DEA A&E Contract:	IQA Compliance Monitoring Services*
Friday, 05/09/2025	HQ/DEA Outreach

Full list of Prospective Consultants'/Subconsultants' Questions from Recording with full answers. Answers may expand upon interim answers provided during the meeting.

*Replacement A&E Contract for Independent Quality Assurance (IQA)
Water Quality Compliance Monitoring

Question 1: Though it was difficult at times to hear the presentation, can you please confirm the diversity goal(s) that are required for this contract? Is it 5% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise/DVBE (no required Disadvantaged Business Enterprise/DBE goals)?

Answer 1: The Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goal will be established and posted with the solicitation when it's publicly posted, because it would be the final determination at that time. It may be somewhere between three and five percent. If the project is federally funded, then there will be a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal. We are not aware of federal funding; that also will be determined and listed also on the solicitation.

Question 2: Do you know how this contract as presented today differs from another similar one (outreach meeting on 5/22) called "Caltrans D43 On-Call Stormwater Compliance Monitoring Services: A&E On-Call: Best Management Practices (BMP) Development, BMP Effectiveness, BMP Evaluation, and Water Quality Monitoring Services? (It's broken out by various districts throughout the state.)

Answer 2: The outreach on 5/22 is for a different contract from this outreach on 5/9. We refer interested parties to the Attachment B Outreach.

Question 3: I assume the cost proposal will be the normal A&E template and not the Prevailing Wage template. Is that true?

Answer 3: As of now the scope doesn't have any prevailing wage work, so it would be the non-prevailing-wage template.

Question 4: I believe it's all, this contract's all only going to be on field activities, right? It's not going to ever go to design, or anything like that?

Answer 4: We expect that one of the task orders is going to be for data entry and periodic reports, to include annual reports. The data entered would all relate to findings and other information generated during field visits, that is, to construction, maintenance, and encroachment permit activities.

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Question 5: I have a CT ID number issued from another contract negotiated just last Nov. Can you explain the applicability of the CT ID# and how it might be utilized for this procurement? (The questioner added,) Okay; no, I'm looking I know that it's based on our fiscal year audit or whatever, you know, and that-it does have a certain shelf life and I'm just curious. I know the spreadsheet that you put out and the template for the cost? It-it has a cell in there and it sometimes doesn't work where you put in the date of the advertisement and then the date of when your fiscal year last ended when you had a an audited overhead or a CT ID number and it-it seems to be broken at times, that, that cell in the equate, because it's supposed to kick out a no or yes answer? The cost proposal spreadsheet. Because a lot of times, actually, that spreadsheet in particular has had some difficulties and at times we've been told to go back and use a previous version. The non-prevailing wage.

Answer 5: The Caltrans Acceptance ID (CT ID) is issued based on an applicable fiscal period. If the RFQ advertisement date for an A&E contract is within 18 months from the end of the applicable fiscal period, then the CT ID is typically still accepted. We have a newer prevailing wage cost proposal spreadsheet version that came out in December.

Question 6: Any plans for IQA reviews of Right-of-Way activities?

Answer 6: IQA reviews of Right-of-Way activities may be included, but check the RFQ when it is advertised.

Question 7: Do we get a copy of this recording?"

Answer 7: No. As noted in the presentation, the recording is for taking down questions verbatim so that answers to the exact questions can be provided.

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