

PLUMAS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC WORKS

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)**

*For  
Professional Engineering Services for  
Final Design and Construction Phase for the  
Blairsden-Graeagle Bridge Project (a/k/a Denten Bridge Project)  
over the Middle Fork Feather River  
Blairsden, California*

August 2, 2017

**INTRODUCTION**

The Plumas County Department of Public Works will accept submittals to this RFQ from qualified firms to employing individuals who have experience in (structural) engineering services for bridge projects that will lead to preparation of documents suitable to solicit public bids for a bridge replacement construction project. The NEPA environmental process has been completed for this project.

The entire "Request For Qualifications," including instructions for submittal, is available during normal business hours from:

Plumas County, Department of Public Works  
1834 East Main Street  
Quincy, CA 95971  
Telephone: (530) 283-6268  
E-Mail: [johnmannle@countyofplumas.com](mailto:johnmannle@countyofplumas.com)

The entire "Request For Qualifications" is also available via the internet at the Plumas County Home Page at: <http://www.countyofplumas.com/bids.aspx>

Additional information on this project is available at the Public Works Home Page via the County web site at: <http://countyofplumas.com/index.aspx?nid=2024>

Environmental documentation for the project was previously prepared by North State Resources, Inc. of Redding, CA, for the Department of Public Works. As part of that contract, North State Resources, Inc. had retained Quincy Engineering, Inc. to perform initial preliminary structural engineering services.

The preliminary work previously prepared by Quincy Engineering, Inc. is available on the Department of Public Works' website at: <http://www.countyofplumas.com/index.aspx?nid=2024>

**It is the responsibility of the Submitter to periodically check the aforementioned website for any amendments to this “Request for Qualifications.”**

Responses to the RFQ should be titled, **“Engineering Services for Final Design and Construction Phase – Blairsden-Graeagle Road Bridge.”** The submittal shall include a scope of work as described below.

### **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

The existing Blairsden-Graeagle Road Bridge (also known popularly as the Denten Bridge) is located along Blairsden-Graeagle Road (County Route 521) immediately south of the community of Blairsden, in Plumas County. See the Location Map – Exhibit A.

The existing, single-lane bridge was originally constructed in 1902 and renovated in 1965. The bridge is a nine-span, 264-foot long bridge with a 115-foot single-span Pratt through truss main span. The main span is supported on concrete-filled steel cylinders. The eight approach spans are steel stringers supported on steel pile frame bents. The deck consists of corrugated steel planks with an asphalt concrete (AC) wearing surface. The south abutment is a steel pile frame with steel back wall and the north abutment is a concrete gravity wall. The approximately 15-foot wide approach roadway is paved.

The bridge replacement is needed to improve public safety. The need is based on the most current Caltrans Maintenance Report (dated 09/24/15), which indicates that the existing bridge has a sufficiency rating of 48.9. This bridge was heavily damaged in the 1955 flood prior to being rehabilitated and relinquished to the County. The truss has fracture critical and fatigue-prone steel elements. The bridge deck is in need of a complete replacement and the paint system has failed. In-depth steel inspections have noted cracks in portions of the top lateral bracing and bends in portions of the sway bracings. Cracked stitch welds are also present in the cover plates to the bottom flanges of the floor breams. A bridge having a sufficiency rating of less than or equal to 50 is eligible for replacement under the federal Highway Bridge Program. This project is being funded by the Federal Highway Bridge Program [Federal Aid No. BRLO-5909(029)].

The following reports and studies are available on the Public Works Department's website at:  
<http://www.countyofplumas.com/index.aspx?nid=2024>:

- Preliminary Environmental Study Forms
- Area of Potential Effects Map
- Final Hydraulic Study Report
- Hazardous Materials Study Final Report
- Natural Environmental Study – Minimal Impacts (NES-MI)
- Preferred Alignment – Plan, Profile and Cross-sections
- Approved NEPA Categorical Exclusion

The Foundation Report and the Type Selection Report are concurrently being prepared by Geocon, under contract with Dokken Engineering. CEQA compliance will be concluded after completion of the Public Information Meeting.

Project permits from the Army Corps of Engineers, CDFW, and Central Valley RWQCB, will be acquired by North State Resources, Inc. on behalf of the Department of Public Works.

## **SCOPE OF WORK**

The purpose of the project, as proposed by the Plumas County Department of Public Works (County) in coordination with Caltrans District 2, is to improve public safety by replacing the existing structurally deficient one-lane bridge with a new two-lane bridge immediately adjacent to and north of the current span. The existing bridge will either be retained and rehabilitated to support pedestrian and bicycle use or demolished and removed following construction of the new bridge.

The successful Consultant will be the Project's "design engineer of record."

Remaining design phase/construction phase services will generally involve the:

- 1) Completion of structural engineering
- 2) Completion of plans, specifications and estimate
- 3) Preparation of bid documents
- 4) Providing bid phase assistance
- 5) Participation at public information meeting(s)
- 6) Construction Phase resident (civil) engineering services,
- 7) Administrative support activities, as requested by staff of Department of Public Works, and
- 8) Project close-out activities.

**All qualified firms are encouraged to propose. Firms currently under contract providing professional engineering services to Plumas County are also eligible to submit proposals.**

Right-of-way Engineering services to be performed by the selected Consultant will be limited to the creation of plats depicting the limits of the lands to be acquired permanently and the lands to be acquired under a temporary construction easement. Plats shall be created in AutoCad format. The design engineer shall verify that adequate access is proposed for acquisition to accommodate the construction of the final design. Right-of-way Engineering and Acquisition services beyond those tasks will be performed by the On-call Right-of-way Engineering Services Consultant, Bender Rosenthal Inc., currently under contract with the County.

Construction activities will generally involve site clearing, preparation, and earthwork; constructing new bridge foundations, abutments, retaining structures, deck, and guardrails; modifying the bridge approaches along Blairsden-Graeagle Road; hot mix asphalt over aggregate base structural section for road approaches, pavement overlays in miscellaneous areas, striping pavement markings, painting, and installing signs; removing the existing bridge structure or renovating or converting it to a pedestrian walkway; and revegetating disturbed areas. Construction methods will comply with Caltrans Standard Specifications and Plumas County requirements and will incorporate standard construction practices such as traffic control, best management practices, and emissions reductions to minimize environmental effects. Construction activities will be scheduled with consideration for seasonal and environmental limitations, such as winter conditions and sensitive biological resources.

Construction phase resident engineering services are intended to be part of this professional engineering services contract.

As a result of this selection process, the successful Submitter will negotiate a Professional Services Contract that will consist of a scope of work for the completion of the Project design phase as well as the Project construction phase. However, the County will reserve the right to later revise, in conjunction with the issuance of a Project construction contract, the Professional Services Contract for the construction phase (as the final details of construction will be better known at the time of award of the construction contract.)

A non-binding anticipated project schedule is requested to be submitted with the submittal. At this time, the purpose of the schedule is to indicate the Consultant's ability to perform described services in a timely manner. A more specific schedule will be part of the contract negotiations to occur between the Department and the most highly qualified firm, following the work of the Department's Consultant Selection Committee.

The actual scope of work for the Design and Construction phases will be more specifically detailed for the bridge project at the time of contract negotiation for the project.

Final CEQA documentation is pending and will be provided by the Department of Public Works.

## **CONTRACT MANAGEMENT DURING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The primary point of contact for firms interested in submitting a response to this Request for Qualifications is John Mannle, P.E., Assistant Director, Plumas County Department of Public Works, 1834 East Main Street; Quincy, CA 95971. Submitters should contact John Mannle, with cc to: Bob Perreault, via email at [johnmannle@countyofplumas.com](mailto:johnmannle@countyofplumas.com) and [bobperreault@countyofplumas.com](mailto:bobperreault@countyofplumas.com) respectively, for any questions about this Request for Qualifications. During the course of the selection process, the decision(s) of the Director of Public Works shall be final, except that the decision of the Plumas County Board of Supervisors in regard to contract award shall be final.

The County of Plumas, including its Department of Public Works, reserves the right to cease all consultant selection activities, without notice and at no cost to the County, in the event that funding scenarios of the State government and/or the Federal government result in uncertainty with regard to the future funding of highway funding programs.

The Department of Public Works reserves the right to issue one or more addenda to this RFQ if the Department deems it necessary to revise or clarify this original RFQ.

## **ANTICIPATED CONSULTANT SELECTION SCHEDULE**

The evaluation of submittals and subsequent negotiation is expected to proceed under the schedule shown below:

RFQ is available for Public Distribution	Wednesday, August 2, 2017
Final Date for Inquiries to the Public Works Department for Written Clarification of Request for RFQs	Friday, September 29, 2017 at 5:00 PM
Responses to Request for RFQs are due	Friday, October 13, 2017 at 5:00 PM at 1834 East Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971
Ranking of Submittals	On or about Friday, October 20, 2017
Contract Negotiation Between Public Works staff and top ranked submittal(s)	Monday, October 23, 2017 thru Friday, October 27, 2017
Draft Agreement between Consultant and County is acceptable to Director of Public Works	Friday, November 3, 2017
Draft Agreement approved as to form by County Counsel	Friday, November 17, 2017
Award of Final Agreement is considered by the Board of Supervisors	Tuesday, December 5, 2017

## **PROPOSAL FORMAT & REQUIREMENTS**

The proposal shall include, at a minimum, the following information presented in a clear and concise format. Information provided should demonstrate the Proposer's competence and professional qualification for the satisfactory performance of the services outlined in the "Scope of Services" in this Request for Proposal.

All qualified firms are encouraged to submit proposals. Firms currently under contract providing other engineering services to Plumas County are also eligible to submit proposals in response to this RFQ.

**1. RFQ Requirement:**

This is a RFQ based on qualifications. As such, the discussion of fees or the submittal of a written cost proposal is strictly prohibited and will be the basis of disqualification of a submittal. Such fee discussions will be conducted with the Director, following ranking of submittals by the Consultant Section Committee.

**2. Document Format:**

The proposal (excluding attachments, transmittal and resumes) should preferably not exceed 15 single sided 8 1/2" x 11" pages. The 15-page limit does not include a cover letter or the additional forms as described in this RFQ.

**3. Cover Letter:**

Include a cover letter describing your firm's interest and commitment to providing services. Please be sure to include your name, address, phone, fax, and email, if available. The person authorized by the firm to negotiate a contract with the county must sign the cover letter.

Address the cover letter to:

Robert A. Perreault, Jr., P.E.  
Director of Public Works  
Plumas County Department of Public Works  
1834 East Main Street  
Quincy, CA 95971

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**4. Discussion:**

The Submittal should discuss your understanding of this RFQ, along with a detailed description of a general work plan for providing the required services

**5. Qualifications and Experience:**

The proposal should provide a resume(s) with qualifications and experience of the proposed team that will be available for providing the requested services, including a list of all appropriate licenses and certificates with license numbers and expiration dates (resumes are not counted against the Proposal page limit).

**6. Staffing Plan:**

The proposal should provide a staffing plan that shows anticipated staffing for the duration of the contract. Do not identify staff that will not be a part of the project team.

**7. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program:**

For the projects/tasks that are partially funded by federal funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation, you are required to comply with the County's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with Title 49, Part 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Caltrans Local Assistance Procedure Manual (LAPM) **Exhibit 10-O1** "Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment" and **Exhibit 10-O2** "Consultant Contract DBE Information" are included in the attachments and provide further details on DBE Program compliance. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, Proposers must execute and return **Exhibit 10-O1** with the proposal. **Exhibit 10-O2** shall only be submitted by the successful Proposer at the time of contract award.

Proposers must take all necessary steps to ensure that DBEs have the opportunity to participate in the contract. For detailed information see **Exhibit 10-I** "Notice to Proposers Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Information."

The DBE Goal established for this contract is three percent (6%)

**8. Other LAPM forms part of the proposal:**

- Exhibit 10-I Notice to Proposers - DBE Information
- Exhibit 10-K Consultant Certification of Contract Costs and Financial Management System
- Exhibit 10-O1 Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment
- Exhibit 10-O2 Consultant Contract DBE Commitment
- Exhibit 10-Q Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

**9. References:**

Provide at least three (3) client references (names and current phone numbers) from similar work performed in the past three years. Include a brief description of each project associated with the references and the role of each team member.

**10. Submittal in Response to this RFQ:**

Four (4) hard copies of the proposal package are due at the Plumas County Department of Public Works no later than the time and date specified elsewhere in this RFQ. Late, facsimile, or emailed proposals will not be accepted.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The County reserves the right to reject any and all Submittals.
2. The Submitter may provide the Department with any exceptions, additions, or suggestions that may aid in the selection process.
3. The terms and the scope of the contract will be arrived at on the basis of negotiations between the Department and the most highly qualified submitter. If the Department and the prospective consultant fail to reach a contractual agreement, the Director of Public Works may choose to cease negotiations with the most highly qualified submitter and then commence negotiations with the second highest qualified submitter; and so on.
4. The Submittal and this RFQ shall jointly become part of the “Consultant Services Agreement” for this work when said agreement is fully executed by the Consultant and the County of Plumas.
5. The Consultant will maintain required professional licenses, registrations and insurances during the life of the contract with the County.
6. The Consultant acknowledges that its compensation for any given work task may originate from state and/or federal sources. The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable terms of state and federal laws and regulations related to such funds, as well as all applicable grant funding conditions. The Consultant agrees to execute any additional documentation, including amendments to the Professional Services Agreement that may be required to comply with such state and federal laws and regulations or grant funding conditions.
7. If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted, the Department shall solely have the option to either cancel any agreement, with no further liability incurring to the County, or offer an amendment to Contractor to reflect the reduced amount available to the program.
8. The proposal should be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with the consultant's name and address. The phrase, **“ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR FINAL DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION PHASE – BLAIRSDEN/GRAEAGLE ROAD BRIDGE”** should be marked on the sealed envelope.

## EVALUATION OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

1. The Department of Public Works staff and/or other County representatives shall be designated by the Director of Public Works to comprise the Consultant Selection Committee.
2. The Consultant Selection Committee shall review the responses to the Request for Qualifications and select a “short list” of consultants, based upon their qualifications and experience for further evaluation. Ranking of the Submittals shall be based on the information provided in the response to this RFQ, together with information obtained from interview(s), if any. Submitters are to be sure to include all relevant information and evidence of the firm's record of performance and ability to perform the work.

3. The Consultant Selection Committee may choose, but is not obligated, to interview the project manager, together with other key personnel, of the most qualified firm(s) or individual(s).

4. The Committee's rating of the Submittals shall be based upon the professional qualifications necessary for the timely and satisfactory completion of the tasks for accomplishing the project. The following criteria shall be utilized by the Consultant Selection Committee in the rating process:

A. Approach/understanding of the scope of this solicitation  
(20 Points)

1. Clear understanding of the work statement within the proposal.
2. Approach shows consultant's plan to complete a project in a timely fashion.
3. Overall technical quality of the proposal.

B. Technical qualifications and experience of Consultant/Individual(s)  
(35 Points)

1. Qualifications and project history relevant to this project.

C. Ability to meet project deadlines and attend brief meetings and site visits  
(15 Points)

1. Present workload of the firm and availability of staff for the project. The ability to commit the staff personnel identified in the proposal to meet project deadlines.
2. Availability of a local liaison to manage the projects.
3. Ability to provide required projects within the allotted time.
4. Quality and thoughtfulness of proposed schedule.

D. Consultant/individual(s) past record in performing similar projects  
(20 Points)

1. Familiarity with the Federal Highway Bridge Program and previous experience in providing support to Local Agency bridge replacement projects.

E. Familiarity and experience with Plumas County, Caltrans, and other permitting/funding agency procedures  
(10 Points)

1. Correctly following and administrating DBE procedures/protocols.
2. Ability to complete the necessary exhibits from the Caltrans LAPM.

### **GLOSSARY TERMS OF THIS REQUEST FOR THE SUBMITTALS**

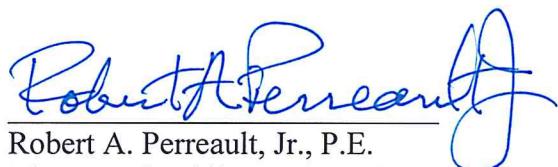
**Acceptance of RFQ:** The Department reserves the right to reject any and all Submittals and to waive any informality, technical defect or clerical error in any Submittal. This Request for Submittals is not an offer to contract. The accepted submittal will become part of the contract agreement for furnishing the services.

**Oral Communications:** Any oral communication between County staff and the consultant is not binding, nor will it modify the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in any way.

**Amendments:** If deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works, the Department may amend the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in writing. Notice of any Amendment will be mailed to all consultants requesting a complete hardcopy RFQ from the Department of Public Works. Any such amendments will also be posted immediately to the Department's web page, accessible via the Plumas County website at: <http://www.countyofplumas.com/bids.aspx> It is the responsibility of all possible Submitters to monitor the Plumas County website to determine if any Amendments have been issued.

**Submittal:** The cost of developing the Submittal and its attachments or enclosures, is the sole responsibility of the submitter. The County is not liable for any costs incurred by those responding to the RFQ.

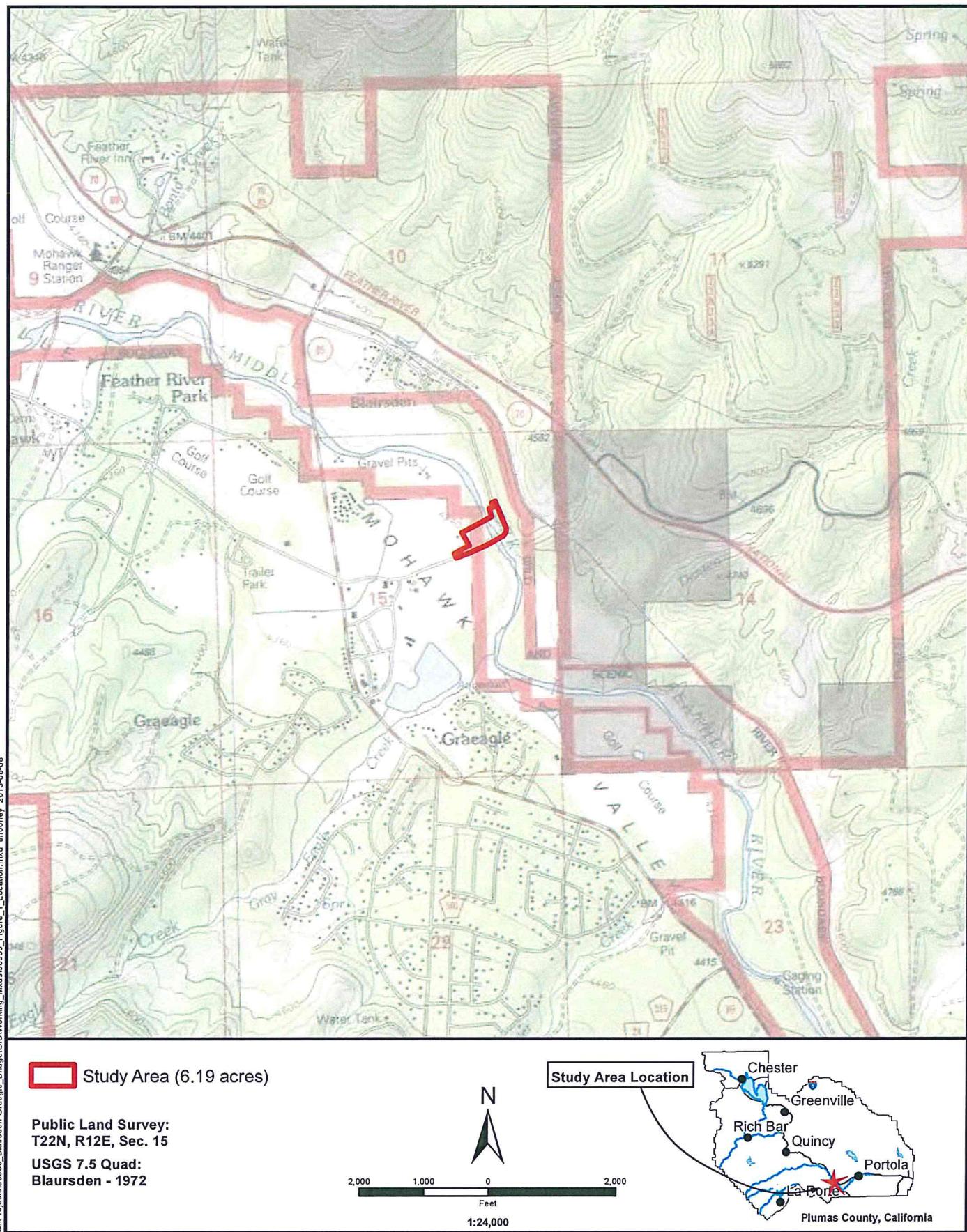
**Basis for RFQ:** This Request for Qualifications and any amendments thereto represent the most definitive statement the County will make concerning information upon which Submittals are to be based. The Submitters will be assumed to have thoroughly examined these documents. Any binding clarification to these documents shall be requested in writing by the Submitter by the date required in the project consultant selection schedule.



Robert A. Perreault, Jr., P.E.  
Director of Public Works and  
Road Commissioner  
Plumas County, California

Attachments:

- Location Map of Blairsden-Graeagle Road Bridge
- Aerial View of Project Area
- Exhibit 10-I Notice to Proposers - DBE Information
- Exhibit 10-K Consultant Certification of Contract Costs and Financial Management System
- Exhibit 10-O1 Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment
- Exhibit 10-O2 Consultant Contract DBE Commitment
- Exhibit 10-Q Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
- Exhibit 10-R A&E Sample Contract Language



**Figure 1**  
**Study Area Location and Vicinity**



**EXHIBIT 10-I NOTICE TO PROPOSERS DBE INFORMATION**

The Agency has established a DBE goal for this Contract of \_\_\_\_\_ %

OR

The Agency has not established a goal for this Contract. However, proposers are encouraged to obtain DBE participation for this contract.

**1. TERMS AS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT**

- The term “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” or “DBE” means a for-profit small business concern owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged person(s) as defined in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26.5.
- The term “Agreement” also means “Contract.”
- Agency also means the local entity entering into this contract with the Contractor or Consultant.
- The term “Small Business” or “SB” is as defined in 49 CFR 26.65.

**2. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY**

- A. DBEs and other small businesses are strongly encouraged to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds (See 49 CFR 26, “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs”). The Consultant must ensure that DBEs and other small businesses have the opportunity to participate in the performance of the work that is the subject of this solicitation and should take all necessary and reasonable steps for this assurance. The proposer must not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of subcontracts.
- B. Proposers are encouraged to use services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by DBEs.

**3. SUBMISSION OF DBE INFORMATION**

If there is a DBE goal on the contract, Exhibit 10-O1 *Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment* must be included in the Request for Proposal. In order for a proposer to be considered responsible and responsive, the proposer must make good faith efforts to meet the goal established for the contract. If the goal is not met, the proposer must document adequate good faith efforts. All DBE participation will be counted towards the contract goal; therefore, all DBE participation shall be collected and reported.

Exhibit 10-O2 *Consultant Contract DBE Information* must be included with the Request for Proposal. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, the successful proposer must execute and return the form.

**4. DBE PARTICIPATION GENERAL INFORMATION**

It is the proposer’s responsibility to be fully informed regarding the requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26, and the Department’s DBE program developed pursuant to the regulations. Particular attention is directed to the following:

- A. A DBE must be a small business firm defined pursuant to 13 CFR 121 and be certified through the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).

- B. A certified DBE may participate as a prime consultant, subconsultant, joint venture partner, as a vendor of material or supplies, or as a trucking company.
- C. A DBE proposer not proposing as a joint venture with a non-DBE, will be required to document one or a combination of the following:
  - 1. The proposer is a DBE and will meet the goal by performing work with its own forces.
  - 2. The proposer will meet the goal through work performed by DBE subconsultants, suppliers or trucking companies.
  - 3. The proposer, prior to proposing, made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal.
- D. A DBE joint venture partner must be responsible for specific contract items of work or clearly defined portions thereof. Responsibility means actually performing, managing, and supervising the work with its own forces. The DBE joint venture partner must share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks and profits of the joint venture commensurate with its ownership interest.
- E. A DBE must perform a commercially useful function pursuant to 49 CFR 26.55, that is, a DBE firm must be responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work and must carry out its responsibility by actually performing, managing and supervising the work.
- F. The proposer shall list only one subconsultant for each portion of work as defined in their proposal and all DBE subconsultants should be listed in the bid/cost proposal list of subconsultants.
- G. A prime consultant who is a certified DBE is eligible to claim all of the work in the Contract toward the DBE participation except that portion of the work to be performed by non-DBE subconsultants.

## 5. RESOURCES

- A. The CUCP database includes the certified DBEs from all certifying agencies participating in the CUCP. If you believe a firm is certified that cannot be located on the database, please contact the Caltrans Office of Certification toll free number 1-866-810-6346 for assistance.
- B. Access the CUCP database from the Department of Transportation, Office of Business and Economic Opportunity Web site at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/>.
  - 1. Click on the link in the left menu titled *Disadvantaged Business Enterprise*;
  - 2. Click on Search for a DBE Firm link;
  - 3. Click on *Access to the DBE Query Form* located on the first line in the center of the page.

Searches can be performed by one or more criteria. Follow instructions on the screen.

## 6. MATERIALS OR SUPPLIES PURCHASED FROM DBES COUNT TOWARDS THE DBE GOAL UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- A. If the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer, count 100 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory, or establishment that produces on the premises the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the Contract and of the general character described by the specifications.
- B. If the materials or supplies purchased from a DBE regular dealer, count 60 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the Contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a DBE regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the

purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A person may be a DBE regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business provided in this section.

- C. If the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, any supplementing of regular dealers' own distribution equipment shall be, by a long-term lease agreement and not an ad hoc or Agreement-by-Agreement basis. Packagers, brokers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not DBE regular dealers within the meaning of this section.
- D. Materials or supplies purchased from a DBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, will be limited to the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on the job site, provided the fees are reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees charged for similar services.

## EXHIBIT 10-K CONSULTANT CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACT COSTS AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

*(Note: If requesting to utilize the Safe Harbor Indirect Cost Rate submit Attachment 1 of DLA-OB 13-07 - Safe Harbor Indirect Cost Rate for Consultant Contracts found at [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/DLA\\_OB/DLA\\_OB.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/DLA_OB/DLA_OB.htm) in lieu of this form.)*

**Certification of Final Indirect Costs:**

Consultant Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Indirect Cost Rate: \_\_\_\_\_ \* for fiscal period \_\_\_\_\_

\*Fiscal period covered for Indirect Cost Rate developed (not the contract period).

Local Government: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Project Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, certify that I have reviewed the proposal to establish final indirect cost rates for the fiscal period as specified above and to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. All costs included in this proposal to establish final Indirect Cost Rates are allowable in accordance with the cost principles of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) of Title 48, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 31.
2. This proposal does not include any costs which are expressly unallowable under the cost principles of the FAR of 48 CFR, Part 31.

All known material transactions or events that have occurred affecting the firm's ownership, organization, and Indirect Cost Rates have been disclosed as of the date of proposal preparation noted above.

**Certification of Financial Management System:**

I, the undersigned, certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that our Financial Management System meets the standards for financial reporting, accounting records, internal and budget control as set forth in the FAR of Title 49, CFR, Part 18.20 to the extent applicable to Consultant.

**Certification of Dollar Amount for all A&E Contracts:**

I, the undersigned, certify that the approximate dollar amount of all A&E contracts awarded by Caltrans or a California local agency to this firm within the last three (3) calendar years for all State DOT and Local Agencies is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the number of states in which the firm does business is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Certification of Direct Costs:**

I, the undersigned, certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that all direct costs identified on the cost proposal(s) in this contract are reasonable, allowable and allocable to the contract in accordance with the cost principles of the FAR of Title 48, CFR, Part 31. Allowable direct costs to a Government contract shall be:

1. Compliant with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and standards promulgated by the Cost Accounting Standards Board (when applicable).
2. Compliant with the terms of the contract and is incurred specifically for the contract.
3. Not prohibited by 23 CFR, Chapter 1, Part 172 – Administration of Engineering and Design Related Service Contracts to the extent requirements are applicable to Consultant.

All costs must be applied consistently and fairly to all contracts. All documentation of compliance must be retained in the project files.

**Subconsultants (if applicable)**

Proposed Contract Amount (or amount not to exceed if on-call contract): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Prime Consultants (if applicable)**

Proposed Total Contract Amount (or amount not to exceed if on-call contract): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Prime, list all subconsultants and proposed subcontract dollar amounts (attach additional page if necessary):

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

Consultant Certifying (Print Name and Title):

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

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

Consultant Certification Signature \*\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Certification (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Consultant Contact Information:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*An individual executive or financial officer of the consultant's organization at a level no lower than a Vice President or Chief Financial Officer, or equivalent, who has authority to represent the financial information utilized to establish the Indirect Cost Rate proposal submitted in conjunction with the contract.

Note: *Per 23 U.S.C. 112(b)(2)(B), Subconsultants must comply with the FAR Cost Principles contained in 48 CFR, Part 31.*  
*23 CFR Part 172.3 Definitions state: Consultant means the individual or firm providing engineering and design related services as a party to the contract. Therefore, subconsultants as parties of a contract must complete a certification and send originals to A&I and keep copies in Local Agency Project Files.*

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## EXHIBIT 10-O1 CONSULTANT PROPOSAL DBE COMMITMENT

1. Local Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Contract DBE Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Consultant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Prime Certified DBE:

7. Description of Work, Service, or Materials Supplied	8. DBE Certification Number	9. DBE Contact Information	10. DBE %
<b>Local Agency to Complete this Section</b>		<b>11. TOTAL CLAIMED DBE PARTICIPATION</b>	%
17. Local Agency Contract Number:	_____		
18. Federal-Aid Project Number:	_____	IMPORTANT: Identify all DBE firms being claimed for credit, regardless of tier. Written confirmation of each listed DBE is required.	
19. Proposed Contract Execution Date:	_____	12. Preparer's Signature	13. Date
Local Agency certifies that all DBE certifications are valid and information on this form is complete and accurate.		14. Preparer's Name	15. Phone
20. Local Agency Representative's Signature	21. Date	16. Preparer's Title	
22. Local Agency Representative's Name	23. Phone		
24. Local Agency Representative's Title			

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**INSTRUCTIONS – CONSULTANT PROPOSAL DBE COMMITMENT****CONSULTANT SECTION**

- 1. Local Agency** - Enter the name of the local or regional agency that is funding the contract.
- 2. Contract DBE Goal** - Enter the contract DBE goal percentage as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 3. Project Description** - Enter the project description as it appears on the project advertisement (Bridge Rehab, Seismic Rehab, Overlay, Widening, etc.).
- 4. Project Location** - Enter the project location as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 5. Consultant's Name** - Enter the consultant's firm name.
- 6. Prime Certified DBE** - Check box if prime contractor is a certified DBE.
- 7. Description of Work, Services, or Materials Supplied** - Enter description of work, services, or materials to be provided. Indicate all work to be performed by DBEs including work performed by the prime consultant's own forces, if the prime is a DBE. If 100% of the item is not to be performed or furnished by the DBE, describe the exact portion to be performed or furnished by the DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 to determine how to count the participation of DBE firms.
- 8. DBE Certification Number** - Enter the DBE's Certification Identification Number. All DBEs must be certified on the date bids are opened.
- 9. DBE Contact Information** - Enter the name, address, and phone number of all DBE subcontracted consultants. Also, enter the prime consultant's name and phone number, if the prime is a DBE.
- 10. DBE %** - Percent participation of work to be performed or service provided by a DBE. Include the prime consultant if the prime is a DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 for how to count full/partial participation.
- 11. Total Claimed DBE Participation %** - Enter the total DBE participation claimed. If the total % claimed is less than item "Contract DBE Goal," an adequately documented Good Faith Effort (GFE) is required (see Exhibit 15-H DBE Information - Good Faith Efforts of the LAPM).
- 12. Preparer's Signature** - The person completing the DBE commitment form on behalf of the consultant's firm must sign their name.
- 13. Date** - Enter the date the DBE commitment form is signed by the consultant's preparer.
- 14. Preparer's Name** - Enter the name of the person preparing and signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 15. Phone** - Enter the area code and phone number of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 16. Preparer's Title** - Enter the position/title of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.

**LOCAL AGENCY SECTION**

- 17. Local Agency Contract Number** - Enter the Local Agency contract number or identifier.
- 18. Federal-Aid Project Number** - Enter the Federal-Aid Project Number.
- 19. Proposed Contract Execution Date** - Enter the proposed contract execution date.
- 20. Local Agency Representative's Signature** - The person completing this section of the form for the Local Agency must sign their name to certify that the information in this and the Consultant Section of this form is complete and accurate.
- 21. Date** - Enter the date the DBE commitment form is signed by the Local Agency Representative.
- 22. Local Agency Representative's Name** - Enter the name of the Local Agency Representative certifying the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 23. Phone** - Enter the area code and phone number of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 24. Local Agency Representative Title** - Enter the position/title of the Local Agency Representative certifying the consultant's DBE commitment form.

## EXHIBIT 10-O2 CONSULTANT CONTRACT DBE COMMITMENT

1. Local Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Contract DBE Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Consultant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Prime Certified DBE:  7. Total Contract Award Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Total Dollar Amount for ALL Subconsultants: \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Total Number of ALL Subconsultants: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Description of Work, Service, or Materials Supplied	11. DBE Certification Number	12. DBE Contact Information	13. DBE Dollar Amount
<b>Local Agency to Complete this Section</b>		<b>14. TOTAL CLAIMED DBE PARTICIPATION</b>	\$
20. Local Agency Contract Number: _____	21. Federal-Aid Project Number: _____		%
22. Contract Execution Date: _____	IMPORTANT: Identify all DBE firms being claimed for credit, regardless of tier. Written confirmation of each listed DBE is required.		
Local Agency certifies that all DBE certifications are valid and information on this form is complete and accurate.			
23. Local Agency Representative's Signature	24. Date	15. Preparer's Signature	16. Date
25. Local Agency Representative's Name	26. Phone	17. Preparer's Name	18. Phone
27. Local Agency Representative's Title		19. Preparer's Title	

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**INSTRUCTIONS – CONSULTANT CONTRACT DBE COMMITMENT****CONSULTANT SECTION**

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- 3. Project Description** - Enter the project description as it appears on the project advertisement (Bridge Rehab, Seismic Rehab, Overlay, Widening, etc).
- 4. Project Location** - Enter the project location as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 5. Consultant's Name** - Enter the consultant's firm name.
- 6. Prime Certified DBE** - Check box if prime contractor is a certified DBE.
- 7. Total Contract Award Amount** - Enter the total contract award dollar amount for the prime consultant.
- 8. Total Dollar Amount for ALL Subconsultants** – Enter the total dollar amount for all subcontracted consultants. SUM = (DBEs + all Non-DBEs). Do not include the prime consultant information in this count.
- 9. Total number of ALL subconsultants** – Enter the total number of all subcontracted consultants. SUM = (DBEs + all Non-DBEs). Do not include the prime consultant information in this count.
- 10. Description of Work, Services, or Materials Supplied** - Enter description of work, services, or materials to be provided. Indicate all work to be performed by DBEs including work performed by the prime consultant's own forces, if the prime is a DBE. If 100% of the item is not to be performed or furnished by the DBE, describe the exact portion to be performed or furnished by the DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 to determine how to count the participation of DBE firms.
- 11. DBE Certification Number** - Enter the DBE's Certification Identification Number. All DBEs must be certified on the date bids are opened.
- 12. DBE Contact Information** - Enter the name, address, and phone number of all DBE subcontracted consultants. Also, enter the prime consultant's name and phone number, if the prime is a DBE.
- 13. DBE Dollar Amount** - Enter the subcontracted dollar amount of the work to be performed or service to be provided. Include the prime consultant if the prime is a DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 for how to count full/partial participation.
- 14. Total Claimed DBE Participation - \$:** Enter the total dollar amounts entered in the "DBE Dollar Amount" column. **%:** Enter the total DBE participation claimed ("Total Participation Dollars Claimed" divided by item "Total Contract Award Amount"). If the total % claimed is less than item "Contract DBE Goal," an adequately documented Good Faith Effort (GFE) is required (see Exhibit 15-H DBE Information - Good Faith Efforts of the LAPM).
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**LOCAL AGENCY SECTION**

- 20. Local Agency Contract Number** - Enter the Local Agency contract number or identifier.
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- 22. Contract Execution Date** - Enter the date the contract was executed.
- 23. Local Agency Representative's Signature** - The person completing this section of the form for the Local Agency must sign their name to certify that the information in this and the Consultant Section of this form is complete and accurate.
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## EXHIBIT 10-Q DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

COMPLETE THIS FORM TO DISCLOSE LOBBYING ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. 1352

<b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b>	<b>2. Status of Federal Action:</b>	<b>3. Report Type:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	<input type="checkbox"/> a. initial <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change
<b>For Material Change Only:</b> year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____		
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity</b>		<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known		Congressional District, if known
<b>6. Federal Department/Agency:</b>		Congressional District, if known
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b>		<b>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</b>
		CFDA Number, if applicable _____
<b>10. Name and Address of Lobby Entity</b> (If individual, last name, first name, MI)		<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b>
		including address if different from No. 10a (If individual, last name, first name, MI)
(attach Continuation Sheet(s) if necessary)		
<b>12. Amount of Payment (check all that apply)</b> \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> actual <input type="checkbox"/> planned		<b>14. Type of Payment (check all that apply)</b>
<b>13. Form of Payment (check all that apply):</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> a. retainer <input type="checkbox"/> b. one-time fee <input type="checkbox"/> c. commission <input type="checkbox"/> d. contingent fee <input type="checkbox"/> e. deferred <input type="checkbox"/> f. other, specify _____
<b>15. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be performed and Date(s) of Service, including officer(s), employee(s), or member(s) contacted, for Payment Indicated in Item 11:</b>		
<b>16. Continuation Sheet(s) attached:</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input type="checkbox"/> (attach Continuation Sheet(s) if necessary)
Signature: _____		
Print Name: _____		
Title: _____		
Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____		
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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING EXHIBIT 10-Q 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 covered federal action or a material change to previous filing pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. The filing of a form is required for such payment or agreement to make payment to 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. Attach a continuation sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. 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 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 follow-up 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 first 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 organization 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 identification 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 commitments for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. Enter the full name, address, city, state, and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in Item 4 to influence the covered federal action.
11. 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).
12. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (Item 4) to the lobbying entity (Item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
13. Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
14. Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
15. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed or will be expected to perform and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity not just time spent in actual contact with federal officials. Identify the federal officer(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s) employee(s) or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
16. Check whether or not a continuation sheet(s) is attached.
17. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, and print his/her name title and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30-minutes per response, including time for reviewing instruction, 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, D.C. 20503. SF-LLL-Instructions Rev. 06-04

## EXHIBIT 10-R A &amp;E SAMPLE CONTRACT LANGUAGE

(For Local Assistance Federal-aid Projects)

**NOTE TO LOCAL AGENCY - BE SURE THAT YOUR LEGAL STAFF REVIEWS AND APPROVES ALL CONSULTANT CONTRACTS BEFORE EXECUTION. THIS CONTRACT LANGUAGE IS ONLY SUGGESTED LANGUAGE. MODIFY AS RECOMMENDED BY YOUR OWN LEGAL STAFF AND TO FIT YOUR PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT.**

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## ARTICLE I INTRODUCTION

A. This contract is between the following named, hereinafter referred to as, CONSULTANT and the following named, hereinafter referred to as, LOCAL AGENCY:

The name of the "CONSULTANT" is as follows:

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Incorporated in the State of (*NAME OF STATE*)

The Project Manager for the "CONSULTANT" will be (*NAME*)

The name of the "LOCAL AGENCY" is as follows:

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The Contract Administrator for LOCAL AGENCY will be (NAME)

B. The work to be performed under this contract is described in Article II entitled Statement of Work and the approved CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal dated (*DATE*). The approved CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal is attached hereto (Attachment I) and incorporated by reference. If there is any conflict between the approved Cost Proposal and this contract, this contract shall take precedence.

C. CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify and hold harmless LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims, demands, costs, or liability arising from or connected with the services provided hereunder due to negligent acts, errors, or omissions of CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT will reimburse LOCAL AGENCY for any expenditure, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by LOCAL AGENCY in defending against claims ultimately determined to be due to negligent acts, errors, or omissions of CONSULTANT.

D. CONSULTANT and the agents and employees of CONSULTANT, in the performance of this contract, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees or agents of LOCAL AGENCY.

E. Without the written consent of LOCAL AGENCY, this contract is not assignable by CONSULTANT either in whole or in part.

F. No alteration or variation of the terms of this contract shall be valid, unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto; and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein, shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.

G. The consideration to be paid to CONSULTANT as provided herein, shall be in compensation for all of CONSULTANT's expenses incurred in the performance hereof, including travel and per diem, unless otherwise expressly so provided.

## ARTICLE II STATEMENT OF WORK

(INSERT APPROPRIATE STATEMENT OF WORK INCLUDING A DESCRIPTION OF THE DELIVERABLES)

A. Consultant Services

Detail based on the services to be furnished should be provided by CONSULTANT. Nature and extent should be verified in the negotiations to make precise statements to eliminate subsequent uncertainties and misunderstandings. Reference to the appropriate standards for design or other standards for work performance stipulated in consultant contract should be included. Describe acceptance criteria, and if the responsible consultant/engineer shall sign all Plans, Specifications and

Estimate (PS&E) and engineering data furnished under the contract including registration number. Environmental documents are not considered complete until a Caltrans District Senior Environmental Planner signs the Categorical Exclusion, a Caltrans Deputy District Director signs the Finding of No Significant Impact, or the Caltrans District Director signs the Record of Decision [see Chapter 6, "Environmental Procedures" in the LAPM, and the *Standard Environmental Reference*].

**B. Right of Way**

State whether Right of Way requirements are to be determined and shown by CONSULTANT, whether land surveys and computations with metes and bounds descriptions are to be made, and whether Right of Way plots are to be furnished.

**C. Surveys**

State whether or not the CONSULTANT has the responsibility for performing preliminary or construction surveys.

**D. Subsurface Investigations**

State specifically whether or not CONSULTANT has responsibility for making subsurface investigations. If borings or other specialized services are to be made by others under the supervision of CONSULTANT, appropriate provisions are to be incorporated. Archaeological testing and data recovery guidance can be found in the *Standard Environmental Reference*.

**E. Local Agency Obligations**

All data applicable to the project and in possession of LOCAL AGENCY or another agency, or government that are to be made available to CONSULTANT are referred to in the contract. Any other assistance or services to be furnished to CONSULTANT are to be stated clearly.

**F. Conferences, Visits to Site, Inspection of Work**

The contract provides for conferences as needed, visits to the site, and inspection of the work by representatives of the state, or FHWA. Costs incurred by CONSULTANT for meetings, subsequent to the initial meeting shall be included in the fee.

**G. Checking Shop Drawings**

For contracts requiring the preparation of construction drawings, make provision for checking shop drawings. Payment for checking shop drawings by CONSULTANT may be included in the contract fee, or provision may be made for separate payment.

**H. Consultant Services During Construction**

The extent, if any of CONSULTANT's services during the course of construction as material testing, construction surveys, etc., are specified in the contract together with the method of payment for such services.

**I. Documentation and Schedules**

Contracts where appropriate, shall provide that CONSULTANT document the results of the work to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY, and if applicable, the State and FHWA. This may include preparation of progress and final reports, plans, specifications and estimates, or similar evidence of attainment of the contract objectives.

**J. Deliverables and Number of Copies**

The number of copies of papers or documents to be furnished, such as reports, brochures, sets of plans, specifications, or Right of Way plots is specified. Provision may be made for payment for additional copies.

**ARTICLE III CONSULTANT'S REPORTS OR MEETINGS***(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2)**(Option 1 - Use paragraphs A & B below for standard contracts)*

- A. CONSULTANT shall submit progress reports at least once a month. The report should be sufficiently detailed for the Contract Administrator to determine, if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations, or is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings, and to sufficiently address any difficulties or special problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.
- B. CONSULTANT's Project Manager shall meet with LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator, as needed, to discuss progress on the contract.

*(Option 2 - Use paragraphs A & B below for on-call contracts)*

- A. CONSULTANT shall submit progress reports on each specific project in accordance with the Task Order. These reports shall be submitted at least once a month. The report should be sufficiently detailed for LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator or Project Coordinator to determine, if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations, or is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings, and to sufficiently address any difficulties or special problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.
- B. CONSULTANT's Project Manager shall meet with LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator or Project Coordinator, as needed, to discuss progress on the project(s).

**ARTICLE IV PERFORMANCE PERIOD (Verbatim)**

*(A time must be set for beginning and ending the work under the contract. The time allowed for performing the work is specified; it should be reasonable for the kind and amount of services contemplated; and it is written into the contract. If it is desirable that Critical Path Method (CPM) networks, or other types of schedules be prepared by CONSULTANT, they should be identified and incorporated into the contract.)*

*(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2)**(Option 1 - Use paragraphs A & B below for standard and on-call contracts)*

- A. This contract shall go into effect on (DATE), contingent upon approval by LOCAL AGENCY, and CONSULTANT shall commence work after notification to proceed by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator. The contract shall end on (DATE), unless extended by contract amendment.
- B. CONSULTANT is advised that any recommendation for contract award is not binding on LOCAL AGENCY until the contract is fully executed and approved by LOCAL AGENCY.

*(Option 2 - Use paragraph C below in addition to paragraphs A & B above for on-call contracts)*

- C. The period of performance for each specific project shall be in accordance with the Task Order for that project. If work on a Task Order is in progress on the expiration date of this contract, the terms of the contract shall be extended by contract amendment.

**ARTICLE V ALLOWABLE COSTS AND PAYMENTS (Verbatim)***(Choose either Option 1, 2, 3, or 4)**(Option 1 - Use paragraphs A through J below for Actual Cost-Plus-Fixed Fee contracts. Use Exhibit 10-H, Example #1 for Cost Proposal Format)*

A. The method of payment for this contract will be based on actual cost plus a fixed fee. LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse CONSULTANT for actual costs (including labor costs, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental costs, overhead and other direct costs) incurred by CONSULTANT in performance of the work. CONSULTANT will not be reimbursed for actual costs that exceed the estimated wage rates, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental, overhead, and other estimated costs set forth in the approved CONSULTANT'S Cost Proposal, unless additional reimbursement is provided for by contract amendment. In no event, will CONSULTANT be reimbursed for overhead costs at a rate that exceeds LOCAL AGENCY's approved overhead rate set forth in the Cost Proposal. In the event, that LOCAL AGENCY determines that a change to the work from that specified in the Cost Proposal and contract is required, the contract time or actual costs reimbursable by LOCAL AGENCY shall be adjusted by contract amendment to accommodate the changed work. The maximum total cost as specified in Paragraph "H" shall not be exceeded, unless authorized by contract amendment.

B. In addition to the allowable incurred costs, LOCAL AGENCY will pay CONSULTANT a fixed fee of \$(AMOUNT). The fixed fee is nonadjustable for the term of the contract, except in the event of a significant change in the scope of work and such adjustment is made by contract amendment.

C. Reimbursement for transportation and subsistence costs shall not exceed the rates specified in the approved Cost Proposal.

D. When milestone cost estimates are included in the approved Cost Proposal, CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval for a revised milestone cost estimate from the Contract Administrator before exceeding such cost estimate.

E. Progress payments will be made monthly in arrears based on services provided and allowable incurred costs. A pro rata portion of CONSULTANT's fixed fee will be included in the monthly progress payments. If CONSULTANT fails to submit the required deliverable items according to the schedule set forth in the Statement of Work, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to delay payment or terminate this Contract in accordance with the provisions of Article VI Termination.

F. No payment will be made prior to approval of any work, nor for any work performed prior to approval of this contract.

G. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed, as promptly as fiscal procedures will permit upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in triplicate. Invoices shall be submitted no later than 45 calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone and each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this contract number and project title. Final invoice must contain the final cost and all credits due LOCAL AGENCY including any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase of this contract. The final invoice should be submitted within 60 calendar days after completion of CONSULTANT's work. Invoices shall be mailed to LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

*(LOCAL AGENCY/NAME OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR)*

*(ADDRESS)*

H. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY including the fixed fee shall not exceed \$(Amount).

I. Salary increases will be reimbursable if the new salary is within the salary range identified in the approved Cost Proposal and is approved by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator.

For personnel subject to prevailing wage rates as described in the California Labor Code, all salary increases, which are the direct result of changes in the prevailing wage rates are reimbursable.

*(Option 2 - For Cost per Unit of Work contracts, replace paragraphs A & B of Option 1 with the following paragraphs A, B, and C and re-letter the remaining paragraphs. Adjust as necessary for work specific to your project. Use Exhibit 10-H, Example #3 for Cost Proposal Format)*

- A. The method of payment for the following items shall be at the rate specified for each item, as described in this Article. The specified rate shall include full compensation to CONSULTANT for the item as described, including but not limited to, any repairs, maintenance, or insurance, and no further compensation will be allowed therefore.
- B. The specified rate to be paid for vehicle expense for CONSULTANT's field personnel shall be \$(Amount) per approved Cost Proposal. This rate shall be for a fully equipped vehicle, with radio and flashing yellow light (if needed), as specified in Article II of this contract.

The specified rate to be paid for equipment shall be, as listed in Attachment (Insert Attachment Number).

- C. The method of payment for this contract, except those items to be paid for on a specified rate basis, will be based on cost per unit of work. LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse CONSULTANT for actual costs (including labor costs, employee benefits, travel, equipment-rental costs, overhead and other direct costs) incurred by CONSULTANT in performance of the work. CONSULTANT will not be reimbursed for actual costs that exceed the estimated wage rates, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental, overhead and other estimated costs set forth in the approved Cost Proposal, unless additional reimbursement is provided for, by contract amendment. In no event, will CONSULTANT be reimbursed for overhead costs at a rate that exceeds LOCAL AGENCY approved overhead rate set forth in the approved Cost Proposal. In the event, LOCAL AGENCY determines that changed work from that specified in the approved Cost Proposal and contract is required; the actual costs reimbursable by LOCAL AGENCY may be adjusted by contract amendment to accommodate the changed work. The maximum total cost as specified in Paragraph "I," shall not be exceeded unless authorized by contract amendment.

*(Option 3 - Use paragraphs A through P for Specific Rates of Compensation contracts [such as on-call contracts]. Use Exhibit 10-H, Example #2 for Cost Proposal Format)*

- A. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed for hours worked at the hourly rates specified in CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal (Attachment Number). The specified hourly rates shall include direct salary costs, employee benefits, overhead, and fee. These rates are not adjustable for the performance period set forth in this Contract.
- B. In addition, CONSULTANT will be reimbursed for incurred (actual) direct costs other than salary costs that are in the cost proposal and identified in the cost proposal and in the executed Task Order.
- C. Specific projects will be assigned to CONSULTANT through issuance of Task Orders.
- D. After a project to be performed under this contract is identified by LOCAL AGENCY, LOCAL AGENCY will prepare a draft Task Order; less the cost estimate. A draft Task Order will identify the scope of services, expected results, project deliverables, period of performance, project schedule and will designate a LOCAL AGENCY Project Coordinator. The draft Task Order will be delivered to CONSULTANT for review. CONSULTANT shall return the draft Task Order within ten (10) calendar days along with a Cost Estimate, including a written estimate of the number of hours and hourly rates per staff person, any anticipated reimbursable expenses, overhead, fee if any, and total dollar amount. After agreement has been reached on the negotiable items and total cost; the finalized Task Order shall be signed by both LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT.
- E. Task Orders may be negotiated for a lump sum (Firm Fixed Price) or for specific rates of compensation, both of which must be based on the labor and other rates set forth in CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal.
- F. Reimbursement for transportation and subsistence costs shall not exceed the rates as specified in the approved Cost Proposal.

- G. When milestone cost estimates are included in the approved Cost Proposal, CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval for a revised milestone cost estimate from the Contract Administrator before exceeding such estimate.
- H. Progress payments for each Task Order will be made monthly in arrears based on services provided and actual costs incurred.
- I. CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of work or services until this contract has been approved by LOCAL AGENCY, and notification to proceed has been issued by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator. No payment will be made prior to approval or for any work performed prior to approval of this contract.
- J. A Task Order is of no force or effect until returned to LOCAL AGENCY and signed by an authorized representative of LOCAL AGENCY. No expenditures are authorized on a project and work shall not commence until a Task Order for that project has been executed by LOCAL AGENCY.
- K. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed, as promptly as fiscal procedures will permit upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in triplicate. Separate invoices itemizing all costs are required for all work performed under each Task Order. Invoices shall be submitted no later than 45 calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing, or upon completion of the Task Order. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone, on each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this contract number, project title and Task Order number. Credits due LOCAL AGENCY that include any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase of this contract, must be reimbursed by CONSULTANT prior to the expiration or termination of this contract. Invoices shall be mailed to LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

*(NAME OF LOCAL AGENCY/ NAME OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR)*

*(ADDRESS)*

- L. The period of performance for Task Orders shall be in accordance with dates specified in the Task Order. No Task Order will be written which extends beyond the expiration date of this Contract.
- M. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY for an individual Task Order shall not exceed the amount agreed to in the Task Order, unless authorized by contract amendment.
- N. If the Consultant fails to satisfactorily complete a deliverable according to the schedule set forth in a Task Order, no payment will be made until the deliverable has been satisfactorily completed.
- O. Task Orders may not be used to amend this Agreement and may not exceed the scope of work under this Agreement.
- P. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY for all Task Orders resulting from this contract shall not exceed \$ (Amount). It is understood and agreed that there is no guarantee, either expressed or implied that this dollar amount will be authorized under this contract through Task Orders.

*(Option 4 - Use paragraphs A through E below for lump sum contracts. Use Exhibit 10-H, Example #1 for Cost Proposal Format)*

- A. The method of payment for this contract will be based on lump sum. The total lump sum price paid to CONSULTANT will include compensation for all work and deliverables, including travel and equipment described in Article II Statement of Work of this contract. No additional compensation will be paid to CONSULTANT, unless there is a change in the scope of the work or the scope of the project. In the instance of a change in the scope of work or scope of the project, adjustment to the total lump sum compensation will be negotiated between CONSULTANT and LOCAL AGENCY. Adjustment in the total lump sum

compensation will not be effective until authorized by contract amendment and approved by LOCAL AGENCY.

- B. Progress payments may be made monthly in arrears based on the percentage of work completed by CONSULTANT. If CONSULTANT fails to submit the required deliverable items according to the schedule set forth in the Statement of Work, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to delay payment or terminate this Contract in accordance with the provisions of Article VI Termination.
- C. CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of work or services until this contract has been approved by LOCAL AGENCY and notification to proceed has been issued by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator. No payment will be made prior to approval of any work, or for any work performed prior to approval of this contract.
- D. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed, as promptly as fiscal procedures will permit, upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in triplicate. Invoices shall be submitted no later than 45 calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone, on each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the Cost Proposal and shall reference this contract number and project title. Final invoice must contain the final cost and all credits due LOCAL AGENCY that include any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase of this contract. The final invoice should be submitted within 60-calendar days after completion of CONSULTANT's work. Invoices shall be mailed to LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

*(LOCAL AGENCY/NAME OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR)*

*(ADDRESS)*

- E. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY shall not exceed \$(Amount).

#### **ARTICLE VI TERMINATION (Verbatim)**

- A. LOCAL AGENCY reserves the right to terminate this contract upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice to CONSULTANT with the reasons for termination stated in the notice.
- B. LOCAL AGENCY may terminate this contract with CONSULTANT should CONSULTANT fail to perform the covenants herein contained at the time and in the manner herein provided. In the event of such termination, LOCAL AGENCY may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper by LOCAL AGENCY. If LOCAL AGENCY terminates this contract with CONSULTANT, LOCAL AGENCY shall pay CONSULTANT the sum due to CONSULTANT under this contract prior to termination, unless the cost of completion to LOCAL AGENCY exceeds the funds remaining in the contract. In which case the overage shall be deducted from any sum due CONSULTANT under this contract and the balance, if any, shall be paid to CONSULTANT upon demand.
- C. The maximum amount for which the LOCAL AGENCY shall be liable if this contract is terminated is \_\_\_\_\_ dollars.

#### **ARTICLE VII COST PRINCIPLES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS (Verbatim)**

- A. CONSULTANT agrees that the Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, 48 CFR, Federal Acquisition Regulations System, Chapter 1, Part 31.000 et seq., shall be used to determine the cost allowability of individual items.
- B. CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with federal procedures in accordance with 49 CFR, Part 18, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments.

C. Any costs for which payment has been made to CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 49 CFR, Part 18 and 48 CFR, Federal Acquisition Regulations System, Chapter 1, Part 31.000 et seq., are subject to repayment by CONSULTANT to LOCAL AGENCY.

## ARTICLE VIII RETENTION OF RECORDS/AUDIT (Verbatim)

For the purpose of determining compliance with Public Contract Code 10115, et seq. and Title 21, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 21, Section 2500 et seq., when applicable and other matters connected with the performance of the contract pursuant to Government Code 8546.7; CONSULTANT, subconsultants, and LOCAL AGENCY shall maintain and make available for inspection all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the contract, including but not limited to, the costs of administering the contract. All parties shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the contract period and for three years from the date of final payment under the contract. The state, State Auditor, LOCAL AGENCY, FHWA, or any duly authorized representative of the Federal Government shall have access to any books, records, and documents of CONSULTANT and it's certified public accountants (CPA) work papers that are pertinent to the contract and indirect cost rates (ICR) for audit, examinations, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested.

## ARTICLE IX AUDIT REVIEW PROCEDURES (Verbatim)

A. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this contract that is not disposed of by agreement, shall be reviewed by LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer.

B. Not later than 30 days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.

C. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by LOCAL AGENCY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this contract.

*(The following AUDIT CLAUSE must be inserted into all contracts of \$150,000 or greater)*

D. CONSULTANT and subconsultant contracts, including cost proposals and ICR, are subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, a contract audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the contract, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR, Part 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT's responsibility to ensure federal, state, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA's work papers including making copies as necessary. The contract, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by LOCAL AGENCY contract manager to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the contract by this reference if directed by LOCAL AGENCY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, state or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of contract terms and cause for termination of the contract and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.

*(The following AUDIT CLAUSE must be inserted into all contracts of \$3,500,000 or greater).*

E. CONSULTANT Cost Proposal is subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review by Caltrans' Audit and Investigation (Caltrans). Caltrans, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the

management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the contract terms and cause for termination of the contract and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.

1. During a Caltrans' review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT's independent CPA, Caltrans will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely manner. If Caltrans identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at a provisional ICR until a FAR compliant ICR {e.g. 48 CFR, part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines} is received and approved by A&I. Provisional rates will be as follows:
  - a. If the proposed rate is less than 150% - the provisional rate reimbursed will be 90% of the proposed rate.
  - b. If the proposed rate is between 150% and 200% - the provisional rate will be 85% of the proposed rate.
  - c. If the proposed rate is greater than 200% - the provisional rate will be 75% of the proposed rate.
2. If Caltrans is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, Caltrans may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. Caltrans will then have up to six (6) months to review the CONSULTANT's and/or the independent CPA's revisions.
3. If the CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this Section E, or if Caltrans is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA-audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the provisional ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this provisional ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this contract.
4. CONSULTANT may submit to LOCAL AGENCY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) Caltrans approves or rejects the original or revised independent CPA-audited ICR; (2) all work under this contract has been completed to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY; and, (3) Caltrans has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICETO local agency no later than 60 days after occurrence of the last of these items.

The provisional ICR will apply to this contract and all other contracts executed between LOCAL AGENCY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

## ARTICLE X SUBCONTRACTING (Verbatim)

- A. Nothing contained in this contract or otherwise, shall create any contractual relation between LOCAL AGENCY and any subconsultant(s), and no subcontract shall relieve CONSULTANT of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. CONSULTANT agrees to be as fully responsible to LOCAL AGENCY for the acts and omissions of its subconsultant(s) and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT's obligation to pay its subconsultant(s) is an independent obligation from LOCAL AGENCY'S obligation to make payments to the CONSULTANT.
- B. CONSULTANT shall perform the work contemplated with resources available within its own organization and no portion of the work pertinent to this contract shall be subcontracted without written authorization by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator, except that, which is expressly identified in the approved Cost Proposal.

- C. CONSULTANT shall pay its subconsultants within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of each payment made to CONSULTANT by LOCAL AGENCY.
- D. All subcontracts entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all the provisions stipulated in this contract to be applicable to subconsultants.
- E. Any substitution of subconsultant(s) must be approved in writing by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator prior to the start of work by the subconsultant(s).

## ARTICLE XI EQUIPMENT PURCHASE (Verbatim)

- A. Prior authorization in writing, by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator shall be required before CONSULTANT enters into any unbudgeted purchase order, or subcontract exceeding \$5,000 for supplies, equipment, or CONSULTANT services. CONSULTANT shall provide an evaluation of the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs.
- B. For purchase of any item, service or consulting work not covered in CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal and exceeding \$5,000 prior authorization by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator; three competitive quotations must be submitted with the request, or the absence of bidding must be adequately justified.
- C. Any equipment purchased as a result of this contract is subject to the following: "CONSULTANT shall maintain an inventory of all nonexpendable property. Nonexpendable property is defined as having a useful life of at least two years and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more. If the purchased equipment needs replacement and is sold or traded in, LOCAL AGENCY shall receive a proper refund or credit at the conclusion of the contract, or if the contract is terminated, CONSULTANT may either keep the equipment and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to its fair market value, or sell such equipment at the best price obtainable at a public or private sale, in accordance with established LOCAL AGENCY procedures; and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to the sales price. If CONSULTANT elects to keep the equipment, fair market value shall be determined at CONSULTANT's expense, on the basis of a competent independent appraisal of such equipment. Appraisals shall be obtained from an appraiser mutually agreeable to by LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT, if it is determined to sell the equipment, the terms and conditions of such sale must be approved in advance by LOCAL AGENCY." 49 CFR, Part 18 requires a credit to Federal funds when participating equipment with a fair market value greater than \$5,000 is credited to the project.

## ARTICLE XII STATE PREVAILING WAGE RATES (Verbatim)

*(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2)*

*(Option 1 - For contracts where a portion of the proposed work to be performed are crafts affected by state labor laws, use paragraphs A and B)*

- A. CONSULTANT shall comply with the State of California's General Prevailing Wage Rate requirements in accordance with California Labor Code, Section 1770, and all Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances applicable to the work.
- B. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract, if for more than \$25,000 for public works construction or more than \$15,000 for the alteration, demolition, repair, or maintenance of public works, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article, unless the awarding agency has an approved labor compliance program by the Director of Industrial Relations.
- C. When prevailing wages apply to the services described in the scope of work, transportation and subsistence costs shall be reimbursed at the minimum rates set by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) as outlined in the applicable Prevailing Wage Determination. See <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

*(Option 2 - Use only paragraph A below when all of the proposed work in the contract is performed by crafts not affected by state labor laws or are not contemplated for use)*

A. The State of California's General Prevailing Wage Rates are not applicable to this contract.

**Note:** The Federal "Payment of Predetermined Minimum Wage" applies only to federal-aid construction contracts.

### **ARTICLE XIII CONFLICT OF INTEREST (Verbatim)**

A. CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with LOCAL AGENCY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this contract, or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project. CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this contract, or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project, which will follow.

B. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have, nor shall it acquire any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this contract.

*(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2 if appropriate)*

*(Option 1 - Use paragraphs C & D below with paragraphs A & B above for PS&E contracts only)*

C. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that neither CONSULTANT, nor any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT will bid on any construction contract, or on any contract to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this contract. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons through joint-ownership, or otherwise.

D. Except for subconsultants whose services are limited to providing surveying or materials testing information, no subconsultant who has provided design services in connection with this contract shall be eligible to bid on any construction contract, or on any contract to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this contract.

*(Option 2 - Use paragraphs C, D & E below with paragraphs A & B above for Construction Contract Administration contracts only)*

C. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that neither CONSULTANT, its employees, nor any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT providing services on this project prepared the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate for any construction project included within this contract. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons through joint-ownership, or otherwise.

D. CONSULTANT further certifies that neither CONSULTANT, nor any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT, will bid on any construction subcontracts included within the construction contract. Additionally, CONSULTANT certifies that no person working under this contract is also employed by the construction contractor for any project included within this contract.

E. Except for subconsultants whose services are limited to materials testing, no subconsultant who is providing service on this contract shall have provided services on the design of any project included within this contract.

### **ARTICLE XIV REBATES, KICKBACKS OR OTHER UNLAWFUL CONSIDERATION (Verbatim)**

CONSULTANT warrants that this contract was not obtained or secured through rebates kickbacks or other unlawful consideration, either promised or paid to any LOCAL AGENCY employee. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right in its discretion; to terminate the contract without liability; to pay only for the value of the work actually performed; or to deduct from the contract price; or otherwise recover the full amount of such rebate, kickback or other unlawful consideration.

**ARTICLE XV PROHIBITION OF EXPENDING LOCAL AGENCY STATE OR FEDERAL FUNDS FOR LOBBYING (Verbatim)**

*(Include this article in all contracts where federal funding will exceed \$150,000. If less than \$150,000 in federal funds will be expended on the contract; delete this article and re-number the notification article which follows.)*

A. CONSULTANT certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:

1. No state, federal or local agency appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid by-or-on behalf of CONSULTANT to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any state or federal agency; a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress; an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress; or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress, in connection with the awarding of any state or federal contract; the making of any state or federal grant; the making of any state or federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any state or 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; CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions.

B. 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.

C. CONSULTANT also agrees by signing this document 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 sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**ARTICLE XVI STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

A. CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein, and dated, shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with, the nondiscrimination program requirements of Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Administrative Code, Section 8103.

B. During the performance of this Contract, Consultant and its subconsultants shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family care leave. Consultant and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment. Consultant and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 (a-f) et seq.) and the 5applicable regulations promulgated there under (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285 et seq.). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990 (a-f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, are incorporated into this Contract by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.

Consultant and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.

*(For contracts with Federal funding, add paragraphs C & D)*

- C. The Consultant shall comply with regulations relative to Title VI (nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation – Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21 - Effectuation of Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the state of California shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.
- D. The Consultant, with regard to the work performed by it during the Agreement shall act in accordance with Title VI. Specifically, the Consultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability in the selection and retention of Subconsultants, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The Consultant shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the U.S. DOT's Regulations, including employment practices when the Agreement covers a program whose goal is employment.

## ARTICLE XVII DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

- A. CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein, shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that CONSULTANT has complied with Title 2 CFR, Part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government wide Debarment and Suspension (nonprocurement)", which certifies that he/she or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer, or manager, is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency; has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded, or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past three (3) years; does not have a proposed debarment pending; and has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against it by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years. Any exceptions to this certification must be disclosed to LOCAL AGENCY.
- B. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of recommendation for award, but will be considered in determining CONSULTANT responsibility. Disclosures must indicate to whom exceptions apply, initiating agency, and dates of action.
- C. Exceptions to the Federal Government Excluded Parties List System maintained by the General Services Administration are to be determined by the Federal highway Administration.

## ARTICLE XVIII FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

- A. It is mutually understood between the parties that this contract may have been written before ascertaining the availability of funds or appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if the contract were executed after that determination was made.
- B. This contract is valid and enforceable only, if sufficient funds are made available to LOCAL AGENCY for the purpose of this contract. In addition, this contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or any statute enacted by the Congress, State Legislature, or LOCAL AGENCY governing board that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this contract in any manner.
- C. It is mutually agreed that if sufficient funds are not appropriated, this contract may be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.

D. LOCAL AGENCY has the option to void the contract under the 30-day termination clause pursuant to Article VI, or by mutual agreement to amend the contract to reflect any reduction of funds.

## ARTICLE XIX CHANGE IN TERMS

- A. This contract may be amended or modified only by mutual written agreement of the parties.
- B. CONSULTANT shall only commence work covered by an amendment after the amendment is executed and notification to proceed has been provided by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator.
- C. There shall be no change in CONSULTANT's Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal, which is a part of this contract without prior written approval by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator.

## ARTICLE XX DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) PARTICIPATION

- A. This contract is subject to 49 CFR, Part 26 entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs". Consultants who obtain DBE participation on this contract will assist Caltrans in meeting its federally mandated statewide overall DBE goal.
- B. The goal for DBE participation for this contract is \_\_\_\_\_ %. Participation by DBE consultant or subconsultants shall be in accordance with information contained in the Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O1), or in the Consultant Contract DBE Information (Exhibit 10-O2) attached hereto and incorporated as part of the Contract. If a DBE subconsultant is unable to perform, CONSULTANT must make a good faith effort to replace him/her with another DBE subconsultant, if the goal is not otherwise met.
- C. DBEs and other small businesses, as defined in 49 CFR, Part 26 are encouraged to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds. CONSULTANT or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. CONSULTANT shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26 in the award and administration of US DOT-assisted agreements. Failure by CONSULTANT 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 LOCAL AGENCY deems appropriate.
- D. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all of the provisions of this section.
- E. A DBE firm may be terminated only with prior written approval from LOCAL AGENCY and only for the reasons specified in 49 CFR 26.53(f). Prior to requesting LOCAL AGENCY consent for the termination, CONSULTANT must meet the procedural requirements specified in 49 CFR 26.53(f).
- F. A DBE performs a Commercially Useful Function (CUF) when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether a DBE is performing a CUF, evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing, and other relevant factors.
- G. A DBE does not perform a CUF if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. In determining whether a DBE is such an extra participant, examine similar transactions, particularly those in which DBEs do not participate.

- H. If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least thirty percent (30%) of the total cost of its contract with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work of the contract than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, it will be presumed that it is not performing a CUF.
- I. CONSULTANT shall maintain records of materials purchased or supplied from all subcontracts entered into with certified DBEs. The records shall show the name and business address of each DBE or vendor and the total dollar amount actually paid each DBE or vendor, regardless of tier. The records shall show the date of payment and the total dollar figure paid to all firms. DBE prime consultants shall also show the date of work performed by their own forces along with the corresponding dollar value of the work.
- J. Upon completion of the Contract, a summary of these records shall be prepared and submitted on the form entitled, "Final Report-Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), First-Tier Subconsultants" CEM-2402F [Exhibit 17-F, of the LAPM], certified correct by CONSULTANT or CONSULTANT's authorized representative and shall be furnished to the Contract Administrator with the final invoice. Failure to provide the summary of DBE payments with the final invoice will result in twenty-five percent (25%) of the dollar value of the invoice being withheld from payment until the form is submitted. The amount will be returned to CONSULTANT when a satisfactory "Final Report-Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), First-Tier Subconsultants" is submitted to the Contract Administrator.
- K. If a DBE subconsultant is decertified during the life of the contract, the decertified subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of decertification. If a subconsultant becomes a certified DBE during the life of the Contract, the subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of certification. Any changes should be reported to LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator within 30 days.

## ARTICLE XXI CONTINGENT FEE

CONSULTANT warrants, by execution of this contract that no person or selling agency has been employed, or retained, to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding, for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees, or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY has the right to annul this contract without liability; pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

## ARTICLE XXII DISPUTES

*(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2)*

*(Option 1 - Use paragraphs A through C below for all contracts without PS&E submittal)*

- A. Any dispute, other than audit, concerning a question of fact arising under this contract that is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by a committee consisting of LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator and Insert Department Head or Official, who may consider written or verbal information submitted by CONSULTANT.
- B. Not later than 30 days after completion of all work under the contract, CONSULTANT may request review by LOCAL AGENCY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute, nor its consideration by the committee will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance in accordance with the terms of this contract.

*(Option 2 - Replace Paragraph B, above, with the following for contracts requiring the submission of PS&E)*

B. Not later than 30 days after completion of all deliverables necessary to complete the plans, specifications and estimate, CONSULTANT may request review by LOCAL AGENCY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.

## ARTICLE XXIII INSPECTION OF WORK

CONSULTANT and any subconsultant shall permit LOCAL AGENCY, the state, and the FHWA if federal participating funds are used in this contract; to review and inspect the project activities and files at all reasonable times during the performance period of this contract including review and inspection on a daily basis.

## ARTICLE XXIV SAFETY

*(Use on all contracts regardless of funding source)*

A. CONSULTANT shall comply with OSHA regulations applicable to CONSULTANT regarding necessary safety equipment or procedures. CONSULTANT shall comply with safety instructions issued by LOCAL AGENCY Safety Officer and other LOCAL AGENCY representatives. CONSULTANT personnel shall wear hard hats and safety vests at all times while working on the construction project site.

B. Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 591 of the Vehicle Code, LOCAL AGENCY has determined that such areas are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic. CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Divisions 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Vehicle Code. CONSULTANT shall take all reasonably necessary precautions for safe operation of its vehicles and the protection of the traveling public from injury and damage from such vehicles.

C. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

*(Add to all contracts, which may require trenching of five feet or deeper)*

D. CONSULTANT must have a Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CAL-OSHA) permit(s), as outlined in California Labor Code Sections 6500 and 6705, prior to the initiation of any practices, work, method, operation, or process related to the construction or excavation of trenches which are five feet or deeper.

## ARTICLE XXV INSURANCE

*(Choose either Option 1 or Option 2)*

*(Option 1 - for Contracts with a scope of services that may require the consultant or subconsultant to work within the operating state or Local Agency Highway Right of Way; where there would be exposure to public traffic or construction operations)*

A. Prior to commencement of the work described herein, CONSULTANT shall furnish LOCAL AGENCY a Certificate of Insurance stating that there is general comprehensive liability insurance presently in effect for CONSULTANT with a combined single limit (CSL) of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.

B. The Certificate of Insurance will provide:

1. That the insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without 30 days prior written notice to LOCAL AGENCY.
2. That LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, agents, employees, and servants are included as additional insureds, but only insofar as the operations under this contract are concerned.

3. That LOCAL AGENCY will not be responsible for any premiums or assessments on the policy.
- C. CONSULTANT agrees that the bodily injury liability insurance herein provided for, shall be in effect at all times during the term of this contract. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this contract, CONSULTANT agrees to provide at least thirty (30) days prior notice to said expiration date; and a new Certificate of Insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein, for not less than either the remainder of the term of the contract, or for a period of not less than one (1) year. New Certificates of Insurance are subject to the approval of LOCAL AGENCY. In the event CONSULTANT fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, LOCAL AGENCY may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this contract upon occurrence of such event.

*(Option 2 - For Contracts with a scope of services that will not require the Consultant or subconsultant to work within the operating State or LOCAL AGENCY Highway Right of Way where there would be exposure to public traffic or construction Consultant operations)*

CONSULTANT is not required to show evidence of general comprehensive liability insurance.

## ARTICLE XXVI OWNERSHIP OF DATA

- A. Upon completion of all work under this contract, ownership and title to all reports, documents, plans, specifications, and estimates produce as part of this contract will automatically be vested in LOCAL AGENCY; and no further agreement will be necessary to transfer ownership to LOCAL AGENCY. CONSULTANT shall furnish LOCAL AGENCY all necessary copies of data needed to complete the review and approval process.
- B. It is understood and agreed that all calculations, drawings and specifications, whether in hard copy or machine-readable form, are intended for one-time use in the construction of the project for which this contract has been entered into.
- C. CONSULTANT is not liable for claims, liabilities, or losses arising out of, or connected with the modification, or misuse by LOCAL AGENCY of the machine-readable information and data provided by CONSULTANT under this contract; further, CONSULTANT is not liable for claims, liabilities, or losses arising out of, or connected with any use by LOCAL AGENCY of the project documentation on other projects for additions to this project, or for the completion of this project by others, except only such use as may be authorized in writing by CONSULTANT.
- D. Applicable patent rights provisions regarding rights to inventions shall be included in the contracts as appropriate (48 CFR 27, Subpart 27.3 - Patent Rights under Government Contracts for federal-aid contracts).
- E. LOCAL AGENCY may permit copyrighting reports or other agreement products. If copyrights are permitted; the agreement shall provide that the FHWA shall have the royalty-free nonexclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use; and to authorize others to use, the work for government purposes.

## ARTICLE XXVII CLAIMS FILED BY LOCAL AGENCY's CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR

- A. If claims are filed by LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor relating to work performed by CONSULTANT's personnel, and additional information or assistance from CONSULTANT's personnel is required in order to evaluate or defend against such claims; CONSULTANT agrees to make its personnel available for consultation with LOCAL AGENCY'S construction contract administration and legal staff and for testimony, if necessary, at depositions and at trial or arbitration proceedings.
- B. CONSULTANT's personnel that LOCAL AGENCY considers essential to assist in defending against construction contractor claims will be made available on reasonable notice from LOCAL AGENCY.

Consultation or testimony will be reimbursed at the same rates, including travel costs that are being paid for CONSULTANT's personnel services under this contract.

C. Services of CONSULTANT's personnel in connection with LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor claims will be performed pursuant to a written contract amendment, if necessary, extending the termination date of this contract in order to resolve the construction claims.

#### **ARTICLE XXVIII CONFIDENTIALITY OF DATA**

- A. All financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to LOCAL AGENCY's operations, which are designated confidential by LOCAL AGENCY and made available to CONSULTANT in order to carry out this contract, shall be protected by CONSULTANT from unauthorized use and disclosure.
- B. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or public hearing held by LOCAL AGENCY relating to the contract, shall not authorize CONSULTANT to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.
- C. CONSULTANT shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the contract or LOCAL AGENCY's actions on the same, except to LOCAL AGENCY's staff, CONSULTANT's own personnel involved in the performance of this contract, at public hearings or in response to questions from a Legislative committee.
- D. CONSULTANT shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding work performed or to be performed under this contract without prior review of the contents thereof by LOCAL AGENCY, and receipt of LOCAL AGENCY'S written permission.
- E. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

*(For PS&E contracts add paragraph F, below, to paragraphs A through E, above)*

- F. All information related to the construction estimate is confidential, and shall not be disclosed by CONSULTANT to any entity other than LOCAL AGENCY.

#### **ARTICLE XXIX NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD CERTIFICATION**

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 10296, CONSULTANT hereby states under penalty of perjury that no more than one final unappealable finding of contempt of court by a federal court has been issued against CONSULTANT within the immediately preceding two-year period, because of CONSULTANT's failure to comply with an order of a federal court that orders CONSULTANT to comply with an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

#### **ARTICLE XXX EVALUATION OF CONSULTANT**

CONSULTANT's performance will be evaluated by LOCAL AGENCY. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to CONSULTANT for comments. The evaluation together with the comments shall be retained as part of the contract record.

**ARTICLE XXXI RETENTION OF FUNDS**

A. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this Contract shall contain all of the provisions of this section.

*(Local agency to include either B, C, or D below; delete the other two)*

B. No retainage will be withheld by the Agency from progress payments due the prime consultant. Retainage by the prime consultant or subconsultants is prohibited, and no retainage will be held by the prime consultant from progress due subconsultants. Any violation of this provision shall subject the violating prime consultant or subconsultants to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the California Business and Professions Code. This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the prime consultant or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime consultant or deficient subconsultant performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant. This provision applies to both DBE and non-DBE prime consultants and subconsultants.

C. No retainage will be held by the Agency from progress payments due the prime consultant. Any retainage held by the prime consultant or subconsultants from progress payments due subconsultants shall be promptly paid in full to subconsultants within 30 days after the subconsultant's work is satisfactorily completed. Federal law (49 CFR 26.29) requires that any delay or postponement of payment over the 30 days may take place only for good cause and with the Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of this provision shall subject the violating prime consultant or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the Business and Professions Code. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the prime consultant or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime consultant, deficient subconsultant performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant. This provision applies to both DBE and non-DBE prime consultant and subconsultants.

D. The Agency shall hold retainage from the prime consultant and shall make prompt and regular incremental acceptances of portions, as determined by the Agency, of the contract work, and pay retainage to the prime consultant based on these acceptances. The prime consultant, or subconsultant, shall return all monies withheld in retention from a subconsultant within thirty (30) days after receiving payment for work satisfactorily completed and accepted including incremental acceptances of portions of the contract work by the agency. Federal law (49 CFR 26.29) requires that any delay or postponement of payment over thirty (30) days may take place only for good cause and with the agency's prior written approval. Any violation of this provision shall subject the violating prime consultant or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the Business and Professions Code. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the prime consultant or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime Consultant, deficient subconsultant performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant. This provision applies to both DBE and non-DBE prime consultant and subconsultants.

**ARTICLE XXXII NOTIFICATION**

All notices hereunder and communications regarding interpretation of the terms of this contract and changes thereto, shall be effected by the mailing thereof by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

**CONSULTANT:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CONSULTANT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME) , Project Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS)

\_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL AGENCY:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(LOCAL AGENCY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME) , Contract Administrator

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS)

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**ARTICLE XXXIII CONTRACT**

The two parties to this contract, who are the before named CONSULTANT and the before named LOCAL AGENCY, hereby agree that this contract constitutes the entire agreement which is made and concluded in duplicate between the two parties. Both of these parties for and in consideration of the payments to be made, conditions mentioned, and work to be performed; each agree to diligently perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this contract as evidenced by the signatures below.

**ARTICLE XXXIV SIGNATURES**

(Name of CONSULTANT)

(Name of LOCAL AGENCY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)  
(Name of Signer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)  
(Name of Signer)

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