

# INYO COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

County of Inyo Standard Contract No. 156 Cadastral Survey of County Roads

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Inyo County Department of Public Works 168 N. Edwards Independence, CA 93526

Proposals are due prior to 4:00 P.M., Oct. 7th, 2020

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Inyo County Public Works is requesting proposals (RFP) from qualified firms for surveying services, including but not limited to developing a best fit centerline / alignment on four County Roads and sufficiently tying that alignment to section corners or other suitable monuments in order to describe proposed easements under consideration by the USFS. The surveys will be documented and mapped utilizing California Zone 4 coordinates. Digital copy and Record of Survey maps will be required.

The proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be used as a basis for selecting the Consultant for this project. The Consultant's proposal will be evaluated and ranked according to the criteria provided in Appendix B, "Evaluation Criteria," of this RFP.

Addenda to this RFP, if issued, will be sent to all prospective Consultants that Inyo County ("County") has specifically e-mailed a copy of the RFP to and will be posted on the County website at:

# https://www.inyocounty.us/services/county-administration/bid-request-rfp

It shall be the Consultant's responsibility to check the County website to obtain any addenda that may be issued.

The Consultant's attention is directed to Appendix A, "Proposal Requirements."

Submit five (5) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy in PDF format on a CD/DVD (or flash drive) of the Consultant's proposal. The hard copies and CD/DVD shall be mailed and received or submitted to the County prior to **4:00** P.M., Oct. 7th, 2020. Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed package clearly marked "Cadastral Survey of County Roads" and addressed as follows:

Travis Dean Inyo County Public Works PO Drawer Q Independence, CA 93526

Proposals received after the time and date specified above will be considered nonresponsive and will be returned to the Consultant.

Any proposals received prior to the time and date specified above may be withdrawn or modified by written request of the Consultant. To be considered, however, the modified Proposal must be received prior to 4:00 P.M., Oct. 7, 2020.

Unsigned proposals or proposals signed by an individual not authorized to bind the prospective Consultant will be considered nonresponsive and may be rejected. The County reserves the right to waive any irregularities or unresponsiveness at their sole discretion.

This RFP does not commit the County to award a contract, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal for this request, or to procure or contract for services. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request, to negotiate with any qualified Consultant, or to modify or cancel in part or in its entirety the RFP if it is in the best interests of the County to do so. Furthermore, a contract award may not be made based solely on price.

The prospective Consultant is advised that should this RFP result in recommendation for award of a contract, the contract will not be in force until it is approved and fully executed by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors. A County Standard Contract No. 156 is shown in Attachment 2. Proposers must indicate any exceptions to the contract in their proposal in order for exceptions to be considered during the resulting contract negotiations.

All products used or developed in the execution of any contract resulting from this RFP will remain in the public domain at the completion of the contract.

The anticipated consultant selection schedule is as follows:

Proposal review and evaluation: Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> to Oct 8 <sup>th</sup>, 2020 Cost Negotiation with first ranked Consultant: Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Contract Award and Notice to Proceed: Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Any questions related to this RFP shall be submitted in writing to the attention of **Travis Dean** via email at <u>tdean@inyocounty.us</u>. Questions shall be submitted before 5:00 PM on Thursday Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Answers to all questions will be provided in writing and posted to the County website.

No oral question or inquiry about this RFP/RFQ shall be accepted.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

#### **SCOPE OF WORK**

#### General:

The County is interested in contracting with a Consultant to provide digital information, compatible with AutoCAD and GIS in California Zone 4 coordinates, of right-of-way centerline data tied to section corners or appropriate monuments, on portions of each of the following County roads; Death Valley Road, County Road, Foothill Road and Onion Valley Road.

The work shall comply with the requirements of all of the following without limitation, and shall apply to this RFP and any subsequent contract as though incorporated herein by reference:

- 1. Federal laws
- 2. State laws
- 3. Local laws
- 4. Rules and regulations of governing utility districts
- 5. Rules and regulations of other authorities with jurisdiction over the procurement of products
- 6. County of Inyo Standard Contract No. 156

The Consultant shall comply with all insurance requirements of the County; as shown in Attachment 2.

Any modifications proposed to this solicitation are welcome provided they are innovative, advanced, and well thought out methodologies and shall be identified as optional and priced out separately in the sealed fee proposal.

#### **County Role**

A County engineer, in responsible charge, will serve as the contract manager and direct liaison with the Consultant.

#### **Required Qualifications**

The consultant shall provide a survey crew and sufficient staff to fulfill the scope of work (SOW) as described below. This project includes filing a Record of Survey of their work, therefore the Professional Land Surveyor must be qualified to perform their services in the State of California.

**Contract Term** – Contract amendments are required to modify the terms of the original contract for changes such as extra time, added work, or increased costs and must be done prior to expiration of the original contract. Only work within the original advertised scope of services shall be added by amendment to the contract.

**Method of Payment** –Actual Cost Plus Fixed Fee. The Consultant is reimbursed for actual costs incurred and receives an additional predetermined amount as a fixed fee (profit). The contract cost proposal must identify all key employees and/or classifications to be billed. New key employees and/or classifications must be approved by the County before they incur work on the contract or the costs can be questioned or disallowed.

Consultant shall identify in proposal if there are any other items that they anticipate will need to be addressed in order to successfully move the project to the construction phase.

**Minimum Qualifications of Personnel** – The Consultant and Sub-Consultants shall meet the appropriate minimum qualifications as required by this contract to complete all phases of work.

**Equipment Requirements** - The Consultant shall have and provide adequate office equipment and supplies to complete the work required by Standard Contract No. 156. Consultant shall have and provide adequate field tools, instruments, equipment, materials, supplies, and safety equipment to complete the required field work and that meet or exceed Caltrans Specifications per the Caltrans Manuals.

**Quality Control/Assurance Measures** – Implementing and maintaining quality control procedures to manage conflicts, insure product accuracy, and identify critical reviews and milestones.

**Materials to be provided by the Agency** – Prior deliverables from this project will be made available to the Consultant.

Unless otherwise specified in Standard Contract No. 156, the Consultant shall provide all materials to complete the required work in accordance with the delivery schedule and cost estimate outlined in each Task Order. Materials (if deemed applicable, necessary, and when available from the County) that may be furnished or made available by the County and where listed in the individual Task Orders and this Contract, are for the Consultant's use only, shall be returned at the end of the Contract.

Conflict of Interest Requirements - Throughout the term of the awarded contract, any person, firm or subsidiary thereof who may provide, has provided or is currently providing Design Engineering Services and/or Construction Engineering Services under a contractual relationship with a construction contractor(s) on any local project listed in this Scope of Work must disclose the contractual relationship, the dates and the nature of the services. The prime Consultant and its Sub-Consultants shall also disclose any financial or business relationship with the construction contractor(s) who are working on the projects that are assigned for material Quality Assurance services through task orders on the contract.

Similar to the disclosures regarding contractors, all firms are also required to disclose throughout the term of the awarded contract, any Design Engineering services including claim services, Lead Project Management services and Construction Engineering Services provided to all other clients on any local project listed in this Scope of Work.

In addition to the disclosures, the Consultant shall also provide possible mitigation efforts, if any, to eliminate or avoid any actual or perceived conflicts of interest.

The Consultant shall ensure that there is no conflict before providing services to any construction contractor on any of the agency's projects' listed in this Scope of Work. The submitted documentation will be used for determining potential conflicts of interest.

If a Consultant discovers a conflict during the execution of an assigned task order, the Consultant must immediately notify the Contract Manager regarding the conflicts of interest. The Contract Manager may terminate the Task Order involving the conflict of interest and may obtain the conflicted services in any way allowed by law. Failure by the Consultant to notify the Contract Manager may be grounds for termination of the contract.

# Scope of Work

The scope of work defined below is based on the County's current understanding of the work to be performed.

#### Phase I - Research

- Find appropriate USGS, and other monuments near area to be surveyed
- Pull all applicable maps in areas to be surveyed

# **Phase II - Surveying**

• Survey roads as listed below;

- Death Valley Road aprox. 13.1 miles (east of Big Pine, CA and SE of CA-168) of paved road from the western USFS boundary to the eastern USFS boundary with Death Valley National Park
- o County Road approx. 0.1 miles of dirt road NW of Big Pine, on USFS land
- o Foothill Road approx.. 3.8 miles from intersection of Onion Valley Rd. to boundary of USFS
- Onion Valley Road approx.. 0.6 miles of paved road starting where Onion Valley Road enters USFS lands and continuing to include the intersection with Foothill Rd.

#### Phase III - Drafting

- Draft surveys
- Prepare Record of Surveys to be recorded and record them.
- Provide County with AutoCAD and GIS files of surveys in California Zone 4 coordinates.

# APPENDIX A - PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

These guidelines are provided for standardizing the preparation and submission of Proposal/Proposals by all responding Consultants. The intent of these guidelines is to assist Consultants in preparation of their proposals, to simplify the review process, and to help assure consistency in format and content.

Proposals shall contain the following information in the order listed:

# 1. Introductory Letter

The introductory (or transmittal) letter shall be addressed to:

Travis Dean Inyo County Public Works PO Drawer Q Independence, CA 93526

The letter shall be on Consultant letterhead and include the Consultant's contact name, mailing address, telephone number, facsimile number, and email address. The letter will address the Consultant's understanding of the services being requested and any other pertinent information the Consultant believes should be included. All addendums received must be acknowledged in the transmittal letter.

The letter shall be wet-signed in blue ink by the individual authorized to bind the Consultant to the proposal.

#### 2. Executive Summary

## 3. Consultant Information, Qualifications & Experience

The County will only consider submittals from Consultants that demonstrate they have successfully completed comparable cadastral work. Prior work must illustrate the quality, type, and past performance of the project team. Please submit examples of prior work including the following information:

- 1. Contracting agency
- 2. Contracting agency Project Manager
- 3. Contracting agency contact information
- 4. Contract amount
- 5. Funding source
- 6. Date of contract
- 7. Date of completion
- 8. Consultant Project Manager and contact information
- 9. Project Objective

- 10. Project Description
- 11. Project Outcome

# 4. Organization and Approach

- 1. Describe the roles and organization of your proposed team for this project. Indicate the composition of subcontractors and number of project staff, facilities available and experience of your team as it relates to this project.
- 2. Describe your staffing approach for performing Surveying duties.
- 3. Describe the roles of key individuals on the team. Provide resumes and references for all key team members. Resumes shall show relevant experience, for the Project's Scope of Work, as well as the length of employment with the proposing Consultant. Key members, especially the Professional Land Surveyor, shall have significant demonstrated experience with this type of project, and should be committed to stay with the project for the duration of the project.

# 5. Work Plan

The proposing consultant shall provide a work plan including the following:

- 1. Outline sequentially the tasks involved in completing the components of the SOW and identify the personnel that will perform each task.
- 2. Describe project deliverables for each phase of the work.
- 3. Describe your cost control and budgeting methodology for this project:
  - a. Describe how your staffing approach will minimize cost.
- 4. Identify any special issues or problems that are likely to be encountered during this project, how they will be addressed, and a brief statement as to the team's experience with the issue.
- 5. Consultants are encouraged to propose enhancements, or procedural or technical innovations, to the Scope of Work that do not materially deviate from the objectives or required content of the project.

#### 6. Conflict of Interest Statement

The proposing Consultant shall disclose any financial, business or other relationship with the County that may have an impact upon the outcome of the contract or the construction project. The Consultant shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this contract or the construction project that will follow. The proposing Consultant shall disclose any financial interest or relationship with any construction company that might submit a bid on the construction project.

# 7. Litigation

Indicate if the proposing Consultant was involved with any litigation in connection with prior projects. If yes, briefly describe the nature of the litigation and the result.

## 8. Contract Agreement

Indicate if the proposing Consultant has any issues or desired changes to the proposed contract agreement included as Attachment 2. The Consultants proposal shall be incorporated as part of the contract as Attachment A: Scope of Work.

The Consultant shall provide a brief statement affirming that the proposal terms shall remain in effect for ninety (90) days following the date proposal submittals are due.

A contract will not be awarded to a Consultant without an adequate financial management and accounting system as required by 48 CFR Part 31 and 2 CFR Part 200.

#### 9. Cost Proposal

The Consultant performs the services stated in the proposal and resulting contract for an agreed amount as compensation, including a net fee or profit.

In order to assure that the County is able to acquire professional services based on the criteria set forth in the Brooks Act and Government Code 4526, the proposal shall include a cost proposal for each service of the proposal. Proposing Consultants will be required to submit certified payroll records, as required. Cost proposal shall be submitted in a *separate sealed* envelope from the proposal. The cost proposal is confidential and will be unsealed after all proposals have been reviewed, and most qualified Consultant has been selected. Consultant shall prepare an Actual Cost-Plus-Fixed Fee estimate with monthly progress payments.

# APPENDIX B – PROPOSAL EVALUATION

#### **Evaluation Process**

All proposals will be evaluated by a County Selection Committee (Committee). The Committee may be composed of County staff and other parties that may have expertise or experience in the services described herein. The Committee will review the submittals and will rank the proposers. The evaluation of the proposals shall be within the sole judgment and discretion of the Committee. All contacts during the evaluation phase shall be through the County Contract Administrator/Project Manager only. Proposers shall neither contact nor lobby evaluators during the evaluation process. Attempts by Proposer to contact members of the Committee may jeopardize the integrity of the evaluation and selection process and risk possible disqualification of Proposer.

The Committee will evaluate each proposal meeting the qualification requirements set forth in this RFP. Proposers should bear in mind that any proposal that is unrealistic in terms of the technical or schedule commitments may be deemed reflective of an inherent lack of technical competence or indicative of a failure to comprehend the complexity and risk of the County's requirements as set forth in this RFP.

The selection process will include oral interviews. The Consultant will be notified of the time and place of oral interviews and if any additional information that may be required to be submitted.

Consultants invited to interviews will be required to submit cost proposals in sealed envelopes during the interview. Upon completion of the evaluation and selection process, only the cost proposal from the most qualified Consultant will be opened to begin cost negotiations. All unopened cost proposals will be returned at the conclusion of procurement process. Upon acceptance of a cost proposal and successful contract negotiations, staff will recommend a contract be awarded.

# **Evaluation Criteria**

Proposals will be evaluated according to each Evaluation Criteria, and scored on a zero to five point rating. The scores for all the Evaluation Criteria will then be multiplied according to their assigned weight to arrive at a weighted score for each proposal. A proposal with a high weighted total will be deemed of higher quality than a proposal with a lesser-weighted total. The final maximum score for any project is five hundred (500) points.

	Rating Scale			
C	Not Acceptable	Non-responsive, fails to meet RFP specifications. The approach has no probability of success. For mandatory requirement this score will result in disqualification of proposal.		
1	Poor	Below average, falls short of expectations, is substandard to that which is the average or expected norm, has a low probability of success in achieving project objectives per RFP.		

2	Fair	Has a reasonable probability of success, however, some objectives may not be met.
3	Average	Acceptable, achieves all objectives in a reasonable fashion per RFP specification. This will be the baseline score for each item with adjustments based on interpretation of proposal by Evaluation Committee members.
4	Above Average/Good	Very good probability of success, better than that which is average or expected as the norm. Achieves all objectives per RFP requirements and expectations.
5	Excellent/ Exceptional	Exceeds expectations, very innovative, clearly superior to that which is average or expected as the norm. Excellent probability of success and in achieving all objectives and meeting RFP specification.

The Evaluation Criteria Summary and their respective weights are as follows:

No.	Written Evaluation Criteria	Weight
1	Completeness of Response	Pass/Fail
2	Qualifications & Experience	15
3	Organization & Approach	15
4	Scope of Services to be Provided	15
5	Schedule of Work	10
6	Conflict of Interest Statement	Pass/Fail
7	Local Presence	5
8	References	10
9	Exceptions to Contract 156	5
_	Subtotal:	75

# 1. Completeness of Response (Pass/Fail)

a. Responses to this RFP must be complete. Responses that do not include the proposal content requirements identified within this RFP and subsequent addenda and do not address each of the items listed below will be considered incomplete, be rated a Fail in the Evaluation Criteria and will receive no further consideration. Responses that are rated a Fail and are not considered may be picked up at the delivery location within 14 calendar days of contract award and/or the completion of the competitive process.

#### 2. Qualifications & Experience (15 points)

a. Relevant experience, specific qualifications, and technical expertise of the firm and Sub-Consultants to conduct specified services.

# 3. Organization & Approach (15 points)

- a. Describes familiarity of project and demonstrates understanding of work completed to date and project objectives moving forward
- b. Roles and Organization of Proposed Team

- i. Proposes adequate and appropriate disciplines of project team.
- ii. Overall organization of the team is relevant to County needs and minimizes unnecessary role overlap.
- c. Project and Management Approach
  - i. Team is managed by an individual with appropriate experience in similar projects. This person's time is appropriately committed to the project.
  - ii. Team successfully addresses Site Planning and Programming efforts.
  - iii. Project team and management approach responds to project issues. Team structure provides adequate capability to perform both volume and quality of needed work within project schedule milestones.
- d. Roles of Key Individuals on the Team
  - i. Proposed team members, as demonstrated by enclosed resumes, have relevant experience for their role in the project.
  - ii. Key positions required to execute the project team's responsibilities are appropriately staffed.
- e. Working Relationship with County
  - i. Team and its leaders have experience working in the public sector and knowledge of public sector procurement process.
  - ii. Team leadership understands the nature of public sector work and its decision-making process.
  - iii. Proposal responds to need to assist County during the project.

# 4. Scope of Services to be Provided (15 points)

- a. Detailed Scope of Services to be Provided
  - i. Proposed scope of services is appropriate for all phases of the work.
  - ii. Scope addresses all known project needs and appears achievable in the timeframes set forth in the project schedule.
- b. Project Deliverables
  - i. Deliverables are appropriate to schedule and scope set forth in above requirements.
- c. Cost Control and Budgeting Methodology
  - i. Proposer has a system or process for managing cost and budget.
  - ii. Evidence of successful budget management for a similar project.

#### 5. Work Plan (10 points)

- a. Work plan demonstrates understanding of the project schedule and components presented in the Scope of Work.
- b. Work plan identifies critical inspections and/or tests, and how they will be incorporated into the construction schedule.
- c. Work plan identifies an approach to RE duties (including inspections/testing) that will ensure quality while minimizing construction downtime.

# 6. Conflict of Interest Statement (Pass/Fail)

- a. Discloses any financial, business or other relationship with the County that may have an impact upon the outcome of the contract or the construction project.
- b. Lists current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this contract or the construction project that will follow.
- c. Discloses any financial interest or relationship with any construction company that might submit a bid on the construction project.

# 7. Local Presence (5 points)

a. A statement addressing firm's ability to establish an office within the County or surrounding area.

# 8. References (10 points)

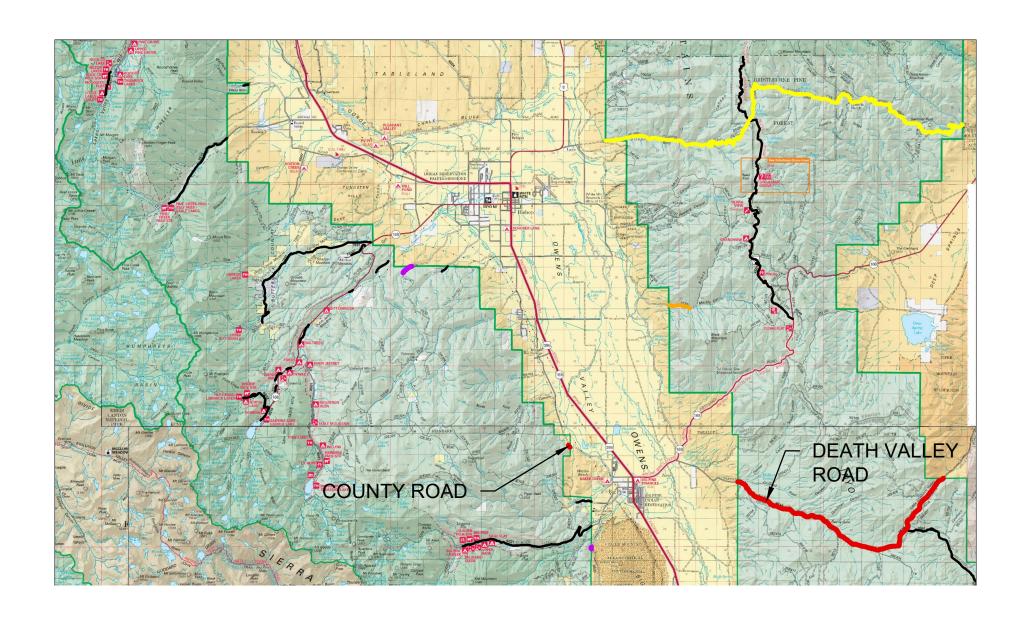
a. Provide as reference the name of at least three (3) agencies you currently or have previously consulted for in the past three (3) years.

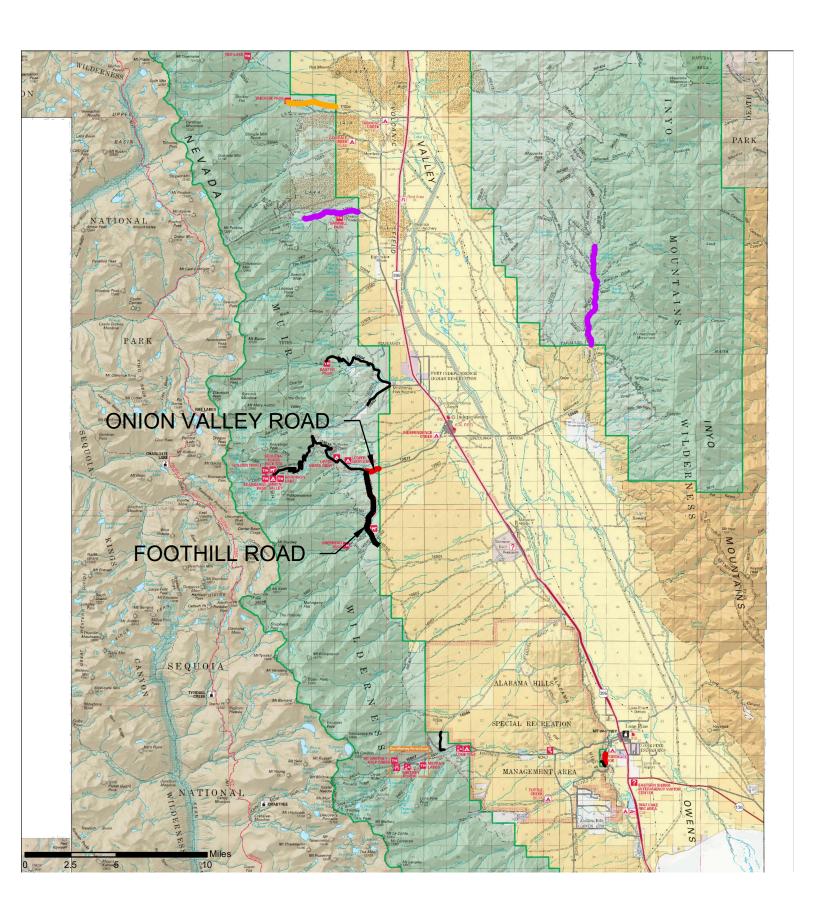
# 9. Ability to Enter into Inyo County Standard Contract 156 (5 points)

a. Proposer must review Contract and Insurance Requirements, see Attachment 2, to ensure all terms are acceptable. Any exceptions to the Contract must be noted in the proposal.

# APPENDIX C - PROJECT SCHEDULE

Due to funding constraints all work must be completed by December 24, 2020. Consultant should propose a schedule for each road segment. Our priority is #1-Death Valley Road, #2- County Road, #3-Foothill Rd. and #4-Onion Valley Rd. If the consultant does not believe that they can complete all four roads in the allocated time their proposal needs to clearly state that, and clearly show what will be complete by the deadline.





# AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

	AND
FOR	THE PROVISION OFSERVICES
	INTRODUCTION
	WHEREAS, the County of Inyo (hereinafter referred to as "County") has the need for the services of
	nafter referred to as "Consultant"), and in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, terms, and ions hereinafter contained, the parties hereby agree as follows:
	TERMS AND CONDITIONS
1.	SCOPE OF WORK.
Consu	The Consultant shall furnish to the County, upon its request, those services and work set forth in ment A, attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein. Requests by the County to the ultant to perform under this Agreement will be made by the Requests to the Consultant for work or services to be performed under greement will be based upon the County's need for such services. The County makes no guarantee or
Consu require	nty, of any nature, that any minimum level or amount of services or work will be requested of the ultant by the County under this Agreement. County by this Agreement incurs no obligation or ement to request from Consultant the performance of any services or work at all, even if County should some need for such services or work during the term of this Agreement.
state,	Services and work provided by the Consultant at the County's request under this Agreement will be med in a manner consistent with the requirements and standards established by applicable federal, and County laws, ordinances, regulations, and resolutions. Such laws, ordinances, regulations, and tions include, but are not limited to, those which are referred to in this Agreement.
2.	TERM.
	The term of this Agreement shall be fromtounless r terminated as provided below. In addition, County shall have two options to extend the Agreement for onal one-year periods as follows:
	A. Fromthrough B. Fromthrough
before	County shall exercise such options by giving written notice to Contractor at least thirty (30) days the expiration of the Agreement, or an extension thereof.
the sa	The notice shall specify the period of the options being exercised. The option to extend shall be upon me terms and conditions stated in this Agreement.
3.	CONSIDERATION.
Consu	A. <u>Compensation.</u> County shall pay Consultant in accordance with the Schedule of Fees orth as Attachment B) for the services and work described in Attachment A which are performed by altant at the County's request.  B. <u>Travel and per diem.</u> County shall reimburse Consultant for the travel expenses and per which Consultant incurs in providing services and work requested by County under this Agreement.

Consultant shall request approval by the County prior to incurring any travel or per diem expenses. Requests

- by Consultant for approval to incur travel and per diem expenses shall be submitted to the \_\_\_\_\_\_. Travel and per diem expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with the rates set forth in the Schedule of Travel and Per Diem Payment (Attachment **C**). County reserves the right to deny reimbursement to Consultant for travel or per diem expenses which are either in excess of the amounts that may be paid under the rates set forth in Attachment **C**, or which are incurred by the Consultant without the prior approval of the County.
- C. <u>No additional consideration</u>. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, Consultant shall not be entitled to, nor receive, from County, any additional consideration, compensation, salary, wages, or other type of remuneration for services rendered under this Agreement. Specifically, Consultant shall not be entitled, by virtue of this Agreement, to consideration in the form of overtime, health insurance benefits, retirement benefits, disability retirement benefits, sick leave, vacation time, paid holidays, or other paid leaves of absence of any type or kind whatsoever.
- D. Limit upon amount payable under Agreement. The total sum of all payments made by the County to Contractor for services and work performed under this Agreement shall not exceed 

  (initial term) 
  (option 2) for a total of 
  Dollars 
  (hereinafter referred to as "contract limit"). County expressly reserves the right to deny any payment or reimbursement requested by Contractor for services or work performed which is in excess of the contract limit
- E. <u>Billing and payment</u>. Consultant shall submit to the County, once a month, an itemized statement of all hours spent by Consultant in performing services and work described in Attachment **A**, which were done at the County's request. This statement will be submitted to the County not later than the fifth (5th) day of the month. The statement to be submitted will cover the period from the first (1st) day of the preceding month through and including the last day of the preceding month. This statement will identify the date on which the hours were worked and describe the nature of the work which was performed on each day. Consultant 's statement to the County will also include an itemization of any travel or per diem expenses, which have been approved in advance by County, incurred by Consultant during that period. The itemized statement for travel expenses and per diem will include receipts for lodging, meals, and other incidental expenses in accordance with the County's accounting procedures and rules. Upon timely receipt of the statement by the fifth (5th) day of the month, County shall make payment to Consultant on the last day of the month.

# F. Federal and State taxes.

- (1) Except as provided in subparagraph (2) below, County will not withhold any federal or state income taxes or social security from any payments made by County to Consultant under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- (2) County will withhold California State income taxes from payments made under this Agreement to non-California resident independent Consultant's when it is anticipated that total annual payments to Consultant under this Agreement will exceed one thousand four hundred ninety nine dollars (\$1,499.00).
- (3) Except as set forth above, County has no obligation to withhold any taxes or payments from sums paid by County to Consultant under this
- Agreement. Payment of all taxes and other assessments on such sums is the sole responsibility of Consultant. County has no responsibility or liability for payment of Consultant's taxes or assessments.
- (4) The total amounts paid by County to Consultant, and taxes withheld from payments to non-California residents, if any, will be reported annually to the Internal Revenue Service and the California State Franchise Tax Board. To facilitate this reporting, Consultant shall complete and submit to the County an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9 upon executing this Agreement.

# 4. WORK SCHEDULE.

Consultant's obligation is to perform, in a timely manner, those services and work identified in Attachment A, which are requested by the County. It is understood by Consultant that the performance of these services and work will require a varied schedule. Consultant will arrange his/her own schedule, but will

coordinate with County to insure that all services and work requested by County under this Agreement will be performed within the time frame set forth by County.

# 5. REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATES, AND PERMITS.

- A. Any licenses, certificates, or permits required by the federal, state, county, or municipal governments for Consultant to provide the services and work described in Attachment A must be procured by Consultant and be valid at the time Consultant enters into this Agreement or as otherwise may be required. Further, during the term of this Agreement, Consultant must maintain such licenses, certificates, and permits in full force and effect. Licenses, certificates, and permits may include, but are not limited to, driver's licenses, professional licenses or certificates, and business licenses. Such licenses, certificates, and permits will be procured and maintained in force by Consultant at no expense to the County. Consultant will provide County, upon execution of this Agreement, with evidence of current and valid licenses, certificates and permits which are required to perform the services identified in Attachment A. Where there is a dispute between Consultant and County as to what licenses, certificates, and permits are required to perform the services identified in Attachment A, County reserves the right to make such determinations for purposes of this Agreement.
- B. Consultant warrants that it is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in covered transactions by any federal department or agency. Consultant also warrants that it is not suspended or debarred from receiving federal funds as listed in the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs issued by the General Services Administration available at: <a href="http://www.sam.gov">http://www.sam.gov</a>.

# 6. OFFICE SPACE, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, ETC.

Consultant shall provide such office space, supplies, equipment, vehicles, reference materials, and telephone service as is necessary for Consultant to provide the services identified in Attachment A to this Agreement. County is not obligated to reimburse or pay Consultant, for any expense or cost incurred by Consultant in procuring or maintaining such items. Responsibility for the costs and expenses incurred by Consultant in providing and maintaining such items is the sole responsibility and obligation of Consultant.

#### 7. COUNTY PROPERTY.

- A. <u>Personal Property of County.</u> Any personal property such as, but not limited to, protective or safety devices, badges, identification cards, keys, etc. provided to Consultant by County pursuant to this Agreement are, and at the termination of this Agreement remain, the sole and exclusive property of County. Consultant will use reasonable care to protect, safeguard and maintain such items while they are in Consultant's possession. Consultant will be financially responsible for any loss or damage to such items, partial or total, which is the result of Consultant's negligence.
- B. Products of Consultant's Work and Services. Any and all compositions, publications, plans, specifications, blueprints, maps, formulas, processes, photographs, slides, video tapes, computer programs, computer disks, computer tapes, memory chips, soundtracks, audio recordings, films, audio-visual presentations, exhibits, reports, studies, works of art, inventions, patents, trademarks, copyrights, or intellectual properties of any kind which are created, produced, assembled, compiled by, or are the result, product, or manifestation of, Consultant 's services or work under this Agreement are, and at the termination of this Agreement remain, the sole and exclusive property of the County. At the termination of the Agreement, Consultant will convey possession and title to all such properties to County.

# 8. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

For the duration of this Agreement Consultant shall procure and maintain insurance of the scope and amount specified in Attachment D and with the provisions specified in that attachment.

# 9. STATUS OF CONSULTANT.

All acts of Consultant, its agents, officers, and employees, relating to the performance of this Agreement, shall be performed as independent Consultant's, and not as agents, officers, or employees of County. Consultant, by virtue of this Agreement, has no authority to bind or incur any obligation on behalf of County. Except as expressly provided in Attachment A, Consultant has no authority or responsibility to exercise any rights or power vested in the County. No agent, officer, or employee of the Consultant is to be considered an employee of County. It is understood by both Consultant and County that this Agreement shall not under any circumstances be construed or considered to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture. As an independent Consultant:

- A. Consultant shall determine the method, details, and means of performing the work and services to be provided by Consultant under this Agreement.
- B. Consultant shall be responsible to County only for the requirements and results specified in this Agreement, and except as expressly provided in this Agreement, shall not be subjected to County's control with respect to the physical action or activities of Consultant in fulfillment of this Agreement.
- C. Consultant, its agents, officers, and employees are, and at all times during the term of this Agreement shall, represent and conduct themselves as independent Consultant's, and not as employees of County.

#### 10. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION.

Design Professional/Consultant agrees to indemnify, including the cost to defend, entity and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims, demands, costs, or liability that arise out of, or pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of Design Professional/Consultant and its employees or agents in the performance of services under this contract, but this indemnity does not apply to liability for damages arising from the sole negligence, active negligence, or willful acts of the County; and does not apply to any passive negligence of the County unless caused at least in part by the Design Professional/Consultant.

#### 11. RECORDS AND AUDIT.

- A. <u>Records</u>. Consultant shall prepare and maintain all records required by the various provisions of this Agreement, federal, state, and municipal law, ordinances, regulations, and directions. Consultant shall maintain these records for a minimum of four (4) years from the termination or completion of this Agreement. Consultant may fulfill its obligation to maintain records as required by this paragraph by substitute photographs, microphotographs, or other authentic reproduction of such records.
- B. <u>Inspections and Audits.</u> Any authorized representative of County shall have access to any books, documents, papers, records, including, but not limited to, financial records of Consultant, which County determines to be pertinent to this Agreement, for the purposes of making audit, evaluation, examination, excerpts, and transcripts during the period such records are to be maintained by Consultant. Further, County has the right, at all reasonable times, to audit, inspect, or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed under this Agreement.

#### 12. NONDISCRIMINATION.

During the performance of this Agreement, Consultant, its agents, officers, and employees shall not unlawfully discriminate in violation of any federal, state, or local law, against any employee, or applicant for employment, or person receiving services under this Agreement, because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age, or sex. Consultant and its agents, officers, and employees shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12900, et seq.), and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder in the California Code of Regulations. Consultant shall also abide by the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all amendments thereto, and all administrative rules and regulations issued pursuant to said act.

# 13. CANCELLATION.

This Agreement may be canceled by County without cause, and at will, for any reason by giving to Consultant thirty (30) days written notice of such intent to cancel. Consultant may cancel this Agreement without cause, and at will, for any reason whatsoever by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such intent to cancel to County.

# 14. ASSIGNMENT.

This is an agreement for the services of Consultant. County has relied upon the skills, knowledge, experience, and training of Consultant as an inducement to enter into this Agreement. Consultant shall not assign or subcontract this Agreement, or any part of it, without the express written consent of County. Further, Consultant shall not assign any monies due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written consent of County.

#### 15. DEFAULT.

If the Consultant abandons the work, or fails to proceed with the work and services requested by County in a timely manner, or fails in any way as required to conduct the work and services as required by County, County may declare the Consultant in default and terminate this Agreement upon five (5) days written notice to Consultant. Upon such termination by default, County will pay to Consultant all amounts owing to Consultant for services and work satisfactorily performed to the date of termination.

#### 16. WAIVER OF DEFAULT.

Waiver of any default by either party to this Agreement shall not be deemed to be waiver of any subsequent default. Waiver or breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach, and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement unless this Agreement is modified as provided in paragraph twenty-two (22) below.

## 17. CONFIDENTIALITY.

Consultant further agrees to comply with the various provisions of the federal, state, and county laws, regulations, and ordinances providing that information and records kept, maintained, or accessible by Consultant in the course of providing services and work under this Agreement, shall be privileged, restricted, or confidential. Consultant agrees to keep confidential all such information and records. Disclosure of such confidential, privileged, or protected information shall be made by Consultant only with the express written consent of the County. Any disclosure of confidential information by Consultant without the County's written consent is solely and exclusively the legal responsibility of Consultant in all respects.

Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, names of persons receiving public social services are confidential and are to be protected from unauthorized disclosure in accordance with Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations Section 205.50, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and Sections 10850 and 14100.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and regulations adopted pursuant thereto. For the purpose of this Agreement, all information, records, and data elements pertaining to beneficiaries shall be protected by the provider from unauthorized disclosure.

## 18. CONFLICTS.

Consultant agrees that it has no interest, and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the work and services under this Agreement.

#### 19. POST AGREEMENT COVENANT.

Consultant agrees not to use any confidential, protected, or privileged information which is gained from the County in the course of providing services and work under this Agreement, for any personal benefit,

gain, or enhancement. Further, Consultant agrees for a period of two years after the termination of this Agreement, not to seek or accept any employment with any County, association, corporation, or person who, during the term of this Agreement, has had an adverse or conflicting interest with the County, or who has been an adverse party in litigation with the County, and concerning such, Consultant by virtue of this Agreement has gained access to the County's confidential, privileged, protected, or proprietary information.

#### 20. SEVERABILITY.

If any portion of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, or if it is found in contravention of any federal, state, or county statute, ordinance, or regulation, the remaining provisions of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall not be invalidated thereby, and shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that the provisions of this Agreement are severable.

#### 21. FUNDING LIMITATION.

The ability of County to enter this Agreement is based upon available funding from various sources. In the event that such funding fails, is reduced, or is modified, from one or more sources, County has the option to cancel, reduce, or modify this Agreement, or any of its terms within ten (10) days of its notifying Consultant of the cancellation, reduction, or modification of available funding. Any reduction or modification of this Agreement made pursuant to this provision must comply with the requirements of paragraph twenty-two (22) (Amendment).

#### 22. AMENDMENT.

This Agreement may be modified, amended, changed, added to, or subtracted from, by the mutual consent of the parties hereto, if such amendment or change is in written form and executed with the same formalities as this Agreement, and attached to the original Agreement to maintain continuity.

# 23. NOTICE.

Any notice, communication, amendments, additions, or deletions to this Agreement, including change of address of either party during the terms of this Agreement, which Consultant or County shall be required, or may desire, to make, shall be in writing and may be personally served, or sent by prepaid first class mail to, the respective parties as follows:

County of Inyo:	
	Department Address
	City and State
Consultant:	
	Name
	Address
	City and State

#### 24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties, and no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements otherwise between the parties not embodied herein or incorporated herein by reference, shall be of any force or effect. Further, no term or provision hereof may be changed, waived, discharged, or terminated, unless the same be in writing executed by the parties hereto.

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# AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

AND	
FOR THE PROVISION OF	SERVICES
IN WITNESS THEREOF, THE PARTIES HER DAY OF,,	ETO HAVE SET THEIR HANDS AND SEALS THIS
COUNTY OF INYO	CONSULTANT
By:	By:
Print or Type Name	Print or Type Name
Dated:	Dated:
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:	
County Counsel	-
APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:	
County Auditor	_
APPROVED AS TO PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS:	
Personnel Services	_
APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:	
County Risk Manager	_

# **ATTACHMENT A**

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

AND		
FOR THE PROVISION OF		SERVICES
	TERM:	
FROM:	TO:	
	SCOPE OF WORK:	

# **ATTACHMENT B**

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

	SERVICES
TERM:	
TO:	
	TERM:

**SCHEDULE OF FEES:** 

# ATTACHMENT C

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

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	TERM:	
FROM:	TO:	

SCHEDULE OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM PAYMENT:

# ATTACHMENT D

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SEE ATTACHED INSURANCE PROVISIONS

# **Specifications 2 Insurance Requirements for Professional Services**

Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, or employees.

# MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis for bodily injury and property damage, including products-completed operations, personal injury and advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Consultant has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$500,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease.

# (Not required if consultant provides written verification it has no employees)

1. **Professional Liability** (Errors and Omissions) Insurance appropriates to the Consultant's profession, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

If the Consultant maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the Consultant. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

# Additional Insured Status

1. The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the consultant including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Consultant's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

# Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

# Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the **Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

# **Notice of Cancellation**

Each insurance policy required above shall state that **coverage shall not be** canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

# **Waiver of Subrogation**

Consultant hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Consultant may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. The Entity may require the Consultant to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

# Acceptability of Insurers

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

# **Claims Made Policies**

If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:

- 1. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not *replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Dat*e prior to the contract effective date, the Consultant must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of *five (5)* years after completion of contract work.

# Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete,

certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

# **Subcontractors**

Consultant shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein.

# Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.