# STATE OF ALASKA IRFP NUMBER 2522H059 AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE AMENDMENT ISSUING OFFICE:



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#### THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

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## IRFP TITLE: GRANT PROJECT ANALYSIS

This amendment serves to revise sections of the IRFP, extends the due date, and answer vendor questions. This is an informational amendment only and return is not required.

#### PLEASE CLOSELY REVIEW THE CHANGES NOTED IN THIS AMENDMENT.

### Change 1: Extends the deadline to submit proposals to May 13, 2022 and revises Sec. 1.12 IRFP Schedule below:

#### Sec. 1.12 IRFP Schedule

The IRFP schedule set out herein represents the State of Alaska's best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. If a component of this schedule, such as the deadline for receipt of proposals, is delayed, the rest of the schedule may be shifted accordingly. All times are Alaska Time.

Issue IRFP
 APRIL 14, 2022,

Deadline for Receipt of Proposals MAY 13, 2022,

Proposal Evaluation Committee complete evaluation by MAY 27, 2022,

State of Alaska issues Notice of Award
 MAY 31, 2022,

State of Alaska issues contract
 MAY 27, 2022,

Contract starts
 JUNE 1, 2022,

Change 2: Amends Sec. 3.09 to allow Subcontractors provided below:

#### SEC. 3.09 Subcontractors

Subcontractors will not be allowed.

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#### Amendment 1

Subcontractors may be used to perform work under this contract. If an offeror intends to use subcontractors, the offeror must identify in the proposal the names of the subcontractors and the portions of the work the subcontractors will perform.

Subcontractor experience **SHALL** be considered in determining whether the offeror meets the requirements set forth in **SEC. 1.04 PRIOR EXPERIENCE**.

If a proposal with subcontractors is selected, the offeror must provide the following information concerning each prospective subcontractor within five working days from the date of the state's request:

- complete name of the subcontractor;
- complete address of the subcontractor;
- type of work the subcontractor will be performing;
- percentage of work the subcontractor will be providing;
- evidence that the subcontractor holds a valid Alaska business license; and
- a written statement, signed by each proposed subcontractor that clearly verifies that the subcontractor is committed to render the services required by the contract.

An offeror's failure to provide this information, within the time set, may cause the state to consider their proposal non-responsive and reject it. The substitution of one subcontractor for another may be made only at the discretion and prior written approval of the project director.

Note that if the subcontractor will not be performing work within Alaska, they will not be required to hold an Alaska business license.

#### Change 3: Provides answers to vendor questions.

1. With the IIJA funding, there has been a flurry of RFPs for grant writing services and support. Unfortunately, staff involved in grant administration at the Economic Development Authority (EDA) and Maritime Administration (MARAD) have commented that if a firm assists an eligible applicant in developing a federal grant application that receives an award, they are precluded from proposing on the next phase of work.

I was wondering if you have any insight as to if the funding agencies DOT&PF works with (FHWA and others) have a similar interpretation of 2 CFR 200.319(b)? And specifically, if a firm is successful on this Informal RFP for Grant Project Analysis, will they be precluded from future work on projects that receive funding through the work on this contract?

ANSWER: Will provide answer with future Amendment.

- 2. The RFP says no subconsultants are allowed. This is odd, because BCAs are written by economists, which not many engineering firms have in-house, so it really limits competition. What is the intent behind this?

  ANSWER: IRFP has been amended to allow for Subcontractors.
- 3. The "vendor" team was looking in to the Grant Project Analysis IRFP (2522H059) and hoping we could get some clarification on the expected number of projects, applications, etc. to help with cost development and if participation in this work would preclude "vendor" from working on the design in the future?

  ANSWER: Will provide answer with future Amendment.

#### ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

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