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QUESTION: In reviewing the subject RFP, would it be possible to get some clarification on the language related to the specific rates of compensation? Is it the Cabinet's intent to have a broad list of classifications and all-inclusive hourly rates from the prime and all subconsultants for the entire spectrum of services provided under this contract?

ANSWER: The RFP has been revised to include a list of potential personnel classifications. Each prime firm and any subconsultants may not have staff which fits all categories; however, any personnel expected within these categories shall be submitted on the Appendix. Also, the fees associated with these classifications have been included as an evaluation factor. Please see <u>Section VI. Special Instructions</u> and <u>Section X. Evaluation Factors</u> of the revised RFP for more information.

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CLARIFICATION: Although rates shall be submitted as an Appendix for personnel classifications listed within <u>Section VI. Special Instructions</u> the Cabinet has removed the scoring criteria for the Specific Rates of Compensation cost method. Please see <u>Section X. Evaluation Factors</u> of the revised RFP for more information.

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QUESTION: Prequalifications for photogrammetry is shown as a requirement but the description is similar to other projects that did not require these services. Are these services required or is LIDAR sufficient for this project?

ANSWER: The Cabinet anticipates that statewide LIDAR and imagery will be sufficient for the initial preliminary engineering contract; however, we anticipate wanting the option for additional photogrammetry when we progress into final design. As a result, prequalification requirements for Photogrammetry & Related Services has been modified from a full requirement to an option which may be added later by contract modification and is not required within the initial submittal. Please see <u>Section XV. Prequalification Requirements</u> of the revised RFP for more information.

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QUESTION: I'm assuming these are asking for audited rates but it did not specify?

ANSWER: Yes, audited rates should be provided for specified personnel classifications to accomplish the required services.

QUESTION: Ours (and likely others) rates will likely change before this contract is finalized, will the rates be updated with new audit rates when available? Subsequently, with these rates being

used as a part of the scoring, I would assume that scorers will have access to each submitting firm's KYTC audited rates, in order to make sure they match?

ANSWER: Rates provided within the response should be used for the two-year contract. If a new audit has been approved prior to the Scoping Meeting, the Cabinet may consider using the new approved rates; however, the contract will not be delayed due to a pending audit. The rates will not be used as part of the scoring. Please see the above clarification from November 29.

QUESTION: Since it appears to be asking for "loaded rates", what percent profit are we to use? **ANSWER:** Firms are permitted to use loaded rates with a 15% profit percentage.