

### **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS:**

# **On-Call Engineering Services for Lakes Region Planning Commission**

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Date of Issue: June 10, 2022

Proposals Due: July 1, 2022, at 4:00 PM

#### **SUBMISSION**

Proposals may be submitted electronically or mailed.

Applicants must be able to conduct an interview via telephone or virtually if requested.

# A. Project Description:

Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is calling for statements of qualifications to provide on-call engineering services in support of transportation planning efforts throughout the Lakes Region Planning Commission region. Project tasks include assisting in local Ten-Year Plan project submissions and other types of local and regional transportation planning projects that may be funded with local, state, or federal funds (including the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration).

# B. Scope of Services

LRPC provides a wide variety of transportation planning services to its member communities. The primary task for the on-call engineer at LRPC is to prepare conceptual cost estimates for project proposals relating to the State of New Hampshire Ten-Year Transportation Plan. However, additional services may include, but are not limited to:

- Development and presentation of conceptual sketches, engineering designs, and other planning level assistance for proposed projects
- Drafting of project scopes of work, deliverables, timelines, and implementation details for local projects
- Meetings with planning boards, select boards, economic development committees, and other local boards and groups
- Site visits and meetings with representatives of LRPC member municipalities and staff to discuss projects and work products

All work under the overall master agreement will be assigned by individual task orders negotiated on a lump sum basis. The overall master agreement will begin no earlier than July 1, 2022 and extend through June 30, 2023. The maximum amount to be awarded under the overall master agreement is not to exceed \$40,000.

Please note that the overall amount of work assigned through task orders will depend on the volume of requests received by LRPC from its member municipalities.

### C. Statement of Qualifications Requirements:

A firm, partnership, individual, etc., interested in providing on-call engineering services to LRPC must have the following qualifications and document them within their proposal:

Table 1: Checklist of Submission Requirements

### Requirements

Name of the consulting firm with a brief history and description

Name, title, and professional and educational qualifications; including appropriate state licenses and affiliations of key personnel assigned to this project

List of any staff with current New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) Local Public Agency (LPA) certification

Staff shall possess significant experience in local transportation planning/engineering

Staff shall possess demonstrated experience working with federal transportation funds

Sufficient staff to perform the work in an adequate and appropriate timeframe to allow for sufficient assistance to municipalities

Include an executive summary demonstrating understanding of the request and the ability to complete similar type projects within time constraints

A brief description of the three most current related projects with an outline of the level of involvement

Include a list of at least three (3) professional references, including name, title, contact information, and description of product provided (if clients) or relationship (if colleagues)

Submit any questions regarding this RFQ to Sean Chamberlin, Senior Transportation Planner, by email at <a href="mailto:schamberlin@lakesrpc.org">schamberlin@lakesrpc.org</a> by **4:00 PM, Thursday, June 24, 2022.** Questions and their answers will be posted on the Lakes Region Planning Commission website for review on June 20, 2022, by 3:00 pm

#### D. Submission Process:

Only one form of submission is required and can be submitted electronically to Sean Chamberlin at <a href="mailto:schamberlin@lakesrpc.org">schamberlin@lakesrpc.org</a> or via hard copy posted to:

**Lakes Region Planning Commission** 

Attn: Sean Chamberlin 103 Main Street, Suite 3 Meredith, NH, 03253

All statements of qualifications must be received by LRPC no later than <u>July 1, 2022, at 4:00 PM</u>. Materials received after this time will not be accepted or reviewed. It is the intent of LRPC to notify the selected firm by <u>July 20, 2022</u>.

The expense of preparing and submitting a statement of qualifications is the sole responsibility of the consultant. LRPC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received, to negotiate with any qualified source, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFQ. This solicitation in no way obligates LRPC to award a contract.

#### E. Review and Selection Process:

The submissions will be reviewed by a selection committee comprised of LRPC staff using a Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS) process and criteria outlined in Table 2.

Table 2: Selection Criteria

Criteria	Maximum Possible Points
Demonstrates understanding of work needed to be done as part of the contract,	30
including experience with similar work done.	
Familiarity and experience working with local, state, and federal government	25
bodies.	23
Qualifications of the firm and the personnel to be assigned to this project.	30
	30
Quality of work products presented, including demonstrated technical abilities and	15
capability of adapting to client needs.	13
Total Possible Points	100
	100

In unusual circumstance where a recommendation cannot be made based on the QBS process and selection criteria, the highest ranked consultants may be invited to a telephone or video call interview. Presentations will be allowed, with a time limit specified prior to the interview. Should interviews be held, LRPC will evaluate the interview using the criteria presented below in Table 3. Scores from the interview criteria be added to the selection score to determine the final ranking.

Table 3: Interview Criteria

Criteria	Maximum Possible Points
Demonstrates understanding of work needed to be done as part of the contract, including experience with similar work done prior.	20
Familiarity and experience working with local, state, and federal government bodies.	20
Demonstrates ability to present (both orally and visually) in technical and non-technical terms.	10
Total Possible Points	50

LRPC will afford individuals and firms full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in consideration for this award.