

Questions and Answers, Part 1 – Cultural Resources Environmental Services
IDIQ Master Contract 2024

Date: September 11, 2023

County: Statewide

Project Description: Provide cultural resources environmental services – Statewide.

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From: Stephen Rone – MDOT Director of Consultant Services

Question #1: Is there a DBE goal for this RFP that should be included in the proposal?

Answer: No DBE goal is established at this time for this advertisement; however, per Part 1, Section XVI of the RFP, "in the event that a DBE goal is required on an individual Work Assignment, MDOT approval of the DBE subconsultant(s) will be required."

Question #2: Is the intent of the RFP for a single individual to fill the role of Principal Investigator/Project Manager?

Answer: Yes, the intent of the RFP is for the Principal Investigator/Project Manager to be a single individual.

Question #3: Should every potential field crew personnel's name and resume be provided in the proposal?

Answer: Field crew personnel expected to be utilized on this contract should be named and a resume provided in order to review qualifications referenced in the RFP.

Question #4: Per Part 2, Section II.C.2 of the RFP, "The CONSULTANT should provide up to three (3) cultural resources survey reports and site investigation/mitigation reports completed during the past five (5) years and references for that work, including copies of correspondence from the Federal and/or State agencies and the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer(s) and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s)."

If no correspondence is available, will MDOT consider an explanation for why no correspondence is available and a statement on whether there were any issues communicated from the client?

Answer: Yes.

Question #5: Who are the firms currently on this Master Contract?

Answer: The following firms are currently on this Master Contract:

1. Brockington and Associates, Inc.
2. Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc.
3. New South Associates, Inc.
4. Southeastern Archaeological Research, Inc.
5. Tennessee Valley Archaeological Research, Inc.
6. Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.

Question #6: During the current Master Contract term, what was the approximate percentage of archaeology projects vs. architectural history survey projects? Is there an anticipated percentage for both disciplines for this Master Contract term?

Answer: During the current Master Contract term, over the past three years, the approximate percentage of archaeology projects vs. architectural history survey projects is 50/50. Historically, however, archaeology projects typically make up a higher percentage.

Question #7: What was the approximate average size of a work assignment during the current Master Contract term?

Answer: Since projects may vary in size and scope, the approximate range for work assignments executed during the current Master Contract term is between \$15,000 to \$215,000.

Question #8: How much work has been issued under the current Master Contract?

Answer: Currently, approximately \$425,000 has been issued under the current Master Contract.

Question #9: Do projects under this Master Contract fall under the Environmental Division?

Answer: Yes, typically projects under this Master Contract fall under the Environmental Division.

Question #10: Are some cultural resources projects performed in association with other environmental services, such as an EA or EIS?

Answer: Yes, some cultural resources projects are performed in association with other environmental services.

Question #11: In what form should the proposals be submitted?

Answer: In accordance with Part 1, Section X of the RFP, “To be considered, eight (8) copies and one (1) CD/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.”