

Request For Proposal

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Deweyville Trailhead to Neck Lake Road

AK PFH 43(10)

North Prince of Wales Island, Alaska

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1.1 INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

This Request for Proposal (RFP) seeks objectives from Offerors to construct, and perform other identified activities for the Deweyville Trailhead to Neck Lake Road project (the “Project”) on Prince of Wales Island, Alaska.

For the purpose of the ASC Reno Competition Kiewit has managed the design for FHWA and put together a bid package for teams to bid on. No design alterations are accepted from the RFC design included in the bid package.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

“**CO**” means the contracting officer for FHWA.

“**Design-Build Team**” means the individual(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the construction elements presented in the offer. The team may consist of one or more individuals or entities who have the overall responsibility for the construction of the Project.

“**Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)**” means the regulation setting forth the policies and procedures governing this procurement.

“**FHWA**” means the Federal Highway Administration, which is the procuring agency.

“**Offeror**” means a Design-Build Team submitting a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) for the Project in response to this RFQ, or submitting a Proposal in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP).

“**Project**” means the Deweyville Trailhead to Neck Lake Road project (the “Project”) on Prince of Wales Island, Alaska that is the subject of this procurement action.

“**Proposal**” means the proposal(s) submitted by the short-listed Design-Build Teams in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) including all revisions.

“**Request for Proposals (RFP)**” means a document used to solicit proposals from Design-Build Teams to design and construct a highway project. The RFP is issued only to Design-Build Teams who are on the Short-List.

“**Request for Qualifications (RFQ)**” means a document issued by FHWA as the first step of a two-step selection process that requests interested Design-Build teams to submit an SOQ. The RFQ describes the project in enough detail to let potential Design-Build Teams determine if they wish to submit an SOQ. The RFQ forms the basis for developing a Short-List of the most qualified Design-Build Teams.

“**Short-List**” means the list of those Offerors, having submitted SOQs, that FHWA determines are the most highly qualified Design-Build Teams and will be invited to submit Proposals in response to an RFP.

“**Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)**” means the information prepared and submitted by an Offeror in response to this RFQ.

1.3 PROJECT GOALS

FHWA's goals for the project are:

- Do not impact the current project under construction between MP 68.8 and MP 81.0.
- Complete construction of the project within the programmed budget.
- Select a Design-Build Team whose quality management practices ensure the requirements of the project will be met or exceeded, without the need for rework, and with minimal direction from FHWA.
- Minimize the overall construction duration.
- Minimize the overall project duration.

1.4 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1.3.1 General Description

The estimated cost of the Project is \$25 million to \$50 million.

The Project is located within the Tongass National Forest, on Prince of Wales Island in Southeast Alaska. The Project is located along the North Prince of Wales Road (Forest Highway 43, National Forest System Road 20). The south end of the project is approximately 12 miles north of the intersection of North Prince of Wales Road and Coffman Cove Road (NFSR 23), and approximately 45 miles north of Klawock, Alaska.

The Project is located in an area of Southeast Alaska with high precipitation and with complex features such as muskeg and potentially karst. Wetlands are located along the project corridor.

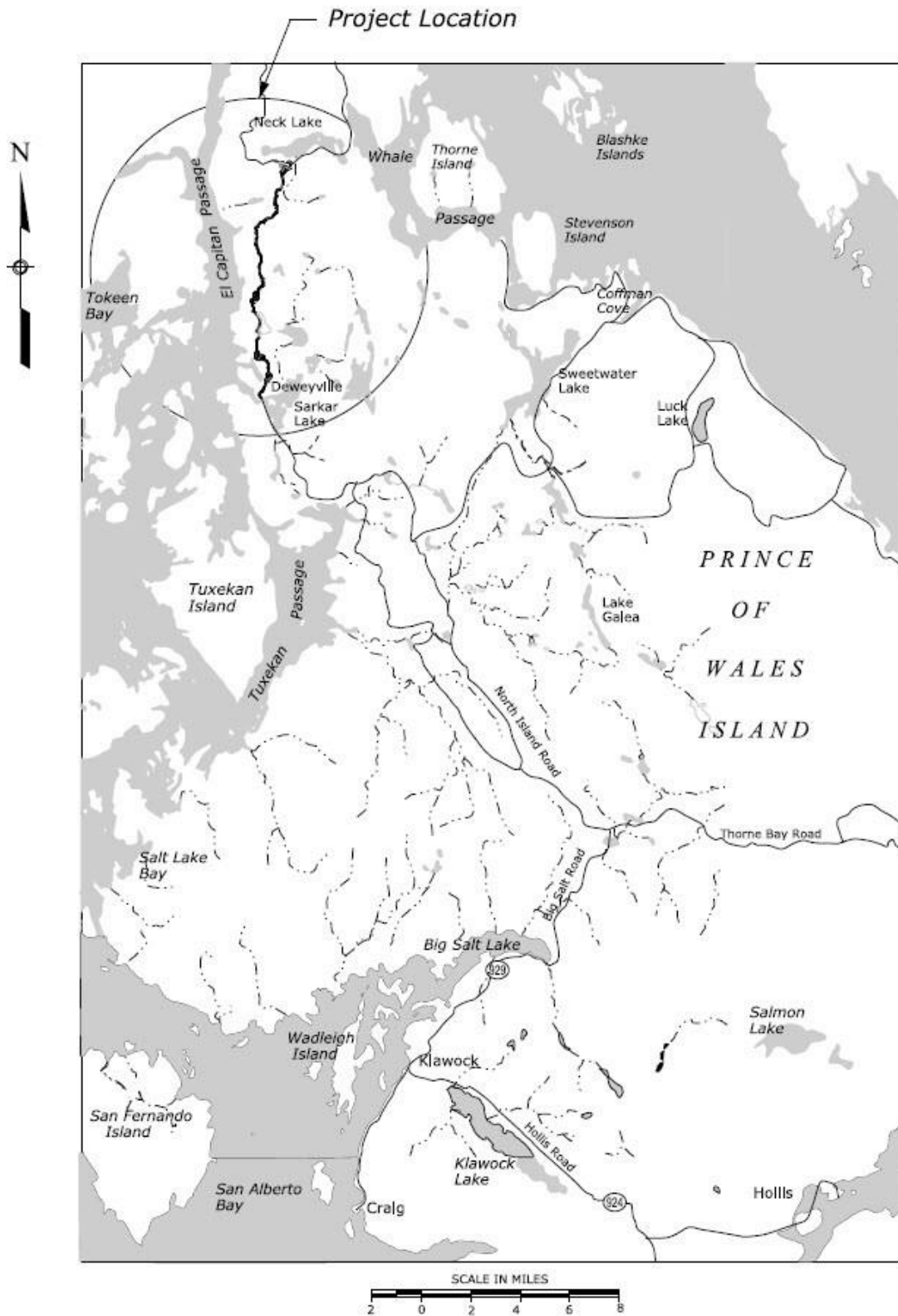
Generally, the Project will consist of the following:

- Reconstruction of approximately 12 miles of North Prince of Wales Road between Deweyville Trailhead and Neck Lake Road to a two-lane roadway with an asphaltic concrete paved surface;
- Construction of bridges at Tunga Creek and Chum Creek;
- Construction of aquatic organism passages;
- Removal of the existing bridge at Chum Creek;
- Obliteration of the existing roadway; and
- Purchasing mitigation credits.

No utility work is required.

No right-of-way acquisition will be required.

A map of the project area is provided on the following page.



1.3.2 Construction Requirements

Environmental Requirements. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decision has been made. The design and construction shall conform to the requirements established in the U.S. Forest Service's Environmental Assessment (EA), Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and FHWA's Categorical Exclusion (CE), as well as to all other applicable regulatory requirements. No permits (environmental or otherwise) have been obtained for the Project. The Design-Build Team will not be required to acquire necessary permits.

Construction. The Project must be constructed within the boundaries defined in, and in compliance with the FONSI and CE. The Project must be constructed so as to maintain traffic throughout the construction process. The Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Projects (FP) and current Western Federal Lands Highway Division (WFLHD) Library of Supplemental Specifications will apply.

1.3.3 Design-Build Team Responsibilities

The Design-Build Team will be responsible for furnishing all labor, material, equipment, services, and support facilities for the Project including, but not limited to, the following:

- Construction of all project components;
- Management of the Project Construction;
- Project-related public involvement activities;
- Quality assurance/quality control of design and construction as defined in the RFP;
- Maintenance and protection of traffic, including Emergency Medical Service providers;
- Project safety and security;
- Information as necessary to successfully complete the Project design and construction;
- Drainage, erosion control, and best management practices (BMP)s;
- Construction waste disposal and handling;
- Clearances, licenses, and permits for Design-Build Team work, work sites, storage areas, etc., both on and off site;
- Ancillary work, such as temporary fencing, relocation of drainage, work sites, and temporary works;
- Material location, acquisition, permits, and transportation;
- Maintenance of the Project, except winter maintenance activities (snow removal);
- Administration of the Project during the Contract period; and

1.3.4 Project Status and Documents Provided in the RFP

Survey: FHWA has not verified the topographic survey prepared by others. Do not rely on the stakes or alignment.

Environmental: The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decision has been made. Wetland delineation has been performed and this information is available in the historical data on the website. This delineation will be sufficient for permit requirements.

Documents Provided:

- Environmental Assessment
- Decision Notice and FONSI
- CE

1.4 PROJECT SCHEDULE

The anticipated time of contract award is August 2012.

The anticipated substantial completion date is September 2015.

See Section 2.1 for the procurement schedule.

1.5 CONTRACT TYPE

The Contract will be a Unit price job.

1.6 INELIGIBLE FIRMS

No firms have been determined ineligible.

1.7 PRE-SOQ INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

A Pre-SOQ informational meeting will not be held.

1.8 PRE-RFP INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

A Pre-RFP informational meeting will not be held.

1.9 OFFEROR QUESTIONS

FHWA will consider questions submitted in writing by Offerors regarding the RFQ, including requests for clarification and requests to correct errors. All such requests must be submitted in **writing via typed letter delivered to room ____**.

No oral requests will be considered. No requests for additional information or clarification to any other government office, consultant, employee or agency will be considered.

A response to the question(s) will be issued to all teams.

1.10 RFP AMENDMENTS

If necessary, FHWA will issue Amendments to modify conditions or requirements of this RFP. These amendments will be hand delivered to all teams. With your Bid, submit a signed and dated copy of each amendment. Failure to submit a signed Amendment may result in the rejection of your offer.

1.11 COSTS

Offerors are solely responsible for all costs and expenses of any nature associated with responding to this RFQ and providing supplemental information.

1.12 PROPOSAL STIPEND

FHWA will provide a Stipend in the amount of \$50,000 to be paid to unsuccessful Design-Build Teams who submit complete Proposals in response to an RFP. The purpose of the Stipend is to encourage competition.

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2.1 PROCUREMENT PROCESS

The process for procurement of the Contract will be in accordance with laws and rules of the FAR and Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) using the Best Value Selection process. The intent of FHWA is to award the Contract to the Offeror that provides the Proposal with the best combination of price and technical quality.

The procurement process will include two steps:

- Step 1. Bid Package
- Step 2. Presentation

This RFP is to the short-listed Offerors. FHWA will award a Design- Build contract to the Offeror offering the best value. FHWA, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend, modify, or terminate this procurement at any time.

2.2 PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

The following represents the current schedule for the procurement. The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of FHWA.

Activity	Date
Issue RFP	February 5, 2015 – 6:00 am
Pre-Bid meeting	February 5, 2015 – 8:30 am
RFI's accepted	February 5, 2015 – 10:00 am – 1:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Owner's Meeting	February 5, 2015 – 2:00 pm
Bid due	February 5, 2015 – 10:00 pm
Presentation due	February 6, 2015 – 6:00 am
Presentations	February 6, 2015 - TBD

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3.1 EVALUATION PROCESS OF THE PRESENTATION

3.2 EVALUATION OBJECTIVES

The objective of the Presentation step of the procurement is to identify the most highly qualified Offeror with the general capability and experience necessary to successfully undertake and complete the work. Specific objectives relating to each of the evaluation factors are included in Section 4.4 of this RFP.

3.3 EVALUATION FACTORS AND SCORING

This section lists the evaluation factors for the Presentation phase of the procurement. See Section 4.4 for the content requirements of the RFP in response to these evaluation factors.

The information submitted in accordance with Section 4.4 will be evaluated in accordance with both the pass/fail factors and scored factors as shown below.

Evaluation Factors	Points Available
Project Understanding	75
Project Schedule	75
Direct Operations	75
Indirect Operations	75
Presentation Performance	100
Total Points available	400

3.4 REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION

FHWA may, at its sole discretion, request clarifications and/or supplemental information from Offerors during the Presentation evaluation. Verbal responses as specified in FHWA's request will be acceptable.

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4.1 PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

4.2 DATE AND TIME OF RECEIPT

All Presentations must be received no later than **6:00 a.m. Mountain West Time on February 6, 2015.**

4.3 SUBMITTALS

4.3.1 Presentations

Presentations shall be submitted to FHWA's designated point of contact (see below). It is the Offeror's sole responsibility to ensure delivery of its Proposal to FHWA at the time and place specified.

Submit to:

ATTN: CONTRACTING – DTFH70-12-R-000005
DO NOT OPEN
FHWA - Western Federal Lands Highway Division
Room #

(Fax and email submissions will not be accepted.)

4.4 CONTENT OF PRESENTATION (Objectives, Submittal Requirements, and Criteria for Evaluation)

4.4.1 Understanding and Approach

A) Objective:

- 1) To identify those Offerors demonstrating an understanding of and approach to the management, technical aspects, issues and risks associated with the Project; and
- 2) To identify those Offerors who understand how to implement the construction process to meet FHWA's project goals.
- 3) Outline key community relations issues and how they will be addressed.
- 4) Explain your construction schedule on a summary level to explain how you will complete the work in a timely manner.

4.4.2 Direct Operations

A) Objective:

- 1) To identify Offerors who have demonstrated a logical plan to building the work, while providing a quality product. Should identify several key operations and discuss the Offerors approach to completing the task.
- 2) To identify Offerors whose Quality Management program is essentially independent of construction management staff and has the authority to require changes to be made to bring the work into conformance.

4.4.3 Indirect Operations

A) Objective:

- 1) To identify Offerors that will effectively manage all aspects of the Contract in a quality, timely, and effective manner.
- 2) To identify the best personnel for key management positions with demonstrated experience and expertise in and a record of producing quality work on projects of a similar size and type [i.e., two-lane (minimum) highway construction according to State or Federal standard in areas, with the following attributes: annual precipitation greater than 60 inches, muskeg, karst, large quantities of unsuitable material, wetlands, requiring compliance with State and Federal environmental requirements, and award amounts of \$5 million or more].

5.1 BID PACKAGE EVALUATION FACTORS

The Bid Package submitted by short-listed firms will be evaluated based on the following factors:

- Completed Bid Form
- Completed Bid Schedule with a Total bid amount
- Project Schedule
- Estimate binder (Organized binder which includes; back up, Takeoff's, and pricing)

The Bid Packages will be reviewed and scored based on an available 400 points.

6.1 FAR AND TAR SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CLAUSES

6.2 PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

FAR 52.252-1 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at <http://www.acquisition.gov/comp/far/index.html>

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
FAR 52.214-34	Submission of Offers in the English Language	APR 1991
FAR 52.215-1	Instructions to Offerors—Competitive Acquisition	JAN 2004

6.3 FULL TEXT FAR PROVISIONS

FAR 52.233-2 Service of Protest (SEPT 2006)

(a) Protests, as defined in section [33.101](#) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from

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Western Federal Lands Highway Division
610 East Fifth Street
Vancouver WA 98661-3801

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

6.4 FULL TEXT TAR CLAUSES

TAR 1252.237-73 Key Personnel (May 2005)

(a) The personnel as specified below are considered essential to the work being performed under this contract and may, with the consent of the contracting parties, be changed from time to time during the course of the contract by adding or deleting personnel, as appropriate.

(b) Before removing, replacing, or diverting any of the specified individuals, the Contractor shall notify the contracting officer, in writing, before the change becomes effective. The Contractor shall submit information to support the proposed action to enable the contracting officer to evaluate the potential impact of the change on the contract. The Contractor shall not remove or replace personnel under this contract until the Contracting Officer approves the change.

The Key Personnel under this Contract are: Project Manager, Construction Manager, Design Manager, Environmental Coordination Manager, and Quality Manager.

6.5 ADDITIONAL FAR/TAR SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CLAUSES

To be provided in the RFP.