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Request for Statements of Qualifications (RFQ 25-015/MR) Engineering Services for Texas General Land Office Community Development & Revitalization (GLO-CDR) Disaster

Recovery Reallocation Program (DRRP)

Jefferson County is seeking submittals from qualified firms to provide professional Engineering Services in accordance with Request for Statements of Qualifications (RFQ 25-015/MR) Engineering Services for Texas General Land Office Community Development & Revitalization (GLO-CDR) Disaster Recovery Reallocation Program (DRRP); pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 327.

All interested firms should obtain a "Request for Qualifications" specifications packet from the Jefferson County Purchasing webpage at: https://www.jeffersoncountytx.gov/Purchasing/

All submittals shall be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee. This committee will evaluate submissions to this request and select the firm that is most qualified, responsive, and experienced.

Responses are to be sealed and addressed to the Purchasing Agent with the request for qualifications number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. All responses shall be submitted with an original and five (5) copies, to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department, 1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor, Beaumont, Texas 77701, no later than 11:00 am CT, June 18, 2025. Jefferson County <u>does not</u> accept responses submitted electronically. Responses will be publicly opened and the names of responding firms will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Engineering Department Conference Room (5th Floor, Historic Courthouse) 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701 at the time and date below. Statements of Qualifications received after that time will be considered late and will be returned unopened. Inquiries shall be directed to Mistey Reeves, Assistant Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or <u>mistey.reeves@jeffersoncountytx.gov</u>.

REQUEST NAME: Engineering Services for Texas General Land Office Community Development & Revitalization (GLO-CDR) Disaster Recovery Reallocation Program (DRRP); pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 327.

REQUEST NUMBER :	RFQ 25-015/MR
DUE DATE/TIME:	11:00 am CT, Wednesday, June 18, 2025
MAIL OR DELIVER TO:	Jefferson County Purchasing Department 1149 Pearl Street, 1 st Floor Beaumont, TX 77701

Jefferson County encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs), and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) to participate in the bidding process. Jefferson County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment, or the provisions of services. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact our office at least seven (7) days prior to the bid due date (at 409-835-8593) to make appropriate arrangements.

All interested firms are invited to submit a proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this request.

Respondents are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire invitation, as failure to return and/or complete all required documentation <u>will</u> result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

Sincerely,

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1.1 PURPOSE.

Jefferson County is requesting statements of qualifications and experience from all interested Engineering Firms desiring to provide professional engineering services for drainage ditch rehabilitation, water district lift station improvements and roadway repairs.

1.2 PROCEDURE.

Firms are encouraged to submit statements of qualifications and experience. The Purchasing Agent will appoint a Selection Review Committee to evaluate qualified responses. Responses will be ranked on the basis of demonstrated experience, competence, and qualifications. Fees, price, work hours, or any other cost information will not be considered in the development of the short list.

Jefferson County will then enter into negotiations with the highest qualified firm. The negotiations will first establish the scope, terms and conditions, and time limits for the proposed contract. Once agreement is reached between Jefferson County and the selected firm, the County will request a fee proposal from the firm. If agreement is reached, the County will retain the firm and enter into a written contract with it. If an agreement cannot be negotiated with the selected firm, the County will then enter into negotiations with the next most qualified firm. This procedure will continue until agreement is reached and a contract is produced. If the County cannot negotiate an agreement, the procedure will be terminated.

1.3 SELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Because of the diversity of the departments and activities of the County, the Purchasing Agent will appoint the Selection Review Committee for this Request for Qualifications. The Purchasing Agent may appoint a Chairperson and no less than two (2) other members for the committee. Typically, the committee will consist of at least one professional in the task required, a person knowledgeable about procurement practices, and either a representative of the department requesting the project, or the department executing the project. However, this structure is not binding and subject to change at the discretion of the Purchasing Agent. Other members may be appointed to the Evaluation Committee as necessary and appropriate, but the total number of persons committee shall not exceed five (5) persons. Committee appointments shall be in writing and shall briefly describe the scope of the project and, if necessary, the primary disciplines required to accomplish the project in order to assist the committee in developing a list of firms that might best accomplish the work required. Committee membership and project requirements will vary from project to project. Therefore, a firm rated number one for one project could be considered not qualified or ranked lower on another project.

1.4 EVALUATION PROCESS.

While Jefferson County appreciates a brief, straight-forward, and concise reply; Respondent must fully understand that the evaluation is based on the information provided. Accuracy and completeness are essential. Omissions, ambiguous, and equivocal statements may be construed against the respondent. The RFQ response may be incorporated into any contract which results from this RFQ, and vendor(s) are cautioned not to make claims or statements it is not prepared to commit to contractually. Failure of the vendor to meet such claims will result in a requirement that the vendor provide resources necessary to meet submitted claims.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department may initiate discussions with selected vendors; however, discussions <u>may not</u> be initiated by vendors.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department expects to conduct discussions with vendor's representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. Vendors shall not contact any Jefferson County personnel during the RFQ process without the express permission from the Jefferson County Purchasing Agent. The Purchasing Agent will disqualify any vendor who has made site visits, contacted Jefferson County personnel, or distributed any literature without authorization from the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

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All correspondence relating to this RFQ, from advertisement to award shall be sent to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department. All presentations and/or meetings between Jefferson County and the vendor relating to this RFQ shall be coordinated by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

Selected vendors may be expected to make a presentation/product demonstration to an Evaluation Committee. Proposals, vendor presentations, and product/service evaluations may develop into negotiating sessions with the vendor(s) as selected by the Evaluation Committee. Jefferson County expects to conduct negotiations with vendor representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. If vendor is unable to agree to contract terms and conditions, Jefferson County reserves the right to terminate contract negotiations with that vendor and initiate negotiations with another vendor. In addition to a presentation, visits by the Evaluation Committee to representative vendor client sites may be conducted where the proposed solution can be demonstrated in a production environment.

1.5 ENGINEERING FIRM's SERVICES.

A. A description of services that may be utilized under this RFQ includes:

- 1. Application preparation.
- 2. Preliminary and final design plans and specifications for drainage ditch rehabilitation, water district lift station improvements and roadway repairs.
- 3. Preparation of the bid packet
- 4. Conduct all field testing and inspections (interim and final)
- 5. Other special services.

1.6 LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

A. The Engineering Firm(s) must comply with all laws, ordinances, and rules and regulations which govern the work specified in this contract.

1.7 INSURANCE.

The contractor (including any and all subcontractors as defined in **Section 8.1.3** below) shall, at all times during the term of this contract, maintain insurance coverages with not less than the type and requirements shown below. Such insurance is to be provided at the sole cost of the contractor. These requirements do not establish limits of the contractor's liability.

All policies of insurance shall waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers, employees and agents; a copy of the policy wording or endorsement is required.

Contractor shall furnish Jefferson County with Certificate of Insurance naming Jefferson County as additional insured and will provide the actual policy wording or endorsement showing as such.

All insurance must be written by an insurer licensed to conduct business in the State of Texas.

Minimum Insurance Requirements:

Public Liability, including Products & Completed Operations\$1,000,000Excess Liability\$1,000,000

Property Insurance (policy below that is applicable to this project): Improvements & Betterments Policy: Improvements/Remodeling (for Lease Tenants) Builder's Risk Policy: Structural Coverage for Construction Projects Installation Floater Policy: Improvements/Alterations to Existing Structure

Workers' Compensation Statutory Coverage (See Section 1.8 Below)

1.8 WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE.

1.8.1 Definitions:

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1.8.1.1 **Certificate of coverage ("Certificate")** – A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement, DWC-81, DWC-82, DWC-83, or DWC-84 showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.

1.8.1.2 **Duration of the project** – Includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.

1.8.1.3 **Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor") in article 406.096** – Includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services under the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractor, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" includes, without limitation, providing, hauling or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.

- 1.8.2 The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification code and payroll amounts and filing any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all employees of the contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.8.3 The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract refer to Section 1.7 above.
- 1.8.4 If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.
- 1.8.5 The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:
 - 1.8.5.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and
 - 1.8.5.2 No later than seven (7) days after receipt by the Contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate ends during the duration of the project.
- 1.8.6 The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
- 1.8.7 The Contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project.
 - 1.8.8 The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.
 - 1.8.9 The Contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project to:
 - 1.8.9.1 Provide coverage, based on reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.

- 1.8.9.2 Provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.8.9.3 Provide the Contractor, prior to the end of coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
- 1.8.9.4 Obtain from each person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:
 - 1.8.9.4.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and
 - 1.8.9.4.2 the coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
 - 1.8.9.5 Retain all required certificates of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
 - 1.8.9.6 Notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project; and
 - 1.8.9.7 Contractually require each person with whom it contracts to perform as required by paragraphs <u>1.8.1. 1.8.7</u>., with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.
- 1.8.10 By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the Contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the contractor who will provide services of the project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.
- 1.8.11 The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

1.9 TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

- 1. Jefferson County reserves the right to request clarification of information submitted and to request additional information of one or more respondents.
- 2. Any agreement or contract resulting from this RFQ shall be on forms approved by Jefferson County and shall contain, at minimum, applicable provisions of this document. Jefferson County reserves the right to reject any agreement that does not conform to this document and any County requirements and contracts.
- 3. The Engineering Firm shall not assign any interest in the contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same without prior written consent of the County.
- 4. No reports, information, or data given to or prepared by the Engineering Firm under contract shall be made available to any individual or organization by the Engineering Firm without the prior written approval of the County.

<u>RESPONDENT</u>: INSERT COPY OF CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (COI) BEHIND THIS PAGE.

Note: For RFQ response submission purposes, a general COI will suffice. However, a COI that includes the notation that "<u>Jefferson County as an additional insured</u>" will be required from Awarded Respondent(s) prior to the issuance of a Purchase Order.

SECTION 2: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) MANDATED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY 2 C.F.R. §200.326 APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR §200

2 CFR 200.327 Contract provisions. The non-Federal entity's contracts should contain applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. The non-Federal entity's contracts must contain the provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, as applicable. *Language as of January 3, 2025.

THRESHOLD	PROVISION	CITATION
>\$250,000 (Simplified Acquisition Threshold)	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. Although not required for contract at or below the SAT, FEMA suggests including a remedies provision. The NFE should consult their servicing legal counsel to determine whether and how remedies for breach of contract are permissible under applicable state, local, or tribal laws or regulations.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (A)
>\$10,000	All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. FEMA suggests including a termination for cause and for convenience in all contracts even when not required. The NFE should consult their servicing legal counsel to determine whether and how termination provisions are permissible under applicable state, local, or tribal laws or regulations.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (B)
	Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under <u>41 CFR</u> <u>Part 60</u> , all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in <u>41 CFR Part 60-1.3</u> must include the equal opportunity clause provided under <u>41 CFR 60-1.4(b)</u> , in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (<u>30 FR 12319</u> , <u>12935</u> , <u>3 CFR Part</u> , <u>1964-1965</u> Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at <u>41 CFR part 60</u> , "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor." 41 CFR 60-1.4 Equal opportunity clause.	
None	 (b) Federally assisted construction contracts. (1) Except as otherwise provided, each administering agency shall require the inclusion of the following language as a condition of any grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee involving federally assisted construction which is not exempt from the requirements of the equal opportunity clause: 	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II I and 41 CFR §60-1.4(b)
	The [recipient] hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:	
	 During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows: (1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual 	

orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted

	construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.	
	(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:	
	Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.	
	The [recipient] further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the [recipient] so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.	
	The [recipient] agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.	
	The [recipient] further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the [recipient] agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the [recipient] under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such [recipient]; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.	
>\$2,000	Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (<u>40 U.S.C. 3141-3148</u>). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (<u>40 U.S.C. 3141-3144</u> , and <u>3146-3148</u>) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (<u>29 CFR Part 5</u> , "Labor Standards Provisions	

Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction". In accordance with the stutue, contractors must be required to pay weges to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the corrent prevailing determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon and 1346. 2 CFR 200 attribute of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported lotations to the Federal awarding agency. The conductors of public explaints of the subject of the wage determination on the place and the construction or upon the place and the construction, completion, or reparts. "Contractors and Subcontractions on Public Building or Publics Place." The Act provides that each contractor or subceipient must period Building or Public Place. 20 CFR. Part 3: 00 U.S.C. 53 145; applemented by 20 CFR. Part 3: 00 U.S.C. 53 145; applemented by applemented program legislation such as CD8G-DR. When required, prime construction contracts or Public Building or Public Place. Financed in MPG do not require these clauses unless it is a requirement for matching funds by another federal avarding agency. 20 CFR. Part 3: 00 U.S.C. 53 145; applemented by Place or reported violations to the Federal avarding agency. FEMA PA and HMCP do not require these clauses unless it is a requirement for matching funds by another federal program legislation such as CD8G-DR. When required, prime construction contracts over \$2,000 awarded by WFEs must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. If applicable contractors and safety Standards Act (20 U.S.C. 3701,3708). Where applicable contracters must inclu		
FEMA Contract Provisions Guide.Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. Required Language2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (E); 40 U.S.C. \$\$ 3704; supplemented by 29 C.F.R. Part 5	pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copelan "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must peort all suspected or reported violations to the Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal entity must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. FEMA PA and HMGP do not require these clauses unless it is a requirement for matching funds by another federal program legislation such as CDBG-DR. When required, prime construction contracts over \$2,000 awarded by NFEs must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. If applicable per the standard described above, the NFE must include the provisions at 29 C.F. § 5.5(a)(1)-(10) in full into all applicable contracts, and all applicable contractors must include these provisions in full in any subcontracts.	APPENDIX II (D) 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141- 3144 and 3146- 3148; supplemented by 29 C.F.R. Part 5; 40 U.S.C. § 3145; supplemented by
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	 Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The (insert name of grant recipient or subcontractor on any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contractor work hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) fins section. <i>Subcontracts</i>. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) fins section. <i>Subcontracts</i>. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in	
	hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. 2. Records to be maintained under this provision shall be made available by the contractor or subcontractor for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Department of Labor, and the contractor or subcontractor will permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job.	
None	Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under <u>37 CFR § 401.2 (a)</u> and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment	
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	or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of <u>37 CFR Part 401</u> , "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. This provision does not apply to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs including PA and HMGP as awards under these programs do not meet the definition.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (F) Funding Agreement; definition found under 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a).
>\$150,000	Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended - Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). <u>Suggested Language</u> : Clean Air Act The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the (insert name of nonfederal entity entering into the contract) and understands and agrees that the (insert name of the non-federal entity entering into the contract) will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal assistance provided by FEMA. Federal Water Pollution Control Act The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the (insert name of the nonfederal entity entering into the contract) and understands and agrees that the (insert name of the non-federal entity entering into the contract villi, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the (insert name of the pass-through entity, if applicable), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office. The contrac	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (G); 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401- 7671q; 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387
>\$25,000	provided by FEMA. Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689) - A contract award (see <u>2 CFR 180.220</u>) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at <u>2 CFR 180</u> that implement Executive	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (H); 2 C.F.R. Part 180 (implementing

	 Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. The following provides a debarment and suspension clause. It incorporates an optional method of verifying that contractors are not excluded or disqualified. Suggested Language: Suspension and Debarment This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935). The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant), the federal government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C a	Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989)); 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Department of Homeland Security regulations for Non-procurement Debarment and Suspension, implementing 2 C.F.R. Part 180).
> \$100,000; and Certification required for all contracts greater than \$100,000	its lower tier covered transactions. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (<u>31 U.S.C. 1352</u>) - Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by <u>31 U.S.C. 1352</u> . Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non- Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. If applicable, contractors must sign and submit the following certification to the NFE with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000 . Required Certification: CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18) <i>See</i> 2 CFR §200.323.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (I) and 24 CFR §570.303; (citing 31 U.S.C. § 1352); 44 C.F.R. § 18.110 2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (I)
	See 2 CFR §200.216.	APPENDIX II (J) 2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (K)
	See 2 CFR §200.322.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (L)

>\$100,000	 The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. §135.38 Section 3 clause All section 3 covered contracts shall include the following clause (referred to as the section 3 clause): A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing. B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations. C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see 	
Work involves the use of materials, and the contract is for more than \$10,000	A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at <u>40 CFR part 247</u> that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines. <u>Suggested Language:</u> In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired— Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule; Meeting contract performance requirements; or At a reasonable price. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines webpage: https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive- program.	2 CFR 200.323; Pub. L. No. 89-272 (1965) (codified as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act at 42 U.S.C. § 6962)

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	the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.	
	D. The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.	
	E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.	
	F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.	
	G. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).	
	Section 889(b)(1) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019 NDAA) and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, as implemented by FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), prohibit the obligation or expending of federal award funds on certain telecommunication products or from certain entities for national security reasons. Effective August 13, 2020, FEMA recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors, may not obligate or expend any FEMA award funds to:	
None; All FEMA declarations and awards issued on or after November 12, 2020.	 Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to: Procure or obtain; Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in <u>Public Law 115-232</u>, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities). 	2 CFR 200.216
	 (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision 	

	Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities). (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment. (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.	
	(b) In implementing the prohibition under <u>Public Law 115-232</u> , section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.	
	(c) See <u>Public Law 115-232</u> , section 889 for additional information.	
None	 (d) See also § 200.471. The Federal awarding agency must establish conflict of interest policies for Federal awards. The non-Federal entity must disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in accordance with applicable Federal awarding agency policy. 	2 CFR 200.112
None	The Federal awarding agency and the non-Federal entity should, whenever practicable, collect, transmit, and store Federal award-related information in open and machine-readable formats rather than in closed formats or on paper in accordance with applicable legislative requirements. A machine-readable format is a format in a standard computer language (not English text) that can be read automatically by a web browser or computer system. The Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must always provide or accept paper versions of Federal award-related information to and from the non-Federal entity upon request. If paper copies are submitted, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must not require more than an original and two copies. When original records are electronic and cannot be altered, there is no need to create and retain paper copies. When original records are paper, electronic versions may be substituted through the use of duplication or other forms of electronic media provided that they are subject to periodic quality control reviews, provide reasonable safeguards against alteration, and remain readable.	2 CFR 200.336
None; All FEMA declarations and awards issued on or after November 12, 2020.	 Suggested Language: If subcontracts are to be let, the prime contractor is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) listed below to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Contracting with HUB, small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. (a) When possible, the recipient or subrecipient should ensure that small businesses, minority businesses, women's business enterprises, veteran-owned businesses, and labor surplus area firms (See U.S. Department of Labor's list) are considered as set forth below. (b) Such consideration means: 	2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5)
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None	 (2) These business types are solicited whenever they are deemed eligible as potential sources; (3) Dividing procurement transactions into separate procurements to permit maximum participation by these business types; (4) Establishing delivery schedules (for example, the percentage of an order to be delivered by a given date of each month) that encourage participation by these business types; (5) Utilizing organizations such as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and (6) Requiring a contractor under a Federal award to apply this section to subcontracts. Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other non-Federal entity records pertinent to a Federal award must be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report or, for Federal awards that are renewed quarterly or annually, from the date of the submission of the quarterly or annual financial report, respectively, as reported to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entities must not impose any other record retention requirements upon non-Federal entities. The only exceptions are the following: (a) If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, the records have been resolved and final action taken. (b) When the non-Federal entity is notified in writing by the Federal awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, cognizant agency for indirect costs, or pass-through entity to extend the retention period. (c) Records for real property and equipment acquired with Federal funds must be retained for 3 years after final disposition. (d) When teenors actinsferred to or maintained by the Federal funds must be retained for 3 years after final disposition. (d) When teenorse the following: (e) Records	2 CFR 200.334; and 200.337
	a. The Contractor agrees to provide (insert non-federal entity), the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), the FEMA Administrator,	

	 the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. b. The FIRM agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed. c. The CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract. d. In compliance with section 1225 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018, the (insert name of the non-federal entity) and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the 	
None	CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION PROHIBITED. A governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 2270.0052, 2270.0102, or 2270.0152. In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter F, Respondent hereby represents and warrants that it is not a company identified on the lists prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§ 2270.0052 (companies with business operations in Sudan), 2270.0102 (companies with business operations in Iran), or 2270.0152 (companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign terrorist organization). Notwithstanding the foregoing, a company that the United States government affirmatively declares to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan, Iran, or to a foreign terrorist organization, is not subject to contract prohibition under this clause. A company claiming such exemption must submit the official copy of the declaration.	Texas Government Code 2252.152
>\$100,000	 PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. (a) This section applies only to certain solicitations and contracts. Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code states the following: (a) This section applies only to a contract that: (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. (b) A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. Section 2271.001(2) of the Government Code defines "company" to be the meaning assigned by Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, except that the term does not include a sole proprietorship. 	Texas Government Code 2271.002
Option Contract Language for contracts awarded prior to Grant Award	The contract award is contingent upon the receipt of federal funds. If no such funds are awarded, the contract shall terminate.	Optional
Awalu	Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.	42 U.S.C. 6201
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Suggested Language: The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).	
The Firm agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall,	Section 504 of the
solely by reason of his/her disability, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination, including discrimination in employment, under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.	Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.
Pursuant to the <i>Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization of 2022</i> , the Grant Recipient must certify that local policies do not interfere with the residents' Right to Report Crime and Emergencies from One's Home. The certification will confirm that no ordinances, local regulations, or policies adopted by the local government and currently in effect contain any financial or regulatory penalty imposed on property owners or residents as a result of any use of emergency services, or that the Grant Recipient is actively addressing such local regulations.	Pub. L. 117-103, 136 Stat. 49

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements-The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

The Contractor ______ certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM <u>Respondent</u>: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.

Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (No procurement Debarment and Suspension).

This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

Federal Executive Order (E .O.) 12549 "Debarment" requires that all contractors receiving individual awards, using federal funds, and all sub recipients certify that the organization and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from doing business with the Federal Government. By signing this document, you certify that your organization and its principals are not debarred. Failure to comply or attempts to edit this language may disqualify your bid. Information on debarment is available at the following websites: www.sam.gov and https://acguisition.qov/far/index.html see section 52.209-6.

The Contractor ______ certifies or affirms by your signature that neither you nor your principal is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM <u>Respondent</u>: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.

1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (Equal Opportunity Clause)

(For all awarded contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" provided in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

 The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- 2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- 3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- 4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or order this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM <u>Respondent</u>: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.

SECTION 3: RFQ SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements and instructions **<u>supersede</u>** General Requirements where applicable.

Jefferson County plans to apply for the upcoming Texas CDBG-Disaster Recovery Reallocation Program (DRRP) program from the Texas General Land Office (GLO). Accordingly, Jefferson County is seeking to contract with a qualified Engineering Firm (individual/firm) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. These services are being solicited to assist the Entity in its application preparation and project implementation of a CDBG contract(s), if awarded, to support eligible activities in Jefferson County.

3.1 ENGINEERING SCOPE WORK

The Contractor shall provide the following scope of services:

Scope of Services Requested

Providers will help the GLO fulfill State and Federal CDBG DRRP statutory responsibilities related to mitigation and/or recovery for presidentially declared disasters in Texas. Providers will assist the GLO and grant recipients in the completion of CDBG qualified housing or non-housing projects. Respondents may be qualified to provide Engineering services for housing projects, non-housing projects, or both. Engineering services must be performed in compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") and guidelines issued by the GLO. Providers will be bound to specific terms and conditions found in the sample general terms and conditions.

Description of Services and Special Conditions

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below. Respondent shall then provide a detailed description of how they meet the requirement, describing their knowledge and experience, as well as providing discrete examples of previous work where applicable.

General Requirements

- a) Coordinate, as necessary, between subrecipient and its service providers (i.e., Engineer, Environmental, Contracted Construction Company, Grant Administrator, etc.) and GLO regarding project design services.
- b) Provide monthly project status updates.
- c) Funding release will be based on deliverables identified in the contract.

Initial Engineering and Design Support

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below:

- a) Assist with the development of grant applications, including, but not limited to cost estimates, preparation of project justification, project maps and accurate project descriptions.
- b) To address needed design in a timely manner for the start of the environmental process. (Milestones and keeping with them must be established to keep in line with The General Land Office contract schedule of 30% plans and design must be submitted to move forward with the start of the environmental review process and to keep with the invoicing in a timely manner).
- c) Provide preliminary engineering, investigations, and drawings sufficient to achieve the preliminary design milestone, including at a minimum:
 - i. Cross sections/elevations
 - ii. Project layout/staging areas
 - iii. General notes
 - iv. Special notes
 - v. Design details
 - vi. Specifications
 - vii. Utility relocation designs
 - viii. Construction limits, including environmentally sensitive areas that should be avoided during construction
 - ix. Required permits
 - x. Quantities
 - xi. Estimate of construction costs to within +/- 25%

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- xii. Schedules for design, permitting, acquisition and construction
- d) Design surveying, topographic and utility mapping.
- e) Perform subsurface explorations for project sites, as necessary.
- f) Prepare horizontal alignments/layouts for all proposed project alternatives necessary to fully describe the project scope, anticipated limitations, and potential project impacts.
- g) Recommend value engineering options (alternative design, construction methods, procurement, etc.) that may improve efficiency, expedite the schedule, or reduce project costs for the subrecipient.
- h) Identify, acquire and submit all necessary permits and approvals required for design approval and construction.
- i) Submit all necessary deliverables to the appropriate entity for review and comment. Adjust project and/or design to satisfactorily address any comments, as necessary.
- j) Prepare plans and profiles, including vertical design information for the selected alternative.
- k) Identify and address potential obstacles to project implementation (i.e., pipelines, easements, permitting, environmental, etc.) prior to moving forward with the final design.
- Support subrecipient with acquisition or property/servitudes/right-of- way documentation as required by the Entity to facilitate the project, preparing right-of-way surveys and/or property boundary maps and legal descriptions of parcels to be acquired.
- m) For scheduling purposes in the application and then again post-award inclusion of the United States Army Corp of Engineer (USACE) permits needed and all the associated studies to complete these (i.e. wetland determinations, Section 7 ESA review, Historic Preservation-Archeological surveys, etc.) with possible timelines. This has been amended here as a result of the necessity for engineering to handle more complex and in-depth environmental reviews, and that the engineering firm will need these completed before the project moves forward.

Engineering and Final Design Support

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below as they relate to final design support:

- a) Prepare plans and profiles, including necessary design information for the selected alternative sufficient to achieve all detailed design milestones. Examples include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Cross sections/elevations
 - ii. Project layout/staging areas
 - iii. General notes
 - iv. Special notes
 - v. Design details
 - vi. Specifications
 - vii. Utility relocation designs
 - viii. Construction limits, including environmentally sensitive areas that should be avoided during construction
 - ix. Required permits
 - x. Quantities
 - xi. Estimate of construction costs to within +/- 20%
 - xii. Schedules for design, permitting, acquisition and construction
- b) Provide information to appropriate individuals for the development of environmental fund release reports and to ensure all activities will be eligible for reimbursement. The engineer must provide within three (3) business days' written notification to the Grant Manager and Jefferson County any proposed changes or revisions to the construction contractor plans or specifications for review by the Grant Manager for conformance with the environmental review record. No changes may be approved and no work may proceed until the changes have been considered, and, if required, a new environmental review or reevaluation has been completed. This includes minor and field change orders.
- c) Identify, acquire and submit all necessary permits and approvals required for design approval and construction.
- d) Provide hard copy, if necessary, reproducible plan drawings and bid documents, in addition to electronic copies to the subrecipient, upon design completion, and as requested during design. Electronic copies should be in the native format (AutoCAD DWG) along with PDF packages and should contain all corresponding references, databases, or files associated with the completed design documents.
- e) Assist the subrecipient and any service provider related to the project with all necessary documentation to ensure compliance with all Program requirements and regulations.

Bid and Award Support

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below as they relate to bid and award support.

- a) Submit appropriate items and support subrecipient in the development of complete bid package.
- b) Prepare and assist subrecipient in the advertisements for bid solicitation.
- c) Support development and issuance of bid-related documents necessary to complete bid process (e.g., bid proposal form, bid addenda and supporting documentation).
- d) Attend and support subrecipient at pre-bid conference and bid opening.
- e) Support subrecipient with ongoing communication during bid process.
- f) Support subrecipient to complete bid tabulation and evaluation of responses and provide recommendation for award.
- g) Support subrecipient to negotiate and finalize contract documents, including issuance of the Notice to Proceed, in accordance with program and subrecipient requirements.
- h) Support subrecipient in the conducting of a preconstruction conference.

Contract Management and Construction Oversight

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below as they relate to contract management and construction oversight.

- a) Ensure delivery of subrecipient project in accordance with contract.
- b) Provide ongoing Construction Oversight Reports detailing the status of construction for subrecipient project.
- c) Review all service provider submittals to ensure compliance with construction contract documents and provide recommendations to subrecipient.
- d) Provide periodic and final inspections and tests reports, as required for the project.
- e) Provide on-site supervision and oversight of construction activities at a minimum on a bi-weekly basis or as directed by the GLO or subrecipient.
- f) Review Construction Change Orders and provide recommendation to subrecipient as to appropriate action.
- g) Review invoice/draw requests and provide recommendation to subrecipient as to appropriate action, in compliance with the construction contract documents.
- h) Obtain independent cost estimates for validation purposes, as required.
- i) Review and respond to requests for information/clarification.
- j) Support subrecipient with issue identification and claims resolutions.
- k) Enter all requisite information into the GLO system of record in accordance with established policies and procedures.
- I) Develop a final "as built" report of quantities, drawings, and specifications.
- m) Issue to the subrecipient, for execution, a Certificate of Construction Completion within 30 days of final inspection approval.
- n) Deliver "as-built" drawings to the subrecipient within 30 days of project completion.
- o) Host and/or attend project coordination meetings in person, by phone, or by video conference, which may or may not fall during normal business hours.
- p) Perform other contract management and construction oversight duties as required to ensure success of the subrecipient project.
- q) Engineer must provide written notification to the Grant Manager and the local government client of any proposed changes or revisions to the construction contractor plans or specifications so that their conformance with the environmental review record may be evaluated. No changes may be approved and no work may proceed until the changes have been considered, and, if required, a new environmental review or reevaluation has been completed. This includes minor and field change orders. Emergency changes may be approved on a case-by-case basis with the Engineer providing within two (2) business days written justification(s) for declaring and issuing an emergency change order to the Grant Manager and the local government client. It is paramount that any emergency change order issued by the engineer takes into consideration any change in beneficiaries or environmental review status as a substantial part of the justification(s).
- r) Submit all final invoices within 60 days after contract or work order expiration.

Specialized Services

Respondents will be required to show the ability to provide all the Engineering services described below as they relate to specialized services.

- a) Provide Geotechnical Investigations as may be required for a project.
- b) Provide Site Specific Testing as may be required for a project.
- c) Provide Archeological Studies as may be required for a project.
- d) Provide Planning Studies as may be required for a project.
- e) Provide Feasibility Studies as may be required for a project.
- f) Provide Legal documentation for property and/or easements to be acquired (i.e., field notes, etc.).
- g) Provide Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments as requested.

3.2 SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATIONS.

Each Respondent shall ensure that required parts of the RFQ response are completed with accuracy and submitted as per the requirements within this specifications packet, including any addenda.

Responses must be submitted in complete original form by mail or messenger to the following address:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department 1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor Beaumont, TX 77701

Respondent shall submit response in a tightly sealed opaque envelope or box, plainly marked "SEALED RFQ RESPONSE." The outside of the envelope of box shall also include the RFQ Number, RFQ Name, RFQ Due Date, and the Respondent's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Purchasing Agent.

The County requests that response submissions <u>NOT</u> be bound by staples or glued spines.

Respondent is responsible for submitting: One (1) original and five (5) response copies; with all copies to include a completed copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.

Respondent shall monitor the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Website for any addenda, additional instructions, or RFQ updates. <u>https://www.jeffersoncountytx.gov/Purchasing/</u>

Failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

3.3 DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE SUBMISSIONS/DELIVERY. All submissions must be received by 11:00 am CT, Wednesday, June 18, 2025

RFQ responses will be accepted at the above address until the time and date specified herein, and immediately after will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Late responses will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the Respondent.

Jefferson County will not accept any responsibility for responses being delivered by third party carriers.

Jefferson County shall not be responsible for any effort or cost expended in the preparation of a response to this RFQ.

All responses submitted in response to this invitation shall become the property of Jefferson County and will be a matter of public record available for review.

All protests should be coordinated through the Purchasing Office prior to award recommendation to Commissioners' Court.

Please direct questions to **Mistey Reeves**, Assistant Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or e-mail at: <u>mistey.reeves@jeffersoncountytx.gov</u>.

3.4 COURTHOUSE SECURITY.

All visitors to the Courthouse must pass through Security. Respondents planning to hand deliver proposals must allow time to get through Security, as a delay in entering the Courthouse will not be accepted as an excuse for late submittal. Mondays and Tuesdays are particularly heavy days.

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Jefferson County will be implementing precautionary measures as currently recommended by the CDC within its facilities.

Respondents are strongly urged to plan accordingly.

3.5 COUNTY HOLIDAYS (2025):

January 20	(Monday)	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
April 18	(Friday)	Good Friday
May 26	(Monday)	Memorial Day
June 20	(Friday)	Juneteenth
July 4	(Friday)	Independence Day
September 1	(Monday)	Labor Day
November 11	(Tuesday)	Veteran's Day
November 27 & 28	(Thursday & Friday)	Thanksgiving
December 25 & 26	(Thursday & Friday)	Christmas
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3.6 SUBMISSIONS DURING TIME OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, DISASTER, OR EMERGENCY.

In case of inclement weather or any other unforeseen event causing the County to close for business on the date of a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission deadline, the RFQ closing will automatically be postponed until the next business day that County offices are open to the public. Should inclement weather conditions or any other unforeseen event cause delays in courier service operations, the County may issue an addendum to all known vendors interested in the project to extend the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to notify the county of their interest in the project should these conditions impact their ability to submit a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission before the stated deadline. The County reserves the right to make the final judgement call to extend any deadline.

Should an emergency or unanticipated event interrupt normal County processes, and bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submissions cannot be received by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department's office by the exact time specified in the RFQ and urgent County requirements preclude amendment to the RFQ, the time specified for receipt of Statements of Qualifications will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first business day on which normal County processes resume.

PROPOSALS WILL BE OPENED PUBLICLY IN A MANNER TO AVOID PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF CONTENTS; HOWEVER, ONLY NAMES OF PROPOSERS WILL BE READ ALOUD.

3.7 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE.

Due to the nature of this Request for Proposals, a Pre-Proposal Conference will not be held for this project.

3.8 QUESTIONS/DEADLINE FOR QUESTIONS.

Questions may be emailed to Mistey Reeves, Assistant Purchasing Agent at: Email Address Here or faxed at: 409-835-8456.

The Deadline for asking questions or requesting additional information (in writing) is 5:00 pm, CT, June 6, 2025.

3.9 VENDOR REGISTRATION: SAM (SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT).

Vendors doing business with Jefferson County are <u>required</u> to be registered with The System for Award Management (SAM), with an "active" status. The System for Award Management (SAM) is the Official U.S. Government system that consolidated

the capabilities of CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. There is NO fee to register for this site. Entities may register at no cost directly from the SAM website at: <u>https://www.sam.gov</u>

In instances where a vendor has either an "Inactive" SAM Registration or is not currently registered with the System for Award Management, the Purchasing Department may *initially* accept proof (printout from the SAM website) that the vendor has begun the registration process in order for the IFB/RFQ/RFQ submission to be considered as "responsive" to the specifications for the project.

However, the SAM Registration must be completed (showing "active" status, with no exclusions) <u>prior</u> to the award and/or execution of an agreement or contract for the project.

3.10 FORM 1295 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT (TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION).

ALL NON-EXEMPT RESPONDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM 1295 WITH RFQ RESPONSE SUBMISSION.

INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Submit a FORM 1295 online via the Texas Ethics Commission website link below.

Vendors must enter the required information on Form 1295, and print a copy of the completed form. The form will include a certification of filing that will contain a unique certification number.

2. Submit a FORM 1295 hard copy (completed & signed by an Authorized Agent of the Awarded Vendor), to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department WITH RFQ SUBMISSION.

FORM 1295, Completion Instructions, and Login Instructions are available via the Texas Ethics Commission Website at: https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm

SAMPLE: A sample of a completed FORM 1295 is included on PAGE 27.

FORM 1295 Implementation Background:

In accordance with House Bill 1295 (passed January 1, 2016), Vendors entering into contracts and professional agreements with Jefferson County will be required to complete a Certificate of Interested Parties (FORM 1295), **unless contract is considered exempt as described below.**

In 2017, the Texas legislature amended the law to require Form 1295 to include an "unsworn declaration" which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form. The unsworn declaration, including the date of birth and address of the signatory, <u>replaces the notary requirement</u> that applied to contracts entered into before January 1, 2018. The TEC filing application does not capture the date of birth or street address of the signatory and it will not appear on forms that are filed using the TEC filing application.

Changes to the law requiring certain businesses to file a Form 1295 are in effect for contracts entered into or amended on or after January 1, 2018. The changes exempt businesses from filing a Form 1295 for certain types of contracts and replace the need for a completed Form 1295 to be notarized. Instead, the person filing a 1295 needs to complete an "unsworn declaration."

FORM 1295 EXEMPTIONS:

What type of contracts are exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement under the amended law?

The amended law adds to the list of types of contract exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement.

A completed Form 1295 is not required for:

- a sponsored research contract of an institution of higher education
- an interagency contract of a state agency or an institution of higher education
- a contract related to health and human services if: the value of the contract cannot be determined at the time the contract is executed; and o any qualified vendor is eligible for the contract
- a contract with a publicly traded business entity, including a wholly owned subsidiary of the business entity
- a contract with an electric utility, as that term is defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code
- a contract with a gas utility, as that term is defined by Section 121.001, Utilities Code

SAMPLE FORM 1295

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<u>RESPONDENT</u>: INSERT COMPLETED FORM 1295 BEHIND THIS PAGE.

<u>RESPONDENT</u>: INSERT PROOF OF SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (SAM) REGISTRATION PROOF BEHIND THIS PAGE.

SECTION 3 (CONTINUED): SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS/RFQ SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

3.11 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: FIRM INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN RESPONSE.

Firms desiring to be considered for Engineering for Jefferson County are required to submit a Statement of Qualifications and Experience in order to be considered for contracts under this procedure. Only firms with statements submitted in response to this Request for Qualifications will be evaluated. The statement should contain, at a minimum, the following:

1. Name of the firm wishing to contract with the County.

- 2. Firm's local address.
- 3. Firm's corporate or main office address.
- 4. Number of years the firm has been in business.
- 5. Names, qualifications, and experience of professional staff who would be assigned to Jefferson County.
- 6. Firm's organization chart.

7. Biographies or resumes, including home office location and other relevant information, for each key staff member likely to be assigned to a project.

8. Names, titles, address, and telephone numbers of persons who are authorized to negotiate for and contractually bind the firm. One of these persons should sign the response. A contact must be named for addressing questions generated during the evaluation process.

9. A description of representative work accomplished for all jobs within the past five (5) years.

10. Provide a detailed summary of the firm's experience in providing the kinds of services specified in this RFQ to governmental entities.

11. Describe reasons why the firm would be uniquely qualified to provide Engineering services to Jefferson County.

12. Describe any unique services offered by your firm.

13. A list of references, other than Jefferson County, who have contracted the types of work the firm, is offering to perform. A reference form is included on Page 28 of this package.

3.12 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN RESPONSE.

1. Provide a listing of all current litigation(s), outstanding judgements and liens affecting the firm.

3.13 CONFIDENTIAL/PROPRIETARY INFORMATION.

If any material in the Statement of Qualifications is considered by Respondent to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Respondent), Respondent <u>must</u> clearly mark the applicable pages of Respondent's Statement of Qualifications to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Respondent must include a statement on company letterhead identifying all Statement of Qualifications section(s) and page(s) that have been marked as confidential. Jefferson County will protect from public disclosure such portions of a Statement of Qualifications, unless directed otherwise by legal authority, including existing open records acts. Merely making a blanket claim that the entire Statement of Qualifications submission is protected from disclosure because it contains some proprietary information is not acceptable, and will make the entire Statement of Qualifications subject to release under the Texas Public Information Act.

By submitting a Statement of Qualifications, Respondent agrees to reproduction by Jefferson County, without cost or liability, of any copyrighted portions of Respondent's Statement of Qualifications submission or other information submitted by Respondent.

3.14 EVALUATION SCORING CRITERIA FOR RFQ RESPONSES

The appointed Evaluation Committee will consider the following criteria in evaluating responses:

Experience......60 % Work Performance......25 % Capacity to Perform.....15 % Instructions: Complete the form below. Please provide legible, accurate, and complete contact information. PLEASE PRINT.

RFQ Number & Name: (RFQ 25-015/MR) Engineering Services for Texas General Land Office Community Development & Revitalization (GLO-CDR) Disaster Recovery Reallocation Program (DRRP)

Respondent's Company/Business Name:				
Respondent's TAX ID Number:				
If Applicable:	HUB Vendor No	DBE Vendor No		
Contact Person:		Title:		
Phone Number (with area code):				
Alternate Phone Number if available (with area code):				
Fax Number (with area code):				
Email Address:				
Mailing Address (Please provide a <u>physical address for bid bond return</u> , if applicable):				

Address

City, State, Zip Code

REQUIRED FORM <u>Respondent</u>: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.

VENDOR REFERENCES FORM

Respondent: Please list at least three (3) companies or governmental agencies (preferably a municipality) where the same or similar products and/or services as contained in this specification package were recently provided. REQUIRED FORM Respondent: Please complete this form and include with RFQ submission.			
REFERENCE ONE			
Government/Company Name:			
Address:			
Contact Person and Title:			
Phone:	Fax:		
Email Address:	nail Address: Contract Period:		
Scope of Work:			
REFERENCE TWO			
Government/Company Name:			
Address:			
Contact Person and Title:			
Phone:	Fax:		
Email Address:	Contract Pe	eriod:	
Scope of Work:			
REFERENCE THREE			
Government/Company Name:			
Address:			
Contact Person and Title:			
Phone:	Fax:		
Email Address:	Contract Period:		
Scope of Work:			

As permitted under Article 4413 (32c) V.A.C.S., other governmental entities may wish to participate under the same terms and conditions contained in this contract (i.e., piggyback). In the event any other entity participates, all purchase orders will be issued directly from and shipped directly to the entity requiring supplies/services. Jefferson County shall not be held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or payment for supplies/services ordered by another entity. Each entity reserves the right to determine their participation in this contract.

Would Respondent be willing to allow other governmental entities to piggyback off this contra	ct, if awarded, under the same
terms and conditions? Yes	Νο

This Statement of Qualifications/RFQ Response shall remain in effect for ninety (90) days from RFQ opening and shall be exclusive of federal excise and state and local sales tax (exempt).

The undersigned agrees, if this RFQ response is accepted, to furnish any and all items upon which prices are offered, at the price and upon the terms and conditions contained in the Request for Statements of Qualification, Conditions of RFQ Response, Terms of Contract, and Specifications and all other items made a part of the accepted contract.

The undersigned affirms that they are duly authorized to execute the contract, that this company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this RFQ response in collusion with any other Respondent, and that the contents of this RFQ response as to prices, terms or conditions of said response have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other RFQ Respondent or to any other person(s) engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this RFQ. And further, that neither the Respondent nor their employees nor agents have been for the past six (6) months directly nor indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination to control the price of goods or services on, nor to influence any person to respond or not to respond thereon.

RFQ Respondent (Entity Name)	Signature
Street & Mailing Address	Print Name
Street & Maning Address	
City, State & Zip	Date Signed
Telephone Number	Fax Number
E-mail Address	

with RFQ response submission.	
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Please complete this form and include

REQUIRED FORM Respondent: Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

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

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

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

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

The Contractor, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official (Please Print)

Date

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

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

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.

2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.

3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a 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 sub-awardee, e.g., the first sub-awardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.

5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Sub-awardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.

6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.

7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.

8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFQ) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFQ-DE-90-001."

9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.

10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).

11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

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

Approved by OMB 0348-0046 Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Complete this form	to disclose	lobbying	activities	pursuant	to 31	U.S.C.	1352

(See reverse for public burden disclosure)

Type of Federal Action: a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	Status of Federal Action: a. bid/offer/application b. initial award c. post-award		Report Type: a. initial filing b. material change	
Name and Address of Reporting Entity: Prime Sub-awardee Tier, if Known:		If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Sub-awardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:		
Congressional District, if know	wn:		onal District, if known:	
Federal Department/Agency: Federal Action Number, if known: 10. a. Name and Address of Lobby (if individual, last name, first name)			f applicable: Int, if known: Performing Services (including nt from No. 10a)	
11. Information requested through thi authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 13 disclosure of lobbying activities is a m representation of fact upon which relia by the tier above when this transaction entered into. This disclosure is require U.S.C. 1352. This information will be re Congress semi-annually and will be av inspection. Any person who fails to fill disclosure shall be subject to a civil pe than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,0 failure.	852. This naterial ance was placed n was made or ed pursuant to 31 eported to the vailable for public e the required enalty of not less	Print Name: Title:	 Date:	
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REQUIRED FORM

Respondent:

Please complete this form and include

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE
For vendor doing business with local governmental entity
A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/ Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.
 Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on: (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity; (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.
Local Government Code <u>§ 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):</u> (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
 (2) the vendor: (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
 (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor; (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that: (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.
 Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1) (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and: (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A); (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity. (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of: (1) the date that the vendor: (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or (2) the date the vendor becomes aware: (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a); (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 11/30/2015

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. <i>See</i> Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.	
(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the ap later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the or incomplete or inaccurate.)	
³ Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being disc	closed.
Name of Officer	
This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Gover pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.	
A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, from the vendor?	income, other than investment
Yes No	
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the key section.	
Yes No	
C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity v government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one pe	
Yes No	
D. Describe each employment or business and family relationship with the local government	t officer named in this section.
1	
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

Adopted 8/7/2015

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – OFFICE USE ONLY

	IMENT OFFICER CLOSURE STATEMENT	FORM CIS
This questionnaire reflects cha	nges made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
government officer has become	propriate local governmental entity that the following local me aware of facts that require the officer to file this statement 76, Local Government Code.	
Name of Local Governme	nt Officer	1
2 Office Held		-
Name of vendor describe	d by Sections 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Governmer	nt Code
Description of the nature	and extent of employment or other business relationship	with vendor named in item 3
from vendor named in ite	local government officer and any family member, if aggre m 3 exceeds \$100 during the 12-month period described b Description of Gift	y Section 176.003(a)(2)(B).
	Description of Gift	
Date Glit Accepted	(attach additional forms as necessary)	
⁶ AFFIDAVIT	I swear under penalty of perjury that the above statemen that the disclosure applies to each family member (as d Government Code) of this local government officer. I al covers the 12-month period described by Section 176.00	efined by Section 176.001(2), Local so acknowledge that this statement
	Signature of Loca	al Government Officer
AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / S	EAL ABOVE	
Sworn to and subscribed before		, this the day
of, 20	, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.	
Signature of officer administe	ering oath Printed name of officer administering oath	Title of officer administering oath
		Adopted 8/7/20

THIS FORM IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2252.001 *et seq.*, as amended, Jefferson County requests Resident Certification. §2252.001 *et seq*. of the Government Code provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contracts; pertinent provisions of §2252.001 are stated below:

- (3) "Non-resident RFQ Respondent" refers to a person who is not a resident.
- (4) "Resident RFQ Respondent" refers to a person whose principal place of business is in this state, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.
- □ I certify that _____ [company name] is a Resident Respondent of Texas as defined in Government Code §2252.001.
- I certify that ______ [company name] is a Non-Resident Respondent as defined in Government Code §2252.001 and our principal place of business is ______ (city and state).

Taxpayer Identification Number (T.I.N.):		
Company Name subm	itting bid/proposal/response:	
Mailing address:		
If you are an individua	I, list the names and addresses	of any partnership of which you are a general partner:

Property: List all taxable property owned by you or above partnerships in Jefferson County.

Jefferson County Tax Acct. No.*	Property address or location**

- * This is the property amount identification number assigned by the Jefferson County Appraisal District.
- ** For real property, specify the property address or legal description. For business property, specify the address where the property is located. For example, office equipment will normally be at your office, but inventory may be stored as a warehouse or other location.

REQUIRED FORM
Respondent:
Please complete this form and include
with RFQ response submission.

l,,	the	undersigned	representative	of	(company	or	business
name)					(heretof	ore re	eferred to
as company) being an adult over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, after being duly sworn by the undersigned							
notary, do hereby depose and verify under oath that the company named above, under the provisions of Subtitle F,							
Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270	:						

1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and

2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Pursuant to Section 2270.002, Texas Government Code:

1. "Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made ordinary business purposes; and

2. **"Company"** means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or an limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of those entities or business association that exist to make a profit.

Signature of (Company Repres	sentative
Date		
On this	day of	, 20, personally appeared
sworn, did sv	wear and confi	, the above-named person, who after by me being duly irm that the above is true and correct.
Notary Seal		
		Notary Signature
		Date

REQUIRED FORM <u>Respondent</u>: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.

On this day, I, Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent for Jefferson County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Section 2252.152 and Section 2252.153, certify that I did review the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the listing of companies that is identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051, or Section 2253.253 and I have ascertained that the below named company is not contained on said listing of companies which do business with Iran, Sudan, or any Foreign Terrorist Organization.

Company Name

IFB/RFP/RFQ number

Certification check performed by:

Purchasing Representative

Date

In consideration of Jefferson County retaining the services of a consultant and because of the sensitivity of certain information which may come under the care and control of Consultant, both parties agree that all information regarding the County or any selected County agency subject to this Contract; or gathered, produced, or derived from this project (Confidential Information) must remain confidential subject to release only by permission of the County, and more specifically agree as follows:

Media releases pertaining to this RFQ and/or any resulting contract, or the services to which they relate, will not be made without the prior written consent of the County, and then only in accordance with explicit written instructions from the County. The disclosure of the contents of proposals prior to the award of a contract under this RFQ, or any other violation of this section, may result in disqualification.

- 1. The Information may be used by Consultant only to assist Consultant in connection with its engagement with the County.
- 2. Consultant will not, at any time, use the Information in any fashion, form, or manner except in its capacity as independent consultant to the County.
- 3. Consultant agrees to maintain the confidentiality of any and all deliverables resulting from this Contract in the same manner that it protects the confidentiality of its own proprietary products of like kind.
- 4. The Information may not be copied or reproduced without the County's written consent.
- 5. All materials made available to Consultant, including copies thereof, must be returned to County upon the first to occur of; (a) completion of the project, or (b) request by the County.
- 6. The foregoing must not prohibit or limit Consultant use of the information (including, but not limited to, ideas, concepts, know-how, techniques and methodologies) (a) previously known to it, (b) independently developed by it, (c) acquired by it from a third party, or (d) which is or becomes part of the public domain through no breach to Consultant of this agreement.
- 7. This agreement shall become effective as of the date Information is first made available to Consultant and must survive the contract and be a continuing requirement.
- 8. The breach of this Non-Disclosure Agreement by Consultant shall entitle the County to immediately terminate the Agreement upon written notice to Contractor for such breach. The parties acknowledge that the measure of damages in the event of a breach of this Non-Disclosure Agreement may be difficult or impossible to calculate, depending on the nature of the breach. Regardless of whether the County elects to terminate the Agreement upon the breach hereof, the County may require Consultant to pay to the County the sum of \$1,000 for each breach as liquidated damages. This amount is not intended to be in the nature of a penalty, but is intended to be a reasonable estimate of the amount of damages to the County in the event of a breach hereof by Consultant. Comptroller does not waive any right to seek additional relief, either equitable or otherwise, concerning any breach of this Agreement.

[Printed Name of Consultant]

REQUIRED FORM
Respondent:
Please complete this form and include
with RFQ response submission.

Ву:	
Title:	
Date:	

<u>RESPONDENT</u>: INSERT ALL ADDENDA BEHIND THIS PAGE. PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, ATTEST, AND DATE EACH ADDENDUM.

I have carefully examined the Request for Proposal Specifications, and any other documents accompanying or made a part of this Request for Proposals.

I hereby propose to furnish the goods or services specified in the Request for Proposal. I agree that my proposal will remain firm for a period of up to **90 days** in order to allow Jefferson County adequate time to evaluate the qualifications submitted.

I verify that all information contained in this proposal is truthful to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that I am duly authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the firm as its act and deed and that the firm is ready, willing and able to perform if awarded the contract.

I further certify, under oath, that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, connection, discussion, or collusion with any other person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal for the same product or service: no officer, employee or agent of Jefferson County or any other Respondent is interested in said proposal: and that the undersigned executed this Respondent's Certification with full knowledge and understanding of the matters therein contained and was duly authorized to do so.

NAME OF BUSINESS		
BY:	this	
SIGNATURE		, 2025
NAME & TITLE, TYPED OR PRINTED		
MAILING ADDRESS	Notary Public	
	State of	
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	My Commission	Expires:
()		
TELEPHONE NUMBER		
REQUIRED FORM Respondent:		

Respondent: Please complete this form and include with RFQ response submission.