure is made, prior to or at the time of the submission of the bid, of the official's or his spouse's or child's interest and the nature of the intended business. The Commission on Ethics has promulgated this form for such disclosure, if and when applicable to a public officer or employee.

**If this disclosure is applicable request form “INTEREST IN COMPETITIVE BID FOR PUBLIC BUSINESS” (Required by 112.313(12)(b), Florida Statute (1983)) to be completed and returned with solicitation response. It is the Proposer’s responsibility to disclose this relationship, failure to do so could result in being declared non-responsive.**

☐ **Business Relationship Applicable (request form)**

☐ **Business Relationship NOT Applicable**

Disadvantaged, Minority, Women, Veterans Business Enterprise (DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE)

- 4** Proposer? If yes, please attach a current certificate.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	No

**ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE EXECUTED BY AN AUTHORIZED AUTHORITY OF THE PROPOSER. WITNESSED AND SEALED (IF APPLICABLE)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name (Name printed or typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative Name (printed or typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative’s Title (printed or typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative’s Signature



(Affix Corporate Seal, if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witnessed/Attested by:

(Witness/Secretary name and title printed or typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness/Secretary Signature

**Detail by Entity Name****Florida Profit Corporation**

Bill's Widget Corporation

**Filing Information**

Document Number 655555  
 FBI/EIN Number 511111111  
 Date Filed 09/22/1980  
 State FL  
 Status ACTIVE  
 Last Event AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES  
 Event Date Filed 07/25/2006  
 Event Effective Date NONE

**Principal Address**

555 N Main Street  
 Your Town, USA 99999

Changed 02/11/2012

**Verify either Principal or Mailing  
 address is on Form 1**

**Mailing Address**

555 N Main Street  
 MYour Town, USA 99999

Changed 02/11/2012

**Registered Agent Name & Address**

My Registered Agent  
 111 Registration Road  
 Registration, USA99999

Name Changed: 12/14/2006

Address Changed: 12/14/2006

**Officer/Director Detail****Name & Address****Title P**

President, First  
 555 AVENUE  
 Anytown, USA99999

**Title V**

President, Second  
 555 AVENUE  
 Anytown, USA99999

**IMPORTANT:**

For corporations, ALL documents must be signed by the president of the company or an authorized individual. For any individual other than the president, we will need one of the following to confirm their authority to sign:

1. a corporate resolution by the Board of Directors, or
2. an extract of minutes, or
3. an extract of Vote by the Board of Directors

If the company's articles of incorporation identify additional positions that have the power to bind the corporation, we will accept the articles of incorporation with verification from the president that a certain individual serves in that role (e.g., the president confirms that John Doe is the CEO, and the articles of incorporation provide that the CEO has the power to bind the company).

With respect to an LLC, the authority to bind a limited liability company is controlled by Florida statutes. Managers or managing members have inherent authority to bind an LLC.

If the president of a corporation or a manager/managing member of an LLC delegates their authority, such delegation must be sent to us on company letterhead with the President's or manager's/managing member's original, wet signature.

v01/03/2018

*Form 2 – Affidavit Certification of Immigration Laws***AFFIDAVIT CERTIFICATION IMMIGRATION LAWS**SOLICITATION NO.: **CN240528BJB**SOLICITATION NAME: **Able Canal Pathway CEI & Grant Compliance Services**

LEE COUNTY WILL NOT INTENTIONALLY AWARD COUNTY CONTRACTS TO ANY CONTRACTOR WHO KNOWINGLY EMPLOYS UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN WORKERS, CONSTITUTING A VIOLATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN 8 U.S.C. SECTION 1324 a(e) {SECTION 274A(e) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT ("INA").

LEE COUNTY MAY CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT BY ANY CONTRACTOR OF UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS A VIOLATION OF SECTION 274A(e) OF THE INA. **SUCH VIOLATION BY THE RECIPIENT OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 274A(e) OF THE INA SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR UNILATERAL CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT BY LEE COUNTY.** PROPOSER ATTESTS THAT THEY ARE FULLY COMPLIANT WITH ALL APPLICABLE IMMIGRATION LAWS (SPECIFICALLY TO THE 1986 IMMIGRATION ACT AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS).

BY REGISTERING AS A VENDOR, SUBMITTING A RESPONSE TO A SOLICITATION, OR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT, IF YOU ARE OBLIGATED TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 448.095, FLA. STAT., "EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY." FURTHER, BY YOUR REGISTRATION AS A VENDOR, RESPONSE TO A SOLICITATION, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT, YOU AFFIRM AND REPRESENT THAT YOU ARE REGISTERED WITH THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM AND ARE USING SAME, AND WILL CONTINUE TO USE SAME AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 448.095, F.S. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 448.095 INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, UTILIZATION OF THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM TO VERIFY THE WORK AUTHORIZATION STATUS OF ALL NEWLY HIRED EMPLOYEES, AND REQUIRING ALL SUBCONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE AN AFFIDAVIT ATTESTING THAT THE SUBCONTRACTOR DOES NOT EMPLOY, CONTRACT WITH, OR SUBCONTRACT WITH, AN UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL LEAD TO TERMINATION AS A VENDOR, DISQUALIFYING YOU FOR AWARD OF A SOLICITATION, DENIAL OF ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT AND/OR, CANCELLATION OF AN ACTIVE CONTRACT, OR IF YOUR SUBCONTRACTOR KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THE STATUTE, THE SUBCONTRACT MUST BE TERMINATED IMMEDIATELY. ANY CHALLENGE TO TERMINATION UNDER THIS PROVISION MUST BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT NO LATER THAN 20 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION. IF TERMINATED FOR A VIOLATION OF THE STATUTE BY THE VENDOR, THE VENDOR MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY OR BE AWARDED A SOLICITATION OR CONTRACT FOR A PERIOD OF 1 YEAR AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION. ALL COSTS INCURRED TO INITIATE AND SUSTAIN THE AFOREMENTIONED PROGRAMS SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VENDOR.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Title\_\_\_\_\_  
DateSTATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me, by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ who has produced

(Print or Type Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

(Type of Identification)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration

The signee of this Affidavit guarantee, as evidenced by the sworn affidavit required herein, the truth and accuracy of this affidavit to interrogatories hereinafter made. **LEE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REQUEST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, AS EVIDENCE OF SERVICES PROVIDED, AT ANY TIME.**

**Form 3 - Reference Survey****Lee County Procurement Management  
Reference Survey**

*Reference surveys submitted can be a maximum of twelve (12) months old. If using a previous reference, Proposers must clearly identify the project name and number the reference is being submitted for.*

**Project Name & Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Section 1</b>		Reference Respondent Information		<b>Please return completed form to:</b>  <b>Bidder/Proposer:</b> <b>Due Date:</b> <b>Total # Pages: 1</b> <b>Phone #: Fax #:</b> <b>Bidder/Proposer E-Mail:</b>	
<b>FROM:</b>		_____			
<b>COMPANY:</b>		_____			
<b>PHONE #:</b>		_____			
<b>FAX #:</b>		_____			
<b>EMAIL:</b>		_____			
<b>Section 2</b>		Enter Bidder/Proposer Information , if applicable Similar Performed Project (Bidder/Proposer to enter details of a project performed for above reference respondent)			
Proposer Name:		_____			
Reference Project Name:		Project Address:		Project Cost:	
_____		_____		_____	
Summarize Scope:		_____		_____	
_____		_____		_____	
<p><b>You as an individual or your company has been given as a reference on the project identified above. Please provide your responses in section 3 below.</b></p>					
<b>Section 3</b>					Indicate: "Yes" or "No"
1. Did this company have the proper resources and personnel by which to get the job done?					
2. Were any problems encountered with the company's work performance?					
3. Were any change orders or contract amendments issued, other than owner initiated?					
4. Was the job completed on time?					
5. Was the job completed within budget?					
6. On a scale of one to ten, ten being best, how would you rate the overall work performance, considering professionalism; final product; personnel; resources. Rate from 1 to 10. (10 being highest)					
7. If the opportunity were to present itself, would you rehire this company?					
8. Please provide any additional comments pertinent to this company and the work performed for you:					
<p><b>Section 4</b> Please submit non-Lee County employees as references</p>					

Reference Name (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Form 4 – Negligence, Breach and/or Non-Compliance Disclosure Form**

## ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE/BREACH OF CONTRACT/NON-COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION FORM

"Please fill in the form below. Provide details for each incident of alleged negligence, breach of contract or non-compliance with governmental regulation that has occurred over the past 10 years. Examples of non-compliance with governmental regulation include but are not limited to zoning violations, code enforcement violations, civil or criminal citations, denial, or revocation of permits. Provide details for all entities currently or previously owned in whole or in part by the proposer in the last 10 years. Please complete in chronological order with the most recent incident starting on page 1. Please do not modify this form (expansion of spacing allowed) or submit your own variation."

**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Type of Incident</b> <i>Alleged Negligence, Breach of Contract, or Non-Compliance</i>	<b>Incident Date And Date Filed</b>	<b>Plaintiff</b> <i>(Company, person, entity-acted against your company or state if your company initiated the action)</i>	<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Court</b> <i>(Name of State and County)</i>	<b>Project</b> <i>(Address and Name)</i>	<b>Allegation</b> <i>(Stated reason your company was accused of negligence, breach of contract or non-compliance of governmental regulation or the allegations your company made)</i>	<b>Final Outcome</b> <i>(Who prevailed and how)</i>

Make as many copies of this sheet as necessary to **provide a 10-year history** of the requested information. If there is no action pending or action taken in the last 10 years, complete the **company name** and write **"NONE"** in the first **"Type of Incident"** box of this page and return with your proposal package. This form should also include the primary partners listed in your proposal. Do not include litigation with your company as the plaintiff. Final outcome should include who prevailed and what method of settlement was made. If a monetary settlement was made the amount may remain anonymous.

Proposals may be declared "non-responsive" due to omissions of "Negligence or Breach of Contract" on this disclosure form. Additionally, proposals may be declared "not responsible" due to past or pending lawsuits that are relevant to the subject procurement such that they call into question the ability of the proposer to assure good faith performance. This determination may be made by the Procurement Management Director, after consulting with the County Attorney.

Page Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Of \_\_\_\_\_ Total pages



*Form 5 - Sub-contractor/consultant List***SUB-CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT LIST**

<b>Sub-Contractor/Consultant Company Name</b>	<b>Area Of Work</b>	<b>Point Of Contact Or Project Supervisor</b>	<b>Contact Info Phone or Email</b>	<b>Qualified DBE, MBE, WBE, VBE or Similar</b>	<b>Amount or Percentage of Total</b>

Please include sub-contractor/consultant name, area of work (i.e. mechanical, electrical, etc.) and a **valid** phone number and/or email. Also include the dollar value or percentage that the sub-contractor/consultant will be performing. If sub-contractor/consultant qualifies as a current certificate Florida Certified Business Enterprise such as MBE, WBE, DBE, VBE or similar please indicate such above and provide proof of certification.

## Public Entity Crime Form

This form must be signed and sworn to in the presence of a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Print name of the public entity)*  
 by \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Print individual's name and title)*  
 for \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Print name of entity submitting sworn statement)*  
 whose business address is \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement: On the attached sheet.) Required as per IRS Form W-9.
2. I understand that a “public entity crime” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including but not limited to, and bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or agency or political subdivision or any other state or of the United States, and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.
3. I understand that “convicted” or “conviction” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
4. I understand that “affiliate” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:
  1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime:  
or:
  2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term “affiliate” includes those offices, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members and agents who are active in the management of the affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not fair market value under an arm’s length agreement, shall be a facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.
5. I understand that a “person” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1) (c), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term “person” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of the entity.

**Form 6 - Public Entity Crime Form, Page 2**

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6. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting those sworn statement. *(Please indicate which statement applies.)*

\_\_\_\_\_ Neither the entity submitted this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity nor affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, member, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, member, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989. However, there has been subsequent proceeding before a Hearing Officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearing and the Final Order entered by the Hearing Officer determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. (Attach a copy of the final order)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND, THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR CATEGORY TWO OR ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ who has produced  
(Print or Type Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.  
(Type of Identification)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration

**AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 287.138 and 787.06, FLORIDA  
STATUTES**

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared **(Name of affiant)** \_\_\_\_\_, who, after being first duly sworn, deposes and says of his or her personal knowledge the following:

1. Affiant is the **(Title)** \_\_\_\_\_ of **(Business Name)** \_\_\_\_\_ which does business in the State of Florida, hereinafter called the “Vendor.”
2. Vendor, pursuant to Section 287.138, Florida Statutes, certifies that (1) Vendor is not owned by a government of a foreign country of concern; (2) a government of a foreign country of concern does not have a “controlling interest” in Vendor, as defined by Section 287.138(1)(a), Florida Statutes; and (3) Vendor is not organized under the law of nor has its principal place of business in a foreign country of concern. For the purposes of this affidavit, foreign country of concern means the People’s Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity of significant control of such foreign country of concern, as defined in Section 287.138(1)(c), Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time.
3. Vendor, pursuant to Section 787.06, Florida Statutes, certifies that Vendor does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time.
4. This Affidavit is executed by the Vendor in accordance with Section 287.138, Florida Statutes, for the purposes of preventing the County from entering contracts with foreign entities of concern which would provide Vendor access to an individual’s personal identifying information.
5. This Affidavit is executed by the Vendor in accordance with Section 787.06, Florida Statutes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization,  
this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ who has produced  
(Print or Type Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.  
(Type of Identification)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration

**Form 8 - E-Verify Program (Immigration Law)****Attachment: Immigration Law Affidavit Certification**

This Affidavit is required and should be signed by an authorized principal of the firm, notarized and submitted with formal Invitations to Bid (ITB's) and Request for Proposals (RFP) submittals. Further, Vendors / Bidders are required to enroll in the E-Verify program, and provide acceptable evidence of their enrollment, at the time of the submission of the vendor's/bidder's proposal. Acceptable evidence consists of a copy of the properly completed E-Verify Company Profile page or a copy of the fully executed E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding for the company. **Failure to include this Affidavit and acceptable evidence of enrollment in the E-Verify program, may deem the Vendor / Bidder's proposal as non-responsive.**

Lee County will not intentionally award County contracts to any vendor who knowingly employs unauthorized alien workers, constituting a violation of the employment provision contained in 8 U.S.C. Section 1324 a(e) Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act ("INA").

Lee County may consider the employment by any vendor of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A (e) of the INA. Such Violation by the recipient of the Employment Provisions contained in Section 274A (e) of the INA shall be grounds for unilateral termination of the contract by Lee County.

Vendor attests that they are fully compliant with all applicable immigration laws (specifically to the 1986 Immigration Act and subsequent Amendment(s)) and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding with E-Verify and to provide proof of enrollment in The Employment Eligibility Verification System (E-Verify), operated by the Department of Homeland Security in partnership with the Social Security Administration at the time of submission of the Vendor's / Bidder's proposal.

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by

\_\_\_\_\_ who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.  
(Print or Type Name) (Type of Identification and Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration

The signee of these Affidavit guarantees, as evidenced by the sworn affidavit required herein, the truth and accuracy of this affidavit to interrogatories hereinafter made.



*Form 9 - Minimum Qualifications Requirements***MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS****FOR*****CN240528BJB Able Canal Pathway CEI & Grant Compliance Services***

Proposer(s) must meet the minimum qualification requirements as specified to qualify for consideration of award. This form should be completed and returned with proposal submittal along with any supporting documentation where requested and/or indicated herein.

**1. CRITERIA 1 – FDOT Pre-Qualified Consultant:**

Consultant must be Pre-Qualified by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) with a level of qualification as “Unlimited” within the following work types:

- i. Work Type: 10.1: Roadway CEI
- ii. Work Type: 10.3: Construction Materials Inspection
- iii. Work Type: 10.4: Minor Bridge and Miscellaneous Structures CEI

**Is your Firm currently prequalified as Unlimited Prequalified Consultant with FDOT and further qualified in ALL the work types listed above?**

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO**

If YES, provide details and documentation showing proof of FDOT Pre-Qualification

NOTICE: If you are in the process of prequalifying and your application was received to FDOT prior to the due date of this solicitation please mark “YES” to the above qualification criteria. To be eligible for evaluation and award your Firm MUST be fully prequalified by the Shortlist date. If your Firm fails to prequalify prior to the Shortlist date your Firm will be removed from the evaluation list and therefore become ineligible for award.

\*Sub-consultants may be utilized to meet minimum qualifications so long as the Prime Proposer is also qualified with FDOT in at least one work type listed.

**Form 10: 375-030-30 – Truth in Negotiation Certification**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**TRUTH IN NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATION**375-030-30  
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Pursuant to Section 287.055(5)(a), Florida Statutes, for any lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed fee professional services contract over the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes for CATEGORY FOUR, the Department of Transportation (Department) requires the Consultant to execute this certificate and include it with the submittal of the Technical Proposal, or as prescribed in the contract advertisement.

The Consultant hereby certifies, covenants, and warrants that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation for this project's agreement are accurate, complete, and current at the time of contracting.

The Consultant further agrees that the original agreement price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Department determines the agreement price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such agreement adjustments shall be made within (1) year following the end of the contract. For purposes of this certificate, the end of the agreement shall be deemed to be the date of final billing or acceptance of the work by the Department, whichever is later.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Consultant

By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Form 11: 375-030-32 – Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion**

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,  
 INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION-  
 LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS FOR FEDERAL AID CONTRACTS**  
 (Compliance with 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

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It is certified that neither the below identified firm nor its principals are presently suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

Name of Consultant/Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions for Certification

Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).
- e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.
- g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.
- h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

**Form 12: 375-030-33 – Certification for Disclosure of Lobbying Activities**

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**CERTIFICATION FOR DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**  
**ON FEDERAL-AID CONTRACTS**  
**(Compliance with 49CFR, Section 20.100 (b))**

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The prospective participant certifies, by signing this certification, that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities", in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The prospective participant also agrees by submitting his or her proposal that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Name of Consultant: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Form 13: 375-030-34 – Disclosure of Lobbying Activities**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**375-030-34  
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Is this form applicable to your firm?

YES ☐ NO ☐If *no*, then please complete section 4  
below for "Prime"

<b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b> a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	<b>2. Status of Federal Action:</b> a. bid/offer/application b. initial award c. post-award	<b>3. Report Type:</b> a. initial filing b. material change <b>For Material Change Only:</b> Year: _____ Quarter: _____ Date of last report: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known: _____ _____ _____ Congressional District, if known: 4c _____		<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b> _____ _____ _____ Congressional District, if known: _____
<b>6. Federal Department/Agency:</b> _____ _____ _____		<b>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</b> _____ _____ _____ CFDA Number, if applicable: _____
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b> _____		<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b> \$ _____
<b>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant</b> <i>(if individual, last name, first name, MI):</i> _____ _____ _____		<b>b. Individuals Performing Services</b> <i>(including address if different from No. 10a)</i> <i>(last name, first name, MI):</i> _____ _____ _____
<b>11.</b> Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.		Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date (mm/dd/yyyy): _____
<b>Federal Use Only:</b>		Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7-97)



**Form 13 continued: 375-030-34 – Disclosure of Lobbying Activities**

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.  
  
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.



**Form 14: 375-030-50 – Conflict of Interest /Confidentiality Certification for Consultant, Contractor, Tech Advisors**

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**CONFLICT OF INTEREST/CONFIDENTIALITY CERTIFICATION  
 FOR CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR/TECHNICAL ADVISORS**

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I certify that I have no present conflict of interest, that I have no knowledge of any conflict of interest that my firm may have, and that I will recuse myself from any capacity of decision making, approval, disapproval, or recommendation on any contract if I have a conflict of interest or a potential conflict of interest.

Consultants/Contractors are expected to safeguard their ability to make objective, fair, and impartial decisions when performing work for the Department, and therefore may not accept benefits of any sort under circumstances in which it could be inferred by a reasonable observer that the benefit was intended to influence a pending or future decision of theirs, or to reward a past decision. Consultants performing work for the Department should avoid any conduct (whether in the context of business, financial, or social relationships) which might undermine the public trust, whether or not that conduct is unethical or lends itself to the appearance of ethical impropriety.

I will maintain the confidentiality of all information not made public by the Florida Department of Transportation ("Department") related to the procurement of the above-referenced ("Project") that I gain access to as a result of my involvement with the Project ("Procurement Information"). I understand that Procurement Information includes, but is not limited to, documents prepared by or for the Department related to procurement of the Project. I also understand that Procurement Information includes, but is not limited to, documents submitted to the Department by entities seeking an award of the Project ("Proposers"). I understand that Procurement Information may include documents submitted by Proposers related to letters of response/letters of interest, technical proposals, price proposals, financial proposals, and information shared during exempt meetings. I also understand that Procurement Information may also include documents that evaluate or review documents submitted by Proposers, and information regarding Project cost estimates. I also agree not to discuss the Project with anyone who is a member of or acting on behalf of a Proposer.

Unless so ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or an opinion of the Office of the Florida Attorney General, I will not divulge any Procurement Information except to individuals who have executed a Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality Certification which has been approved by the Department ("Project Personnel"). I understand that a list of Project Personnel will be maintained by Department. If I am contacted by any member of the public or the media with a request for Procurement Information, I will promptly forward such request to the Department's Procurement Office. I will also maintain security and control over all documents containing Procurement Information which are in my custody.

I agree not to solicit or accept gratuities, unwarranted privileges or exemptions, favors, or anything of value from any firm under consideration for an agreement associated with the Project, and I recognize that doing so may be contrary to statutes, ordinances, and rules governing or applicable to the Department or may otherwise be a violation of the law.

I agree not to engage in bid tampering, pursuant to Section 838.22, Florida Statutes.

I realize that violation of the above mentioned standards could result in the termination of my work for the Department. I further realize that violation of the above mentioned statute would be punishable in accordance with Section 838.22, Florida Statutes..

Advertisement No./ Solicitation No	Description	Financial Project Number(s)
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____

Each undersigned individual agrees to the terms of this Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality Certification.

Printed Names	Signatures	Date
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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**Form 15: 375-030-31 – Affidavit Regarding Labor and Services**

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**AFFIDAVIT REGARDING LABOR AND SERVICES**

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Effective July 1, 2024, pursuant to §787.06(13), Florida Statutes, when a contract is executed, renewed, or extended between a nongovernmental entity and a governmental entity, the nongovernmental entity must provide the governmental entity with an affidavit signed by an officer or a representative of the nongovernmental entity under penalty of perjury attesting that the nongovernmental entity does not use coercion for labor or services.

Nongovernmental Entity's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Authorized Representative's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Authorized Representative's Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

AFFIDAVIT

I, insert nongovernmental entity's authorized representative name, as authorized representative attest that insert nongovernmental entity's name does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in §787.06, Florida Statutes.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing Affidavit and that the facts stated in it are true.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of authorized representative)                      Date

STATE OF FLORIDA  
 COUNTY OF

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this  
           day of                      ,                      (year), by

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public, not required when digital

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Commission Expires  
 Personally Known ☐ OR Produced Identification ☐  
 Type of Identification Produced

*Sealed Proposal Label*

**Cut along the outer border and affix this label to your sealed solicitation envelope to identify it as a “Sealed Submission/Proposal”.**

<b>PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS • DO NOT OPEN</b>	
SOLICITATION No.:	<b>CN240528BJB</b>
SOLICITATION TITLE:	<b>Able Canal Pathway CEI &amp; Grant Compliance Services</b>
DATE DUE:	<b>TBD</b>
TIME DUE:	<b>Prior to: 2:30 PM</b>
SUBMITTED BY:	_____ (Name of Company)
e-mail address	Telephone
<b>DELIVER TO:</b>	Lee County Procurement Management 2115 Second Street, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Fort Myers FL 33901



**\*Notice:** the Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date as stated on this label and other forms contained herein may have been updated via issuance of Addenda against this project. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor/Vendor to monitor the County project webpage for any updates to the Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date via Addenda. This label nor other original forms may not be updated. Contractor/Vendor may strike through and update Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date at their discretion to match any updates to this date that have been published via Addenda.

Submission received after the time and date of the Date Due/Submission Deadline Date/Opening Date will not be accepted at the sole discretion of the County.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

[Solicitation Number]  
 Project / Contract Name]  
 [Vendor/Contractor Name]

E1 Contract # \_\_\_\_\_

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT is made and entered into between the Board of County Commissioners of LEE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the STATE OF FLORIDA hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT".

### **WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the COUNTY desires to obtain the professional services of said CONSULTANT to provide and perform professional services as further described hereinafter concerning the Project to be referred to and identified as: \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT hereby certifies that CONSULTANT has been granted and possesses valid, current licenses to do business in the State of Florida and in Lee County, Florida, issued by the respective State Boards and Government Agencies responsible for regulating and licensing the professional services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT has reviewed the professional services required pursuant to this Agreement and is qualified, willing and able to provide and perform all such services in accordance with the provisions, conditions and terms hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the selection and engagement of the CONSULTANT has been made by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, Chapter 287.055, Florida Statutes, and in accordance with applicable Lee County Administrative Codes.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, terms and provisions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

### **ARTICLE 1.00 - SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

CONSULTANT hereby agrees to provide and perform the professional services required and necessary to complete the services and work as set forth in the solicitation documents, which shall, with the exception of the Detailed Specifications Section, be incorporated into this Agreement, and the attached EXHIBIT "A", titled "SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES".

### **ARTICLE 2.00 - DEFINITIONS**

The following definition of terms associated with this Agreement is provided to establish a common understanding between both parties to this Agreement as to the intended usage, application, and interpretation of such terms pertaining to this Agreement.

#### **2.01 COUNTY**

The term COUNTY refers to the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, a charter County and political subdivision of the State of Florida, and any official or employee duly authorized to act on the COUNTY'S behalf relative to this Agreement.

#### **2.02 CONSULTANT**



The term CONSULTANT refers to the individual or firm offering professional services that, by execution of this Agreement, is legally obligated, responsible, and liable for providing and performing any and all of the services, work and materials, including services and/or work of subconsultants and subcontractors, required under the covenants, terms and provisions contained in this Agreement.

### 2.03 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

The term PROFESSIONAL SERVICES refers to all of the services, work, materials and related professional, technical and administrative activities to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT and its employees, including all subconsultants and subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, to complete the services required pursuant to the covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement.

### 2.04 SUBCONSULTANT

The term SUBCONSULTANT refers to any individual or firm offering professional services that is engaged by the CONSULTANT to assist in providing and performing the professional services, work and materials for which the CONSULTANT is contractually obligated, responsible and liable to provide and perform under this Agreement. The COUNTY may not be deemed a party to, responsible or liable for, or assume any obligation whatsoever with respect to any Agreement between the CONSULTANT and any SUBCONSULTANT.

### 2.05 SUBCONTRACTOR

The term SUBCONTRACTOR refers to any individual, company or firm providing services other than professional services that is engaged by the CONSULTANT to assist in providing and performing services, work and materials for which the CONSULTANT is contractually obligated, responsible, and liable to provide and perform under this Agreement. The COUNTY may not be deemed a party to, responsible or liable for, or assume any obligation whatsoever for any Agreement between the CONSULTANT and any SUBCONTRACTOR.

### 2.06 PROJECT

The term PROJECT refers to such facility, system, program or item as described in the summary statement set forth in the Preamble on Page One of this Agreement.

### 2.07 BASIC SERVICES

The term BASIC SERVICES refers to the professional services set forth and required pursuant to this Agreement as described in further detail in the attached EXHIBIT "A".

### 2.08 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The term ADDITIONAL SERVICES refers to such professional services the COUNTY may request and authorize, in writing, for the CONSULTANT to provide and perform relative to this Agreement that are not included in the BASIC SERVICES. Additional services must be authorized by both parties through execution of a Change Order to this Agreement.

### 2.09 CHANGE ORDER

The term CHANGE ORDER refers to a written document, CHANGE ORDER AGREEMENT, executed by both parties to this Agreement setting forth and authorizing changes to the agreed upon Scope of Professional Services and Tasks, Compensation and Method of Payment, Time and Schedule of Performance, or Project Guidelines and Criteria as such were set forth and agreed to in the initial AGREEMENT, SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS, or previous CHANGE ORDERS issued thereto. The



CHANGE ORDER document, which must be executed on a Lee County standard form, will set forth the authorized changes to the: scope of professional services, tasks, work, or materials to be performed or provided by the CONSULTANT; the compensation and method of payment; the schedule or time period for performance and completion; and the guidelines, criteria and requirements pertaining thereto.

CHANGE ORDERS will be identified as follows: (1) Owner changes: These will be additional services. (2) Changes due to design errors or omissions: Design services for these will be at no cost to the County. Change orders resulting from gross negligence on the part of the CONSULTANT team may be required to be paid for by CONSULTANT in full, including equipment. (3) Changes due to differing site conditions: These will be additional services. The CONSULTANT will review all contract requests for change orders and make recommendations to the County. The CONSULTANT will periodically meet to review Change Orders to determine the nature of the change orders and the proper disposition thereof. The CONSULTANT will not be held liable for costs of that portion of any CHANGE ORDER that the County would have borne in the absence of any error or omission or otherwise results in the "betterment" of the project.

The amount of the change in contract compensation and time set forth in any and all Change Orders executed and issued under this Agreement shall be understood and agreed by both Parties to this Agreement to be fair, equitable, adequate and complete. The changed compensation shall be understood and agreed to be the total of all costs associated with or impacted by the Change Order including, but not limited to any and all direct costs, indirect costs and associated costs that may result from or be caused by the Change Order, and shall be understood and agreed to include a fair, equitable and adequate adjustment to cover the CONSULTANT'S general administrative and overhead costs and profit.

In the event the County decides to delete all, or portions, of the Scope of Services, Tasks, or Requirements set forth in the initial Agreement, Supplemental Task Authorization or previously authorized Change Order, the COUNTY may do so by the unilateral issuance of a written Change Order to the CONSULTANT. Such a unilaterally issued Change Order shall set forth, if appropriate: (1) an agreement by both the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT establishing changes in the amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT as a result of the deletion or decrease in services required; or, (2) in the absence of such an agreement concerning compensation, the unilaterally issued Change Order shall set forth the basis to be used in subsequently considering, and reaching agreement on change(s) in the compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT. The failure on the part of the CONSULTANT to execute a Change Order issued unilaterally by the COUNTY to affect a deletion or decrease in the services required shall have no effect on or otherwise prevent the COUNTY from exercising its rights to direct the stated deletion or decrease in the services to be provided or performed by the CONSULTANT.

Should errors, omissions or conflicts in the drawings, specification or other Contract Documents prepared by or through the CONSULTANT be discovered, the CONSULTANT will prepare and submit to the County, within five (5) calendar days unless otherwise authorized by the County, such amendments or supplementary documents to address the errors, omissions or conflicts, and provide consultation as may be required, for which the CONSULTANT will make no additional charges to the County.

## 2.10 SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION

The term Supplemental Task Authorization as used refers to a written document executed by both parties to an existing Professional Services Agreement, or Service Provider Agreement, setting forth and authorizing a limited number of Professional Services, tasks, or work. Such Supplemental Task Authorizations are consistent with and have previously been included within the scope of services in the initial Professional Services Agreement, or Service Provider Agreement, for which authorization has not been previously given or budgeted.

## 2.11 DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

The term DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR refers to the Director of the Department requesting the service,

employed by the Lee County Board of County Commissioners to serve and act on the COUNTY'S behalf, as it relates to this Project. The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, or designated representative, shall act on behalf of the COUNTY to execute any and all CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS approved by the COUNTY and issued to the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement. The DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, within the authority conferred by the Board of County Commissioners, acting as the COUNTY'S designated representative, shall issue written notification to the CONSULTANT of any and all changes approved by the COUNTY in the CONSULTANTS: (1) compensation; (2) time and/or schedule of service delivery; (3) scope of services; or, (4) other changes relative to BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES pursuant to this Agreement, including CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS pertaining thereto. The DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR is responsible for acting on the COUNTY'S behalf to administer, coordinate, interpret and otherwise manage the contractual provisions and requirements set forth in this Agreement, including approved CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

## 2.12 PROJECT MANAGER

The term PROJECT MANAGER refers to the person employed or retained by the COUNTY and designated, in writing, to serve and act on the COUNTY'S behalf to provide direct contact and communication between the COUNTY and CONSULTANT with respect to providing information, assistance, guidance, coordination, review, approval and acceptance of the professional services, work and materials to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement and duly approved SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS and CHANGE ORDERS. The PROJECT MANAGER is not authorized to and may not issue any verbal, or written, request or instruction to the CONSULTANT that would have the effect, or be interpreted to have the effect, of modifying or changing in any way whatsoever the: (1) Scope of Services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT; (2) The time the CONSULTANT is obligated to commence and complete all such services; or, (3) The amount of compensation the COUNTY is obligated or committed to pay the CONSULTANT. The PROJECT MANAGER will review and make appropriate recommendations on all requests submitted by the CONSULTANT for payment for services and work provided and performed, and reimbursable costs and expenses as provided for in this Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

## 2.13 LUMP SUM FEES

Lump Sum Fees, hereinafter identified as L.S., are understood and agreed to include all direct and indirect labor costs, personnel related costs, overhead and administrative costs, costs of subconsultants and/or subcontractors, out-of-pocket expenses and costs, professional service fees and any other costs or expenses which may pertain to the services and/or work to be performed, provided and/or furnished by the Consultant as may be required and/or necessary to complete each and every task set forth in the Scope of Professional Services, Exhibit "A", or as may be set in subsequent Supplemental Task Authorizations, and/or Change Orders agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement.

## 2.14 NOT-TO-EXCEED FEES

When all, or any portion, of the CONSULTANT'S compensation to provide and perform the services and work necessary and required pursuant to the Tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A", and any Change Orders, Supplemental Task Authorizations, and Work Orders authorized thereto, is established to be made on a NOT-TO-EXCEED (N.T.E.) amount basis, it is mutually understood and agreed that such compensation for each completed Task will be made on the following basis:

For the actual hours necessary, required and expended by the CONSULTANT'S professional and technical personnel, multiplied by the applicable hourly rates for each classification or position as set forth in Attachment No. 1 to Exhibit "B", as attached, and any approved Change Orders or



Supplemental Task Authorizations; and

For the actual necessary, required and expended non-personnel reimbursable expenses and costs, multiplied by the applicable "Basis of Charges" for each item as set forth in Attachment No. 2 to Exhibit "B", as attached, and any approved Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations; and

For the actual, necessary, and required hours, and non-personnel expenses and costs, expended by Subconsultants and Subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, multiplied by such hourly rates and unit costs as are agreed to by the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT and as are set forth as a part of this Agreement and any approved Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations; and

With the understanding and agreement that the COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all such costs and expenses within the established Not-to-Exceed amount for each Task or Sub-Task subject to the CONSULTANT presenting an itemized and detailed invoice with appropriate supporting documentation attached thereto to show evidence satisfactory to the COUNTY covering all such costs and expenses; and

With the understanding and agreement that the CONSULTANT'S invoices and all payments to be made for all Not-to-Exceed amounts will be subject to the review, acceptance and approval of the COUNTY; and with the understanding and agreement that when the CONSULTANT'S compensation is established on a Not-to-Exceed basis for a specific Task or Sub-Task, the total amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT to cover all personnel costs, non-personnel reimbursable expenses and costs, and Subconsultant and Subcontractor costs for any such specific Tasks or Sub-Tasks shall not exceed the amount of the total Not-to-Exceed compensation established and agreed to for each specific Task or Sub-Task. In the event the amount of compensation for any Task or Sub-Task to which the CONSULTANT is entitled on the Not-to-Exceed basis set forth above is determined to be necessary, required and actually expended and is determined to be actually less than the Not-to-Exceed amount established for the specific Task or Sub-Task, it is understood and agreed that any unexpended amount under a specific Task or Sub-Task may not be used, applied, transferred, invoiced or paid for services or work provided or performed on any other Task or Sub-Task.

### **ARTICLE 3.00 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT**

The obligations of the CONSULTANT with respect to all the BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES authorized pursuant to this Agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### **3.01 LICENSES**

The CONSULTANT agrees to obtain and maintain throughout the period this Agreement is in effect all such licenses as are required to do business in the State of Florida and in Lee County, Florida, including, but not limited to, licenses required by the respective State Boards and other governmental agencies responsible for regulating and licensing the professional services provided and performed by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement.

#### **3.02 PERSONNEL**

##### **(1) QUALIFIED PERSONNEL**

The CONSULTANT agrees when the services to be provided and performed relate to a professional service that, under Florida Statutes, requires a license, certificate of authorization or other form of legal

entitlement to practice such services, to employ and/or retain only qualified personnel to be in responsible charge of all BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES to be provided pursuant to this Agreement.

(2) CONSULTANT'S PROJECT DIRECTOR

The CONSULTANT agrees to employ and designate, in writing, a qualified and, if required by law, a licensed professional to serve as the CONSULTANT'S Project Director. The CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall be authorized and responsible to act on behalf of the CONSULTANT with respect to directing, coordinating and administering all aspects of the services to be provided and performed under this Agreement thereto. The CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall have full authority to bind and obligate the CONSULTANT on any matter arising under this Agreement unless substitute arrangements have been furnished to the COUNTY in writing. The CONSULTANT agrees that the Project Director shall devote whatever time is required to satisfactorily direct, supervise and manage the services provided and performed by the CONSULTANT throughout the entire period this Agreement is in effect. The person selected by the CONSULTANT to serve as the CONSULTANT'S Project Director shall be subject to the prior approval and acceptance of the COUNTY.

(3) REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL

The CONSULTANT agrees, within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of a written request from the COUNTY, to promptly remove and replace the CONSULTANT'S Project Director, or any other personnel employed or retained by the CONSULTANT, or personnel of the subconsultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT to provide and/or perform services and/or work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement, who the COUNTY shall request, in writing, be removed, which request may be made by the COUNTY with or without cause. However, if day thirty (30) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

(4) BACKGROUND SCREENING OF PERSONNEL

The CONSULTANT shall comply with the Consultant Background Screening Affidavit attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit I.

3.03 TIMELY ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SERVICES

The timely performance and completion of the required services, work and materials is vitally important to the interests of the COUNTY. Time is of the essence for all of the duties and obligations contained in this Agreement thereto. The COUNTY may suffer damages in the event that the CONSULTANT does not accomplish and complete the required services in a timely manner. The CONSULTANT agrees to employ, engage, retain and/or assign an adequate number of personnel throughout the period of this Agreement so that all BASIC SERVICES and ADDITIONAL SERVICES will be provided, performed, and completed in a timely and diligent manner throughout.

3.04 STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

The work and/or services to be provided and/or performed by the CONSULTANT and by any Subconsultants and/or Subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT as set forth in the Scope of Professional



Services, Exhibit "A", shall be done in accordance with the generally accepted standards of professional practice and in accordance with the laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, policies, standards or other guidelines issued by those governmental agencies which have jurisdiction over all or a portion of this project and which are in effect at the time the COUNTY approves this Agreement, or which may subsequently be changed or revised. Any subsequent change or revision to such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, policies, standards or other guidelines which requires the CONSULTANT to provide and/or perform work and/or services which are significantly different from that set forth in the Scope of Professional Services, Exhibit "A", shall serve as a basis for the COUNTY to consider the development and issuance of a Change Order to provide for a change to, or Additional Services to the services set forth in the Agreement.

### 3.05 CORRECTION OF ERRORS, OMISSIONS OR OTHER DEFICIENCIES

#### (1) RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECT

The CONSULTANT agrees to be responsible for the professional quality, technical adequacy and accuracy, timely completion, and the coordination of all data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents, photographs, reports, memoranda, other documents and instruments, and other services, work and materials performed, provided, and/or furnished by CONSULTANT or by any subconsultants and/or subcontractors retained or engaged by the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement. The CONSULTANT shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions or other deficiencies in such data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents and instruments, and other services, work and materials resulting from the negligent act, errors or omissions or intentional misconduct of CONSULTANT or any subconsultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT.

#### (2) COUNTY'S APPROVAL SHALL NOT RELIEVE CONSULTANT OF RESPONSIBILITY

Neither review, approval, or acceptance by the COUNTY of data, studies, surveys, designs, specifications, calculations, estimates, plans, drawings, construction documents, photographs, reports, memoranda, other documents and instruments, and incidental professional services, work and materials furnished hereunder by the CONSULTANT, or any subconsultants or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, shall in any way relieve CONSULTANT of responsibility for the adequacy, completeness and accuracy of its services, work and materials and the services, work and materials of any and all subconsultants and/or subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT to provide and perform services in connection with this Agreement. Neither the COUNTY'S review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, any of the CONSULTANT'S services, work and materials shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any of the COUNTY'S rights under this Agreement, or any cause of action it may have arising out of the performance of this Agreement.

### 3.06 LIABILITY

#### (1) CONSULTANT TO HOLD COUNTY HARMLESS

Consistent with the provisions of FS s. 725.08, CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of the CONSULTANT and other persons employed or utilized by the

CONSULTANT, including, but not limited to subconsultants, subcontractors and materialmen, in the performance of this contract, including any Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. CONSULTANT and COUNTY agree that the monetary limitation on the indemnification provided under this contract is limited to the full amount of the contract award (i.e. Compensation to be paid Consultant as set forth in the attached Exhibit B), including any sums added or subtracted from the contract award through Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. Consistent with FS s. 768.28, COUNTY agrees that CONSULTANT will not be liable for damages arising out of the negligence of the COUNTY, its officers, or employees.

### 3.07 NOT TO DIVULGE CERTAIN INFORMATION

CONSULTANT agrees, during the term of this Agreement, not to divulge, furnish or make available to any third person, firm, or organization, without COUNTY'S prior written consent, or unless incident to the proper performance of CONSULTANT'S obligations hereunder, or in the course of judicial or legislative proceedings where such information has been properly subpoenaed, any non-public information concerning the services to be rendered by CONSULTANT or any subconsultants or subcontractors pursuant to this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall require all of its employees, subconsultants and subcontractors to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.

### 3.08 CONSULTANT TO REPAIR PROPERTY DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE CONSULTANT

CONSULTANT agrees to promptly repair and/or replace, or cause to have repaired and/or replaced, at its sole cost and expense and in a manner acceptable to and approved by the COUNTY, any property damage arising out of, or caused by, the willful or negligent acts of the CONSULTANT, or of its subconsultants and/or subcontractors. This CONSULTANT'S obligation under this sub-article does not apply to property damage caused by any other Consultant or Contractor engaged directly by the COUNTY.

The COUNTY reserves the right, should the CONSULTANT fail to make such repairs and/or replacement within a reasonable period of time, to cause such repairs and/or replacement to be made by others and for all costs and expenses associated with having such repairs and/or replacement done to be paid for by the CONSULTANT, or by the CONSULTANT reimbursing the COUNTY for all such costs and expenses.

### 3.09 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ESTIMATES

(1) In the event the services required pursuant to this Agreement include the CONSULTANT preparing and submitting cost estimates to the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT, by exercise of their experience, effort, knowledge and judgment, shall develop such cost estimates as are set forth in, or as may be required under the Agreement. Any opinions or estimates of probable construction costs to be provided under this Agreement by the CONSULTANT are to be made or reviewed on the basis of CONSULTANT'S experience and qualifications and represent the CONSULTANT'S judgment as an experienced and qualified professional, familiar generally with the construction industry. The COUNTY agrees that the CONSULTANT has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others or control over competitive bidding or market conditions, nor the Contractor's methods of determining prices. Therefore, CONSULTANT cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids or actual final construction costs will not vary from the opinions or estimates prepared or reviewed by the CONSULTANT. COUNTY may choose to employ an independent cost estimator in order to achieve greater assurance of actual construction costs.

### 3.10 PERMITS



The CONSULTANT will be responsible for preparing and submitting all required applications and other supportive information necessary to assist the COUNTY in obtaining all reviews, approvals and permits, with respect to the CONSULTANT'S design, drawings and specifications required by any governmental body having authority over the project. Any fees required for such reviews, approvals or permits will be covered by a check issued by the COUNTY and made payable to the respective governmental body upon the CONSULTANT furnishing the COUNTY satisfactory documentation of such fees. The CONSULTANT will be similarly responsible for preparing and submitting all required applications and other supportive information necessary to assist the COUNTY in obtaining any renewals and/or extensions of reviews, approvals or permits that may be required while this Agreement is in effect. The COUNTY shall, at the CONSULTANT'S request, assist in obtaining required signatures and provide the CONSULTANT with all information known to be available to the COUNTY so as to assist the CONSULTANT in the preparation and submittal of any original, renewal or extension of required reviews, approvals or permits.

### 3.11 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Should the COUNTY request the CONSULTANT to provide and perform professional services for this project which are not set forth in EXHIBIT "A", the CONSULTANT agrees to provide and perform such ADDITIONAL SERVICES as may be agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement. Such ADDITIONAL SERVICES shall constitute a continuation of the professional services covered under this Agreement and shall be provided and performed in accordance with the covenants, terms, and provisions set forth in this Agreement thereto.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES shall be administered and authorized as "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS" or "CHANGE ORDERS" under the Agreement. The CONSULTANT shall not provide or perform, nor shall the COUNTY incur or accept any obligation to compensate the CONSULTANT for any ADDITIONAL SERVICES unless and until a written "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS" or "CHANGE ORDER" shall have been agreed to and executed by both parties.

Each such "SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION" or "CHANGE ORDER" shall set forth a comprehensive, detailed description of: (1) the Scope of the ADDITIONAL SERVICES requested; (2) the basis of compensation; and, (3) the period of time and/or schedule for performing and completing said ADDITIONAL SERVICES.

### 3.12 TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATIONS CERTIFICATE

The COUNTY may request the CONSULTANT to execute a Truth-in-Negotiations Certificate ("Certificate"), in a form attached as EXHIBIT "F". The Certificate shall state that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time this Agreement is executed. The original contract price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the COUNTY determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or non-current wage rates or other factual unit costs.

### 3.13 COMPLETION OF TASKS

Unless otherwise set forth in the Agreement the CONSULTANT shall be responsible for providing and performing whatever services, work, equipment, material, personnel, supplies, facilities, transportation, and administrative support that are necessary and required to complete all of the tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" entitled "Scope of Professional Services" and Change Orders, and Supplemental Task

Authorizations authorized. The compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT as set forth in Agreement Exhibit "B" entitled "Compensation and Method of Payment" and Change Orders, and Supplemental Task Authorizations authorized thereto shall be understood and agreed to adequately and completely compensate the CONSULTANT for providing and performing whatever services, work, equipment, material, personnel, supplies, facilities, transportation and administrative support that are necessary and required to complete the tasks set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" and Change Orders, Supplemental Task Authorizations, and Work Orders authorized thereto as stated above."

#### **ARTICLE 4.00 - OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY**

##### **4.01 DESIGNATION OF PROJECT MANAGER**

The COUNTY agrees after the execution of this Agreement to promptly advise the CONSULTANT, in writing, of the person designated to serve and act as the COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER pursuant to the provisions of Article 2.13 of this Agreement. Such notification shall be provided to the CONSULTANT by the COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR.

##### **4.02 AVAILABILITY OF COUNTY INFORMATION**

###### **(1) PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA**

Guidelines to the CONSULTANT regarding requirements the COUNTY has established or suggests relative to the Project including, but not limited to such items as: goals, objectives, constraints, and any special financial, budgeting, space, site, operational, equipment, technical, construction, time and scheduling criteria are set forth in attached EXHIBIT "E", entitled "PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA".

###### **(2) COUNTY TO PROVIDE PERTINENT REFERENCE MATERIAL**

At the CONSULTANT'S request, the COUNTY agrees to provide to the CONSULTANT, at no cost to the CONSULTANT, all pertinent information known to be available to the COUNTY to assist the CONSULTANT in providing and performing the required professional services. Such information may include, but not be limited to: previous reports; plans, drawings and specifications; maps; property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, topographic, reference monuments, control points, plats and related survey data; data prepared or services furnished by others to the COUNTY such as sub-surface investigations, laboratory tests, inspections of natural and man-made materials, property appraisals, studies, designs and reports.

##### **4.03 AVAILABILITY OF COUNTY'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES**

The COUNTY agrees that the DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR and the PROJECT MANAGER shall be available within a reasonable period of time, with reasonable prior notice given by the CONSULTANT, to meet and/or consult with the CONSULTANT on matters pertaining to the services to be provided and performed by the CONSULTANT. The COUNTY further agrees to respond within a reasonable period of time to written requests submitted by the CONSULTANT.

##### **4.04 ACCESS TO COUNTY PROPERTY**

The COUNTY agrees, with reasonable prior written notice given by the CONSULTANT, to provide



the CONSULTANT with access within a reasonable period of time to COUNTY property, facilities, buildings and structures to enable the CONSULTANT to provide and perform the required professional services and work pursuant to this Agreement. Such rights of access shall not be exercised in such a manner or to such an extent as to impede or interfere with COUNTY operations, or the operations carried on by others under a lease, or other contractual arrangement with the COUNTY, or in such a manner as to adversely affect the public health and safety. Such access may, or may not be, within the CONSULTANT'S normal office and/or field workdays and/or work hours.

## **ARTICLE 5.00 - COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**

### **5.01 BASIC SERVICES**

The COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all requested and authorized BASIC SERVICES rendered hereunder by the CONSULTANT and completed in accordance with the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and accepted by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions for compensation and payment of said BASIC SERVICES as set forth and prescribed in attached EXHIBIT "B", or on the basis of such changes to the established compensation as may be mutually agreed to by both parties to this Agreement and evidenced by a written and duly approved Change Order.

### **5.02 ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

The COUNTY will pay the CONSULTANT for all ADDITIONAL SERVICES that have been requested and authorized by the COUNTY and agreed to, in writing, by both parties to this Agreement and which have been rendered as ADDITIONAL SERVICES by the CONSULTANT and completed in accordance with the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and accepted by the COUNTY in accordance with the provisions for compensation and payment of said ADDITIONAL SERVICES as set forth and prescribed in attached EXHIBIT "B" or on the basis of such changes to the established compensation as may be mutually agreed to by both parties to this Agreement as evidenced by a written Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization executed by both parties.

### **5.03 METHOD OF PAYMENT**

#### **(1) MONTHLY STATEMENTS**

The CONSULTANT is entitled to submit no more than one invoice statement to the COUNTY each calendar month covering services rendered during the preceding calendar month. The CONSULTANT'S invoice statements must be itemized to correspond to the basis of compensation as set forth in the Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS, or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS. The CONSULTANT'S invoice statements must contain a breakdown of charges, description of services and work provided and/or performed, and where appropriate, supportive documentation of charges consistent with the basis of compensation set forth in the Agreement, CHANGE ORDERS, and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS.

#### **(2) PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PERFORMED**

The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT for services performed using either of the following methods, or using a combination thereof:

- (A) The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT on the basis of services completed for tasks set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", as evidenced by work products such as reports, drawings, specifications, etc., submitted by the CONSULTANT and accepted by the COUNTY. No payments shall be made for CONSULTANT'S Work-in-Progress until service items for which payment amounts have been established and set forth in this Agreement have been completed by the CONSULTANT and accepted by the

COUNTY. Whenever an invoice statement covers services for which no work product is required to be furnished by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY, the COUNTY reserves the right to retain five percent (5%) of the amount invoiced until such service requirements are fully completed.

- (B) The COUNTY shall pay the CONSULTANT for services performed for tasks set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B" on the basis of an invoice statement covering CONSULTANT'S Work-in-Progress expressed as a percentage of the total cost of the service and/or work required for each task invoiced in this manner. All such Work-in-Progress percentages are subject to the review and approval of the COUNTY. The decision of the COUNTY shall be final as to the Work-in-Progress percentages paid. Payment by the COUNTY for tasks on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis shall not be deemed or interpreted in any way to constitute an approval or acceptance by the COUNTY of any such service or Work-in-Progress. The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for correcting, re-doing, modifying or otherwise completing the services and work required for each task before receiving final, full payment whether or not previous Work-in-Progress payments have been made. All tasks to be paid for on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis shall be agreed to by both parties to the Agreement and each task to be paid in this manner shall be identified in Exhibit "B" with the notation (WIPP). Only tasks so identified will be paid on a Work-in-Progress percentage basis. The COUNTY reserves the right to retain five percent (5%) of the amount invoiced until such service requirements are fully completed.

### (3) PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment will be made upon receipt of a proper invoice and in compliance with FL § Chapter 218, otherwise known as the "Florida Prompt Payment Act," and, pursuant to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners payment policies as described herein. Should the COUNTY object or take exception to the amount of any CONSULTANT'S invoice statement, the COUNTY shall notify the CONSULTANT of such objection or exception within the payment period set forth hereinbefore. If such objection or exception remains unresolved at the end of the payment period, the COUNTY shall withhold the disputed amount and make payment to the CONSULTANT of the amount not in dispute. Payment of any disputed amount, or adjustments thereto, shall be made within forty-five (45) calendar days of the date such disputed amount is resolved by mutual agreement of the parties to this Agreement. However, if day forty-five (45) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

#### 5.04 PAYMENT WHEN SERVICES ARE TERMINATED AT THE CONVENIENCE OF THE COUNTY

In the event of termination of this Agreement at the convenience of the COUNTY, not at the fault of the CONSULTANT, the COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT only for: (1) all services performed prior to the effective date of termination; (2) reimbursable expenses then due; and, (3) reasonable expenses incurred by the CONSULTANT in affecting the termination of services and work, and incurred by the submittal to the COUNTY of project drawings, plans, data, and other project documents.

#### 5.05 NON-ENTITLEMENT TO ANTICIPATED FEES IN THE EVENT OF SERVICE TERMINATION, ELIMINATION, CANCELLATION AND/OR DECREASE



In the event the services required pursuant to this Agreement are terminated, eliminated, cancelled, or decreased due to: (1) termination; (3) and/or are modified by the subsequent issuance of SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS and/or CHANGE ORDERS, other than receiving the compensation set forth in Sub-Articles 5.04 and 5.05, the CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to receive compensation for anticipated professional fees, profit, general and administrative overhead expenses or for any other anticipated income or expense which may be associated with the services which are terminated, eliminated, cancelled or decreased. The County shall have no other obligation whatsoever to the CONSULTANT for such termination.

## **ARTICLE 6.00 - TIME AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE**

### **6.01 NOTICE TO PROCEED**

Following the award of this Solicitation to the CONSULTANT by the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, and after the CONSULTANT has complied with the insurance requirements set forth hereinafter, the COUNTY shall issue the CONSULTANT a WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROCEED. Following the issuance of such NOTICE TO PROCEED the CONSULTANT shall be authorized to commence work and the CONSULTANT thereafter shall commence work promptly and shall carry on all such services and work as may be required in a timely and diligent manner to completion.

### **6.02 TIME OF PERFORMANCE**

The CONSULTANT agrees to complete the services required pursuant to this Agreement within the time periods for completion of the various phases and/or tasks of the project services set forth and described in this Agreement, as set forth in attached EXHIBIT "C", entitled "TIME AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE."

Should the CONSULTANT be obstructed or delayed in the prosecution or completion of its obligations under this Agreement as a result of causes beyond the control of the CONSULTANT, or its subconsultants and/or subcontractors, and not due to their fault or neglect, the CONSULTANT shall notify the COUNTY, in writing, within five (5) calendar days after the commencement of such delay, stating the cause thereof and requesting an extension of the CONSULTANT'S time of performance. Upon receipt of the CONSULTANT'S request for an extension of time, the COUNTY shall grant the extension if the COUNTY determines the delay encountered by the CONSULTANT, or its subconsultants and/or subcontractors, is due to unforeseen causes and not attributable to their fault or neglect.

### **6.03 CONSULTANT WORK SCHEDULE**

The CONSULTANT is required to prepare and submit to the COUNTY, on a monthly basis commencing with the issuance of the NOTICE TO PROCEED, a CONSULTANT'S WORK SCHEDULE. The WORK SCHEDULE must set forth the time and manpower scheduled for all of the various phases and/or tasks required to provide, perform and complete all of the services and work required for completion of the various phases and/or tasks of the project services as set forth in EXHIBIT "C" in such a manner that the CONSULTANT'S planned and actual work progress can be readily determined. The CONSULTANT'S WORK SCHEDULE of planned and actual work progress must be updated and submitted by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY on a monthly basis.

## **ARTICLE 7.00 - SECURING AGREEMENT**

The CONSULTANT warrants that the CONSULTANT has not employed or retained any company or person other than a bona fide, regular, full time employee working for the CONSULTANT to solicit or secure this Agreement and that the CONSULTANT has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation or firm other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 8.00 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The CONSULTANT represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required hereunder. The CONSULTANT further agrees that no person having any such interest shall be employed or engaged by the CONSULTANT for said performance.

If CONSULTANT, for itself and on behalf of its subconsultants, is about to engage in representing another client, which it in good faith believes could result in a conflict of interest with the work being performed by CONSULTANT or such subconsultant under this Agreement, then it will promptly bring such potential conflict of interest to the COUNTY'S attention, in writing. The COUNTY will advise the CONSULTANT, in writing, within ten (10) calendar days as to the period of time required by the COUNTY to determine if such a conflict of interest exists. However, if day ten (10) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday. If the COUNTY determines that there is a conflict of interest, CONSULTANT or such subconsultant shall decline the representation upon written notice by the COUNTY.

If the COUNTY determines that there is not such conflict of interest, then the COUNTY shall give its written consent to such representation. If CONSULTANT or subconsultant accepts such a representation without obtaining the COUNTY'S prior written consent, and if the COUNTY subsequently determines that there is a conflict of interest between such representation and the work being performed by CONSULTANT or such subconsultant under this Agreement, then the CONSULTANT or such subconsultant agrees to promptly terminate such representation. CONSULTANT shall require each of such subconsultants to comply with the provisions of this Section.

Should the CONSULTANT fail to advise or notify the COUNTY as provided hereinabove of representation which could, or does, result in a conflict of interest, or should the CONSULTANT fail to discontinue such representation, the COUNTY may consider such failure as justifiable cause to terminate this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 9.00 - ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER AND SUBCONTRACTS**

The provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assignees of the parties hereto. A party to this Agreement shall not sell, transfer, assign, license, franchise, restructure, alter, or change its corporate structure or otherwise part with possession or mortgage, charge or encumber any right or obligation under this Agreement without the proposed assignee and/or party restructuring, altering or changing its corporate structure agreeing in writing with the non-assigning party to observe and perform the terms, conditions and restrictions on the part of the assigning party to this Agreement, whether express or implied, as if the proposed assignee and/or party restructuring, altering or changing its corporate structure was an original contracting party to this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, the CONSULTANT may assign its rights if given written authorization by the County. Nor shall



the CONSULTANT subcontract any of its service obligations hereunder to third parties, except as otherwise authorized in this Agreement thereto, without prior written approval of the COUNTY. The CONSULTANT shall have the right, subject to the COUNTY'S prior written approval, to employ other persons and/or firms to serve as subconsultants and/or subcontractors to CONSULTANT in connection with CONSULTANT providing and performing services and work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement. The COUNTY shall have the right and be entitled to withhold such approval. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

In providing and performing the services and work required pursuant to this Agreement, CONSULTANT intends to engage the assistance of the subconsultants and/or subcontractors set forth in attached EXHIBIT "D", entitled "CONSULTANT'S ASSOCIATED SUBCONSULTANTS AND SUBCONTRACTORS".

#### **ARTICLE 10.00 - APPLICABLE LAW**

Unless otherwise specified, this Agreement shall be governed by the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Florida, or the laws, rules, and regulations of the United States when providing services funded by the United States government.

#### **ARTICLE 11.00 - COVENANTS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION**

##### **11.01 FOR PROJECTS WITH FUNDS APPROPRIATED FROM GENERAL LEE COUNTY REVENUES**

The CONSULTANT for itself, its successors in interest, and assigns as part of the consideration thereof, does hereby covenant and agree that in the furnishing of services to COUNTY hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap, or sex shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination. The CONSULTANT shall comply with Lee County's Affirmative Action Plan or state laws in the hiring of subconsultants. CONSULTANTS who are uncertain of their obligation must obtain a copy of all relevant guidelines concerning Lee County's Affirmative Action Plan from the Lee County Department of Equal Opportunity.

##### **11.02 FOR PROJECTS WITH FUNDS APPROPRIATED EITHER IN PART OR WHOLLY FROM FEDERAL OR STATE SOURCES**

The CONSULTANT for itself, its successors in interest, and assigns as part of the consideration thereof, does hereby covenant and agree that in the furnishing of services to COUNTY hereunder, no person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap, or sex shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination. The CONSULTANT shall make every effort to comply with any Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goals which have been established for this project. CONSULTANTS who are uncertain of their obligations regarding Disadvantaged Business Enterprises for this project must obtain a copy of all relevant federal or state guidelines from the Lee County Department of Equal Opportunity. The failure of the CONSULTANT to adhere to relevant guidelines shall subject the CONSULTANT to any sanctions which may be imposed upon the COUNTY.

#### **ARTICLE 12.00 - WAIVER OF BREACH**

Waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 13.00 - INSURANCE**

#### **13.01 INSURANCE COVERAGE TO BE OBTAINED**

- (1) The CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain such insurance as will protect him from: (1) claims under workers' compensation laws, disability benefit laws, or other similar employee benefit laws; (2) claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease or death of his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; (3) claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than his employees including claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage; and, (4) from claims for injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom; any or all of which claims may arise out of, or result from, the services, work and operations carried out pursuant to and under the requirements of this Agreement, whether such services, work and operations be by the CONSULTANT, its employees, or by any subconsultants, subcontractors, or anyone employed by or under the supervision of any of them, or for whose acts any of them may be legally liable.
- (2) The insurance protection set forth hereinabove shall be obtained and written for not less than the limits of liability specified hereinafter, or as required by law, whichever is greater.
- (3) The CONSULTANT, throughout the time this Agreement is in effect, shall require and ensure that any and all of its Subconsultants and/or Subcontractors obtain, have, and maintain the insurance coverages required by law to be provided.
- (4) The CONSULTANT shall obtain, have and maintain during the entire period of this Agreement all such insurance policies as are set forth and required herein.
- (5) In the event that the CONSULTANT engages Subconsultants or Subcontractors to assist the CONSULTANT in providing or performing services or work pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement, the insurance coverages required under Article 13.03 to be provided by the CONSULTANT shall cover all of the services or work to be provided or performed by all of the Subconsultants or Subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT. However, in the event the services or work of Subconsultants or Subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT is not covered by the CONSULTANT'S INSURANCE POLICY(s), it shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to ensure that all Subconsultants or Subcontractors have fully complied with the COUNTY insurance requirements for: (1) Worker's Compensation; (2) Commercial General Liability; (3) Commercial Automobile Liability; or, (4) Professional Liability as required and set forth in Agreement Article 13.00.

The services or work to be provided or performed by the following Subconsultants or Subcontractors identified in Agreement Exhibit "D" are exempted and excluded from the Professional Liability insurance coverage requirements set forth in this Agreement:

Service and/or work to be Provided and/or Performed	Indicate Name of Individual or Firm
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(If none, enter the word "none" in the space below.)

- (6) The insurance coverage to be obtained by the CONSULTANT or by Subconsultants or Subcontractors engaged by the CONSULTANT, as set forth in Agreement Article 13.03 for: (1) Workers' Compensation; (2) Comprehensive General Liability; (3) Comprehensive Automobile Liability; or (4) Professional Liability is understood and agreed to cover any and all of the services or work set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A" and all subsequent Change Orders or Supplemental Task Authorizations. In the event the COUNTY shall execute and issue a written Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization authorizing the CONSULTANT to provide or perform services or work in addition to those set forth in Agreement Exhibit "A", it is agreed that the COUNTY has the right to change the amount of insurance coverages required to cover the additional services or work. If the additional insurance coverages established exceeds the amount of insurance coverage carried by the CONSULTANT, the compensation established for the Change Order or Supplemental Task Authorization shall include consideration of any increased premium cost incurred by the CONSULTANT to obtain same.

### 13.02 CONSULTANT REQUIRED TO FILE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE(S)

- (1) The CONSULTANT shall submit to the PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT for review by the COUNTY'S RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION all insurance certificates which are required under this Agreement for review and approval with respect to compliance with the insurance requirements.
- (2) All such insurance certificates shall be in a form and underwritten by an insurance company(s) acceptable to the COUNTY and licensed in the State of Florida.
- (3) Each Certificate of Insurance submitted to the COUNTY shall be an original and shall be executed by an authorized representative of the insurance company affording coverage.
- (4) Each Certificate of Insurance shall be addressed to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, Attention: Lee County Procurement Management, P O Box 398, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-0398.
- (5) Each Certificate of Insurance shall specifically include all of the following:
- (A) The name and type of policy and coverages provided; and
  - (B) The amount or limit applicable to each coverage provided and the deductible amount, if any, applicable to each type of insurance coverage being provided; and
  - (C) The date of expiration of coverage; and
  - (D) The designation of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners both as an additional insured and as a certificate holder. (This requirement is excepted for Professional Liability Insurance and for Workers' Compensation Insurance); and
  - (E) A statement indicating any services or work included in or required under Agreement Exhibit "A" Scope of Professional Services that is specifically excluded or exempted from coverage under the provisions, terms, conditions or endorsements of the CONSULTANT'S insurance

policy. A statement which indicates any and all deductible amounts applicable to each type of insurance coverage required. In the absence of any such statements, the COUNTY will proceed with the understanding, stipulation and condition that there are no deductible amounts, or exclusions or exemptions to the insurance coverage provided.

- (6) Each Certificate of Insurance shall be issued by an insurance agent and/or agency duly authorized to do so by and on behalf of the insurance company affording the insurance coverage indicated on each Certificate of Insurance.
- (7) If the initial or any subsequently issued Certificate of Insurance expires prior to the completion of the work or termination of this Agreement, the CONSULTANT shall furnish to the COUNTY renewal or replacement Certificate of Insurance, or Certified Binder, not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the date of their expiration. However, if day fifteen (15) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday. Failure of the CONSULTANT to provide the COUNTY with such renewal certificates shall be considered justification for the COUNTY to terminate this Agreement.
- (8) If any of the insurance coverages required by this Agreement shall reach the date of expiration indicated on the approved Certificates of Insurance without the COUNTY having received satisfactory evidence of renewal or replacement, the CONSULTANT shall automatically and without further notice stop performing all previously authorized services and work. During any time period that the CONSULTANT'S services or work is suspended for failure to comply with the insurance requirements set forth in the Agreement, the CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to any additional compensation or time to provide and perform the required services or work and the COUNTY shall not be required to make payment on any invoices submitted by the CONSULTANT. Upon receipt and approval of renewal or replacement Certificates of Insurance, payment for any such invoices shall be made promptly by the COUNTY.

### **13.03 - INSURANCE COVERAGES REQUIRED**

The CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain the insurance coverages in the type, amounts and in conformance with the minimum requirements provided by Exhibit "G" Insurance.

### **ARTICLE 14.00 - DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS IMPOSED ON THE CONSULTANT**

The duties and obligations imposed upon the CONSULTANT by this Agreement and the rights and remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to, and not a limitation of, any otherwise imposed or available by law or statute.

### **ARTICLE 15.00 - REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY**

The CONSULTANT in providing and performing the services and work required pursuant to this Agreement thereto shall only represent the COUNTY in the manner and to the extent specifically set forth in writing in this Agreement, and as provided in any written SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION or CHANGE ORDER issued hereunder.

In the event the CONSULTANT'S services or work involves construction contract administrative support services, the CONSULTANT is not authorized to act on the COUNTY'S behalf, and shall not act on the COUNTY'S behalf, in such a manner as to result in changes to: (1) the cost or compensation to be paid the



construction contractor; or, (2) the time for completing the work as required and agreed to in the construction contract; or, (3) the scope of the work set forth in the construction contract documents, unless such representation is specifically provided for, set forth and authorized in this Agreement or thereto.

The COUNTY will neither assume nor accept any obligation, commitment, responsibility or liability which may result from representation by the CONSULTANT not specifically provided for and authorized as stated hereinabove.

#### **ARTICLE 16.00 - OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents such as drawings, tracings, notes, computer files, photographs, plans, specifications, maps, evaluations, reports and other records and data relating to this project, other than working papers, specifically prepared or developed by the CONSULTANT under this Agreement shall be property of the CONSULTANT until the CONSULTANT has been paid for providing and performing the services and work required to produce such documents.

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, or upon the issuance by the COUNTY of a written Change Order deleting all or portions of the scope of services or task(s) to be provided or performed by the CONSULTANT, all of the above documents, to the extent requested in writing by the COUNTY, shall be delivered by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY within seven (7) calendar days of the COUNTY making such a request. In the event the COUNTY gives the CONSULTANT a written Notice of Termination of all or part of the services or work required, or upon the issuance to the CONSULTANT by the COUNTY of a written Change Order deleting all or part of the services or work required, the CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY the requested documents as set forth hereinabove, with the mutual understanding and commitment by the COUNTY that compensation earned or owing to the CONSULTANT for services or work provided or performed by the CONSULTANT prior to the effective date of any such termination or deletion will be paid to the CONSULTANT within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of issuance of the Notice of Termination or Change Order. If either of these time periods end on a Saturday, Sunday, or Lee County recognized holiday, the deadline for that individual period shall fall to the next Monday or non-Lee County recognized holiday.

The CONSULTANT, at its expense, may make and retain copies of all documents delivered to the COUNTY for reference and internal use. The CONSULTANT shall not, and agrees not to, use any of these documents, and data and information contained therein on any other project or for any other client without the prior expressed written permission of the COUNTY.

Any use by the COUNTY of said documents, and data and information contained therein, obtained by the COUNTY under the provisions of this Agreement for any purpose not within the scope of this Agreement shall be at the risk of the COUNTY, and without liability to the CONSULTANT.

#### **ARTICLE 17.00 - MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS**

The CONSULTANT will keep and maintain adequate records and supporting documentation applicable to all of the services, work, information, expense, costs, invoices and materials provided and performed pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement. Said records and documentation will be retained by the CONSULTANT for a minimum of ten (10) years from the date of termination of this Agreement.

The COUNTY and its authorized agents shall, with reasonable prior notice, have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as the COUNTY deems necessary during the period of this Agreement, and during the period ten (10) years thereafter; provided, however, such activity

shall be conducted only during normal business hours and at the expense of the COUNTY, and provided further that to the extent provided by law the COUNTY shall retain all such records confidential.

CONSULTANT specifically acknowledges its obligations to comply with §119.0701, F.S., with regard to public records, and shall:

- 1) keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the COUNTY in order to perform the services required under this Agreement;
- 2) upon request from the County, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law;
- 3) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed, except as authorized by law; and
- 4) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to the COUNTY, all public records in possession of CONSULTANT upon termination of this Agreement and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the COUNTY in a format that is compatible with the information technology system of the COUNTY.

**IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 239-533-2221, 2115 SECOND STREET, FORT MYERS, FL 33901, [PRRCustodian@leegov.com](mailto:PRRCustodian@leegov.com) ; <http://www.leegov.com/publicrecords>.**

#### **ARTICLE 18.00 - HEADINGS**

The HEADINGS of the Articles, Sections, Exhibits, Attachments, Phases or Tasks as contained in this Agreement are for the purpose of convenience only and shall not be deemed to expand, limit or change the provisions contained in such Articles, Sections, Exhibits, Attachments, Phases or Tasks.

#### **ARTICLE 19.00 - ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, including referenced Exhibits and Attachments hereto, constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties hereto and shall supersede, replace and nullify any and all prior agreements or understandings, written or oral, relating to the matters set forth herein, and any such prior agreements or understandings shall have no force or effect whatever on this Agreement.

The following listed documents, which are referred to hereinbefore, are attached to and are acknowledged, understood and agreed to be an integral part of this Agreement:

- (1) EXHIBIT "A" entitled "Scope of Professional Services".
- (2) EXHIBIT "B" entitled "Compensation and Method of Payment".



- (3) EXHIBIT "C" entitled "Time and Schedule of Performance".
- (4) EXHIBIT "D" entitled "Consultant's Associated Subconsultants and Subcontractors".
- (5) EXHIBIT "E" entitled "Project Guidelines and Criteria".
- (6) EXHIBIT "F" entitled "Truth in Negotiation Certificate".
- (7) EXHIBIT "G" entitled "Insurance". (Containing copies of applicable Certificates of Insurance)
- (8) EXHIBIT "H" entitled "Amendment to Articles".
- (9) EXHIBIT "I" entitled "Consultant Background Screening Affidavit".

## **ARTICLE 20.00 - NOTICES AND ADDRESS OF RECORD**

### **20.01 NOTICES BY CONSULTANT TO COUNTY**

All notices required and/or made pursuant to this Agreement to be given by the CONSULTANT to the COUNTY shall be in writing and shall be given by email and/ or the United States Postal Service Department first class mail service, postage prepaid, addressed to the following COUNTY address of record and sent to the attention of the County's Project Manager:

Lee County Board of County Commissioners  
Post Office Box 398  
Fort Myers, Florida 33902-0398  
Department: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]

### **20.02 NOTICES BY COUNTY TO CONSULTANT**

All notices required and/or made pursuant to this Agreement to be given by the COUNTY to the CONSULTANT shall be made in writing and shall be given by email and/or the United States Postal Service Department first class mail service, postage prepaid, addressed to the following CONSULTANT'S address of record:

Name [REDACTED]  
Address [REDACTED]  
City, State Zip [REDACTED]  
Phone and Fax No. [REDACTED]  
ATTENTION: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]

### **20.03 CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF RECORD**

Either party may change its address of record by written notice to the other party given in accordance with the requirements of this Article.

## **ARTICLE 21.00 – CONTRACT TERMINATION**

### **21.01 MATERIAL BREACH**

A CONSULTANT may be Terminated for Cause by the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, for failing to perform a contractual requirement or for a material breach of any term or condition. A material breach of a term or condition of the Agreement may include but is not limited to: 1. CONSULTANT failure to perform services or deliver materials, supplies, or equipment by the date required or by an alternate date as mutually agreed in a written amendment to the Agreement; 2. CONSULTANT failure to carry out any warranty or fails to perform or comply with any mandatory provision of the Agreement; 3. CONSULTANT becomes insolvent or in an unsound financial condition so as to endanger performance hereunder; 4. CONSULTANT becomes the subject of any proceeding under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, or relief from creditors and/or debtors that endangers the CONSULTANT's proper performance hereunder; 5. Appointment of any receiver, trustee, or similar official for CONSULTANT or any of the CONSULTANT's property and such appointment endangers the CONSULTANT's proper performance hereunder; 6. A determination that the CONSULTANT is in violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations and that such determination renders the CONSULTANT unable to perform any aspect of the Agreement.

#### 21.02 OPPORTUNITY TO CURE

In the event that CONSULTANT fails to perform a contractual requirement or materially breaches any term or condition, the County may issue a written cure notice. The CONSULTANT may have a period of time in which to cure. The County is not required to allow the CONSULTANT to cure defects if the opportunity for cure is not feasible as determined solely within the discretion of the County. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate CONSULTANT's liability for damages, or otherwise affect any other remedies available against CONSULTANT under the Agreement or by law. If the breach remains after CONSULTANT has been provided the opportunity to cure, the County may do any one or more of the following: 1. Exercise any remedy provided by law; 2. Terminate this Agreement and any related contracts or portions thereof; 3. Procure replacements and impose damages as set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, if applicable; 4. Impose actual or liquidated damages; 5. Suspend or bar CONSULTANT from receiving future solicitations or other opportunities; 6. Require CONSULTANT to reimburse the County for any loss or additional expense incurred as a result of default or failure to satisfactorily perform the terms of the Agreement.

#### 21.03 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

In the event the Procurement Management Director, in his/her sole discretion, determines that the CONSULTANT has failed to comply with the conditions of this Agreement in a timely manner or is in material breach, the Procurement Management Director has the right to terminate this Agreement, in part or in whole. If corrective action is deemed acceptable by the County, the Procurement Management Director shall notify the CONSULTANT in writing of the need to take corrective action and the date in which the corrective action must be completed. If corrective action is not completed as specified by the Procurement Management Director, or if such corrective action is deemed by the County to be insufficient, the Agreement may be terminated. The County reserves the right to withhold further payments, or prohibit the CONSULTANT from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged breach and pending corrective action by the CONSULTANT or a decision by the County to terminate the Agreement. In the event of termination, the County shall have the right to procure any replacement materials, supplies, services and/or equipment that are the subject of this Agreement on the open market. In addition, the CONSULTANT shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any price difference between the original Agreement and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time. If it is determined that: (1) the CONSULTANT was not in material breach; or (2) failure to perform was outside of CONSULTANT's or its SUBCONSULTANT's control, fault or negligence, the termination shall be deemed



to be a "Termination for Convenience." The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Agreement are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

#### **21.04 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County, at the sole discretion of the Procurement Management Director, may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part by giving thirty (30) calendar days written notice beginning on the second day after mailing to the CONSULTANT. If this Agreement is so terminated, the County shall be liable only for payment required under this Agreement for properly authorized services rendered, or materials, supplies and/or equipment delivered to and accepted by the County prior to the effective date of Agreement termination. The County shall have no other obligation whatsoever to the CONSULTANT for such termination.

In addition to the COUNTY'S contractual right to terminate this Agreement in its entirety as set forth above, the COUNTY may also, at its convenience, stop, supplement or otherwise change all, or any part of, the Scope of Professional Services as set forth in Exhibit "A", or the Project Guidelines and Criteria as set forth in Exhibit "E", or as such may be established by a Supplemental Task Authorization or Change Order Agreement. The COUNTY shall provide written notice to the CONSULTANT in order to implement a stoppage, supplement or change.

#### **21.05 CONSULTANT TO DELIVER MATERIAL**

Upon termination, the CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY all papers, drawings, models, and other material in which the COUNTY has exclusive rights by virtue hereof or of any business done, or services or work performed or provided by the CONSULTANT on behalf of the COUNTY.

### **ARTICLE 22.00 - AMENDMENTS**

The covenants, terms and provisions set forth and contained in all of the Articles to this Agreement may be amended upon the mutual acceptance thereof, in writing, by both parties to this Agreement, as evidenced by Exhibit H for amending articles. In the event of any conflicts between the requirements, provisions and/or terms of the Agreement and any written Amendment (Exhibit H), the requirements, provisions and/or terms of the Amendment shall take precedence.

### **ARTICLE 23.00 - MODIFICATIONS**

Modifications to covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement shall only be valid when issued in writing as a properly executed CHANGE ORDERS or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS. In the event of any conflicts between the requirements, provisions, and/or terms of this Agreement and any written CHANGE ORDERS and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATIONS, the latest executed CHANGE ORDER and/or SUPPLEMENTAL TASK AUTHORIZATION shall take precedence.

In the event the COUNTY issues a purchase order, memorandum, letter, or other instruments covering the professional services, work and materials to be provided and performed pursuant to this Agreement, it is hereby specifically agreed and understood that such purchase order, memorandum, letter or other instruments are for the COUNTY'S internal control purposes only, and any and all terms, provisions and conditions contained therein, whether printed or written, shall in no way modify the covenants, terms and provisions of this Agreement and shall have no force or effect thereon.

No modification, waiver, or termination of the Agreement or of any terms thereof shall impair the rights of either party.

**ARTICLE 24.00 – SEVERABILITY**

If any word, phrase, sentence, part, subsection, or other portion of this Agreement, or any application thereof, to any person, or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid for any reason, then such word, phrase, sentence, part, subsection, other portion, or the proscribed application thereof, shall be severable, and the remaining portions of this Agreement, and all applications thereof, not having been declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid, shall remain in full force, and effect.

**ARTICLE 25.00 – VENUE**

Venue for any administrative and/or legal action arising under this Agreement shall be in Lee County, Florida.

**ARTICLE 26.00 – NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

Both parties explicitly agree, and this Agreement states that no third party beneficiary status or interest is conferred to, or inferred to, any other person or entity.

**ARTICLE 27.00 – AUTHORITY TO PIGGYBACK**

During the Term of this Agreement, CONSULTANT agrees to extend the same terms, covenants and conditions available to the COUNTY under this Agreement to other public agencies that have authority to purchase from another public agency's competitively solicited contract. Each public agency that intends to make purchases under this Agreement must deal directly with the CONSULTANT in all matters related to the purchase(s), including ordering, acceptance and invoicing, and such public agencies are exclusively responsible for the payment of all purchases.

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**ARTICLE 28.00 - ACCEPTANCE**

Acceptance of this Agreement shall be indicated by the signature of the duly authorized representative of the hereinabove named parties in the space provided hereinafter and being attested and witnessed as indicated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their duly authorized representatives, have executed this Agreement the day and year last written below. The effective date for this Agreement shall be \_\_\_\_\_.

ATTEST:  
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY: LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Signed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED as to Form for the Reliance of Lee County  
Only

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Attorney's Office

[INSERT CONSULTANT NAME]

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature Title

CORPORATE SEAL:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT A**

SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

for **ENTER SERVICES BEING PROVIDED HERE (SAME AS 1<sup>ST</sup> PAGE OF PSA)**

BASIC SERVICES

Section 1. GENERAL SCOPE STATEMENT

The CONSULTANT shall provide and perform the following services, which shall constitute the GENERAL SCOPE of the BASIC SERVICES under the covenants, terms, and provisions of this SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT.

**YOU CAN SPELL OUT HERE OR PUT SEE ATTACHED**

Section 2. TASKS

Pursuant to the GENERAL SCOPE of the BASIC SERVICES stated herein above, the CONSULTANT shall perform all services and/or work necessary to complete the following task(s) and/or provide the following item(s) which are enumerated to correspond to the task(s) and/or items set forth in EXHIBIT "B" entitled "COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT".

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**EXHIBIT B****COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**For **ENTER SERVICES BEING PROVIDED HERE (SAME AS 1<sup>ST</sup> PAGE OF PSA)****Section 1. BASIC SERVICES/TASK(S)**

The COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT for providing and performing the Task(s) set forth and enumerated in EXHIBIT "A", entitled "SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES", as follows:

NOTE: A Lump Sum (L.S.) or Not-to-Exceed (N.T.E.) amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT should be established and set forth below for each task or sub-task described and authorized in Exhibit "A". In accordance with Agreement Article 5.03(2) "Method of Payment", tasks to be paid on a Work-in-Progress payment basis should be identified (WIPP).

Task Number	Task Title	Amount of Compensation	Indicate Basis of Compensation LS or NTE	If Applicable Indicate (W.I.P.P.)
TOTAL				

EXHIBIT B (Continued)Section 2. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The COUNTY shall compensate the CONSULTANT for such ADDITIONAL SERVICES as are requested and authorized in writing for such amounts or on such a basis as may be mutually agreed to in writing by both parties to this Agreement. The basis and/or amount of compensation to be paid the CONSULTANT for ADDITIONAL SERVICES requested and authorized in writing by the COUNTY shall be as set forth in Article 3.8 of this Agreement.

Should it be mutually agreed to base compensation for ADDITIONAL SERVICES on an hourly rate charge basis for each involved professional and technical employee's wage rate classification, the applicable hourly rates to be charged are as set forth and contained in ATTACHMENT NO. 1 entitled "CONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE".

Section 3. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND COSTS

When the CONSULTANT'S compensation and method of payment is based on an hourly rate for professional and/or technical personnel, the CONSULTANT shall, in addition to such hourly rates as are set forth in Attachment No. 1 hereto, be entitled to reimbursement of out-of-pocket, non-personnel expenses and costs as set forth in ATTACHMENT NO. 2 entitled "NON-PERSONNEL REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND COSTS".

**ATTACHMENT NO. 1 TO EXHIBIT B****CONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE \*\*\***

for \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

**ENTER CONSULTANT OR SUBCONSULTANT NAME HERE**

(A separate Attachment to Exhibit B should be included for each Subconsultant's Personnel Rate and Non-Personnel Costs, in that order, with the attachment No.'s increasing progressively (ATTACHMENT 4 would be Personnel costs for first Sub.)

(1) Project Position or Classification (Function to be Performed)	(2) Hourly Rate To Be Charged

\*NOTE: A separate personnel hourly rate schedule should also be attached for each Subconsultant listed in Exhibit "D".

## NON-PERSONNEL REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND COSTS

(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

(A separate Attachment to Exhibit B should be included for each Subconsultant's Personnel Rate and Non-Personnel Costs, in that order, with the attachment No.'s increasing progressively (ATTACHMENT 4 would be Personnel costs for first Sub, ATTACHMENT 4 would be Non-Personnel Costs for first Sub, and so-on.)

NOTE: N.T.E. indicates Not-To-Exceed



### TIME AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE

For \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

This EXHIBIT C establishes times of completion for the various phases and tasks required to provide and perform the services and work set forth in EXHIBIT "A" of this Agreement. The times and schedule of performance set forth hereinafter is established pursuant to Article 5.00 of this Agreement.

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## EXHIBIT D

CONSULTANT'S ASSOCIATED SUBCONSULTANT(S) AND SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

For

(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

CONSULTANT has identified the following Subconsultant(s) and/or Subcontractor(s) which may be engaged to assist the CONSULTANT in providing and performing services and work on this Project:

(If none, enter the word "none" in the space below.)

Service and/or Work to be Provided or Performed	Name and Address of Individual or Firm	Disadvantaged, Minority or Women Business Enterprise. (If Yes, Indicate Type)		
		Yes	No	Type
SAMPLE				

**EXHIBIT E**

**PROJECT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA**

For \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

The COUNTY has established the following Guidelines, Criteria, Goals, Objectives, Constraints, Schedule, Budget and/or Requirements which shall serve as a guide to the CONSULTANT in performing the professional services and work to be provided pursuant to this Agreement:

(If none, enter the word "none" in the space below)

**Item No. 1**

**EXHIBIT F**

TRUTH IN NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

This Certificate is executed and given by the undersigned as a condition precedent to entering into a Professional Services Agreement with the Lee County Board of County Commissioners for the project known as:

Before me, the undersigned authority personally appeared, who having personal knowledge as to the facts and statements contained herein after being duly sworn, deposes and states under oath that:

1. This Certificate shall be attached to and constitute an integral part of the above said Professional Services Agreement as provided in Article 3.12.
2. The undersigned hereby certifies that the wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation on which this Professional Services Agreement is established are accurate, complete, and current on the date set forth here-in-above.
3. The truth of statements made herein may be relied upon by the County and the undersigned is fully advised of the legal effect and obligations imposed upon him by the execution of this instrument under oath.

Executed on behalf of the Party to the Professional Services Agreement referred to as the CONSULTANT, doing business as:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing instrument was signed and acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as  
(Print or Type Name) (Type of Identification and  
Number) identification.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Commission Number/Expiration



**EXHIBIT G**

INSURANCE

For \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

**[Copy and insert insurance requirements from the solicitation.]**

SAMPLE

**EXHIBIT H**

**AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES**

For \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter Project Name from Page 1 of the Agreement)

For amending (i.e., changing, deleting from or adding to) the articles.

(NOTE: Each Article to be amended should be set forth and described in such a manner as to clearly indicate what the proposed changes, deletions or additions are with respect to the present Article provisions, and should set forth the wording of the Article resulting from the Amendment. The following identification system should be followed: Indicate additional (new) words or phrases by inserting the words in the text and then underline, (i.e., Months) and indicated words or phrases in the text to be deleted by striking over (i.e., ~~Weeks~~).

THE PROVISIONS HEREBY SUPERCEDE ANY PROVISIONS TO THE CONTRARY CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN THE ARTICLES OR EXHIBITS.

**AMENDMENT NO.**

ARTICLE No. \_\_\_ is hereby amended as follows:

(If none, enter the word "none" in the space below.)

**EXHIBIT I**CONSULTANT BACKGROUND SCREENING AFFIDAVIT**CONSULTANT BACKGROUND  
SCREENING AFFIDAVIT**

Florida Statutes Chapter 435 governs required background screenings for any employees, contractors, subcontractors, or agents of the Consultant who will have contact with any vulnerable person, as defined by statute, or who otherwise are required to undergo a Level 1 or Level 2 background screening in accordance with Florida law.

The Consultant is responsible for ensuring that such required background screenings are conducted in accordance with Florida Statutes Chapter 435. Documentation of such completed background screenings must be maintained for a period of no less than five (5) years and are subject to audit by Lee County at any time during such five (5) year period.

**Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have read and understand the requirements stated above, and that all required background screenings shall be conducted in accordance with this affidavit.** I further understand that there may be additional local, state, and federal regulations that may require background screening, and that the Consultant will be solely responsible for complying with such legal requirements. Furthermore, the Consultant shall indemnify and hold Lee County harmless from any and all claims or actions resulting from failure to comply with this affidavit.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_

On the date set forth above, the foregoing instrument was sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me. The foregoing instrument was sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by the above-named person and in their stated capacity, and is either personally known to me or who has produced the following type of identification: \_\_\_\_\_.

Type of Identification

[Stamp/seal required]

Signature, Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**DBE BID PACKAGE INFORMATION**

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### **DBE Utilization**

The Department began its DBE race neutral program January 1, 2000. **Contract specific goals are not placed on Federal/State contracts;** however, the Department has an overall 10.65% DBE goal it must achieve. In order to assist contractors in determining their DBE commitment level, the Department has reviewed the estimates for this letting.

As you prepare your bid, please monitor potential or anticipated DBE utilization for contracts. When the low bidder executes the contract with the Department, information will be requested of the contractor's DBE participation for the project. While the utilization is not mandatory in order to be awarded the project, continuing utilization of DBE firms on contracts supports the success of Florida's DBE Program, and supports contractors' Equal Employment Opportunity and DBE Affirmative Action Programs.

Any project listed as 0% DBE availability does not mean that a DBE may not be used on that project. A 0% DBE availability may have been established due to any of the following reasons: limited identified subcontracting opportunities, minimal contract days, and/or small contract dollar amount. Contractors are encouraged to identify any opportunities to subcontract to DBE's.

Please contact the Equal Opportunity Office at (850) 414-4747 if you have any questions regarding this information.

### **DBE Reporting**

If you are the prime contractor on a project, enter your DBE participation in the Equal Opportunity Compliance system prior to the pre-construction or pre-work conference for all federal and state funded projects. This **will not** become a mandatory part of the contract. It will assist the Department in tracking and reporting planned or estimated DBE utilization. During the contract, the prime contractor is required to report actual payments to DBE and MBE subcontractors through the web-based Equal Opportunity Compliance (EOC) system.

All DBE payments must be reported whether or not you initially planned to utilize the company. In order for our race neutral DBE Program to be successful, your cooperation is imperative. If you have any questions, please contact EOOHelp@dot.state.fl.us.

### **Bid Opportunity List**

The Federal DBE Program requires States to maintain a database of all firms that are participating or attempting to participate on FDOT-assisted contracts. The list must include all firms that bid on prime contracts or bid or quote subcontracts on FDOT-assisted projects, including both **DBE's and non-DBEs**.

Please complete the Bidders Opportunity List through the Equal Opportunity Compliance system within 3 business days of submission of the bid or proposal for ALL subcontractors or sub-consultants who quoted to you for specific project for this letting. The web address to the Equal Opportunity Compliance system is: <https://www.fdot.gov/equalopportunity/eoc.shtm>.



STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**DBE BID PACKAGE INFORMATION**275-030-11  
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OFFICE  
09/19  
Page 2 of 2**DBE/AA Plans**

Contractors bidding on FDOT contracts are to have an approved DBE Affirmative Action Plan (FDOT Form 275-030-11B) on file with the FDOT Equal Opportunity Office before execution of a contract. DBE/AA Plans must be received with the contractors bid or received by the Equal Opportunity Office prior to the award of the contract.

Plans are approved by the Equal Opportunity Office in accordance with Ch. 14-78, Florida Administrative Code. Plans that do not meet these mandatory requirements may not be approved. Approvals are for a (3) three year period and should be updated at anytime there is a change in the company's DBE Liaison Officer and/or President. Contractors may evidence adoption of the DBE/AA Policy and Plan and/or a change in the designated DBE Liaison officer as follows:

- Print the first page of the document on company stationery ("letterhead") that indicates the company's name, mailing address, phone number, etc.
- Print the company's name in the "\_\_\_\_" space; next to "Date" print the month/day/year the policy is being signed; record the signature of the company's Chief Executive Officer, President or Chairperson in the space next to "by" and print the full first and last name and position title of the official signing the policy.
- Print the DBE Liaison's full name, email address, business mailing address and phone number the bottom of email.

E-mail the completed and signed DBE AA Plan to: **eeoforms@dot.state.fl.us**.

The Department will review the policy, update department records and issue a notification of approval or disapproval; a copy of the submitted plan will not be returned to the contractor.

## REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
- III. Non-segregated Facilities
- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
- V. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Provisions
- VI. Subletting or Assigning the Contract
- VII. Safety: Accident Prevention
- VIII. False Statements Concerning Highway Projects
- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying
- XII. Use of United States-Flag Vessels:

### ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

### I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under title 23, United States Code, as required in 23 CFR 633.102(b) (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). 23 CFR 633.102(e).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider. 23 CFR 633.102(e).

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services) in accordance with 23 CFR 633.102. The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in solicitation-for-bids or request-for-proposals documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract). 23 CFR 633.102(b).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work

performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract. 23 CFR 633.102(d).

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. 23 U.S.C. 114(b). The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors. 23 U.S.C. 101(a).

### II. NONDISCRIMINATION (23 CFR 230.107(a); 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A; EO 11246)

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR Part 60, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR Part 60, and 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. 140, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26, and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR Part 230, Subpart A, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

**1. Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (see 28 CFR Part 35, 29 CFR Part 1630, 29 CFR Parts 1625-1627, 41 CFR Part 60 and 49 CFR Part 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140, shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR Part 35 and 29 CFR Part 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract. 23 CFR 230.409 (g)(4) & (5).

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

**2. EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

**3. Dissemination of Policy:** All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action or are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of and will implement the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable company official.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

**4. Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

**5. Personnel Actions:** Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to ensure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action.



within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

#### **6. Training and Promotion:**

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs (i.e., apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance). In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

**7. Unions:** If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. 23 CFR 230.409. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide

sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

#### **8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants /**

**Employees with Disabilities:** The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established thereunder. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

**9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment:** The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors, suppliers, and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

#### **10. Assurances Required:**

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's FHWA-approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible.

c. The Title VI and nondiscrimination provisions of U.S. DOT Order 1050.2A at Appendixes A and E are incorporated by reference. 49 CFR Part 21.

**11. Records and Reports:** The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women.

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on [Form FHWA-1391](#). The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

### III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of more than \$10,000. 41 CFR 60-1.5.

As prescribed by 41 CFR 60-1.8, the contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location under the contractor's control where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

### IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size), in accordance with 29 CFR 5.5. The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. 23 U.S.C. 113. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. 23 U.S.C. 101. Where applicable law requires that projects be treated as a project on a Federal-aid highway, the provisions of this subpart will apply regardless of the location of the project. Examples include: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 133 [excluding recreational trails projects], the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway

Projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 117, and National Highway Freight Program projects funded under 23 U.S.C. 167.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

#### 1. Minimum wages (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Wage rates and fringe benefits.* All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act ([29 CFR part 3](#))), the full amount of basic hourly wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics. As provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of 29 CFR 5.5, the appropriate wage determinations are effective by operation of law even if they have not been attached to the contract. Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under the Davis-Bacon Act ([40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#)) on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.e. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics must be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification(s) of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in paragraph 4. of this section. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: *Provided*, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classifications and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.c. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) must be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

b. *Frequently recurring classifications.* (1) In addition to wage and fringe benefit rates that have been determined to be prevailing under the procedures set forth in [29 CFR part 1](#), a wage determination may contain, pursuant to § 1.3(f), wage and fringe benefit rates for classifications of laborers and mechanics for which conformance requests are regularly submitted pursuant to paragraph 1.c. of this section, provided that:

(i) The work performed by the classification is not performed by a classification in the wage determination for which a prevailing wage rate has been determined;



(ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The wage rate for the classification bears a reasonable relationship to the prevailing wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The Administrator will establish wage rates for such classifications in accordance with paragraph 1.c.(1)(iii) of this section. Work performed in such a classification must be paid at no less than the wage and fringe benefit rate listed on the wage determination for such classification.

c. *Conformance.* (1) The contracting officer must require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract be classified in conformance with the wage determination. Conformance of an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits is appropriate only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is used in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) The conformance process may not be used to split, subdivide, or otherwise avoid application of classifications listed in the wage determination.

(3) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken will be sent by the contracting officer by email to [DBAconformance@dol.gov](mailto:DBAconformance@dol.gov). The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer will, by email to [DBAconformance@dol.gov](mailto:DBAconformance@dol.gov), refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(5) The contracting officer must promptly notify the contractor of the action taken by the Wage and Hour Division

under paragraphs 1.c.(3) and (4) of this section. The contractor must furnish a written copy of such determination to each affected worker or it must be posted as a part of the wage determination. The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraph 1.c.(3) or (4) of this section must be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

d. *Fringe benefits not expressed as an hourly rate.*

Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor may either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or may pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

e. *Unfunded plans.* If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, *Provided*, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, in accordance with the criteria set forth in § 5.28, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

f. *Interest.* In the event of a failure to pay all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contractor will be required to pay interest on any underpayment of wages.

## 2. Withholding (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Withholding requirements.* The contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for the full amount of wages and monetary relief, including interest, required by the clauses set forth in this section for violations of this contract, or to satisfy any such liabilities required by any other Federal contract, or federally assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards, that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to Davis-Bacon labor standards requirements and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld. In the event of a contractor's failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice or helper working on the site of the work all or part of the wages required by the contract, or upon the contractor's failure to submit the required records as discussed in paragraph 3.d. of this section, the contracting agency may on its own initiative and after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with paragraph

2.a. of this section or Section V, paragraph 3.a., or both, over claims to those funds by:

- (1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;
- (2) A contracting agency for its procurement costs;
- (3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;
- (4) A contractor's assignee(s);
- (5) A contractor's successor(s); or
- (6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, [31 U.S.C. 3901–3907](#).

### 3. Records and certified payrolls (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Basic record requirements* (1) *Length of record retention.* All regular payrolls and other basic records must be maintained by the contractor and any subcontractor during the course of the work and preserved for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or otherwise working in construction or development of the project under a development statute) for a period of at least 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

(2) *Information required.* Such records must contain the name; Social Security number; last known address, telephone number, and email address of each such worker; each worker's correct classification(s) of work actually performed; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in [40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#) of the Davis-Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours actually worked in total and on each covered contract; deductions made; and actual wages paid.

(3) *Additional records relating to fringe benefits.* Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under paragraph 1.e. of this section that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in [40 U.S.C. 3141\(2\)\(B\)](#) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor must maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits.

(4) *Additional records relating to apprenticeship.* Contractors with apprentices working under approved programs must maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs, the registration of the apprentices, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. *Certified payroll requirements* (1) *Frequency and method of submission.* The contractor or subcontractor must submit weekly, for each week in which any DBA- or Related Acts-covered work is performed, certified payrolls to the contracting

agency. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of all certified payrolls by all subcontractors. A contracting agency or prime contractor may permit or require contractors to submit certified payrolls through an electronic system, as long as the electronic system requires a legally valid electronic signature; the system allows the contractor, the contracting agency, and the Department of Labor to access the certified payrolls upon request for at least 3 years after the work on the prime contract has been completed; and the contracting agency or prime contractor permits other methods of submission in situations where the contractor is unable or limited in its ability to use or access the electronic system.

(2) *Information required.* The certified payrolls submitted must set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under paragraph 3.a.(2) of this section, except that full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses must not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead, the certified payrolls need only include an individually identifying number for each worker (e.g., the last four digits of the worker's Social Security number). The required weekly certified payroll information may be submitted using Optional Form WH-347 or in any other format desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division website at <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/legacy/files/wh347.pdf> or its successor website. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide full Social Security numbers and last known addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission by the subcontractor to the contracting agency.

(3) *Statement of Compliance.* Each certified payroll submitted must be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons working on the contract, and must certify the following:

(i) That the certified payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under paragraph 3.b. of this section, the appropriate information and basic records are being maintained under paragraph 3.a. of this section, and such information and records are correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper and apprentice) working on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in [29 CFR part 3](#); and

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification(s) of work actually performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(4) *Use of Optional Form WH-347.* The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 will satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(3) of this section.



(5) *Signature.* The signature by the contractor, subcontractor, or the contractor's or subcontractor's agent must be an original handwritten signature or a legally valid electronic signature.

(6) *Falsification.* The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under [18 U.S.C. 1001](#) and [31 U.S.C. 3729](#).

(7) *Length of certified payroll retention.* The contractor or subcontractor must preserve all certified payrolls during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

c. *Contracts, subcontracts, and related documents.* The contractor or subcontractor must maintain this contract or subcontract and related documents including, without limitation, bids, proposals, amendments, modifications, and extensions. The contractor or subcontractor must preserve these contracts, subcontracts, and related documents during the course of the work and for a period of 3 years after all the work on the prime contract is completed.

d. *Required disclosures and access* (1) *Required record disclosures and access to workers.* The contractor or subcontractor must make the records required under paragraphs 3.a. through 3.c. of this section, and any other documents that the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor deems necessary to determine compliance with the labor standards provisions of any of the applicable statutes referenced by § 5.1, available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and must permit such representatives to interview workers during working hours on the job.

(2) *Sanctions for non-compliance with records and worker access requirements.* If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, or refuses to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, owner, or other entity, as the case may be, that maintains such records or that employs such workers, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available, or to permit worker interviews during working hours on the job, may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to § 5.12. In addition, any contractor or other person that fails to submit the required records or make those records available to WHD within the time WHD requests that the records be produced will be precluded from introducing as evidence in an administrative proceeding under [29 CFR part 6](#) any of the required records that were not provided or made available to WHD. WHD will take into consideration a reasonable request from the contractor or person for an extension of the time for submission of records. WHD will determine the reasonableness of the request and may consider, among other things, the location of the records and the volume of production.

(3) *Required information disclosures.* Contractors and subcontractors must maintain the full Social Security number and last known address, telephone number, and email address

of each covered worker, and must provide them upon request to the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, the contractor, or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or other compliance action.

#### 4. Apprentices and equal employment opportunity (29 CFR 5.5)

a. *Apprentices* (1) *Rate of pay.* Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship (OA), or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA. A person who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice, will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform in the first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such a program. In the event the OA or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the OA withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to use apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(2) *Fringe benefits.* Apprentices must be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringe benefits must be paid in accordance with that determination.

(3) *Apprenticeship ratio.* The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification must not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program or the ratio applicable to the locality of the project pursuant to paragraph 4.a.(4) of this section. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated in paragraph 4.a.(1) of this section, must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under this section must be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

(4) *Reciprocity of ratios and wage rates.* Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than the locality in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyworker's hourly rate) applicable within the locality in which the construction is being performed must be observed. If there is no applicable ratio or wage rate for the locality of the project, the ratio and wage rate specified in the contractor's registered program must be observed.

b. *Equal employment opportunity.* The use of apprentices and journeymen under this part must be in conformity with

the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and [29 CFR part 30](#).

c. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. 23 CFR 230.111(e)(2). The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

**5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements.** The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**6. Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor must insert FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts, along with the applicable wage determination(s) and such other clauses or contract modifications as the contracting agency may by appropriate instructions require, and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses and wage determination(s) in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in this section. In the event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate. 29 CFR 5.5.

**7. Contract termination: debarment.** A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

**8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements.** All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract as provided in 29 CFR 5.5.

**9. Disputes concerning labor standards.** As provided in 29 CFR 5.5, disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

**10. Certification of eligibility.** a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of [40 U.S.C. 3144\(b\)](#) or § 5.12(a).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of [40 U.S.C. 3144\(b\)](#) or § 5.12(a).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Code, Title 18 Crimes and Criminal Procedure, [18 U.S.C. 1001](#).

**11. Anti-retaliation.** It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#);

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#);

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#); or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under the DBA, Related Acts, this part, or [29 CFR part 1](#) or [3](#).

## V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Pursuant to 29 CFR 5.5(b), the following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchpersons and guards.

**1. Overtime requirements.** No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. 29 CFR 5.5.

**2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages and interest from the date of the underpayment. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or



mechanic, including watchpersons and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section, in the sum currently provided in 29 CFR 5.5(b)(2)\* for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 1. of this section.

\* \$31 as of January 15, 2023 (See 88 FR 88 FR 2210) as may be adjusted annually by the Department of Labor, pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990.

### 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages

a. *Withholding process.* The FHWA or the contracting agency may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for any unpaid wages; monetary relief, including interest; and liquidated damages required by the clauses set forth in this section on this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld.

b. *Priority to withheld funds.* The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with Section IV paragraph 2.a. or paragraph 3.a. of this section, or both, over claims to those funds by:

- (1) A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;
- (2) A contracting agency for its procurement costs;
- (3) A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;
- (4) A contractor's assignee(s);
- (5) A contractor's successor(s); or
- (6) A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, [31 U.S.C. 3901](#)–3907.

4. **Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor must insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs 1. through 5. In the

event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and associated liquidated damages and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate.

5. **Anti-retaliation.** It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

a. Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA) or its implementing regulations in this part;

b. Filing any complaint, initiating or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under CWHSSA or this part;

c. Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under CWHSSA or this part; or

d. Informing any other person about their rights under CWHSSA or this part.

### VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" in paragraph 1 of Section VI refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions: (based on longstanding interpretation)

- (1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
- (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;

(3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project; and  
 (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract. 23 CFR 635.102.

2. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(a), the contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. Pursuant to 23 CFR 635.116(c), the contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract. (based on long-standing interpretation of 23 CFR 635.116).

5. The 30-percent self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements. 23 CFR 635.116(d).

## **VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR Part 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract. 23 CFR 635.108.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and

health standards (29 CFR Part 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704). 29 CFR 1926.10.

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

## **VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR Part 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 11, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."



#### **IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (42 U.S.C. 7606; 2 CFR 200.88; EO 11738)**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts in excess of \$150,000 and to all related subcontracts. 48 CFR 2.101; 2 CFR 200.327.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II.

The contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of this Section in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements. 2 CFR 200.327.

#### **X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

##### **1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:**

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction. 2 CFR 180.320.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default. 2 CFR 180.325.

d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.345 and 180.350.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900-180.1020, and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction. 2 CFR 180.330.

g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 180.300.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. 2 CFR 180.300; 180.320, and 180.325. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. 2 CFR 180.335. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov>). 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, and 180.325.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.325.

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## 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.335;

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property, 2 CFR 180.800;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, 2 CFR 180.700 and 180.800; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default. 2 CFR 180.335(d).

(5) Are not a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(6) Are not a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements).

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal. 2 CFR 180.335 and 180.340.

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## 3. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders, and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200). 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which

this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. 2 CFR 180.365.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180, Subpart I, 180.900 – 180.1020, and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a recipient or subrecipient of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated. 2 CFR 1200.220 and 1200.332.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold. 2 CFR 180.220 and 1200.220.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the System for Award Management website (<https://www.sam.gov>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration. 2 CFR 180.300, 180.320, 180.330, and 180.335.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily



excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment. 2 CFR 180.325.

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#### **4. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:**

a. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals:

(1) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency, 2 CFR 180.355;

(2) is a corporation that has been convicted of a felony violation under any Federal law within the two-year period preceding this proposal (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements); and

(3) is a corporation with any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted, or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability. (USDOT Order 4200.6 implementing appropriations act requirements)

b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant should attach an explanation to this proposal.

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#### **XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000. 49 CFR Part 20, App. A.

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or

cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

#### **XII. USE OF UNITED STATES-FLAG VESSELS:**

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, or any other covered transaction. 46 CFR Part 381.

This requirement applies to material or equipment that is acquired for a specific Federal-aid highway project. 46 CFR 381.7. It is not applicable to goods or materials that come into inventories independent of an FHWA funded-contract.

When oceanic shipments (or shipments across the Great Lakes) are necessary for materials or equipment acquired for a specific Federal-aid construction project, the bidder, proposer, contractor, subcontractor, or vendor agrees:

1. To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels. 46 CFR 381.7.

2. To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section to both the Contracting Officer (through the prime contractor in the case of subcontractor bills-of-lading) and to the Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift (MAR-620), Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590. (MARAD requires copies of the ocean carrier's (master) bills of lading, certified onboard, dated, with rates and charges. These bills of lading may contain business sensitive information and therefore may be submitted directly to MARAD by the Ocean Transportation Intermediary on behalf of the contractor). 46 CFR 381.7.

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS  
PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT  
HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS  
ROAD CONTRACTS** (23 CFR 633, Subpart B, Appendix B)  
This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded  
under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.



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### TERMS FOR FEDERAL AID CONTRACTS (APPENDIX I):

The following terms apply to all contracts in which it is indicated that the services involve the expenditure of federal funds:

- A. It is understood and agreed that all rights of the Local Agency relating to inspection, review, approval, patents, copyrights, and audit of the work, tracing, plans, specifications, maps, data, and cost records relating to this Agreement shall also be reserved and held by authorized representatives of the United States of America.
- B. All tracings, plans, specifications, maps, computer files and/or reports prepared or obtained under this Agreement, as well as all data collected, together with summaries and charts derived therefrom, will be considered works made for hire and will become the property of the Agency upon completion or termination without restriction or limitation on their use and will be made available, upon request, to the Agency at any time during the performance of such services and/or completion or termination of this Agreement. Upon delivery to the Agency of said document(s), the Agency will become the custodian thereof in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. The Consultant will not copyright any material and products or patent any invention developed under this agreement. The Agency will have the right to visit the site for inspection of the work and the products of the Consultant at any time.
- C. It is understood and agreed that, in order to permit federal participation, no supplemental agreement of any nature may be entered into by the parties hereto with regard to the work to be performed hereunder without the approval of the U.S. Department of Transportation, anything to the contrary in this Agreement notwithstanding.
- D. The Consultant shall provide access by the Florida Department of Transportation (recipient), the Agency (subrecipient), the Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Inspector General, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Consultant which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- E. Compliance with Regulations: The Consultant shall comply with the Regulations: relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.
- F. Nondiscrimination: The Consultant, with regard to the work performed during the contract, shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or family status in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of material and leases of equipment. The Consultant shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- G. Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations made by the Consultant, either by competitive bidding or negotiation for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Consultant of the Consultant's obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or family status.
- H. Information and Reports: The Consultant will provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Local Agency, Florida Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, and/or Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of the Consultant is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Consultant shall so certify to the Local Agency, Florida Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, and/or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
- I. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the Local Agency shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Florida Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, and/or Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to,
  - 1. withholding of payments to the Consultant under the contract until the Consultant complies and/or
  - 2. cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.
- J. Incorporation or Provisions: The Consultant will include the provisions of Paragraph C through K in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment unless exempt by the Regulations, order, or instructions

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issued pursuant thereto. The Consultant shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Local Agency, Florida Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, and/or the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance. In the event a Consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subconsultant or supplier as a result of such direction, the Consultant may request the Local Agency to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the Local Agency, and, in addition, the Consultant may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

- K. Compliance with Nondiscrimination Statutes and Authorities: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21; The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects); Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27; The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age); Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex); The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not); Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 -- 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38; The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex); Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations; Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.).
- L. Interest of Members of Congress: No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States will be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit arising therefrom.
- M. Interest of Public Officials: No member, officer, or employee of the public body or of a local public body during his tenure or for one year thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof. For purposes of this provision, public body shall include municipalities and other political subdivisions of States; and public corporations, boards, and commissions established under the laws of any State.
- N. Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises: The Consultant shall agree to abide by the following statement from 49 CFR 26.13(b). This statement shall be included in all subsequent agreements between the Consultant and any subconsultant or contractor.

"The subconsultant, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Consultant to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in termination of this contract or other such remedy as the recipient deems appropriate."

Pursuant to 49 CFR 26.11(c), the Consultant shall submit the bid opportunity list at the time of contract execution, and shall enter DBE commitment and payment information in the Florida Department of Transportation Equal Opportunity Compliance (EOC) system. The Consultant shall request access to the EOC system using Form No. 275-021-30.

- O. Prompt Payment of and Return of Retainage to Subconsultants: The Consultant will pay monies owed to subconsultants, suppliers or other parties within thirty (30) days of the Consultant receiving payment from the Local Agency. The Local Agency is prohibited from withholding retainage from consultants. To the extent the selected consultant withholds retainage from its subconsultants, it must be returned in its entirety within thirty (30) days of satisfactory completion of the subconsultant work. The Local Agency is the arbiter of what constitutes satisfactory completion. These provisions apply to all subconsultants and at all tiers of subcontracting.
- P. It is mutually understood and agreed that the willful falsification, distortion or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project(s) described in this Agreement is a violation of the Federal Law. Accordingly, United States Code, Title 18, Section 1020, is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.



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Q. It is understood and agreed that if the Consultant at any time learns that the certification it provided the Local Agency in compliance with 49 CFR, Section 26.51, was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances, the Consultant shall provide immediate written notice to the Local Agency. It is further agreed that the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction" as set forth in 49 CFR, Section 29.510, shall be included by the Consultant in all lower tier covered transactions and in all aforementioned federal regulation.

R. The Local Agency hereby certifies that neither the Consultant nor the Consultant's representative has been required by the Local Agency, directly or indirectly as an express or implied condition in connection with obtaining or carrying out this contract, to

1. employ or retain, or agree to employ or retain, any firm or person, or
2. pay, or agree to pay, to any firm, person, or organization, any fee, contribution, donation, or consideration of any kind;

The Local Agency further acknowledges that this agreement will be furnished to a federal agency, in connection with this contract involving participation of Federal-Aid funds, and is subject to applicable State and Federal Laws, both criminal and civil.

S. The Consultant hereby certifies that it has not:

1. employed or retained for a commission, percentage, brokerage, contingent fee, or other consideration, any firm or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for the above contractor) to solicit or secure this contract;
2. agreed, as an express or implied condition for obtaining this contract, to employ or retain the services of any firm or person in connection with carrying out this contract; or
3. paid, or agreed to pay, to any firm, organization or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for the above contractor) any fee contribution, donation, or consideration of any kind for, or in connection with, procuring or carrying out the contract.

The Consultant further acknowledges that this agreement will be furnished to the Local Agency, the State of Florida Department of Transportation and a federal agency in connection with this contract involving participation of Federal-Aid funds, and is subject to applicable State and Federal Laws, both criminal and civil.

T. The Consultant shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Contractor during the term of the Contract and shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the Contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the Contract term.

U. Clean Air Act: The Consultant agrees to comply with applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C § 7401 et seq), as amended..

The Consultant agrees to report each violation to the Florida Department of Transportation (Department) and understands and agrees that the Department will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

V. Federal Water Pollution Control Act: The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended.

The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

W. Byrd Anti-Lobbying: Consultants awarded a contract of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or

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organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

**CERTIFICATION FOR DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES ON FEDERAL AID CONTRACTS:** (Compliance with 49 CFR, Section 20.100(b))(1) The Consultant certifies that: (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Consultant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence either directly or indirectly an officer or employee of any state or Federal agency, a member of the Florida Legislature, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Agreement, the Consultant shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities". (2) This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure. (3) The Consultant also certifies by signing this contract that the Consultant shall require the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

### **Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance**

Per 49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A, the undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

- X. **Buy America:** As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award per 2 CFR part 200.322.

"Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

"Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

Furthermore Federal agencies providing Federal financial assistance for infrastructure projects must implement the Buy America preferences set forth in 2 CFR part 184.