

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP 07-02)

(Questions & Answers posted on 02-15-07)
(Updated 2-26-07)

1. I submitted two LOI's for RFP-07/01, Items 9 & 10, due date January 23, 2007, and have received no response. Is it permissible to submit additional LOI's for RFP-07/01, Items 3 & 4, due date February 27, 2007?

Response: RFP 07-01: As soon as the selections are approved, they will be posted on the web and a ListServ e-mail notification will be sent. RFP 07-02: You may submit as many LOIs as you wish. Since there are items on this RFP that you are interested in, please submit the required information by the "Response due date and time" noted on page 1 of the RFP. Note the time change from the last RFP.

Please be sure to use the suggested format for the subject line for your e-mail, as well as for each of the required attachments. **(RFP0702-myconsultingfirmornickname-item-14-LOI)** (Note: Insert pertinent Item number)

Please feel free to e-mail additional questions to Contractsrfp@indot.in.gov.

2. For item 9 in the Engineer's Report the last Appendix is A-8. The report refers to additional appendices, namely A-9, A-10, all of Appendix B and all of Appendix C. Will these be provided?

Response: The Engineer's Report for the referenced RFP item is a "draft" report and has not been finalized. What was posted on the web is all that is available at this time. We do not anticipate any additional information becoming available prior to the RFP response due date and time.

3. I submitted two LOI's for RFP-07/01, Items 9 & 10, due date January 23, 2007, and have received no response. Is it permissible to submit additional LOI's for RFP-07/01, Items 3 & 4, due date February 27, 2007? Items 9 & 3 are for R/W Appraising, and Items 10 & 4 are for R/W Appraisal Reviewing.

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5. Item 6 & Item 7, for RFP 07-02, do not list any Required Prequalification Categories, however, under Deliverable and Additional Requirements the following statement is made; "General Prequalification Required." According to page 16 of this RFP, prime and sub-consultants must be prequalified. Some of the tasks that our sub-consultants will provide are highly specialized and infrequently used in Indiana. Therefore, they are not currently prequalified. Is it possible for Item 6 and Item 7 to be treated like Item 8, which states that "No Prequalification Required" or that Item 6 and Item 7 only have "General Prequalification Required" for the prime consultant only and that sub-consultants are not required to be prequalified?

Response: The Prime & Subs who are performing typical INDOT project development services, need to be prequalified. However, Subs performing specialty ITS functions do not have to be prequalified.

6. My company is submitting on one Item in RFP 07-02 and we also are submitting on the two items in RFP 07-02-s1. Should we submit an Item Priority List with our RFP 07-02 Item submittal because we are submitting on items in the RFP 07-02-s1?

Response: A priority list is only necessary if you are submitting for more than one item, for a given RFP. So, if you are submitting for a LOI for multiple items for RFP 07-02 or both items for RFP 07-02-S1, then you are encouraged to let us know your priority wishes for each RFP and submit two (2) priority lists. (One for RFP 07-02 and one for RFP 07-02-S1)

7. If a firm is selected for Item 7, as either Prime or as a sub consultant, will that firm be precluded from bidding on subsequent work regarding implementation of the system developed as a part of this current bulletin item?

Response: Firms selected for this item may be precluded from bidding on subsequent associated work.

8. The draft of the INDOT ITS Strategic Plan indicates full ITS deployment (detection, CCTV cameras, DMS, TTS, fiber optic communications network) on the US 31 corridor in conjunction with the roadway reconstruction. The plan indicates deployment in 2019, but notes that dates could change per revised construction schedules and the date of the final EIS ROD.

Response: ITS may be added to this contract at a later date, but will not be considered in the selection process.

9. Is it permissible to put firms on your team as a sub-consultant for work items that are not specifically covered by a prequalification category (such as Public Involvement or CSS) if the consultant is not prequalified with INDOT?

Response: The Prime and Subs who are performing typical INDOT project development services, need to be prequalified. However, Subs performing specialty functions, as you described, do not have to be prequalified.

10. I am putting together information for item 5. I am having a hard time inserting rows as currently formatted on the "Current and Completed Projects" form. We need to add to our previous list. Do you have any advice on how to do this?

Response: Open the CCP form on the website & copy it to your hard drive. Open the CCP on your hard drive and highlight several rows. Then, copy and paste those rows to the bottom of your form.

11. In section B, Item 2 of the Requirements for the LOI, it asks about the capacity of the Prime Consultant staff. Is the capacity for the staff as a whole what is being asked for or is it the capacity of the individual person being assigned to the project?

Response: The "capacity" referred to in the RFP means the capacity of the individual key staff of the Prime Consultant.

12. Item #9: 1) Bridge Replacement EB over Wabash River (Des. No. 0400774) to be built in same year as Pavement Repl. Question: Has the design work begun, and if so, what stage of development has been reached? 2) Road Replacement, SR 38 to Beech Lane (Des. No. 9802510) to be built in 2009 Question: Has the design work begun, and if so, what stage of development has been reached? 3) Des. Nos. 0201210 & 0201211 are to be delayed and included in the Pavement Replacement Contract Question: Has any of this design work already begun? If so, what was the scope of that rehabilitation project?

Response: Item 1 will likely be reactivated once it receives funding and is programmed a FY home. Item 2 will be advertised in March, 2007
Item 3 is being designed by S.J. Christian & Associates. They are under contract for both.

13. For certain items within the RFP there is confusing requirements for prequalification. For item 6, it only requires General Prequalification, but checking the CPQM, above certain limits the General Prequal requires financial as well. As the final cost is not known, what is required for item 6? Also, is prequalification required for sub consultants?

Response: General Prequal: If a firm is Generally Prequalified, financials are required, with the exception of Unit Price contracts. Sub consultant prequalification: In the case of Item 6, general prequalification is required. That means the Prime and subs, who are performing typical INDOT project development services, need to be prequalified. However, subs performing specialty functions do not have to be prequalified.

14. Can you please expand on the statement "Optimization of Right-of-Way for budget and impacts" under the section labeled. In addition, consultants must address the following items in the project approach.

Response: Compare the costs of special designs (Retaining Walls, etc.) to minimize Right-of-Way versus the costs of impacts to properties using conventional designs to try and reduce the total cost and impacts to properties throughout the project limits.