# STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
Division of Administrative Services

# Kenai Snow Removal

RFQ 270000009

## Amendment #1

October 30, 2026

**This Amendment is being issued to answer questions from potential bidders and make changes to the RFQ.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO OFFERORS: MANDATORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT REQUIRED**

This amendment makes material changes to the Request for Quotation (RFQ). Offerors **must sign and return the acknowledgment page of this amendment with their quotation**. Failure to acknowledge this amendment may result in the quotation being determined nonresponsive.

Except as expressly modified by this amendment, all other terms and conditions of the RFQ remain unchanged.

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COMPANY SUBMITTING QUOTATION

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## Questions submitted by potential bidders and answers from the state:

**Question 1:** The RFQ cover lists October 30, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., while the public notice lists October 31 at 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time. Which deadline controls?

***Answer:*** The quotation deadline is extended by this amendment to Monday, November 9, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time. The Online Public Notice will be updated accordingly.

**Question 2:** Does the RFQ permit the proposed local subcontractor to perform the onsite services? Is a minimum prime self-performance percentage required?

***Answer:*** No. Item 24 is replaced as stated in Change 1 of this amendment. Subcontracting is prohibited, and the successful contractor must directly perform 100% of the contracted services.

**Question 3:** Can the subcontractor's experience and personnel satisfy the capability/experience provision, or does EDrop itself need a minimum operating history or its own references?

***Answer:*** Subcontractors may not perform the services. The RFQ does not establish a minimum number of years of operating history or a specified number of references as a quotation-submission requirement. The State will determine responsibility based on the contractor's ability to meet the RFQ requirements.

**Question 4:** When must an out-of-state prime hold its Alaska business license and any required foreign registration: at quotation submission, award, or performance?

***Answer:*** An Alaska business license is generally required by the time of contract award. To qualify for the Alaska Bidder Preference or related preferences, the bidder must satisfy the applicable qualification requirements, including holding a current Alaska business license, by the quotation deadline. Foreign entity registration is a separate requirement: an out-of-state entity must obtain any required authority to transact business in Alaska before conducting business in the state, subject to applicable exemptions. The vendor is responsible for determining whether foreign entity registration applies to its legal form and activities.

**Question 5:** What project-specific insurance limits, endorsements, and any bid/performance bonds apply to the prime and subcontractor?

***Answer:*** Appendix B1 – Indemnity and Insurance is incorporated into this solicitation and any resulting contract. The required insurance coverage types, limits, and endorsements are identified in the attached appendix.

The standard coverages include Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by statute, Commercial General Liability Insurance with a minimum limit of $1,000,000 per occurrence, and Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance with a minimum combined single limit of $1,000,000.

The contractor must provide the applicable Additional Insured, Primary and Non-Contributory, and Waiver of Subrogation endorsements as specified in Appendix B1.

Subcontracting is prohibited under this amendment. Neither a bid bond nor a performance bond is required for this solicitation.

**Question 6:** What is the intended service start date, and is a site inspection available?

***Answer:*** Services are expected to begin upon execution of the resulting contract and expiration of the current service arrangement, as coordinated with the FMO project manager.

A **MANDATORY site inspection** is scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Alaska time, at the Kenai Army National Guard Facility, 105 S. Forest Lane, Kenai, Alaska.

Attendance at the mandatory site inspection is required for a quotation to be considered responsive. Prospective bidders seeking access or additional inspection details should contact MvaDasProcurement@alaska.gov.

**Question 7:** The Scope of Work requires a minimum 3/4-ton vehicle for snow plowing and a minimum three (3) cubic yard bucket when a bucket loader is used. Does the three-yard bucket requirement apply to wheel loaders equipped with plow, wing plow, or box-pusher attachments rather than buckets? How will compliance with the minimum equipment requirements be evaluated for these configurations?

**Answer**: The three (3) cubic yard minimum applies when a bucket attachment is used to move snow. A wheel loader equipped with a plow, wing plow, or box-pusher attachment is not required to meet the three-yard bucket minimum when a bucket is not being used. Instead, compliance will be evaluated based on the clearing capability of the attachment being used. See Change 3 of this amendment for the corresponding clarification to the Scope of Work.

## Changes to the RFQ:

**Change 1:** **Subcontractors:** Item 24, "SUBCONTRACTOR(S)," in the RFQ Standard Terms and Conditions is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

24. SUBCONTRACTOR(S): Subcontracting is not permitted. The contractor shall directly perform all services required under the contract using personnel under its own employment and control. The contractor may not engage another business entity or independent contractor to perform any portion of the contracted snow removal, ice control, sanding, or sweeping services. The prime contractor remains responsible for all performance obligations.

**Change 2:** **Quotation Deadline:** The quotation deadline identified on the RFQ cover page and any conflicting Online Public Notice entry is changed to Monday, November 9, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time. Quotations received after that time will not be accepted.

**Change 3**: **Equipment Minimums:** The Scope of Work provision addressing minimum snow-removal equipment is clarified as follows:

"The contractor shall use a minimum 3/4-ton vehicle when plowing snow with a truck. If a bucket loader is used with a bucket attachment to move snow, the minimum bucket capacity shall be three (3) cubic yards. When a loader is equipped with a plow, wing plow, or box-pusher attachment rather than a bucket, compliance will be evaluated based on the clearing capability of the attachment, rather than the loader's bucket capacity."

**Change 4:** **Insurance Requirements:** Appendix B1 – Indemnity and Insurance is hereby incorporated into RFQ 270000009 and any resulting contract.

The contractor shall maintain the insurance coverage required by Appendix B1 throughout the performance of services under the contract and shall provide satisfactory evidence of coverage in accordance with the requirements of that appendix.
No bid bond or performance bond is required.

**Change 5:** **Site Inspection:** **A MANDATORY site inspection** is scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Alaska time, at the Kenai Army National Guard Facility, 105 S. Forest Lane, Kenai, Alaska.

Attendance at the mandatory site inspection is required for a quotation to be considered responsive. Prospective bidders seeking access or additional inspection details should contact MvaDasProcurement@alaska.gov.

**All other terms and conditions remain unchanged except as expressly stated in this amendment.**

# ATTACHMENT A

# APPENDIX B1 - INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

## Article 1. Indemnification

The contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the State of Alaska from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission or negligent act of the contractor under this agreement. The contractor shall not be required to indemnify the State of Alaska for a claim for, or liability for, the independent negligence of the State of Alaska. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the contractor and the independent negligence of the State of Alaska, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "State of Alaska", as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents, and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the State of Alaska's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the contractor and in approving or accepting the contractor's work.

## Article 2. Insurance

Without limiting the contractor's indemnification, it is agreed that the contractor shall purchase at its own expense and maintain in force at all times during the performance of services under this agreement the following policies of insurance. Where specific limits are shown, it is understood that they shall be the minimum acceptable limits. If the contractor's policy contains higher limits, the State of Alaska shall be entitled to coverage to the extent of such higher limits.

Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the contracting officer prior to beginning work and must provide for a notice of cancellation, non-renewal, or material change of conditions in accordance with policy provisions. If the insurer does not notify the State of Alaska on policy cancellation it shall be the contractor's responsibility to notify the State of Alaska of such cancellation.

Failure to furnish satisfactory evidence of insurance or lapse of the policy is a material breach of this contract and may be grounds for termination of the contract. All insurance policies shall comply with and be issued by insurers licensed to transact the business of insurance under AS 21. All policies for general liability shall be primary and non-contributing with any insurance that may be carried by the State of Alaska.

The contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all requirements stated herein, and contractor shall ensure that the State is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.

Policies written on a "claims-made" basis must have a two-year tail of coverage, or an unbroken continuation of coverage for two years from the completion of the contract requirements.

**2.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance:** The contractor shall provide and maintain, for all employees engaged in work under this contract, coverage as required by AS 23.30.045, and Employers Liability with limits of at least $1,000,000. Also, where applicable, the contractor shall provide and maintain any other statutory obligations including but not limited to Federal U.S.L. & H. and Jones Act requirements. The policy must waive subrogation against the State of Alaska.

**2.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance** including:

$2,000,000 General Aggregate
$2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations
$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury
$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
$5,000 Medical Payments

The policy must name the State of Alaska as an "additional insured" and the actual policy endorsement shall accompany each Certificate of Insurance. The policy shall be endorsed to waive all rights of subrogation against the State of Alaska by reason of any payment made for claims under this coverage. This policy endorsement shall accompany each Certificate of Insurance

**2.3 Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance:** covering all vehicles used by the contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of $1,000,000 combined single limit per claim, to include: owned, hired, and non-owned. The policy must name the State of Alaska as an "additional insured' and the actual policy endorsement shall accompany each Certificate of Insurance. The policy shall be endorsed to waive all rights of subrogation against the State of Alaska by reason of any payment made for claims under this coverage. This policy endorsement shall accompany each Certificate of Insurance.