

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

Notice is hereby given that the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (Department) and Metroplan, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Central Arkansas Regional Transportation System (CARTS), are jointly seeking letters of interest from qualified firms to investigate managed lane and travel demand management applications on central Arkansas freeway routes.

The work will generally consist of the following tasks:

- Facilitating the refinement of study goals and objectives
- Travel demand forecasting and modeling
- Developing conceptual design and costs for potential managed lane implementation in key corridors
- Conducting a sketch-level financial feasibility assessment
- Assessing policy and implementation issues, risks, and opportunities
- Developing an implementation plan, if warranted
- Developing guidelines for travel demand management in Arkansas, if warranted

The letter of interest shall include the following information.

- Cover letter, no more than one (1) page.
- Proposed organizational including the primary contact.
- Description of the qualification of the firm and proposed project manager and key team members (prime and subconsultants). This information shall be limited to no more than five (5) pages, 8.5"x11" paper, with minimum 11-point font.
- Architect-Engineer Qualifications Standard Form 330 Parts I and II
http://www.arkansashighways.com/consultant_services/SF330-13a_11-30-17.pdf

The letter of interest should be addressed to:

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Deputy Director and Chief Engineer
Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department
P.O. Box 2261, Little Rock, AR 72203-2261
or
10324 Interstate 30, Little Rock, AR 72209

Five (5) sets of paper responses and a copy in PDF format must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. (CDT) on July 7, 2017. Any responses received after that deadline will not be considered.

The consultant selection for this letter of interest will follow the Department's *Consultant Selection Procedures 12/14/2016*. After a review of all letters of interest received, selected firms will be furnished a scope of work and be requested to submit proposals for accomplishing the work. Final selection is anticipated following the Arkansas State Highway Commission meeting on October 18, 2017. Additional information may be found under the Consultant Services page on the Department's website.

This advertisement and any resulting contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Arkansas. Any proceeding relating to any cause of action of any nature arising from or relating to this advertisement or contract may be brought only before the appropriate forum in Pulaski

County, Arkansas. All information received by the Department regarding this advertisement is restrictive and will not be available before award of the project.

The Department complies with all civil rights provisions of federal statutes and related authorities that prohibit discrimination in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. Therefore, the Department does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, national origin, religion (not applicable as a protected group under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Title VI Program), disability, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), or low-income status in the admission, access to and treatment in the Department's programs and activities, as well as the Department's hiring or employment practices. Complaints of alleged discrimination and inquiries regarding the Department's nondiscrimination policies may be directed to Joanna P. McFadden, Section Head - EEO/DBE (ADA/504/Title VI Coordinator), P. O. Box 2261, Little Rock, AR 72203, (501) 569-2298, (Voice/TTY 711), or the following email address: joanna.mcfadden@ahfd.ar.gov.

Free language assistance for Limited English Proficient individuals is available upon request.

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