

QUESTION AND ANSWER-59ANEW1192 APRIL 25, 2025(10AM-12PM)

Q1. If A&E firms are working with other transportation agencies other than Caltrans, how can the potential conflict of interest be mitigated?

If an A&E firm is providing services to a Local Agency which is determined to be in conflict with Caltrans Quality Management Assessment (QMA) services on the same project, this conflict could be mitigated by using another subconsultant or State staff.

Does it exclude firms from this contract entirely, or certain districts?

The conflict is typically evaluated on a project by project basis.

What if the firm is priming QASI contract to perform QA for METS, would it be considered conflict to provide QMA for the same districts?

No, see above answer.

Q2. We are a SB/DBE looking to pursue this contract; however, it seems there are several firms that are part of all three recent OQASI contracts. If we are not part of all three contracts, would we still be able to compete against those firms already working on the three contracts?

There is no requirement to be part of the other QASI QA contracts in order to compete on 59ANEW1192. In addition, the scope of work for 59ANEW1192 is different from other QASI QA contracts