

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

8/13/2025

IDIQ MASTER (ON-CALL) CONTRACT FOR Construction Engineering and Inspection (CE&I) Services

Statewide

**Issuing Office
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PART 1:
GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CONSULTANT(s)

I. Purpose

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is issued to provide interested consulting engineering firms (hereinafter referred to as CONSULTANT(s)) with sufficient information for the preparation and submission of a proposal (hereinafter referred to as PROPOSAL) for consideration by the Mississippi Transportation Commission (hereinafter referred to as the **COMMISSION**). The services requested consist of the following:

Provide construction engineering, inspection, and testing services, statewide (hereinafter referred to as the PROJECT). Additional services may apply as identified in this RFP.

II. Issuing Office

This RFP is issued by the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) on behalf of the **COMMISSION**. CONSULTANT(s) submitting PROPOSALS must comply with the instructions in this RFP, Legal Ad, and any addenda. The issuing office is identified below:

Stephen Rone
Mississippi Department of Transportation
Consultant Services Unit
P.O. Box 1850
Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1850
Or e-mail Stephen Rone
srone@mdot.ms.gov

III. Intent of the COMMISSION

The intent of the **COMMISSION** is to award an Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Master Contract(s) to CONSULTANT(s) to provide the services specified herein. This document does not and is not intended to include or address every item that will be included or addressed in the contract for consulting engineering services.

IV. The Selection Process

Selection of CONSULTANT(s) will be based on the criteria established in this RFP and/or any addenda. CONSULTANT(s) **shall not** submit any cost or price information with their PROPOSALS. CONSULTANT(s) for this RFP should submit complete PROPOSALS sufficient for final selection of the most qualified firm(s). The MDOT will then select the most qualified firm(s) based on the criteria. The **MDOT** reserves the right to select the CONSULTANT(s) for award of an IDIQ Master Contract using the following method:

- Final ranking of all PROPOSALS based on the initial response to this RFP.

Once the most qualified firm(s) are selected and awarded an IDIQ Master Contract by the COMMISSION, the MDOT will provide the IDIQ Master Contract for the selected CONSULTANT(s) to execute based on the description of work established in this RFP and/or any addenda. If the selected CONSULTANT(s) do not execute the contract or are unable to meet any contractual requirements within 30 days of receipt, then MDOT may select the next most qualified firm on the selection list until an IDIQ Master Contract has been executed.

Selected CONSULTANT(s) may then be assigned Work Assignments throughout the IDIQ Master Contract term. Work Assignments will be assigned based on MDOT's standard operating procedures. In addition, selected CONSULTANT(s) may also be considered by Local Public Agencies (LPAs) during their selection procedures in accordance with the "Local Public Agency Consultant Operating Procedures for Professional Services."

The MDOT reserves the right to request additional information with any party at any time prior to final contract execution.

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

V. Type of Contract

The terms of an IDIQ Master Contract for each selected CONSULTANT will not exceed five (5) years with an estimated maximum contract amount of up to fifteen (15) million dollars; however, MDOT may elect to execute a contract for a shorter time period and/or a lesser "not to exceed" amount. MDOT may select up to fifteen (15) CONSULTANT(s) to be awarded an IDIQ Master Contract; however, MDOT reserves the right to select a lesser amount. The IDIQ Master Contract will utilize **cost plus fixed fee, labor hour/unit cost or lump sum/firm fixed price Work Assignments to include a maximum "not to exceed" amount* for any federally funded projects**. The IDIQ Master Contracts and associated Work Assignments will include all appropriate federal contract provisions in accordance with 49 CFR Part 18, and 23 CFR 172 as revised. The IDIQ Master Contract and associated Work Assignments will provide general terms and conditions for performance of services, as well as specific instructions for fees, billing, payment, and other related items.

The execution of an IDIQ Master Contract is no assurance that any Work Assignment will be assigned to the CONSULTANT or that the parties will enter into Work Assignment(s). If a Work Assignment is assigned to the CONSULTANT, costs may be negotiated at a fair and reasonable price. Direct expenses may also be reimbursable.

An example of a typical MDOT CE&I services contract template may be found on the website at the web link indicated below. The template will be identified as "CE&I Services IDIQ Master Contract Template."

https://mdot.ms.gov/portal/consultant_services_unit_documents#c1427

* All Consultant and subconsultant firms, shall comply with the AASHTO Uniform Audit & Accounting Guide – 2016 edition (as revised), unless specifically authorized otherwise by MDOT. Information regarding this guide may be found at <http://audit.transportation.org/>

All written questions regarding this contract template shall be e-mailed to the below addressees no later than **the date and time indicated in Part 1, Section XXIII. Procurement Schedule.**

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MDOT may update this contract template throughout the procurement process. MDOT intends to post the final contract template for this PROJECT to the website indicated above no later than **the date indicated in Part 1, Section XXIII. Procurement Schedule.** Contract terms after this date are non-negotiable; however, MDOT reserves the right to modify the contract terms at its discretion.

The **COMMISSION** intends to utilize this template in order to execute a contract with the selected CONSULTANT(s).

VI. Rejection of PROPOSALS and/or Discontinuance of Contract Execution

The **COMMISSION** reserves the right to reject any and all PROPOSALS and/or to discontinue the execution of any IDIQ Master Contract or Work Assignment with any party at any time.

VII. Costs Incurred by CONSULTANT Prior to Execution of a Contract

The **COMMISSION** shall not be liable for any costs incurred by any CONSULTANT prior to the execution of an IDIQ Master Contract or Work Assignment by all parties. Furthermore, the **COMMISSION** shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the CONSULTANT under any Work Assignment prior to the effective date of the MDOT Project Director's Notice to Proceed for that Work Assignment.

VIII. Addenda to and/or Questions about the RFP

Only written requests by e-mail to the below addressees will be considered.

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No requests for additional information or clarification directed to any other MDOT office, consultant, or employee will be considered. All responses to written questions and addenda will be in writing and will be posted to the MDOT website indicated below:

https://mdot.ms.gov/portal/legal_advertisements

CONSULTANTS shall be solely responsible for checking the website for updates. The MDOT will not be responsible for any oral exchange or any exchange of information that occurs outside the official process specified herein.

All written questions shall be e-mailed to the above addressees no later than **the date and time indicated in Part 1, Section XXIII. Procurement Schedule.**

MDOT intends to post written answers for this RFP to the website indicated above no later than **the date and time indicated in Part 1, Section XXIII. Procurement Schedule.**

IX. Pre-proposal Meeting

A pre-proposal meeting will not be held for this RFP.

X. CONSULTANT Submission

To be considered, **seven (7) copies and one (1) flash drive containing electronic PDF file(s)** of the CONSULTANT's PROPOSAL must be received by **the date and time indicated in Part 1, Section XXIII. Procurement Schedule.** at the office of the MDOT Consultant Services Unit, addressed to Stephen Rone, 10th floor, Mississippi Department of Transportation Building, 401 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

PROPOSALS received after this date and time may be deemed non-responsive.

XI. PROPOSALS

To be considered, CONSULTANT(s) must submit a complete response to this RFP and any addenda, addressing those requirements provided in Part 2 of this RFP. No other distribution of PROPOSALS should be made by the CONSULTANT. **The original and all required copies of the PROPOSAL should be signed by an official authorized to bind the CONSULTANT to its provisions.**

The CONSULTANT should mark any and all pages of the PROPOSAL considered to be proprietary information which may remain confidential in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated 25-61-9 and 79-23-1 (1972, as amended). Each page of the PROPOSAL that the CONSULTANT considers trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information should be on a different color of paper than non-confidential pages and be marked in the upper right hand corner with the word "CONFIDENTIAL." Failure to clearly identify trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information will result in that information being released subject to a public records request.

XII. Economy of Preparation

PROPOSALS should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the CONSULTANT's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP and any addenda.

XIII. Prime Consultant Responsibilities

Each selected CONSULTANT will be required to assume responsibility for all services offered in the PROPOSAL whether or not these services are produced directly by the CONSULTANT or through subconsultant(s). Furthermore, the **COMMISSION** will consider the CONSULTANT selected to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, and the MDOT retains the right to approve or disapprove all proposed subconsultant(s). CONSULTANT(s) responding to this RFP should identify all proposed partners and subconsultant(s).

Any partners and subconsultants are to remain for the duration of the contract, and changes cannot be made without prior MDOT approval. Modifications of partner(s) and subconsultant(s) are discouraged and are subject to MDOT's approval. MDOT will not approve requests for modification without justification to MDOT's satisfaction.

Under no condition will the selected CONSULTANT be allowed to sublet or subcontract more than 60% of the work required under the contract. It is clearly understood and agreed that specific projects or phases of the work may be sublet or subcontracted in their entirety provided that the selected CONSULTANT performs at least 40% of the overall contract with its own forces.

The selected CONSULTANT must be registered with the Mississippi Secretary of State's Office to do business in the State of Mississippi prior to contract execution. Failure to comply with this requirement within 30 days of selection notification may result in failure to execute a contract with the selected CONSULTANT. MDOT may then reject the selected CONSULTANT for the duration of this process and negotiate an IDIQ Master Contract with the next most qualified CONSULTANT on the list until the contract has been executed. Additional requirements may apply as identified in Part 2 of this RFP.

XIV. Disclosure of PROPOSAL Contents

All materials submitted in response to this RFP shall become the property of the **COMMISSION** and may be returned only at the **COMMISSION's** option. All information submitted in response to this RFP shall be subject to disclosure under the Mississippi Public Records Act and any other applicable law.

XV. Nondiscrimination Requirement

By submitting a response to this RFP, the CONSULTANT agrees that it understands that the **COMMISSION** is an equal opportunity employer. It is the policy of the **COMMISSION** to comply with all applicable portions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits unlawful discrimination based on race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, physical handicap, or disability. The proposed contract will require that the CONSULTANT and all subconsultant(s) agree to strictly adhere to this policy in all employment practices and provision of services.

In the event the CONSULTANT performs work for the **COMMISSION** that involves the selection of a site or location of a facility, the CONSULTANT shall utilize criteria or methods of selection which consider the impacts and benefits of the facility on persons without discrimination because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The criteria and methods shall be designed to include proactive measures

for obtaining citizen participation from persons of all applicable races, colors, religions, sexes and national origins.

XVI. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal

The MDOT is committed to provide for full participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) in contracting opportunities available through this IDIQ Master Contract, to the greatest extent practical. DBE goals may be applied to a Work Assignment at MDOT's discretion. In the event that a DBE goal is required on an individual Work Assignment, MDOT approval of the DBE subconsultant(s) will be required.

CONSULTANT(s) may visit MDOT's website, www.gomdot.com, to view a complete list of Certified DBE Firms which have been certified as such by the Mississippi Department of Transportation and other Unified Certification Partners (UCPs). The DBE firm must be on the Department's list of "Certified DBE firms" as listed on MDOT's website, www.gomdot.com, and approved by MDOT to perform the classification of work to count towards meeting the DBE goal.

XVII. Notification of Selected CONSULTANT(s)

The selected CONSULTANT(s) will be notified in writing of their status by MDOT. The CONSULTANT(s) whose PROPOSALS are not selected will be notified in writing of the name of the selected CONSULTANT(s) at the same time.

XVIII. Debriefing Request(s)

If a CONSULTANT, who was not selected, opts to request a debriefing following the announcement of the selected CONSULTANT(s), the CONSULTANT shall send an e-mail to the below addressees within two (2) weeks of the date of the notification letter of the selected CONSULTANT(s). Any debriefings shall have no more than two (2) CONSULTANT representatives present and shall be limited to the merits of the individual CONSULTANT's PROPOSAL.

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XIX. Contract Administration

The CONSULTANT's contract will be administered by the MDOT. All payments will be made to the contracted prime CONSULTANT(s) by the MDOT. The prime CONSULTANT will be responsible for all payments to its partners and/or subconsultant(s).

XX. Conflict of Interest

CONSULTANTS shall provide information concerning potential conflicts of interest and disclose all relevant facts concerning any past, present, or currently planned interests which may present a conflict of interest. Examples of potential conflicts of interest include relationships or situations which would impair the CONSULTANT's judgment on the job, impair the ability to perform, or allow the CONSULTANT an unfair competitive advantage. The CONSULTANT shall state how its interests or those of its chief executives, directors, individuals, or subconsultants for this contract may result in, or could be viewed as, a conflict of interest. Furthermore, the CONSULTANT shall describe actions taken, or proposed to be taken, to mitigate stated conflicts or potential conflicts.

The responsibility of the CONSULTANT to disclose a conflict of interest if one is discovered is ongoing, prior to award and throughout the contract period. The CONSULTANT agrees that, if a conflict of interest is discovered, the CONSULTANT must make an immediate and full disclosure to MDOT that includes a description of the action that the CONSULTANT has taken or proposes to take to avoid or mitigate such conflict.

If no potential conflict of interest exists, the CONSULTANT should indicate so in the cover letter to the PROPOSAL.

XXI. Suspension and Debarment

The Prime CONSULTANT shall ensure that it and any subconsultants are not suspended or debarred as specified in 2 CFR 1200 and 2 CFR 180.

XXII. Key Personnel Modifications

Key Personnel, as identified in the organizational chart, are to remain for the duration of the contract and changes cannot be made without prior MDOT approval. Modifications of Key Personnel are discouraged. MDOT will not approve requests for modification without justification. Examples of justification include death of a Key Personnel, changes in employment status, bankruptcy, inability to perform, organizational conflict of interest, or other such significant cause. In order to secure MDOT's approval prior to execution of the contract, the CONSULTANT shall e-mail the below addressees:

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The request shall include:

- A. The nature of the desired change;
- B. The reason for the desired change;
- C. A statement of how the desired change will meet the required qualification for the position/responsibility; and

D. A copy of the individual's resume for review.

MDOT will review the justification and resume of the Key Personnel and determine whether the modification is appropriate and notify the CONSULTANT. Failure to receive approval for any modification in personnel may result in termination of negotiations.

XXIII. Procurement Schedule

The following schedule identified below lists the projected dates for the procurement of this IDIQ Master Contract.

<u>Procurement Schedule</u>	
Legal Advertisement issued	August 13 th , 2025
Deadline for CONSULTANTS' written questions	August 27 th , 2025, 5:00 p.m.
*Answering of written questions/ posting of final contract template	*September 3 rd , 2025
Deadline for delivery of PROPOSALS	September 18 th , 2025, 5:00 p.m.
*Selection of qualified CONSULTANT(s)	*December 2025

***Approximate dates only**

Note: All times are Central Time.

PART 2: INFORMATION REQUIRED/SELECTION CRITERIA

I. Format for PROPOSAL

To be considered, the PROPOSAL must respond to all requirements of this RFP, the Legal Ad, and any addenda. The PROPOSAL length should not exceed 15 pages, which includes the CONSULTANT's summaries and introductions, team organizational chart, past performance information, and any other responses to the evaluation criteria indicated in Part 2, Section III of this RFP. Information within the 15-page limit should be complete and sufficient in scope for the selection committee to evaluate the CONSULTANT. **Failure to comply with the 15-page limit for this information may result in excess portions of the CONSULTANT's PROPOSAL being excluded from consideration.**

The cover letter, table of contents, and appendices will not count against the 15-page limit. The resumes (which should not exceed two pages per individual in length), Standard Form (SF) 330 Part II, proof of state licensure and certification requirements, and any information not relevant to the requirements or criteria should be included in the appendices.

Pages should be numbered, single-spaced, one-sided, 8.5 inches by 11 inches with margins of at least one inch on all four sides. No more than five pages may be 11 inches by 17 inches, but they will count as two sheets each against the 15-page limit. Tabs are recommended and are not counted against the 15-page limit. All text should be shown in a readable font, preferably size 12-point or larger. Headers, footers, charts, and other graphics may be provided in a different font type and size providing they are legible.

The overall quality of the PROPOSAL will be evaluated. This will include, but will not be limited to, overall layout and readability of the submittal, organization and comprehensiveness of the content, conformance with formatting guidelines above, and any other characteristics of the PROPOSAL that impact the quality of the document. CONSULTANTS are encouraged to thoroughly address and adhere to the RFP for the highest-quality PROPOSAL. Failure to provide any of the information in the appropriate location indicated or adhere to the requirements and guidelines in the RFP may adversely affect the CONSULTANT's score.

II. Requirements and Instructions for PROPOSAL submission

CONSULTANT(s) interested in providing these services may indicate so by furnishing MDOT with **seven (7) copies and one (1) flash drive containing electronic PDF file(s)** of a PROPOSAL as referenced in Part 1, Section X of this RFP. The CONSULTANT should divide their PROPOSAL into the following sections as listed below, clearly separated by tabs; however, resumes, certifications/licenses, SF 330 Part II, and other information not relevant to these requirements and/or guidelines should be included in the appendices as indicated above. **CONSULTANTS should address each of the following categories in their PROPOSAL in the same order as listed below.** MDOT reserves the right to obtain references from any source listed in the PROPOSAL and any other source deemed appropriate for any of the information listed in this RFP. The quality of the PROPOSAL will

be considered when evaluating the CONSULTANT's PROPOSAL. The PROPOSAL should provide at a minimum the following information:

A. Provide a Cover Letter

The CONSULTANT should provide a cover letter (which should not exceed two pages in length) specifying the following information:

- ✓ the description of the IDIQ Master Contract as referenced in this RFP;
- ✓ the name of the prime CONSULTANT and any of its subconsultant(s), along with the roles/responsibilities of each firm;
- ✓ the name of the individual who will be the single point of contact throughout the selection process; and
- ✓ the name and location of the Project Director, including office address.

In addition, the CONSULTANT shall provide information concerning potential conflicts of interest as referenced in Part 1, Section XX of this RFP. If no potential conflict of interest exists, the CONSULTANT should indicate so in the cover letter to the PROPOSAL. *The CONSULTANT should provide proof that the engineering firm has met state licensure and certification requirements in the appendix. The CONSULTANT must note if this is a joint venture. If selected, a joint venture must meet all contract requirements as a joint venture, including insurance requirements. In addition, the CONSULTANT should note that the laboratory performing acceptance testing is AASHTO accredited and/or MDOT certified.

B. Past Experience

The CONSULTANT and any subconsultant(s) should provide a description of contracts for similar work performed during the past five (5) years which qualifies the CONSULTANT and any subconsultant(s) for this work. Contracts completed during the past five (5) years are preferred. **This contract description should include the work related to the Project Description established in Part 3 of this RFP.** The CONSULTANT and any subconsultant(s) should provide the following information at a minimum for each contract:

- ✓ a description of the project, including the specific role/responsibility of the CONSULTANT;
- ✓ indicate any work listed in the contract that was subcontracted and/or assigned to other firms;
- ✓ the amount of the CONSULTANT's contract for the work they provided for the project and the amount of the construction contract;
- ✓ the date the CONSULTANT's contract was initiated;
- ✓ the date the CONSULTANT completed the work in accordance with the contract; and

* Miss. Code Ann Sections 73-13-1 through 73-13-45 (1972) (as amended) govern the practice of engineering in Mississippi. Firms are encouraged to contact the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors at (601) 359-6160 to ensure that individuals and firms are qualified to offer and provide services in the State of Mississippi. The Board's web address is www.pepls.state.ms.us.

- ✓ the name and contact information of the client and the client's representative who can verify and discuss the contract.

C. Description of Staff, Organizational Chart, and Resumes

The CONSULTANT(s) should propose an appropriate and efficient quantity and quality of staff to ensure the successful completion of all work established in Part 3 of this RFP with limited MDOT support. The following information should be included in this section unless specifically stated otherwise:

1. The CONSULTANT should provide a team organizational chart that identifies Key Personnel and other relevant employees of the CONSULTANT and any subconsultant(s) for this contract as indicated below (Part 2, Section II.C.2). Key Personnel include the Project Director, the Project Engineer(s), and the Lead Inspector(s). Key Personnel may serve in multiple roles. **The team organizational chart should include each individual's name, job description (for this contract), company of employment, and primary office location.** In addition, the organizational chart should be arranged in accordance with the tasks outlined in Part 3 of this RFP. The organizational chart should be tabbed and clearly defined.
2. The CONSULTANT should include the following specific information for the Key Personnel and other relevant employees listed below and reference all individuals in the organizational chart:
 - a. **Project Director** – MDOT prefers that the CONSULTANT's Project Director be on the permanent staff of the prime CONSULTANT. The Project Director shall be the primary person in charge. The Project Director shall have full authority to make the final decisions regarding this PROJECT. The Project Director shall have responsibility for communicating all final decisions directly to MDOT. The Project Director should have construction experience managing CE&I contracts. The Project Director should be a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Mississippi.
 - i. The CONSULTANT should provide a written summary indicating why the individual serving as the Project Director would be the best candidate for this PROJECT.
 - ii. The CONSULTANT should provide up to three (3) contracts which demonstrate the Project Director's ability to successfully oversee CE&I contracts. For each contract listed, provide a description of each relevant contract, including at a minimum, 1) the Project Director's role on the contract, 2) the CONSULTANT's contract execution date and completion date for the contract, 3) the CONSULTANT's contract amount and the construction amount of the project, 4) the Project Director's employer at the time, 5) the location of the contract, and 6) any unique features, as well as, the name of the owner for whom the work was performed and the name and phone numbers of the owner's representatives who can verify and discuss the Project Director's participation in the contract.

- iii. **The PROPOSAL should include proof that the Project Director is licensed as a Mississippi Professional Engineer* in the appendix.** Mississippi registration is not required to propose on the PROJECT but is required prior to commencing the work. If the Project Director is in the process of obtaining this license, that information should be provided.
- b. **Project Engineer(s)** – The Project Engineer(s) shall be in-charge of all day-to-day operations on the PROJECT and reviews and approves the project diaries. The Project Engineer(s) will be aware of the qualifications, assignments, on-the-job performance of the CONSULTANT, and be involved in all decisions regarding the work being performed by the CONSULTANT. The Project Engineer(s) shall be on the PROJECT daily and available to discuss the PROJECT on a daily basis. The Project Engineer(s) should have construction experience managing CE&I contracts including ensuring compliance with the approved erosion control plan and all applicable stormwater permit regulations. The Project Engineer(s) should be a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Mississippi.
 - i. The CONSULTANT should provide a written summary indicating why the individual(s) serving as the Project Engineer(s) would be the best candidate for this PROJECT.
 - ii. The CONSULTANT should provide up to three (3) contracts which demonstrate the ability of the Project Engineer(s) to successfully oversee CE&I contracts. For each contract listed, provide a description of each relevant contract, including at a minimum, 1) the role of the Project Engineer(s) on the contract, 2) the CONSULTANT's contract execution date and completion date for the contract, 3) the CONSULTANT's contract amount and construction amount of the project, 4) the employer of the Project Engineer(s) at the time, 5) the location of the contract, and 6) any unique features, as well as, the name of the owner for whom the work was performed and the name and phone numbers of the owner's representatives who can verify and discuss the participation of the Project Engineer(s) in the contract.
 - iii. **The PROPOSAL should include proof that the Project Engineer(s) is licensed as a Mississippi Professional Engineer† in the appendix.** Mississippi registration is not required to propose on the PROJECT but is required prior to commencing the work. If the Project Engineer(s) is in the process of obtaining this license, that information should be provided.

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- iv. **The Project Engineer(s) must hold a valid Stormwater Inspection Certification acceptable to MDOT.** The CONSULTANT should provide a copy of the valid Stormwater Inspection Certifications in the appendix. Certification is not required to propose on the PROJECT but is required prior to commencing the work. If the Project Engineer(s) is in the process of obtaining this certification, that information should be provided.
- c. **Lead Inspector(s)** – The CONSULTANT should provide Lead Inspector(s) responsible for overseeing the inspecting of the contractor’s work to assure compliance with the project plans and specifications on all project construction contract items. The Lead Inspector(s) should provide supervision of all other inspection staff and manage the inspection of the work. The Lead Inspector should report directly to the Project Engineer. The Lead Inspector(s) should have relevant experience on CE&I contracts.
 - i. The CONSULTANT should provide a written summary indicating why the individual(s) serving as the Lead Inspector(s) would be the best candidate for this PROJECT.
 - ii. The CONSULTANT should provide up to three (3) contracts which demonstrate the ability of the Lead Inspector(s) to successfully oversee inspection on CE&I contracts. For each contract listed, provide a description of each relevant contract, including at a minimum, 1) the role of the Lead Inspector(s) on the contract, 2) the CONSULTANT’s contract execution date and completion date for the contract, 3) the CONSULTANT’s contract amount and construction amount of the project, 4) the employer of the Lead Inspector(s) at the time, 5) the location of the contract, and 6) any unique features, as well as, the name of the owner for whom the work was performed and the name and phone numbers of the owner’s representatives who can verify and discuss the participation of the Lead Inspector(s) in the contract.
 - iii. The CONSULTANT should provide any licenses/certifications of the Lead Inspector(s) in the appendix.
- d. **Other Relevant Employees** – Other relevant employees include any additional staff members of the CONSULTANT and subconsultant(s) who will be utilized to perform any other services in accordance with the Project Description established in Part 3 of this RFP. Other Relevant Employees may include but are not limited to the following: Safety Officer(s), Materials Testing Supervisor(s), Project Surveyor(s), Other Inspection and Materials Testing Personnel, and Other Construction Engineering Services Personnel.
 - i. **Safety Officer(s):** The Safety Officer(s) oversees work zone traffic control for the PROJECT. The Safety Officer shall be on the PROJECT daily and be prepared to coordinate responses to the PROJECT upon notification of an emergency situation on a twenty four (24) hour basis. The Safety Officer(s) is required to be certified by one of the following methods: American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA), construction industry association training recognized by MDOT, or

Traffic Control Supervisor training conducted by MDOT. The Safety Officer(s) should have relevant experience on construction projects and have knowledge and experience of the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MUTCD).

- ✓ The CONSULTANT should provide a copy of all certifications in the appendix.
- ii. **Materials Testing Supervisor(s):** The CONSULTANT should provide a Materials Testing Supervisor(s) who will be responsible for overseeing all personnel necessary to ensure the proper sampling and testing of all construction materials. The Materials Testing Supervisor(s) should have relevant experience on CE&I contracts. The Materials Testing Supervisor(s) should be a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Mississippi.
 - ✓ The CONSULTANT should provide any licenses/certifications of the Materials Testing Supervisor(s) in the appendix, including proof that the Materials Testing Supervisor(s) is licensed as a Professional Engineer* in the State of Mississippi. Mississippi registration is not required to propose on the PROJECT but is required prior to commencing the work. If the Materials Testing Supervisor(s) is in the process of obtaining this license, that information should be provided.
- iii. **Project Surveyor(s):** The Project Surveyor(s) should have experience performing survey related services for CE&I contracts. The Project Surveyor(s) should be a Professional Surveyor licensed in the State of Mississippi.
 - ✓ The CONSULTANT should provide proof that the Project Surveyor(s) is licensed as a Professional Surveyor† in the State of Mississippi in the appendix. Mississippi registration is not required to propose on the PROJECT but is required prior to commencing the work. If the Project Surveyor(s) is in the process of obtaining this license, that information should be provided.
- iv. **Other Inspection and Materials Testing Personnel:** The CONSULTANT should provide additional Inspectors and Materials Testing Personnel responsible for inspecting and/or testing the contractor's work to assure compliance with the project plans and specifications. The CONSULTANT should provide personnel having the appropriate MDOT Certifications to perform sampling of asphalt and sampling and testing of concrete and soil materials. The COMMISSION does not recognize other state's certifications; however, MDOT does utilize the ACI Concrete Field Testing

* Miss. Code Ann Sections 73-13-1 through 73-13-45 (1972) (as amended) govern the practice of engineering in Mississippi. Firms are encouraged to contact the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors at (601) 359-6160 to ensure that individuals and firms are qualified to offer and provide services in the State of Mississippi. The Board's web address is www.pepls.state.ms.us.

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Technician – Grade 1, ACI Aggregate Testing Technician Level 1, and the ACI Concrete Strength Testing certifications for MDOT Class 1, MDOT Class 2, and MDOT Strength Testing Technician Certifications respectively. A CONSULTANT's personnel conducting nuclear density testing shall maintain current nuclear gauge safety training. This is the standard safety training required to obtain a radiological license to own and operate a nuclear device. CONSULTANT's personnel operating a nuclear gauge shall also be MDOT certified in the operation of the gauge and conducting the appropriate AASHTO or MDOT test methods.

- ✓ The CONSULTANT should provide a copy of any certifications of any of the listed additional Inspection and Materials Testing personnel in the appendix. Certifications are not required to propose on the PROJECT but are required prior to commencing the work. If any of the Other Inspection and Materials Testing Personnel are in the process of obtaining these certifications, that information should be provided.

v. **Other Construction Engineering Services Personnel:** The CONSULTANT should provide Other Construction Engineering Services Personnel responsible for services as listed in Part 3B of this RFP.

- ✓ The CONSULTANT should provide any licenses/certifications of the Other Construction Engineering Services Personnel in the appendix.

vi. The CONSULTANT should **provide a chart** summarizing the roles, responsibilities, years of experience, and relevant certifications for each employee relative to the services listed in the Project Description established in Part 3 of this RFP. An example template is included as Appendix A to this RFP.

3. Resumes for all Key Personnel and other relevant employees as listed above and in the team organizational chart should be included in the appendix. Resumes (which should not exceed two pages per individual in length) should reflect qualifications and recent experience relevant to the Project Description established in Part 3 of this RFP. Any additional certifications/licenses should be included in the appendices.
4. Copies of any licenses/certifications (MS Professional Engineer license, etc.) of the staff as listed on the organizational chart that may prove advantageous to performing the services established in Part 3 of this RFP should be provided in the appendices.

D. Location/ Proximity of CONSULTANT's Office(s)

In addition to providing the location and address of the Project Director's office (as indicated in the Cover Letter), the CONSULTANT should also provide any other office locations (including addresses) where any work may take place. If subconsultant(s) will be provided, the CONSULTANT should identify their office location(s) where work may be provided.

E. Part II of Standard Form (SF) 330, Architect-Engineer Qualifications

The CONSULTANT should provide Part II of SF 330, Architect-Engineer Qualifications. If a CONSULTANT has branch offices, complete the form for each specific branch office seeking work. In addition, this form should be completed for any subconsultant(s) in the same manner. This form can be obtained at the following web address:

[https://mdot.ms.gov/documents/Consultant%20Services/Forms/Standard%20Form%20\(SF\)%20330,%20Part%20II.pdf](https://mdot.ms.gov/documents/Consultant%20Services/Forms/Standard%20Form%20(SF)%20330,%20Part%20II.pdf)

This Form should be provided in the appendix.

III. CONSULTANT Selection Criteria

All responsive PROPOSALS received from CONSULTANT(s) will be reviewed and evaluated by the selection committee based on the selection criteria listed below. The criteria are listed in order of their relative importance to the selection committee.

- A. Experience, performance, and qualifications of the Key Personnel;
- B. CONSULTANT's (and any subconsultants') past experience, performance, and qualifications on similar projects related to services identified in Part 3 of this RFP with MDOT and/or other clients;
- C. Experience, performance, and qualifications of the other relevant employees related to services identified in Part 3A of this RFP;
- D. Experience, performance, and qualifications of the other relevant employees related to services identified in Part 3B of this RFP;
- E. Location/proximity of the CONSULTANT's (and any subconsultants') office(s); and
- F. Quality of PROPOSAL.

PART 3: PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The CONSULTANT will provide construction engineering, inspection, and testing services on statewide projects including but not limited to bridge replacement projects, bridge repair/preservation projects, overlay projects, safety projects, slide repair projects, operation/intersection improvement projects, and other related transportation projects. While this IDIQ Master Contract will primarily consist of providing construction engineering, inspection, testing and related services, additional services may also apply. In summary, this Contract may include any or all the following services:

A: Construction Engineering and Inspection and Testing Services

1. Attendance, management, coordination of preconstruction, partnering, and/or monthly status meetings;
2. Supervision and inspection of the contractor doing the work;
3. Sampling and testing of all construction materials with the exception of asphalt mixture testing;
4. Compliance with designs and standards;
5. Measurement and documentation of pay-item quantities;
6. Preparation, submission, and approval of all construction payment requests, supplemental agreements, quantity adjustments, change orders, force account work, and similar items;
7. Surveying related activities;
8. Review and approval of submittals;
9. Preparation and retention of daily project diaries;
10. Preparing and maintaining all project records and correspondence including but not limited to, inspection diaries, log books, survey staking records, survey crew diaries, material test reports, material certifications, and documentation necessary to justify payments and final pay item documentation;
11. Scheduling reviews and related activities;
12. Traffic Control and Erosion Control inspections;
13. Cooperation with MDOT Public Affairs for project related press releases including fulfilling requests from media outlets for interviews;
14. Some utility coordination and inspection;
15. Complete as-built and all final documentation to close out the project; and
16. Other related construction engineering, inspection, and testing services.

B: Other Construction Engineering Services (anticipated on a part-time basis)

1. Provide a Project Engineer to serve as MDOT's Project Engineer assigned to an individual project utilizing existing MDOT inspection staff at an MDOT Project Office;
2. Provide training for MDOT inspection staff and Project Engineers;
3. Assist Construction Division with various Area Engineer tasks including but not limited to plan reviews, attending office reviews, proposal development, computation of contract time, review of supplemental agreements, schedule reviews, claim reviews;

4. Assist District Offices with the preparation of scopes of work and plans for overlays and pavement rehabilitation projects including development of pay item quantities;
5. Assist District Offices with asset inventories including but not limited to signs, guardrail, cable rail;
6. Provide document development and/or policy and procedure review for MDOT; and
7. Other related construction engineering services.

Services shall comply with the current version of the following publications:

1. *Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction*;
2. MDOT Survey Manual;
3. MDOT Materials Division Inspection, Testing, and Certification Manual;
4. MDOT Construction Manual;
5. MDOT Inspector's Manual;
6. MDOT Geotechnical Manual;
7. MDOT Asphalt Field Manual;
8. MDOT Concrete Field Manual;
9. Environmental Stewardship and Compliance Program Construction Stormwater Management Plan;
10. Any other documents that are referred to in the project construction contract;
11. CSU Manual;
12. Local, state, and federal regulations as appropriate; and
13. Any other applicable publications listed in Exhibit 8, or as instructed by MDOT.

**APPENDIX A: EXAMPLE TEMPLATE
OTHER RELEVANT EMPLOYEE CHART**

Personnel	License(s)	Role	Years of Experience	RFP Part 3, service 1	RFP Part 3, service 2	RFP Part 3, service 3	RFP Part 3, service 4	RFP Part 3, service 5	Etc.
Name 1	PE, PS	Assistant Project Manager	25			•	•	•	
Name 2	PE, PS	Roadway Design	10	•			•		
Name 3	PS	Surveying	5	•	•	•			
Name 4	PE	Geotechnical Investigations	10			•	•		
Name 5	PE	Feasibility and Planning Studies	15					•	
Name 6	PE	Bridge Design	20	•	•	•		•	
Etc.									