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October 2, 2026

RE: Request for Proposals (RFP #2026-06) for Travel Trainers for Solano Mobility Programs

Dear Consultant:

The Solano Transportation Authority (STA) invites consultants to submit a proposal to conduct **Travel Trainers for Solano Mobility Programs**.

To obtain a copy of the full Request for Proposals (RFP), please download the RFP as a PDF file from the STA website: <https://sta.ca.gov/work-with-sta/procurement-opportunities/> or call the STA at (707) 424-6075.

The RFP describes the project, presents the requirements of the **Proposer**, and outlines the criteria that will be used to evaluate the **Proposal**.

Qualified organizations are invited to submit three (3) hard copies and one (1) digital copy (via flash drive) of your Proposal to the STA office **no later than 4:00 PM on November 30, 2026**, addressed to:

Attn: Debbie McQuilkin
Program Manager
Solano Transportation Authority
423 Main Street
Suisun City, CA 94585

Note that this deadline is firm, and late submittals **will not** be accepted. **Proposals** will be reviewed and, if needed, the firms/teams whose qualifications most closely meet the STA's needs will be invited to interview on or about **December 14, 2026**.

*This Project has a participation goal for disadvantaged veteran business enterprise (DVBE) firms of **three percent (3%)**. DVBE participation is required. The STA has the right to deem a proposal as non-responsive if this participation goal has not been met, and documentation demonstrating a good faith effort is judged inadequate. Guidelines for determining good faith efforts are available from the STA.*

The STA encourages, but does not require for this solicitation, the use of local firms. To assist in the use of local firms, the STA has prepared a database of contact information for local firms for convenience purposes only and without guarantees as to the ability of such firms to provide the services. This database and the Local Preference Policy can be viewed at: <https://live-sta-2024.pantheonsite.io/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/Local-Preference-2025.pdf>

If you have questions regarding this project, please contact **Debbie McQuilkin** at dmcquilkin@sta.ca.gov or 707-399-3231. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Robert Z. Guerrero
Interim Executive Director



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
(RFP # 2026-06)**

For

**TRAVEL TRAINERS FOR
SOLANO MOBILITY PROGRAMS**

In

Solano County

Release Date: October 2, 2026

PROPOSALS DUE:

4:00 PM, Monday, November 30, 2026

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DISCLOSURE

The master copy of each response to this RFP shall be retained for official files and will become a public record after the award of a contract unless the qualifications or specific parts of the qualifications can be shown to be exempt by law (Government Code section 6250 et seq.). Each Responding Firm may clearly label part of a submittal as "CONFIDENTIAL" if the Responding Firm agrees to indemnify and defend the STA for honoring such a designation. The failure to so label any information that is released by the STA shall constitute a complete waiver of all claims for damages caused by any release of the information. If a public records request for labeled information is received by the STA, the STA will notify the Responding Firm of the request and delay access to the material until seven working days after notification to the Responding Firm. Within that time delay, it will be the duty of the Responding Firm to act in protection of its labeled information. Failure to so act shall constitute a complete waiver.

PROTEST AND APPEALS

Any actual or prospective bidder, offeror, or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with the Solicitations or Notice of Intent to Award a contract may protest to the Executive Director. The protest shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director within seven (7) working days after such aggrieved person or company knows or should have known of the facts giving rise thereto. All letters of protest shall clearly identify the reasons for the protest. The protest also must state the law, rule, regulation, or policy upon which the protest is based. The Executive Director shall issue a written decision within ten (10) working days after receipt of the protest. The decision shall; state the reason for the action taken; and inform the protester that a request of further administrative appeal of an adverse decision must be submitted in writing to the Clerk of the STA Board of Directors within seven (7) working days after receipt of the decision by the Executive Director.

SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION

The Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) mission is to improve the quality of life in Solano County by delivering transportation projects to ensure mobility, travel safety, and economic vitality for all.

The STA was created in 1990 through a Joint Powers Agreement between the cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville, Vallejo, and the County of Solano to serve as the Congestion Management Agency (CMA) for Solano. As the CMA for Solano County, the STA partners with various transportation and planning agencies, such as the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Caltrans District 4.

The STA is responsible for countywide transportation planning, programming transportation funds, managing and providing transportation programs and services, delivering transportation projects, and setting transportation priorities.

The STA uses an open and inclusive public involvement process through various committees made up of local elected officials, public works directors, transit operators, and interested citizens.

Travel training is a critical component of the STA's Solano Mobility Program efforts. Through travel training efforts, older adults and youth are provided with fixed route transit orientation, and individuals with physical and cognitive disabilities can be given trip-specific training to allow them to move from less efficient demand response services to generic fixed route transit services for some or all of their travel needs.

SECTION 2 - SOLANO MOBILITY PROGRAMS PROJECT BACKGROUND

Solano Mobility is a system of managing transportation resources that aims to improve specialized transportation for seniors, people with lower incomes, and people with disabilities, using a wide range of services and options. Solano Mobility optimizes all transportation resources in a community, particularly those other than traditional fixed route systems.

STA implemented Solano Mobility Programs to begin addressing the mobility needs of the rapidly growing populations of seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income. The development of a mobility management program for Solano County emerged as a countywide priority based on five (5) Community-Based Transportation Plans, two (2) Solano County Senior and Disabled Transportation Summits, Solano Transportation Study for Seniors and People with Disabilities (2011), and four (4) STA Advisory Committees.

Below are the programs that were developed:

1. Countywide ADA In Person Eligibility Program
2. Senior Safe Driving Information
3. Solano Intercity Taxi Scrip
4. Solano Mobility Call Center
5. Travel Training

Travel training programs teach individuals how to ride fixed-route transit services. In some cases, this is in lieu of the more expensive ADA Paratransit system and provides passengers more flexibility. Travel training programs may vary but the overall concept is to teach an individual how to use fixed-route transit either one-on-one or in a group setting. These programs help seniors, persons with disabilities, and people with low-income learn to be more independent and increase their mobility options. There is a continuum of service in regards to travel training. The training will depend on the trainee's condition and can range from several hours to several days depending on the individual's needs.

Following are some examples of how travel training can benefit trainees:

- Seniors who are reducing their driving can learn to take public transit to maintain freedom and independence.
- Students can learn to use public transit to access school or work sites.
- Veterans or low-income residents may need a simple overview of the public transit system.
- People with visual, audio, physical, or other mobility challenges can utilize travel training to acquire transit skills that make it possible for them to use the local system.
- People with cognitive disabilities can use specialized one-on-one travel training over a longer period of time to learn to use public transit safely and independently.

A rider using fixed-route transit will usually experience much more freedom and independence than they would using a Paratransit service. On fixed-route, reservations are not required and riders can travel on the spur of the moment. For transit operators, the savings from shifting a rider from ADA Paratransit service to fixed route transit can be substantial. The cost of an ADA Paratransit trip is generally much higher than a fixed route trip.

Travel Training began in 2014. STA contracted with two non-profits to provide travel training services. One non-profit work focus was on people with cognitive disabilities, and the other non-profits focus was on people with physical disabilities. The travel training program had some postponements due to non-profit staff turnovers and a low volume of referrals. Travel Training universal pass is in place and accepted by all transit operators in Solano County for travel training purposes so the trainer and trainee ride for free. Some field trips will require passes to board. STA staff will inform the travel trainer if passes are needed and the passes can be picked up at the STA office. STA has completed multiple outreach events since the program was implemented. One of the main goals at each outreach event is to bring awareness to new and existing Solano Mobility Programs including Travel Training.

STA is releasing this RFP to meet Federal Transit Administration and Caltrans requirements to contract more than one year at a time.

SECTION 3 - CONFIDENTIALITY SECTION

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SECTION 4 - DISADVANTAGED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DVBE) GOALS

As this project utilizes State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF), the participation goal for DVBE firms has been established at **three percent (3%)**. The STA has the right to deem a proposal as non-responsive if this participation goal has not been met, and documentation demonstrating a good faith effort is judged inadequate.

SECTION 5 - LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY

The STA has adopted a Local Preference Policy which encourages the hiring of local firms. While there is no adopted goal for this Project, firms are still encouraged to utilize the services of local firms in the preparation of a response to this RFP. The STA has prepared a database of contact information for local firms for convenience purposes only and without guarantees as to the ability of such firms to provide the services. This database and the Local Preference Policy can be viewed at <https://sta.ca.gov/operations/rfp-rfq-local-preference/>.

SECTION 6 - SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

The STA intends to contract services to provide travel training to residents in Solano County. STA estimates needing travel trainers to work between 40 to 60 hours a week. Proposals can include part-time travel training, full-time, or any combination. In addition, STA may need to contract to provide travel training services on an on-call basis.

The trainer's schedule is contingent on the needs of the trainee. One-on-one mobility trainers should expect to work non-traditional work hours. For example, if they are teaching a person with a cognitive disability how to get to a day program that starts at 8:30 a.m., the trainer may need to start their workday at 7:00 a.m. The trainer then would need to train the trainee how to get home after the program, which may end at 3:00 p.m. Given this scenario, the trainers would need to schedule an activity such as outreach or work with a person (such as an older adult) who could be flexible on training times in between the first trainee's trips.

Purpose:

Contractor will provide a travel trainer(s) to provide Travel Training services for Solano County residents who want to learn to travel safely and independently using public transportation in Solano County and neighboring cities. The contractor will provide Travel Training services for Solano County residents wanting to learn to travel on any local bus routes in Solano County, Solano Express Intercity Routes, San Francisco Bay Ferry and Capitol Corridor, including transfers to connecting services. Contractor will work with Solano Mobility staff to develop, organize, and conduct travel training field trips to encourage individuals to try transit and attend events to promote Solano Mobility Programs including travel training.

The travel trainer will teach trainees, individual or groups of individuals, a variety of travel skills to facilitate their ability to ride local and regional transportation independently through the multi-day program that is comprehensive and individualized. The travel trainers will work with the trainees to learn transit routes from point A to point B within Solano County and neighboring cities and counties. In addition, the travel trainer will organize and conduct field trips to familiarize Solano County residents with the local and regional bus systems, the Capitol Corridor train, and the San Francisco Bay Ferry, and market and promote the Solano Mobility Programs, including travel training, through presentations.

Contractual Representation Requirement:

The Contractor is hired to perform STA-related outreach and travel training functions **exclusively under this Agreement** and shall not conduct, promote, or represent unrelated business activities while performing services, communicating with the public, or otherwise representing STA. The Contractor shall only provide information, materials, and guidance related to Solano Mobility Programs and shall do so in a manner consistent with STA standards, messaging, and approved program materials.

Billing and Compensation Limitation:

Only time spent performing STA-approved outreach, travel training activities, participant intake and assessment, reporting, preparation associated with approved assignments, and other work authorized under this Agreement shall be billable. Time spent conducting non-STA related activities, performing work not assigned or approved by STA, or promoting unrelated programs or services is **not** eligible for reimbursement.

Weekly Service Expectation:

STA anticipates a program need equivalent to approximately **40 hours per week** of travel training and related outreach services. STA will make every effort to share relevant outreach opportunities and participant referrals to support program activity. The Contractor is responsible for actively pursuing STA-related outreach, travel training, and referral-generating activities to support this level of service.

During periods when fewer referrals or outreach opportunities are available, the Contractor shall remain available to perform **a minimum of 30 hours per week** of STA-related activities. The Contractor may only invoice for hours spent performing STA-approved work.

Accountabilities:

- To provide for the safety of the trainee during all travel training activities.
- To deliver high-quality instructional services consistent with STA standards.
- To represent STA and Solano Mobility Programs accurately and exclusively while performing services under this Agreement.
- To provide required reports, summaries, documentation, and presentations on program progress and outcomes.

SECTION 7 - SCOPE OF WORK TASKS AND DELIVERABLES

Task 1: Meeting with STA

Task 1.1: Review Contract and Grant Requirements

Review tasks and sub-tasks of the contract and FTA 5310 requirements as administered by Caltrans.

Task 1.2: Review Reporting and Invoicing

Review STA expectations of reporting, invoicing and the importance of due dates.

Task 2: Intake & Assessments

Contractor will meet and assess each trainee requesting assistance with travel training. Trainer will assess trainee's transportation-related needs and will identify goals to be met through training.

Goals may include, but are not limited to, moving through indoor and outdoor environments, obeying traffic signals, opening doors, negotiating hills, ramps, curbs, curb cuts, and steps. It will also include a destination for training.

Task 2.1: Conduct Functional and Cognitive Assessment

Evaluate the trainee's ability to travel safely and independently assess the need for consent paperwork for travel training.

Task 2.2: Develop an Individualized Training Program

- a) Develop goals to be accomplished by the end of training sessions.
- b) Conduct environmental analyses on travel routes.
- c) Select a specific round trip from point A to point B using the correct routes.
- d) Develop instructional/ assistive material if needed.
- e) Communicate assessment results with conservator/family if appropriate.

Task 2 Deliverables
1. A travel training plan for the trainee upon completion of assessment.

Task 3: Instructional Services

Task 3.1: Teach Travel and Transportation-Related Skills

- a) Plan and evaluate travel routes.
- b) Provide opportunities for trainees to learn to transfer and generalize travel skills and behaviors.
- c) Teach trip planning skills and strategies including Solano Mobility Call Center trip planning information.
- d) Design and provide pre-travel training and mobility instruction programs; incorporate video instructions into travel training activities when appropriate.

Task 3.2: Teach Safe and Independent Pedestrian Skills

- a) Teach self-advocacy, personal safety in the community, and orientation skills related to traveling independently on public transportation.
- b) Teach strategies to use when lost or confused in transit; including but not limited to assistive maps, guides, etc.

Task 3.3: Information on Passes and Resources

- a) Provide support with accessing technology to facilitate effective communication; including, but not limited to, phone, email, text, internet, TTY, 511, operator-specific mobile applications.
- b) Provide information on Solano Mobility Call Center services and train students to utilize the trip-planning services.
- c) Final session will include registration for a Clipper Card, Regional Transit Connection (RTC) disabled pass if eligible.

Task 3.4: Classroom Travel Training

- a) Provide classroom travel training when requested.
- b) Develop PowerPoint and presentation according to audience (prior STA approval required). Make arrangements to be able to show travel training video.
- c) Distribute Solano Mobility Program information.
- d) Sign in sheet.

Task 3 Deliverables

Provide monthly reports to STA on travel training activities and progress:

1. Monthly Progress Report.
2. Travel Training Assessment Form.
3. Travel Training Checklist for Field Trips, Group/Classroom Training.
4. Travel Training Interest Form.
5. Travel Training Consent Form for Individual Training.
6. Travel Training Consent Form.
7. Narrative of activities.
8. Sign in sheet.

Task 4: Evaluate Trainee & Program

Task 4.1: Evaluate Trainee

Offer continued travel training after the evaluation if necessary and modify the goals and plan as needed.

Task 4.2: Evaluate Travel Training Program

Evaluation activities may include review of trainer documentation, participant feedback, follow-up communications, and coordination with Solano Mobility staff to assess program quality, consistency, and outcomes.

- a) Offer a grievance process with trainees who are unhappy with the service.
- b) Maintain complaint log and resolution.
- c) Provide trainees a comment card at completion of service to be returned directly to STA.
- d) Follow up with trainees 3–6-month post training to evaluate the travel training program effectiveness.

Task 4 Deliverables

1. Summarize and report the effectiveness of program.
2. Provide Complaint Log.
3. Follow Up Summary.

Task 5: Outreach and Promotion

Task 5.1: Identify Outreach Events for STA's Approval

Identify events, meetings, and locations where outreach and promotion of Travel Training and other Solano Mobility Programs would be appropriate. These may include senior or disability-focused community events, residential living facilities, service providers, nonprofit partners, and other venues where potential trainees may be reached.

STA staff will make every effort to share and, when applicable, invite the Contractor to participate in relevant outreach events and activities. These may include community engagements, presentations, and partner meetings where Solano Mobility program information may be beneficial and where Travel Training referrals may be generated.

The Contractor shall also make efforts to identify outreach opportunities encountered during their work in the community and communicate those opportunities to STA staff. This includes opportunities observed during travel trainings, intake activities, field work, contact with community groups, or program inquiries.

All proposed outreach opportunities, whether identified by STA or by the Contractor, shall be **reviewed and approved by STA staff** prior to participation.

To ensure consistency of messaging and avoid duplication of effort, STA staff may assist with coordinating participation, materials, and communication through the **Solano Mobility Call Center**, which serves as the central coordination point for outreach and public engagement related to Solano Mobility Programs.

Task 5.2: Schedule and Present

Upon STA approval, schedule and conduct outreach presentations, attend tabling events, and distribute promotional materials provided by STA. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- a) Senior or disability-focused community events
- b) Senior roundtables
- c) IHSS provider meetings
- d) Presentations at senior residential communities and supportive housing programs
- e) Engagements with nonprofit agencies serving older adults or individuals with disabilities

The Contractor shall ensure accurate representation of Solano Mobility services and promote Travel Training as an available resource.

The Contractor shall be responsible for delivering consistent, STA-approved messaging during all outreach activities.

Attendance expectation: At least **two events per month** for every 20 hours employed; **four events per month** for every 40 hours employed.

Task 5.3: Present Status of Travel Training

Provide updates to STA and advisory committees, including but not limited to the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency and the Paratransit Coordinating Council. Updates may include:

- a) Outreach activities conducted
- b) Referral trends
- c) Training results and outcomes
- d) Observed needs, challenges, and opportunities
- e) Suggestions for improving program reach or effectiveness

Task 5 Deliverables
1. List of proposed outreach events for STA review and approval
2. Sign in sheet of the people who attended the specified event.
3. A brief written summary of activities conducted, including messaging provided, outreach results, and recommended next steps

Task 6: Field Trips

Develop, organize, and conduct field trips to encourage people to become familiar with taking transit.

Task 6.1: Develop Field Trip for STA Approval

- What, When, Where, and How.
- Develop trip planning itinerary to and from destination points.
- Provide information to STA for approval and for STA to design and print flyers and place ads to promote the field trip.

Task 6.2: Post Flyers for Field Trip

Travel Trainer will be responsible for posting and distributing flyers.

Task 6.2: Conduct Field Trip

Travel Trainer will be responsible for conducting field trips, providing brief travel training presentations on the bus, train, and/or ferry, and sharing Solano Mobility information.

(One per month per every 20 hours employed; two per month per every 40 hours employed)

Task 6 Deliverables
1. Field Trip Proposal.
2. Post and Distribute Flyers.
3. Sign in Sheet for People who Participated in Field Trip.
4. Brief Summary of Field Trip Event.

Task 7: Professional Development

Task 7.1: Provide Training for Travel Trainer

Provide pre-service and in-service training for travel trainer.

Task 7.2: Resource Library

Maintain online resource library of travel training videos, take and retain photographs, and other instructional materials for future use.

Task 7.3: Establish Collaborative Relationships

Establish collaborative relationships with disability organization service providers, schools systems, social service agencies, and STA to promote access and use of public transit and provide information on Solano Mobility Programs.

Task 7 Deliverables
1. Pre-Service and In-Service Training Programs.
2. Resource Library.
3. Established collaborative relationships.

Task 8: Invoicing and Reporting

Task 8.1: Invoicing

Invoices must be submitted to STA no later than the 15th of each month.

Task 8.2: Monthly Reporting

- a) Monthly Reports must be submitted to STA no later than the 15th of each month with invoices.
- b) Monthly reports must include detailed description of hours for both outreach and travel training.

Task 8 Deliverables
1. Monthly Invoicing and Reporting Due no later than the 15 th of each month.
2. Detailed descriptions of training and outreach must be included.

SECTION 8 - INSTRUCTION TO PROPOSER

1. **Examination of Proposal Documents:** By submitting a proposal, the proposer represents that it has thoroughly examined and become familiar with the work required under this RFP, and that it is capable of performing the work identified in Scope of Work.
2. **Addenda/Clarifications:** Explanations or clarifications desired by respondents regarding the meaning or interpretation of the RFP may be requested verbally or in writing. All inquiries pertaining to this RFP should be e-mailed to Debbie McQuilkin, Program Manager, at the following email address: dmcquilkin@sta.ca.gov no later than **4:00 PM (local), October 16, 2026**. Responses to all questions submitted by the **October 23, 2026**, deadline that may have a material impact on the proposal will be posted on the STA website at www.sta.ca.gov by **October 23, 2026**. The subject line for questions submitted in writing should include a reference to: **“Questions - STA RFP 2026-06 Travel Trainers for Solano Mobility Programs”**.
3. **Withdrawal of Proposal Submittal:** A proposer may withdraw its proposal at any time before the expiration of the time for submission of proposal submittals as provided in this RFP by delivering to the procurement officer a written request for withdrawal signed by, or on behalf of, the proposer.
4. **Rights of STA:** This RFP does not commit STA to enter into a contract, nor does it obligate STA to pay for any costs incurred in preparation and submission of the proposal or in anticipation of a contract.

STA may investigate the qualifications of any proposer under consideration, require confirmation of information furnished by the proposer, and require additional evidence or qualifications to perform the services described in this RFP.

STA, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to:

- Reject any or all proposal submittals.
- Issue one or more subsequent RFQs and/or RFPs.
- Postpone opening for its own convenience.
- Remedy technical errors in the RFQ and/or RFP process.
- Approve or disapprove the use of particular subcontractors.

- Negotiate with any, all, or none of the proposers responding to this RFP.
- Solicit best and final offers from all or some of the proposers.
- Award a contract to one or more proposers.
- Waive informalities and irregularities in any proposal.

5. *Method of Payment:* Method of payment for this project is Actual Cost. The submitted cost proposal (submitted separate from the technical proposal) must be in an appropriate format.

Proposers shall be prepared to accept the terms and conditions of STA's standard form contract included as **ATTACHMENT A** (STA Sample Contract with Federal and State Clauses) hereto. If a proposer desires to take exception to the agreement, the proposer shall provide the following information as a section of the proposal identified as "Exceptions to the Agreement":

- a. Proposer shall clearly identify each proposed change to the agreement, including all relevant exhibits and attachments.
- b. Proposer shall furnish the reasons therefore as well as specific recommendations for alternative language.

The above factors will be taken into account in evaluating proposals. Substantial exceptions to the agreement may be determined by STA, at its sole discretion, to be unacceptable and STA may proceed with negotiations with the other proposed firms.

SECTION 9 - RFP SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Please prepare your proposals in accordance with the following requirements.

- 1. *Proposals:*** Shall not exceed a total of 12 single-sided, 8.5" x 11" pages.
- 2. *Transmittal Letter:*** The proposal shall be transmitted with a cover letter describing the contractor's interest and commitment to the proposed project(s). The letter shall state that the proposals shall be valid for a two-year period and should include the name, title, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the individual to whom correspondence and other contacts should be directed to the consultant selection process. The person authorized by the firm to negotiate a contract with STA shall sign the cover letter.

Address the cover letter as follows:

**Debbie McQuilkin, Program Manager
Solano Transportation Authority
423 Main Street
Suisun City, California 94585**

- 3. *Project(s) Understanding:*** This section shall clearly convey the consultant understands the nature of the work, including coordination with and approvals from STA and other agencies.
- 4. *Approach:*** This section shall provide the firm's proposed approach for providing the services.

5. ***Qualifications and Experience:*** The proposal shall provide the qualifications and experience of the person or team that will be available for these services. Proposers should demonstrate experience providing travel training or instructional services to older adults, individuals with disabilities, or new transit riders, and familiarity with public transportation systems. Please emphasize the specific qualifications and experience from projects similar in complexity to this project.
6. ***Additional Relevant Information:*** Provide additional relevant information that maybe helpful in the selection process (not to exceed the equivalent of 2 single-sided pages).
7. ***References:*** Provide at least three references (names and current phone numbers) from recent work (previous three years) similar to this project. Include a brief description of each the services associated with the reference, and the role of the respective team member.
8. ***Work Plan Hours:*** Provide a sample Work Plan for each of the tasks and subtask listed in Section 2 above and indicate the number of anticipated hours by the Travel Trainer and Manager (if included in proposal) per task. The estimated level of hours for other staff, if anticipated, can be summarized in general categories (sample template is provided).
9. ***Cost Proposal:*** A cost proposal for each of the tasks and the sub-tasks in Section 2 is required. This information can be provided in the Work Plan by identifying the cost per hour for administration, travel trainer (sample template is provided that can be used or proposer can use their own). STA has estimated the cost to not exceed \$100,000 per year for two years.
10. ***Submittal of Qualification:*** Three (3) copies and one USB of your proposal are due at the STA offices no later than **4:00 pm Monday, November 30, 2026**. Envelopes or packages containing the proposals should be clearly marked, **“Proposals Enclosed.”**

SECTION 10 - SELECTION PROCESS AND PROJECT SCHEDULE

The overall process will be to evaluate the technical components of all the qualifications with a potential interview completely independent from the cost component. STA intends to award this contract based on “Best Value”. “Best value” describes a competitive, negotiated procurement process whereby an agency reserves the right to select the offer deemed most advantageous and of greatest value to the agency. The award selection is based upon consideration of a combination of technical factors such that a recipient may acquire technical superiority. Accordingly, the qualifications and potential interview will be evaluated and scored on a 100-point total basis using the following criteria:

1. Qualifications and specific experience of key personnel providing travel training (25 points).
2. Project understanding and approach, including an understanding of STA, Transit Operators in Solano County, Caltrans grant requirements and MTC. Including reviews, approvals, and coordination processes. (20 points)
3. Experience working with vulnerable individuals including the elderly and people with physical and cognitive disabilities (15 points).
4. Capacity to provide key personnel and resources at varying work schedule and location (15 points).

5. Consultant experience with similar types of projects (15 points)
6. Satisfaction of previous clients. (10 points)

STA may interview the prospective contractors after reviewing the qualifications. Should interviews be held, they would be on or about the week of **December 14, 2026**. The proposed Project Manager and/or Lead shall attend the interview. The evaluation/interview panel may include representatives from STA and other agencies, but the specific composition of the panel will not be revealed prior to the interviews. Costs for travel expenses and proposal preparation shall be borne by the consultant(s).

Once the contractor has been selected, STA staff will start contract negotiations. The STA reserves the right to award a contract to one consultant for all sub-tasks or separate contracts for each of the subtasks depending on the skill and qualifications of the consultants.

Friday, October 2, 2026	RFP Issued
October 16, 2026	Questions concerning the RFP mailed to Dmcquilkin@sta.ca.gov no later than October 16, 2026
October 23, 2026	All questions and answers will be posted on the STA website
<u>Monday, November 30, 2026.</u>	<u>Proposals are due no later than 4:00 PM</u> at the offices of the Solano Transportation Authority, 423 Main Street, Suisun City, CA 94585. <i>Late submittals will not be accepted.</i>
On or about week of December 14, 2026	Tentative panel interview date. STA selects recommended firm.
On or about week of December 28, 2026	Consultants notified of selection

If you have any questions regarding this RFP, please contact:

Debbie McQuilkin,
Program Manager
dmcquilkin@sta.ca.gov

Project Description: Provide Travel Training to Residents in Solano County

1. This Contract is entered into between the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) and the Contractor named below:

Contractor's Name:

Business Form:

2. The Term of this Contract is: From date of execution of contract to _____, or earlier terminated or extended by agreement of the Parties.

3. The maximum amount of this Contract is: _____

4. The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the following exhibits which are by this reference made a part of this Contract and incorporated as though set forth in full:

- Exhibit A – Scope of Work and Documents related to Project Description and Contractor's Performance.
- Exhibit B – Budget Detail and Payment Provisions
- Exhibit C – General Terms and Conditions
- Exhibit D – Special Terms and Conditions (Caltrans/State Funds)
- Exhibit E – Required Provisions (Federal Transit Administration and California Department of Transportation)

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISES CONTAINED IN THIS CONTRACT, THE PARTIES HAVE EXECUTED THIS CONTRACT ON THE ____ DAY OF _____, 20__.

SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

CONTRACTOR

By:

ROBERT Z. GUERRERO, Interim Executive Director

By:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:

MEGAN J. CALLAWAY, STA Legal Counsel

STA Contact Information

Robert Z. Guerrero, Interim Executive Director
Solano Transportation Authority
423 Main Street
Suisun City, CA 94585
Attn: Debbie McQuilkin, Program Manager
Telephone: (707) 424-6075
Fax: (707) 424-6074

Contractor Contact Information

CONTRACT MUST BE EXECUTED BEFORE WORK CAN COMMENCE

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

1. Contractor shall perform those services specified here. Contractor's services are described in various attachments and exhibits, each of which is incorporated into this Contract by this reference which define and describe the Project to be undertaken by Contractor. STA has materially relied upon the representations of Contractor as may have been made in STA's selection of Contractor for this Project. Contractor agrees to perform or secure the performance of all specified services in their entirety within the maximum payment specified. Said Scope of Services comprises, and includes, the following documents:
 - a. STA staff report to the STA Board dated _____ and approved by the STA Board on _____;
 - b. STA'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL/QUALIFICATIONS (STA Project No. _____);
 - c. Contractor's written response to the Request for Proposal/Qualifications for the Project dated _____;
 - d. Contractor's Cost Proposal; and, further all statements and representations of Contractor made during their presentation to STA's selection board and to the officers and employees of STA who have participated in the determination to contract with Contractor for this Project. Those documents, presentations and discussions are material representations upon which STA has relied in selecting and contracting with Contractor and shall be utilized in any matter in which interpretation of this Contract is required.

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BUDGET DETAIL AND PAYMENT PROVISIONS

A. Compensation. This is a “not to exceed” contract. Contractor shall be paid, as full compensation for the satisfactory completion of the work, in amount not to exceed _____ as set forth on Contractor’s “Cost/Fee Proposal” which includes all applicable surcharges such as taxes, insurance, and fringe benefits, and allowable indirect costs, overhead and profit allowance, subcontractor’s costs, travel, materials and supplies.

B. Progress Payments. Payment for Contractor’s services shall be due under the approved payment schedule upon acceptance by Project Manager of those deliverables marking completion of a portion of the Project and as invoiced under Contractor’s proposal.

C. Maximum Payment. Subject only to duly executed amendments, it is expressly understood and agreed that the total compensation will not exceed the sums set forth in this Contract unless under written amendment of this Contract approved by the STA Board.

D. Method of Payment. Monthly reports must be submitted to STA no later than the **15th of each month** with invoices. Contractor shall submit an invoice identifying the Project deliverable, with a detailed description of hours for both outreach and travel training for which payment is sought, no later than fifteen (15) days of each month. Payment shall be made by STA within thirty (30) days of receipt of an acceptable invoice, approved by the Project Manager or a designated representative.

All invoices shall be emailed to accountspayable@sta.ca.gov and addressed as follows:

Robert Z. Guerrero, Interim Executive Director
Solano Transportation Authority
423 Main Street
Suisun City, CA 94575
Attn: Debbie McQuilkin, Program Manager

E. Cost/Fee Proposal If Contractor has submitted a written Cost/Fee Proposal or Summary, that document is attached here to as Attachment 1 to Exhibit B and incorporated into this Exhibit as though set forth in full.

EXHIBIT C

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Conflict with Caltrans Or Federal Provisions

Where Caltrans or Federal funds are involved, those Caltrans or Federal provisions shall control over a General Term or Condition.

2. Closing out

STA will pay Contractor's final claim for payment providing Contractor has completed all obligations undertaken under this Contract. Contractor is responsible for STA's receipt of a final claim for payment sixty (60) days after termination or completion of this Contract.

3. Time

Time is of the essence in all terms and conditions of this Contract.

4. Time of Performance

Work will not begin, nor claims paid for services under this Contract until all Certificates of Insurance, business and professional licenses/certificates, IRS ID number, signed W-9 form, or other applicable licenses or certificates are on file with STA's Contract Manager.

5. Termination

A. This Contract may be terminated by STA or Contractor, at any time, with or without cause, upon thirty (30) days written notice from one to the other.

B. STA may terminate this Contract immediately upon notice of Contractor's malfeasance.

C. Following termination, STA will reimburse Contractor for all expenditures made in good faith that are unpaid at the time of termination not to exceed the maximum amount payable under this Contract unless Contractor is in default of the Contract.

6. Signature Authority

The parties executing this Contract certify they have the proper authority to bind their respective entities to all terms and conditions in this Contract.

7. Warranty

A. STA relies upon Contractor's professional ability and training as a material inducement to enter into this Contract. Contractor warrants that Contractor will perform the work according to generally accepted professional practices and standards and the requirements of applicable federal, state and local laws. STA's acceptance of Contractor's work shall not constitute a waiver or release of Contractor from professional responsibility.

B. Contractor further warrants that Contractor possesses current valid appropriate licensure, including, but not limited to, drivers license, professional license, certificate of tax-exempt status, or permits, required to perform the work under this Contract.

8. Best Efforts

Contractor warrants that Contractor will faithfully, industriously and to the best of his/her/its ability, experience and talent, perform to STA's reasonable satisfaction.

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9. Default

A. If Contractor defaults in Contractor's performance, STA shall promptly notify Contractor in writing. If Contractor fails to cure a default within thirty (30) days after notification, or if the default requires over thirty (30) days to cure and Contractor fails to commence to cure the default within thirty (30) days after notification, then Contractor's failure shall terminate this Contract.

B. If Contractor fails to cure default within the specified period of time, STA may elect to cure the default and any expense incurred shall be payable by Contractor to STA.

C. If STA serves Contractor with a notice of default and Contractor fails to cure the default, Contractor waives any further notice of termination of this Contract.

D. If this Contract is terminated because of Contractor's default, STA shall be entitled to recover from Contractor all damages allowed by law.

10. Indemnification

Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the STA, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers against all actions, causes of actions, damages, costs, liabilities, claims, losses, judgments, penalties and expenses of every type and description, including without limitation any fees and/or costs reasonably incurred by STA's staff attorneys or contract attorneys and any and all costs, fees and expenses incurred in enforcing this provision (collectively referred to as "liabilities"), arising out of or for any negligent act or omission, misconduct or other legal fault of Contractor, its officers, employees, sub-contractors, subcontractors or agents in connection with the performance or nonperformance of this Contract, whether or not STA accepted or approved any service or work product performed or provided by Contractor, and whether or not such liabilities are litigated, settled or reduced to judgment. If a final decision or judgment allocates liability by determining any portion of damages awarded is attributable to STA's negligence or willful misconduct, STA shall pay the portion of damages allocated to STA's negligence or willful misconduct, provided that STA shall not be liable for any passive negligence of STA, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers in reviewing, accepting or approving any service or work product performed or provided by Contractor.

Contractor shall, upon STA's request, defend with counsel approved by STA (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld), at Contractor's sole cost and expense, any action, claim, suit, cause of action or portion which asserts or alleges liabilities resulting from any allegedly negligent act, omission, misconduct or other legal fault of Contractor, its officers, employees, sub-contractors, subcontractors or agents in connection with the performance or nonperformance of this Contract, whether or not such action, claim, suit, cause of action or portion is well founded or lacking in merit.

Acceptance of insurance certificates or endorsements required under Exhibit C of this Contract does not relieve Contractor from liability under this Section 10 and shall apply to all damages and claims of every kind suffered, or alleged to have been suffered, by Contractor's negligence, misconduct, or other legal fault whether such insurance policies shall have been determined to apply to such damages or claims for damages. This Section shall survive any termination of this Contract.

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11. Insurance Requirements

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract the following insurance:

Minimum Scope of Insurance:

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage ("occurrence" form CG 0001).
2. Insurance Services Office form number CA 0001 (Ed. 1/87) covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto). If Contractor owns no vehicles, this requirement may be satisfied by a non-owned auto endorsement to the general liability policy described above. If Contractor or Contractor's employees will use personal autos on this project, Contractor shall obtain evidence of personal auto liability coverage for each person.
3. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the State of California and Employer's Liability insurance.
4. Errors and Omissions liability insurance appropriate to the Contractor's profession. Architect's and engineers' coverage is endorsed to include contractual liability.

Minimum Limits of Insurance:

CONTRACTOR shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability: \$2,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. Automobile Liability: \$2,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage, combined single limit.
3. Employer's Liability: \$2,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease, and in the aggregate.
4. Errors and Omissions Liability: \$1,000,000 on a claims made basis.

Deductibles and Self-Insurance Retentions:

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding \$50,000 must be declared to and approved by the STA. At the option of STA, either: the Contractor shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions regarding the STA, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers; or Contractor shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the STA guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.

Other Insurance Provisions:

The general liability and automobile liability policies must contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. The STA, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers be covered as insureds regarding the liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or for the Contractor, and regarding liability arising out of work or operations by or for the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished with such work or

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operations. General liability coverage can be in an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance or as a separate owner's policy.

2. For any claims related to this project, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the STA, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the STA, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
3. Should the above described policies be cancelled prior to the policies' expiration date, Contractor agrees that notice of cancellation will be delivered under the policy provisions.

Acceptability of Insurers:

Insurance is placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to STA.

Verification of Coverage:

Contractor shall furnish STA with original certificate and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements should be on forms provided by the STA or on other than the STA's forms, provided those endorsements or policies conform to the requirements stated in this clause. All certificates and endorsements must be received and approved by the STA before work commences. STA reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements effecting coverage required by these specifications.

All insurance documents are to be sent to:

Solano Transportation Authority
Attn: Finance and Budget Manager
423 Main Street
Suisun City, CA 94585

Sub-Contractors:

Contractor shall include all sub-contractors as insureds under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each sub-contractor. All coverages for sub-contractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated above unless specifically waived by STA in writing.

Forms of Endorsement:

Endorsements shall include the following provisions. STA understands and agrees that variations in language may occur:

THIS ENDORSEMENT, EFFECTIVE _____ A.M. _____,
202__, FOR POLICY NUMBER _____, IS ISSUED TO THE
SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BY
_____ FOR (PROJECT DESCRIPTION OR
TITLE) _____.

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ADDITIONAL INSURED

IT IS UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THE STA, ITS OFFICERS, OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NAMED AS ADDITIONAL INSURED ON THE GENERAL AND AUTOMOTIVE LIABILITY INSURANCES.

PRIMARY INSURANCE

IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THIS POLICY SHALL BE CONSIDERED PRIMARY INSURANCE AS RESPECTS ANY OTHER VALID AND COLLECTIBLE INSURANCE THE STA MAY POSSESS, INCLUDING ANY SELF INSURED RETENTION THE STA MAY HAVE, AND ANY OTHER INSURANCE THE STA DOES POSSESS SHALL BE CONSIDERED EXCESS INSURANCE ONLY.

CANCELLATION CLAUSE

THIRTY (30) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE OF CANCELLATION SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE STA IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION AND/OR REDUCTION IN COVERAGE OF ANY NATURE. SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE SENT TO:

Solano Transportation Authority
Attn: Finance and Budget Manager
423 Main Street
Suisun City, CA 94585

THIS PARAGRAPH SUPERSEDES THE CANCELLATION CLAUSE IN THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Authorized Representative

12. Independent Contractor

A. Contractor is an independent contractor and not an agent, officer or employee of STA. The parties mutually understand that this Contract is by and between two independent contractors and is not intended to and shall not be construed to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture or association.

B. Contractor shall have no claim against STA for employee rights or benefits including, but not limited to, seniority, vacation time, vacation pay, sick leave, personal time off, overtime, medical, dental or hospital benefits, retirement benefits, Social Security, disability, Workers' Compensation, unemployment insurance benefits, civil service protection, disability retirement benefits, paid holidays or other paid leaves of absence.

C. Contractor is solely obligated to pay all applicable taxes, deductions and other obligations including, but not limited to, federal and state income taxes, withholding, Social Security, unemployment, disability insurance, Workers' Compensation and Medicare payments. Contractor shall indemnify and hold STA harmless from any liability which STA may incur because of Contractor's failure to pay such obligations.

D. As an independent contractor, Contractor is not subject to the direction and control of STA except as to the final result contracted for under this Contract. STA may not require Contractor to

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change Contractor's manner of doing business, but may require redirection of efforts to fulfill this Contract.

E. Contractor may provide services to others during the same period Contractor provides service to STA under this Contract.

F. Any third persons employed by Contractor shall be under Contractor's exclusive direction, supervision and control. Contractor shall determine all conditions of employment including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring and discharging or any other condition of employment.

G. As an independent contractor, Contractor shall indemnify and hold STA harmless from any claims that may be made against STA based on any contention by a third party that an employer-employee relationship exists under this Contract.

H. Contractor, with full knowledge and understanding of the foregoing, freely, knowingly, willingly and voluntarily waives the right to assert any claim to any right or benefit or term or condition of employment insofar as they may be related to or arise from compensation paid hereunder.

13. Commitment of Key Contractor Personnel

In recognition of the special skill of Contractor's proposed "Project Team", if such a team has been proposed, STA has relied upon the commitment by Contractor of certain key personnel assigned to this work by Contractor and an estimate of the commitment of their time to this Project, all as set forth in Contractor's Proposal found in Exhibit B. Substitution of any key personnel or a decrease in the commitment of time to be provided to the Project by such personnel of more than 10% requires the prior written approval of STA. Contractor shall maintain records documenting compliance with this Article, which shall be subject to the audit requirements.

14. Responsibilities of Contractor

A. The parties understand and agree that Contractor possesses the requisite skills necessary to perform the work under this Contract and STA relies upon such skills. Contractor pledges to perform the work skillfully and professionally. STA's acceptance of Contractor's work does not constitute a release of Contractor from professional responsibility.

B. Contractor verifies that Contractor has reviewed the scope of work to be performed under this Contract and agrees that in Contractor's professional judgment, the work can and shall be completed for costs within the maximum amount set forth in this Contract.

C. To fully comply with the terms and conditions of this Contract, Contractor shall:

(1) Establish and maintain a system of accounts for budgeted funds that complies with generally accepted accounting principles for government agencies;

(2) Document all costs by maintaining complete and accurate records of all financial transactions associated with this Contract, including, but not limited to, invoices and other official documentation that sufficiently support all charges under this Contract;

(3) Submit monthly reimbursement claims for expenditures that directly benefit Solano County;

(4) Be liable for repayment of any disallowed costs identified through quarterly reports, audits, monitoring or other sources; and

(5) Retain financial, programmatic, client data and other service records for 4 years from the end of the contract award or for 4 years from termination, whichever is later.

15. Compliance with Law

A. Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws and regulations applicable to Contractor's performance, including, but not limited to, licensing, employment and purchasing practices, wages, hours and conditions of employment.

B. Contractor warrants that all Contractor claims for payment or reimbursement by STA will

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comply with the applicable Office of Management and Budget Circulars, particularly with respect to 2 CFR Part 225 and 2 CFR Part 230, as currently enacted or as may be amended throughout the term of this Contract.

16. Confidentiality

A. Contractor shall prevent unauthorized disclosure of names and other STA-identifying information, except for statistical information not identifying a particular project.

B. Contractor shall not use STA-specific information for any purpose other than carrying out Contractor's obligations under this Contract.

C. Contractor shall promptly transmit to STA all requests for disclosure of confidential information.

D. Except as otherwise permitted by this Contract or authorized by the STA, Contractor shall not disclose any confidential information to anyone other than the State without prior written authorization from STA.

E. For purposes of this section, identity shall include, but not be limited to, name, identifying number, symbol or other client identifying particulars, such as fingerprints, voice print or photograph.

17. Conflict of Interest

A. Contractor warrants that Contractor and/or Contractor's employees and/or their immediate families and/or Board of Directors and/or officers have no interest, including, but not limited to, other projects or independent contracts, and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, including separate contracts for the work to be performed hereunder, which conflicts with the rendering of services under this Contract. Contractor shall employ or retain no such person while rendering services under this Contract. Services rendered by Contractor's associates or employees shall not relieve Contractor from personal responsibility under this clause.

B. Contractor has an affirmative duty to disclose to STA in writing the name(s) of any person(s) who have an actual, potential or apparent conflict of interest.

18. Drug Free Workplace

Contractor warrants Contractor is knowledgeable of Government Code section 8350 et seq., regarding a drug free workplace and shall abide by and implement its statutory requirements.

19. Health and Safety Standards

Contractor shall abide by all health and safety standards set forth by the State of California and/or the STA under the Injury and Illness Prevention Program. If applicable, Contractor must receive all health and safety information and training.

20. Audits and Inspection of Record

- a. Contractor shall permit STA and its/their authorized representatives to have access to Contractor's books, records, accounts, and any and all work products, materials, and other data relevant to this Contract, including Contractor's place of business, to make an audit, examination, excerpt and transcription during the term of this Contract and for a period of four (4) years. Contractor shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter, or mutilate said books, records, accounts, work products, materials and data for that period of time.
- b. Contractor further agrees to include in all its subcontracts a provision to the effect that the subcontractor agrees that STA or its/their duly authorized representatives shall have access to and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of such subcontractor for the term of this Contract.

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- c. The State, the State Auditor, the STA, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), or any duly authorized representative of the federal government shall have access to any books, records and documents of the Contractor pertinent to the contract for audit, examination, excerpts, and transactions, and copies shall be furnished if requested. This provision shall apply to subcontractors.

21. Nondiscrimination

A. In rendering services under this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations and shall not discriminate based on age, ancestry, color, gender, marital status, medical condition, national origin, physical or mental disability, race, religion, sexual orientation, or other protected status.

B. Further, Contractor shall not discriminate against its employees, which includes, but is not limited to, employment upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

22. Subcontractor and Assignment

A. Services under this Contract are deemed to be personal services.

B. Contractor shall not subcontract any work under this Contract nor assign this Contract or monies due without the prior written consent of the STA's Project Manager, subject to any required state or federal approval.

C. If STA consents to the use of Subcontractors, Contractor shall require and verify that its subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated in Section 11 above.

D. Any substitution of subconsultant(s) must be approved in writing by STA's Project Manager prior to the start of work by the subconsultant(s).

E. If Contractor enters into one or more subcontracts under this Contract, Contractor agrees that the participating sub-contractors shall be solely and directly responsible to Contractor, and STA shall have no obligation to them

F. Any subcontract in excess of \$25,000 entered into as a result of this Contract shall contain all the provisions stipulated in this Contract to be applicable to subconsultants.

G. Assignment by Contractor of any monies due shall not constitute an assignment of the Contract.

23. Unforeseen Circumstances

Contractor is not responsible for any delay caused by natural disaster, war, civil disturbance, labor dispute or other cause beyond Contractor's reasonable control, provided Contractor gives written notice to STA of the cause of the delay within ten (10) days of the start of the delay.

24. Ownership of Documents

A. STA shall be the owner of and shall be entitled to possession of any computations, plans, correspondence or other pertinent data and information gathered by or computed by Contractor prior to termination of this Contract by STA or upon completion of the work pursuant to this Contract.

B. No material prepared in connection with the project shall be subject to copyright in the United States or in any other country.

25. Notice

A. Any notice necessary to the performance of this Contract shall be given in writing by personal delivery or by prepaid first-class mail addressed as stated on the first page of this Contract.

B. If notice is given by personal delivery, notice is effective as of the date of personal delivery. If notice is given by mail, notice is effective as of the day following the date of mailing or the

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date of delivery reflected upon a return receipt, whichever occurs first.

26. STA's Obligation Subject to Availability of Funds

A. The STA's obligation under this Contract is subject to the availability of authorized funds. The STA may terminate the Contract, or any part of the Contract work, without prejudice to any right or remedy of the STA, for lack of appropriation of funds. If expected or actual funding is withdrawn, reduced or limited prior to the expiration date in this Contract, or any subsequent Amendment, the STA may, upon written Notice to the Contractor, terminate this Contract in whole or in part.

B. Payment shall not exceed the amount allowable for appropriation by the STA Board. If the Contract is terminated for non-appropriation:

i. The STA will be liable only for payment under the terms for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination; and

ii. The Contractor shall be released from any obligation to provide further services under this Contract affected by the termination.

C. Funding for this Contract beyond the current appropriation year is conditional upon appropriation by the STA Board of sufficient funds to support the activities described in this Contract. Should such an appropriation not be approved, this Contract will terminate at the close of the current Appropriation Year.

D. This Contract is void and unenforceable if all or part of federal or State funds applicable to this Contract are not available to STA. If applicable funding is reduced, STA may either:

- (1) Cancel this Contract; or,
- (2) Offer a contract amendment reflecting the reduced funding.

27. Changes and Amendments

A. STA may request changes in Contractor's scope of services. Any mutually agreed upon changes, including any increase or decrease for Contractor's compensation, shall be effective when incorporated in written amendments to this Contract.

B. The party desiring the revision shall request amendments to the terms and conditions of this Contract in writing. Any adjustment to this Contract shall be effective only upon the parties' mutual execution of an amendment in writing.

C. No verbal Contracts or conversations prior to execution of this Contract or requested Amendment shall affect or modify any of the terms or conditions of this Contract unless reduced to writing according to the applicable provisions of this Contract.

28. Choice of Law

The parties have executed and delivered this Contract in the County of Solano, State of California. The laws of the State of California shall govern the validity, enforceability or interpretation of this Contract. Solano County shall be the venue for any action or proceeding, in law or equity that may be brought in connection with this Contract.

29. Waiver

Any failure of a party to assert any right under this Contract shall not constitute a waiver or a termination of that right, under this Contract or any provision.

30. Conflicts in the Contract Documents

The Contract documents are complementary and interpreted in harmony so as to avoid conflict. If a conflict occurs in the Contract documents, the parties agree that the document providing the highest quality and level of service to the STA shall supersede any inconsistent term in these documents.

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31. Disbarment or Suspension of Contractor

A. Contractor warrants that its officers, directors and employees (i) are not currently excluded, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in state or federal transportation related projects and programs; (ii) have not been convicted of a criminal offense related to the provision of consultant services but have not yet been excluded, debarred, or otherwise declared ineligible to participate in state or federal transportation related programs or projects, and (iii) are not, to the best of its knowledge, under investigation or otherwise aware of any circumstances which may result in Contractor being excluded from participation in state or federal transportation related projects or programs.

B. This representation and warranty shall be an ongoing representation and warranty during the term of this Contract and Contractor must immediately notify the STA of any change in the status of the representations and warranty set forth in this section.

32. Execution in Counterparts; Signatures by Facsimile or PDF; Electronic Signatures

This Contract may be executed in duplicate originals, each of which is deemed an original, but when taken together shall constitute one instrument. Facsimile copies or copies delivered via e-mail as a portable document format (pdf) file shall be deemed original copies.

As permitted under the U.S. Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce (ESIGN) Act of 2000, and the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA), the Parties hereby agree to conduct this transaction by electronic means. This Contract may be executed through an electronic signature and may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The Parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this Contract are intended by each Party using it to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

33. Entire Contract

This Contract, including any exhibits referenced, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and there are no inducements, promises, terms, conditions or obligations made or entered into by STA or Contractor other than those contained.

EXHIBIT D

CALTRANS/STATE FUNDING CONTRACT PROVISIONS

1. DATA FURNISHED BY STA; CONFIDENTIALITY OF DATA

All data, reports, surveys, studies, drawings, software (object or source code), electronic databases, and any other information, documents or materials (“STA Data”) provided to Contractor by STA for use by Contractor to perform its services under this Contract shall remain the property of STA and shall be returned to STA at the completion or termination of this Contract. No license to such STA Data, outside of the Scope of Work of the Project, is conferred or implied by Contractor’s use or possession of such STA Data. Any updates, revisions, additions or enhancements to such STA Data made by Contractor in the Project shall be the property of STA and subject to this Contract.

All financial, statistical, personnel, technical, or other data and information relative to the STA’s operations, and designated confidential by the STA and provided to the Contractor to carry out this contract, shall be protected by the Contractor from unauthorized use and disclosure. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or at a public hearing held by the STA and relating to the contract, shall not authorize Contractor to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.

The Contractor shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the contract or the STA’s actions on the same, except to the STA’s staff, Contractor’s own personnel involved to perform the contract, at public hearings or in response to questions from a Legislative Committee. The Contractor shall issue no news release or public relations item of any nature regarding the work performed or to be performed under this Contract without prior review of the contents by the STA and receipt of STA’s written permission.

Any subcontract entered into because of this Contract shall be subject to all this Section.

2. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCTS

All drawings, designs, specifications, manuals, reports, studies, surveys, models, software, source code and source code documentation, documentation or system architecture and any other documents, materials, data and products (“Work Products”) prepared or assembled and furnished to STA by CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors under this Contract shall be the property of STA, and copies shall be delivered to STA promptly upon completion of the work or upon an earlier termination of this Contract. CONTRACTOR assigns to STA ownership of all right, title and interest in such Work Products, including ownership of the entire copyright in the Work Products. CONTRACTOR also agrees to execute all papers necessary for STA to perfect its ownership of the entire copyright in the Work Products. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the preservation of any and all such Work Products prior to transmittal to STA, and CONTRACTOR shall replace any such Work Products lost, destroyed, or damaged while in its possession without additional cost to STA.

3. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

To the extent this Contract provides for the purchase of equipment, Contractor agrees to abide by the following:

- a. Prior authorization in writing, by the STA’s Director of Projects shall be required before the CONTRACTOR enters into any unbudgeted or additional contract, purchase order or subcontract exceeding \$5,000, for supplies, equipment or additional Contractor services beyond those contained in the scope of work and cost proposal, if any, and, further, CONTRACTOR shall provide an evaluation to the STA of the necessity or desirability or incurring such costs prior to any approval by the STA for the additional expenditure(s).

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b. For purchase of any item, service or consulting work not covered by CONTRACTOR'S Cost Proposal for which CONTRACTOR seeks reimbursement beyond the Cost Proposal, and which exceed \$5,000.00, the CONTRACTOR shall both receive prior authorization from the STA's Director of Projects including submission of three competitive quotations or adequate justification presented for any absence of such quotations. Any equipment purchased because of this contract is subject to the following provision:

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain an inventory of all nonexpendable property. Nonexpendable property is defined as having a useful life of at least two years and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more. If the purchased equipment needs replacement and is sold or traded in, the STA shall receive proper refund or credit at the conclusion of the contract, or if the contract is terminated, the CONTRACTOR may either keep the equipment and credit the STA in an amount to the fair market value, or sell such equipment at the best price obtainable at a public or private sale, under established STA procedures; and credit the STA in an amount equal to the sales price. If the CONTRACTOR elects to keep the equipment, fair market value shall be determined at the CONTRACTOR'S expense, on the basis of a competent independent appraisal of such equipment. Appraisals shall be obtained from an appraiser mutually agreeable to by the STA and the CONTRACTOR. If it is determined to sell the equipment, the terms and conditions of such sale must be approved in advance by the STA.

4. SOLICITATION OF CONTRACT

Contractor warrants it has not employed or retained any company or persons, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Contractor, to solicit or secure this Contract, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any company or person other than bona fide employees working solely for Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of the Contract. For breach or violation of this warranty, STA shall have the right to terminate the Contract without liability or, at its discretion, the right to deduct from Contractor's maximum payment the full such fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or contingent consideration.

EXHIBIT E

SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO FEDERAL FUNDING

**FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REQUIRED PROVISIONS**

For All Third-Party Contract Awards Excluding Micro-Purchases, Except Construction Contracts Exceeding \$2,000.00

No Obligation to Third-Parties by use of a Disclaimer

- A. No Federal Government Obligation to Third Parties. The CONTRACTOR agrees that, absent of the Federal Government's express written consent, the Federal Government shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to any contractor, any third-party contractor, or any other person not a party to the Grant Agreement in connection with the performance of the PROJECT. Notwithstanding any concurrence provided by the Federal Government in or approval of any solicitation, or third-party agreement, the Federal Government continues to have no obligation or liabilities to any party, including the CONTRACTOR or third-party contractor.
- B. Third-Party Contracts and Subagreements Affected. To the extent applicable, federal requirements extend to third-party contractors and their contracts at every tier, and to the subagreements of third-party contractors and the subagreements at every tier. Accordingly, the CONTRACTOR agrees to include, and to require its third-party contractors to include appropriate clauses in each third-party contract and each subagreement financed in whole or in part with financial assistance provided by the FTA.
- C. No Relationship between the California Department of Transportation and Third-Party Contractors. Nothing contained in this Contract or otherwise, shall create any contractual relationship, obligation or liability between the California Department of Transportation and any third-party contractors, and no third-party contract shall relieve the CONTRACTOR of his responsibilities and obligations hereunder. The CONTRACTOR agrees to be fully responsible to the AWARDING AGENCY for the acts and omissions of its third-party contractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR'S obligation to pay its third-party contractors is an independent obligation from the AWARDING AGENCY's obligation to make payments to the CONTRACTOR. As a result, the California Department of Transportation shall have no obligation to pay or to enforce the payment of any moneys to any third-party contractor.
- D. Obligations on Behalf of the California Department of Transportation. The CONTRACTOR shall have no authority to contract for or on behalf of, or incur obligations on behalf of the California Department of Transportation.
- E. AWARDING AGENCY Approval of Subagreements. The AWARDING AGENCY shall approve in writing all proposed Subagreements, Memorandums of Understanding (MOU), or similar documents relating to the performance of the Contract prior to implementation. The CONTRACTOR agrees that it will not enter into any Subagreements unless the same are approved in writing by the AWARDING AGENCY. Any proposed amendments or modifications to such Subagreements must be approved by the AWARDING AGENCY prior to implementation.

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Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

- A. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. Section 3801 et seq. and US Department of Transportation regulations, “Program Fraud Civil Remedies,” 49 CFR Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this PROJECT. Upon execution of an underlying contract, the CONTRACTOR certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, and pertaining to the underlying contract or the federally assisted PROJECT for which this contracted work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the CONTRACTOR further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 in the CONTRACTOR to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.
- B. The CONTRACTOR also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a PROJECT that is financed in whole or in part with federal assistance originally awarded by the FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. Section 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and 49 U.S.C. Section 5307(n)(1) on the CONTRACTOR, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.
- C. The CONTRACTOR agrees to include the above two clauses in each subagreement financed in whole or in part with Federal Assistance provided by the California Department of Transportation. It is further agreed that these clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

Access to Records

The AWARDING AGENCY, the California Department of Transportation, the State Auditor General, and any duly authorized representative of the Federal government shall have access to any books, records, and documents of the CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors that are pertinent to this Contract of audits, examinations, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested. The CONTRACTOR shall include a clause to this effect in every subagreement entered into relative to the PROJECT.

Record Keeping

The CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of this Contract. All parties shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the performance and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Contract and all subagreements.

Accounting Records

The CONTRACTOR shall establish and maintain separate accounting records and reporting procedures specified for the fiscal activities of the PROJECT. The CONTRACTOR’S accounting system shall conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and uniform standards that may be established by California Department of Transportation. All records shall provide a breakdown of total costs charged to the PROJECT including properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, and vouchers.

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Federal Changes, Amendments to State, and Local Laws, Regulations, and Directives

The terms of the most recent amendments to any federal, State, or local laws, regulations, FTA directives, and amendments to the grant or cooperative contract that may be subsequently adopted, are applicable to the PROJECT to the maximum extent feasible, unless the California Department of Transportation provides otherwise in writing.

Civil Rights (Title VI, EEO, & ADA)

During the performance of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR its assignees and successors in interest, agree to comply with all federal statutes and regulations applicable to grantee subrecipients under the Federal Transit Act, including, but not limited to the following:

- A. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 2000e, and federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. Section 5332, the CONTRACTOR Agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements of the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, “Office of Labor,” 41 CFR Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity,” as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” 42 U.S.C. Section 2000e note), and with any applicable federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the PROJECT. The CONTRACTOR agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection from training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with any implementing requirements the California Department of Transportation any issue.
- B. Nondiscrimination. The CONTRACTOR, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract term shall act in accordance with Title VI. Specifically, the CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The CONTRACTOR shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Regulations, including employment practices when the Contract covers a program whose goal is employment. Further, in accordance with Section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 12112, the CONTRACTOR agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, “Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act,” 29 CFR Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with any implementing requirements the California Department of Transportation may issue.

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- C. Solicitations for Subcontractors Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment. In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation by the CONTRACTOR for work performed under a subagreement, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the CONTRACTOR of the subcontractor's obligations under this Contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- D. Information and Reports. The CONTRACTOR shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information and its facilities as may be determined by the AWARDING AGENCY or the California Department of Transportation to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations or directives. Where any information required of a CONTRACTOR is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the CONTRACTOR shall certify to the AWARDING AGENCY of the California Department of Transportation as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
- E. Sanctions for Noncompliance. In the event of the CONTRACTOR'S noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of the Contract, the AWARDING AGENCY shall:
1. Withholding of payment to the CONTRACTOR under the Contract until the CONTRACTOR complies, and/or
 2. Cancellation, termination, or suspension of the Contract, in whole or in part.
- F. Incorporation of Provisions. The CONTRACTOR shall include the provisions of these paragraphs A through F in every subagreement, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto. The CONTRACTOR will take such action with respect to any subcontractor or procurement as the AWARDING AGENCY or the California Department of Transportation may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event a CONTRACTOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such directions, the CONTRACTOR may request the AWARDING AGENCY to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the AWARDING AGENCY, and, in addition, the CONTRACTOR may request the California Department of Transportation to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the California Department of Transportation.
- G. Section 504 and Americans with Disabilities Act Program Requirements
The CONTRACTOR will comply with 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38, implementing and Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. Section 794, as amended.

Incorporation of FTA Terms

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms - The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any California Department of Transportation requests which would cause the California Department of Transportation to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions. The CONTRACTOR shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any AWARDING AGENCY requests which would cause the AWARDING AGENCY to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

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Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment.

AWARDING AGENCY is prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

- A. Procure or obtain;
- B. Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- C. Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - 1. For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - 2. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
 - 3. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- D. In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.
- E. CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has performed a due diligence review of its supply chain and that no such “covered telecommunications equipment or services” shall be provided to the AWARDING AGENCY that would cause the AWARDING AGENCY to be in violation of the prohibition contained in the Act.

Energy Conservation

The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the mandatory energy efficiency standards and policies within the applicable California Department of Transportation energy conservation plans issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, 42, U.S.C. Section 6321 et seq.

Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles

- A. Seat Belt Use. The CONTRACTOR agrees to implement Executive Order No. 13043, “Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States,” April 16, 1997, 23 U.S.C. § 402 note, (62 Fed. Reg. 19217), by: (1) Adopting and promoting on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company-rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles; and (2) Including a “Seat Belt Use” provision in each sub agreement related to the Award.
- B. Distracted Driving, Including Text Messaging While Driving. The CONTRACTOR agrees to

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comply with: (1) Executive Order No. 13513, “Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving,” October 1, 2009, 23 U.S.C. § 402 note, (74 Fed. Reg. 51225); (2) U.S. DOT Order 3902.10, “Text Messaging While Driving,” December 30, 2009; and (3) The following U.S. DOT Special Provision pertaining to Distracted Driving:

1. Safety. The CONTRACTOR agrees to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle the AWARDING AGENCY owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the Award, or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Award;
2. Size. The CONTRACTOR agrees to conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with its size, such as establishing new rules and programs to prohibit text messaging while driving, re-evaluating the existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving, and providing education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving; and
3. Extension of Provision. The CONTRACTOR agrees to include the preceding Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles from this AGREEMENT in its sub agreements and at each tier supported with federal assistance, and encourage compliance with this provision.

Federal Tax Liability and Recent Felony Convictions (FTA MA v34)

The CONTRACTOR agrees that prior to entering into any subagreements with any PROSPECTIVE private corporation, partnership, trust, joint-stock company, sole proprietorship, or other business association, the CONTRACTOR will obtain a certification that the PROSPECTIVE:

- A. Does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability;
- B. Was not convicted of the felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

If the PROSPECTIVE cannot certify, the CONTRACTOR may not to enter into the subagreement with the PROSPECTIVE.

The CONTRACTOR agrees to require all subagreement to flow this requirement down to participants at all lower tiers, without regard to the value of any subagreement.

Domestic Preferences for Procurements

The CONTRACTOR, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with law, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards, contracts, and purchase orders under Federal awards.

For purposes of this section

- A. “Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- B. “Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

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Awards Exceeding \$10,000.00

Additional Termination Provisions

- A. Termination for Convenience (General Provision). When it is in the AWARDING AGENCY's best interest, the AWARDING AGENCY reserves the right to terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, at any time by providing a TEN (10) DAY WRITTEN NOTICE to the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall be paid its costs, including contract closeout costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. The CONTRACTOR shall promptly submit its termination claim to the AWARDING AGENCY. If the CONTRACTOR has any property in its possession belonging to the AWARDING AGENCY, the CONTRACTOR will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner the AWARDING AGENCY directs.
- B. Termination for Default (General Provision). If the CONTRACTOR does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or, if the contract is for services, the CONTRACTOR fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the CONTRACTOR fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the AWARDING AGENCY may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a notice of termination on the CONTRACTOR setting forth the manner in which the CONTRACTOR is in default. The CONTRACTOR will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.
If it is later determined by the AWARDING AGENCY that the CONTRACTOR had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the CONTRACTOR, the AWARDING AGENCY, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the CONTRACTOR to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.
- C. Mutual Termination. The PROJECT may also be terminated if the AWARDING AGENCY and the CONTRACTOR agree that its continuation would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds or if there are inadequate funds to operate the PROJECT equipment or otherwise complete the PROJECT.

Awards Exceeding \$25,000.00

Debarment and Suspension

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of Executive Order Nos. 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension," 31 U.S.C. Section 6101 note; and U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION regulations on Debarment and Suspension and 49 CFR Part 29.
- B. Unless otherwise permitted by the California Department of Transportation, the CONTRACTOR agrees to refrain from awarding any third-party contract of any amount to or entering into any sub-contract of any amount with a party included in the "U.S. General Services Administration's (U.S. GSA) List of Parties Excluded from Federal procurement and Non-procurement Program," implementing Executive Order Nos. 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension" and 49 CFR Part 29. The list also include the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, and contractors declared ineligible for contract award under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order Nos. 12546 and 12689.
- C. Before entering into any subagreements with any subcontractor, the CONTRACTOR agrees to obtain a debarment and suspension certification from each prospective recipient containing information about the debarment and suspension status and other specific information of that AWARDING AGENCY and its "principals," as defined at 49 CFR Part 29.
- D. Before entering into any third-party contract exceeding \$25,000.00, the CONTRACTOR agrees to obtain a debarment and suspension certification from each third-party contractor containing information about the debarment and suspension status of that third-party contractor and its "principals," as defined at 49 CFR 29.105(p). The CONTRACTOR also agrees to require each

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third-party contractor to refrain from awarding any subagreements of any amount, at any tier, to a debarred or suspended subcontractor, and to obtain a similar certification for any third-party subcontractor, at any tier, seeking a contract exceeding \$25,000.00.

Legal Matters Concerning a Covered Transaction

- A. If a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government or STATE emerges, the AWARDING AGENCY must promptly notify the STATE. The AWARDING AGENCY must include a similar notification requirement in its Third Party Agreements and must require each CONTRACTOR to include an equivalent provision in its subagreements at every tier, for any agreement that is a “covered transaction” according to 2 C.F.R. §§ 180.220 and 1200.220.
1. The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government or STATE as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason.
 2. Matters that may affect the Federal Government or STATE include, but are not limited to, the Federal or STATE Government’s interests in the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal or STATE Government’s administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.
 3. The AWARDING AGENCY must promptly notify the STATE, if the AWARDING AGENCY has knowledge of potential fraud, waste, or abuse occurring on a Project receiving assistance from FTA. The notification provision applies if a person has or may have submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729 et seq., or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving FY2020 Contractors Manual – Procurement 9-49 federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the Project is subject to this Agreement or another agreement between the AWARDING AGENCY and STATE, or an agreement involving a principal, officer, employee, agent, or CONTRACTOR of the AWARDING AGENCY. It also applies to subcontractors at any tier. Knowledge, as used in this paragraph, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of the Recipient. In this paragraph, “promptly” means to refer information without delay and without change. This notification provision applies to all divisions of the AWARDING AGENCY, including divisions tasked with law enforcement or investigatory functions.

Awards Exceeding \$100,000.00

Provisions for Resolution of Disputes, Breaches, or Other Litigation

The AWARDING AGENCY and the CONTRACTOR shall deal in good faith and attempt to resolve potential disputes informally. If the dispute persists, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to the AWARDING AGENCY Representative for this Contract or designee a written demand for a decision regarding the disposition of any dispute arising under this Contract. The AWARDING AGENCY Representative shall make a written decision regarding the dispute and will provide it to the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall have the opportunity to challenge in writing within ten (10) working days to the AWARDING AGENCY’s Executive Director or his/her designee. If the CONTRACTOR’S challenge is not made within the ten (10) day period, the AWARDING AGENCY Representative’s decision shall become the final decision of the AWARDING AGENCY. The AWARDING AGENCY and the CONTRACTOR shall submit written, factual information and supporting data in support of their respective positions. The decision of the AWARDING AGENCY shall be final, conclusive, and binding regarding the dispute, unless the CONTRACTOR commences an action in court of competent jurisdiction to contest the decision in accordance with Division 3.6 of the California Government Code.

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Lobbying

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees that it will not use federal assistance funds to support lobbying. In accordance with 31 U.S.C. and U.S. Department of Transportation Regulations, “New Restrictions on Lobbying.” 49 CFR Part 20, if the bid is for an award for \$100,000.00 or more the AWARDING AGENCY will not make any federal assistance available to the CONTRACTOR until the AWARDING AGENCY has received the CONTRACTOR’S certification that the CONTRACTOR has not and will not use federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal grant, cooperative agreement, or any other federal award from which funding for the PROJECT is originally derived, consistent with 31 U.S.C. Section 1352, and;
- B. If applicable, if any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an office or employee of any federal agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress, in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with the form instructions.
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall require that the language of the above two clauses be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subagreements, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) which exceed \$100,000.00 and that all awarding agencies shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This Contract is a material representation of facts upon which reliance was placed when the Contract was made or entered into. These provisions are a prerequisite for making or entering into a Contract imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to comply with these provisions shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000.00 and not more than \$100,000.00 for each failure.

Clean Water

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the AWARDING AGENCY and understands and agrees that the AWARDING AGENCY will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.
- B. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to include these requirements in each subagreement exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

Awards Exceeding \$150,000.00

Buy America

The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Buy-America requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49 CFR Part 661 for all procurements of steel, iron, and manufactured products used in PROJECT. Buy-America requirements apply to all purchases, including materials and supplies funded as operating costs, if the purchase equals or exceeds \$150,000.00. Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(c) and 49 CFR 661.11. Rolling stock must be assembled in the United States and have a 70 percent domestic content.

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Clean Air

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq. The CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the AWARDING AGENCY and understands and agrees that the AWARDING AGENCY will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.
- B. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to include these requirements in each subagreement exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

Awards with Transport of Property or Persons

U.S. Flag Requirements (Cargo Preferences)(Fly America)

- A. Shipments by Ocean Vessel. For third-party contracts that may involve equipment, materials, or commodities which may be transported by ocean vessels, the CONTRACTOR and subagreements must comply with 46 U.S.C. Section 55303 and 46 CFR Part 381, “Cargo Preferences-U.S. Flag Vessels.”
- B. Shipments by Air Carrier. For third-party contracts that may involve shipments of federally assisted property by air carrier, the CONTRACTOR and subagreements must comply with the “Fly America” Act and 49 U.S.C. Section 40118, “Use of United States of America Flag Carriers,” and 41 CFR Section 301-10.131 through 301-10.143.
- C. Project Travel. In accordance with Section 5 of the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1973, as amended, (“Fly America” Act), 49 U.S.C. 40118 and 41 CFR Part 301-10, the CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air travel and transportation, to the extent such service is available or applicable.

Awards with Transit Operations

Transit Employee Protective Arrangements (Transit Operation Only)

The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with applicable transit employee protective requirements, as follows:

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to carry out the transit operations work on the underlying contract in compliance with terms and conditions determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor to be fair and equitable to protect the interests of employees employed under this Contract and to meet the employee protective requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5333(b), and U.S.DOL guidelines at 29 CFR Part 215, and any amendments there to.
- B. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to include the applicable requirements in each subagreement involving transit operations financed in whole or in part with federal assistance provided by the FTA.

Charter Service Operations

(Transit Operation and Rolling Stock Only) The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(d) and 49 CFR Part 604, which provides that recipients and awarding agencies of the FTA assistance are prohibited from providing charter service using federally funded equipment or facilities if there is at least one private charter operator willing and able to provide the service, except under one of the exceptions listed at 49 CFR-Subpart B. Any charter service provided under one of the exceptions must be “incidental,” i.e., it must not interfere with or detract from the provision of mass transportation. The CONTRACTOR assures and certifies that the revenues generated by its incidental charter bus operations (if any) are, and shall remain, equal to or greater than the cost (including depreciation on federally assisted equipment) of providing the service. The CONTRACTOR understands that the requirements of 49 CFR Part 604 will apply to any charter service provided, the definitions in 49 CFR part 604 apply to this contract, and any violation of this contract may require corrective measures and the imposition of penalties, including debarment from the receipt of further federal assistance for transportation.

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School Bus Operations

(Transit Operation and Rolling Stock Only) Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5323(F) and 49 CFR Part 605, the CONTRACTOR agrees that it and all its subcontractors will: (1) engage in school transportation operations in competition with private school transportation operators only to the extent permitted by an exception provided by 49 U.S.C. 5323(F) and implementing regulations, and (2) comply with requirements of 49 CFR Part 605 before providing any school transportation using equipment of facilities acquired with federal assistance awarded by the FTA and authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 or Title 23 U.S.C. for transportation projects. The CONTRACTOR understands that the requirements of 49 CFR Part 605 will apply to any school transportation it provides, that the definitions of 49 CFR Part 605 apply to any school transportation agreement, and a violation of the contract may require corrective measures and the imposition of penalties, including debarment from the receipt of further federal assistance for transportation.

Vehicle Operator Licensing

The CONTRACTOR is required to comply with all applicable requirements of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulations and the California Vehicle Code including, but not limited to, the requirement that all vehicle operators have a valid State of California driver's license, including any special operator license that may be necessary for the type of vehicle operated.

Awards with Rolling Stock

Bus Testing

The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5318(e), 5323(c), and the FTA regulations, "Bus Testing," 49 CFR Part 665, and any revision thereto, including the certification that before expending any federal assistance to acquire the first bus of any new bus model or any bus model with a new major change in configuration or components or before authorizing final acceptance of that bus, that model of bus will have been tested at the ALTOONA Bus Research and Testing Center. The CONTRACTOR must obtain the final testing report and provide a copy of the report to the AWARDING AGENCY.

Pre-Award and Post Delivery Audit

The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(l), 5323(m), and the FTA regulations, "Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits of Rolling Stock Purchases," 49 CFR Part 663, and any revision thereto.

Awards with Planning, Research, Development, and Documentation Projects

Patent Rights & Rights in Data and Copyrights (Research or Data Development Only)

In accordance with 37 CFR Part 401, 49 CFR Parts 18 and 19, the CONTRACTOR must comply with patent and rights in data requirements for federally assisted contracts involving experimental, developmental, or research work. The AWARDING AGENCY reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the work for federal purposes and reserves the right to grant authority to others.

Miscellaneous Special Requirements

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) National Architecture

To the extent applicable, the CONTRACTOR agrees to conform to the National Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture and Standards as required by 23 U.S.C. Section 517(d), 23 U.S.C. Section 512 note, and 23 CFR Part 655 and 940, and follow the provisions of the FTA Notice, "FTA National ITS Architecture Policy on Transit projects," 66 Fed. Reg. 1455 et seq., January 8, 2001, and any other implementing directives the FTA may issue at a later date, except to the extent the FTA determines otherwise in writing.

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DBE Contract Assurance

The CONTRACTOR, or SUBCONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The CONTRACTOR or SUBCONTRACTOR shall carry out applicable requirement of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of [Federal] DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the CONTRACTOR or SUBCONTRACTOR to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of the Standard Agreement between the STATE and the AWARDING AGENCY, the termination of this contract by the AWARDING AGENCY, or such other remedy the STATE or AWARDING AGENCY deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the CONTRACTOR from future bidding as non-responsive.

AWARDING AGENCY shall notify the CALTRANS DBELO in the event the AWARDING AGENCY finds the CONTRACTOR or SUBCONTRACTOR is in violation of 49 CFR Part 26 within five (5) business days the finding is made.

DBE Participation Goal

This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs. The contract goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) for this contract is 0%.

Offerors are required to document sufficient DBE participation to meet the contract goals or, alternatively, document adequate good faith efforts to do so, as provided for in 49 CFR 26.53 (3)(i)(A). Award of this contract is conditioned on submission of the following:

1. If the offer meets the DBE contract goal the offeror must include with the offer a completed ADM-0227F form.
2. If the offer cannot meet the DBE contract goal the offeror must include with the offer a completed ADM-0312F form that documents the offeror's good faith efforts (GFE) and ADM-0227F form. The AWARDING AGENCY must document concurrence with the offeror's GFE and provide a copy of the GFE to Caltrans DRMT Compliance Liaison for additional concurrence prior to contract award.

The CONTRACTOR shall not terminate the DBE subcontractors listed on ADM-0227F without the AWARDING AGENCY's prior written consent and concurrence from the CALTRANS DBELO. The AWARDING AGENCY may provide such written consent only if the CONTRACTOR has good cause to terminate the DBE firm. Before transmitting a request to terminate, the CONTRACTOR shall give notice in writing to the DBE SUBCONTRACTOR of its intent to terminate and the reason for the request. The CONTRACTOR shall give the DBE five (5) days to respond to the notice and advise of the reasons why it objects to the proposed termination. When a DBE subcontractor is terminated or fails to complete its work on the contract for any reason, the CONTRACTOR shall make good faith efforts (GFE) to find another DBE subcontractor to substitute for the original DBE and immediately notify the AWARDING AGENCY in writing of its efforts to replace the original DBE. These good faith efforts shall be directed at finding another DBE to perform at least the same amount of work under the Contract as the DBE that was terminated, to the extent needed to meet the Contract goal established for this procurement.

Continued Compliance

The AWARDING AGENCY shall monitor the CONTRACTOR'S DBE compliance during the life of this contract and submit to the STATE a completed ADM-3069 form in each their request for reimbursement (RFR) packet.

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Prompt Payment and Return of Retainage

- A. The AWARDING AGENCY shall comply with 49 CFR Part 26.29 and ensure the CONTRACTOR pay its subcontractors performing work satisfactorily completed related to this contract no later than thirty (30) days after the CONTRACTOR's receipt of payment for that work from the AWARDING AGENCY.
- B. Unless the approved project is for Construction, the CONTRACTOR shall not hold retainage (withhold retention) from any subcontractor. The STATE shall not hold retainage (i.e. withhold retention) from any CONTRACTOR.
- C. If a dispute arises regarding Construction projects only, the CONTRACTOR may exercise its rights under California Public Contract Code (PCC) Sections 10262 and 10262.5 or California Business and Professions Code (BPC) Section 7108.5, as applicable.
- D. The CONTRACTOR is required to pay its subcontractors for satisfactory performance of work related to this Agreement no later than 30 days after the CONTRACTOR's receipt of payment for that work from the AWARDING AGENCY. In addition, the CONTRACTOR is required to return any retainage (retention) payment to any subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this Agreement is satisfactorily completed.

Recycled Products

The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (Applicable to: Construction contracts and, in very limited circumstances, non-construction projects that employ laborers or mechanics on a public work.)

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 U.S.C. Section 33 and also ensure compliance of its subcontractors; if applicable, CONTRACTOR shall comply with DOL regulations "Safety and Health Regulation for Construction" 29 CFR Part 1926.
- B. No CONTRACTOR or subcontractor contracting for any part of the work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at the rate of not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek

Awards with Construction Activities

Third Party Construction or Facility Improvement Contracts

- A. Davis Bacon Act (>\$2,000.00). In accordance with requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5333(a) and the implementing regulations of 29 CFR Part 5, the CONTRACTOR shall comply with the employee protection requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act for construction activities exceeding \$2,000.00 performed in connection with the PROJECT. The Davis-Bacon Act applies to contracts in excess of \$2,000.00 for construction, alteration, or repair of public buildings or public works and requires the inclusion of a clause that no laborer or mechanic employed directly upon the site of the work shall receive less than the prevailing wage rates as determined by the Secretary of Labor.
- B. Bonding. For contracts or subagreements exceeding \$100,000.00, the following bonding requirements must be included: Bid guarantee from each CONTRACTOR equivalent to five (5%) percent of the bid price; performance bond on the part of the CONTRACTOR for 100 (100%)

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percent of the contract price; and payment bond in the amount of either (1) 50% of the contract price if the contract price is not more than \$1 million dollars or, (2) 40% of the contract price if the contract price is more than \$1 million

- C. Copeland Anti-Kickback Act. For contracts or subagreements exceeding \$100,000.00 and in accordance with 18 U.S.C. Section 874, Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act, 29 CFR Part 3, the “CONTRACTOR and subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in part by Loans or Grants from the United States,” the CONTRACTOR and subcontractor are prohibited from including, by any means, any employee, to give up any part of his or her compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled.

Veterans Employment Preference

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that subcontractors working on a capital project funded using such assistance give a hiring preference, to the extent practicable, to veterans (as defined in section 2108 of title 5) who have the requisite skills and abilities to perform the construction work required under the contract. This section shall not be understood, construed or enforced in any manner that would require an employer to give a preference to any veteran over any equally qualified applicant who is a member of any racial or ethnic minority, female, an individual with a disability, or a former employee.

Seismic Safety

The CONTRACTOR agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation Seismic Safety Regulations 49 CFR Part 41 and will certify to compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to ensure that all work performed under this contract including work performed by a subagreements is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety Regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the PROJECT.

Federal Tax Liability and Recent Felony Convictions

Certification Statement

In compliance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Master Agreement 34

Proposer hereby certifies:

- A. Does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability;
- B. Was not convicted of the felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

Company Name: _____

Name of signer: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Debarment and Suspension Certification for Prospective Contractor

Primary covered transactions must be completed by proposer for contract value over \$25,000.

Choose one alternative:

☐ The Proposer,
certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals:

1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state or local) transaction or Contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission or embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in Paragraph 2 of this certification; and
4. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Proposal had one or more public transactions (federal, state or local) terminated for cause or default.

OR

☐ The Proposer,
is unable to certify to all of the statements in this certification, and attaches its explanation to this certification. (In explanation, certify to those statements that can be certified to and explain those that cannot.) The Proposer certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statements submitted on or with this certification and understands that the provisions of Title 31 USC § Sections 3801 are applicable thereto.

Executed in:		
	City	State
Proposer/Firm Name:		
Authorized signature	Date	