

RFQ Question and Answer List

State of Ohio Standard Forms and Documents

Project Name Buckeye Lake Dam Improvements Project Number DNR-150080
Project Location Village of Buckeye Lake/Fairfield and Licking Counties

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Below are the questions that have been received to date for the RFQ of the above-referenced project:

1. The RFQ makes several references to awarding of subcontracts by the selected CMAR firm using a competitive process. Please clarify that this requirement does not apply to the major features of the project, such as the stability berm and deep soil mixing, which is anticipated to be self-performed or subcontracted to a key Team Member due to the critical nature of the work. Having to competitively bid these critical features of the project, it would seem, defeats the purpose of a qualifications based CMAR firm.
 - a. **This Request for Qualifications is only requesting qualifications based on the criteria outlined within. When the successful firm establishes the Guaranteed Maximum Price, all construction is awarded through a competitive process including self-performed work. Refer to the CM at Risk Agreements and Standard Requirements at ofcc.ohio.gov for a general understanding of the contracting process. The documents on this site are representative of the contract documents that will be used on this project.**
2. Please confirm if more than ten reference projects will be allowed in Section F. of Form F110-330.
 - a. **Reference projects are limited to ten projects, as outlined in Section F of Form F110-330.**
3. In order to even achieve the 5% EDGE Participation Goal, the use of multiple EDGE-certified firms, including subcontractors, will be necessary. But because the exact scope of work is yet to be defined and the competitive subcontractor selection process will not take place until after a CMAR has been, no CMAR firms responding to this RFQ can know with any degree of certainty what level of EDGE participation they will ultimately have, let alone if they will be able to achieve the 5% participation goal. Please clarify how Section 3.b. of the RFQ Rating Form will be evaluated.
 - a. **Firms submitting a Statement of Qualifications shall make their best effort to identify EDGE opportunities within the scope identified in the Request for Qualifications that meet or exceed the EDGE participation goal. One point will be given for every 2 percent increase in services compensation over the EDGE participation goal. While the exact scope is not yet defined, the proposed participation should be based on a reasonable estimated percentage of the overall services compensation.**
4. Form F110-330 states to limit Section F. Example Projects to one page per project. However, this does not allow enough space to adequately address the required information in Section F. 28. a. - i. Please allow up to two pages per example project.
 - a. **Section H of Form F110-330 may be used to provide an outline following the selection criteria as indicated on the rating sheet and briefly summarizing the proposed team's qualifications for each criterion, including sample projects. Section F is limited to one page per project.**

5. Will the ODNR allow the selected Construction Manager (CM at Risk) for the rehabilitation of the Buckeye Lake Dam (Project # DNR-150080) to submit pricing and self-perform any of the heavy civil construction work in either Phase I or Phase II of the rehabilitation of the Dam or is the CM's responsibilities going to be strictly limited to management of the Dam project?
 - a. **When the successful firm establishes the Guaranteed Maximum Price, all construction is awarded through a competitive process which includes the opportunity for self-performed work. Refer to the CM at Risk Agreements and Standard Requirements at ofcc.ohio.gov for a general understanding of the contracting process. The documents on this site are representative of the contract documents that will be used on this project.**
6. Will the heavy civil construction work in Phase I and Phase II of the Buckeye Lake Dam Rehabilitation be publicly advertised and open to all qualified contractors to bid on? If so, when and where will Phase I and Phase II be advertised?
 - a. **Prior to establishing Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP), the CM at Risk will be required to submit a list of prequalified subcontractors for ODNR approval. Once approved, the CM at Risk will administer competitive bidding and advertising. ODNR will be able to offer assistance during this process, if requested by the CM at Risk.**
7. In the Buckeye Lake Dam RFQ (Project # DNR-150080) Section B, Preconstruction Services, it refers to subcontractor prequalification. Who will handle the prequalification of the contractors and what will be required of the contractor to get prequalified in order to bid and perform the heavy civil construction work in either Phase I or Phase II of the rehabilitation of the Dam?
 - a. **The firms short listed for selection will be responsible for outlining a subcontractor prequalification plan as part of the Technical Proposal. The plan will be reviewed by ODNR during selection. ODNR will also review and approve the final prequalified subcontractor list after the CM at Risk firm is selected.**
8. The CM at Risk Selection Rating Form for this project includes Selection Criteria 3, Key Consultant Qualifications. Can you please clarify what services a consultant might provide for this project? We understand that a separate design contract has already been issued to Gannett & Fleming, and, based on our reading of the Construction Manual, we would expect to perform constructability reviews and scheduling in house.
 - a. **"Consultant" in this case refers to the team proposed in the Statement of Qualifications including the CM at Risk and any consultants, sub consultants, or subcontractors.**
9. Can a list of known CMAR firms for this RFQ be provided, so that the EDGE firms who can perform at the levels needed can contact them?
 - a. **Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) are publicly advertised, soliciting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from interested firms, therefore ODNR is unable to contemplate a list of known firms before SOQs are received. Interested firms can search for EDGE certificated providers at <http://eodreporting.oit.ohio.gov/searchEDGE.aspx>.**
10. The language of the advertisement seems to indicate that the selected CMAR will be eligible for all work associated with Phase I and Phase II. However, the time frames included on Page 3 of the Request for Qualifications speaks to a finite time frame representative of Phase I Only. Are we to assume that our focus will only be on Phase I? While this phase of the project does not include monetary considerations,

we must consider the total time engagement we may have, and, as such would need the duration if Phase II is included.

- a. **The initial contract will include fees and scope associated with Phase I of the Project. ODNR reserves the right to award fees associated with Phase II at a later date. Final design has not been completed and part of the preconstruction services will be to develop the Project schedule.**

11. I cannot locate an agreement within the OFCC website that fits this project as advertised. In fact, all the available agreements specifically exclude the Construction Manager from bidding or performing any construction services. Could you please clarify or provide the document number you plan to use for this project?

- a. **When the successful firm establishes the Guaranteed Maximum Price, all construction is awarded through a competitive process which includes the opportunity for self-performed work. Reference the General Conditions (Document number M170-00 72 23) for more information on the CM at Risk requirements:**
<http://ofcc.ohio.gov/Documents/AgreementsandStandardRequirements.aspx#128390-cm-at-risk>

12. The RFQ for the above referenced project clearly allows and provides for submission of Statements of Qualifications by joint ventures. Does the ODNR or the OFCC object to submission of joint venture qualification statements from partners organized as an LLC formed specifically for pursuit of this project, and will the ODNR and OFCC recognize the separate experience of the member firms of the LLC?

- a. **ODNR will consider the overall team's qualifications and experience. However, the joint venture should identify a primary firm or partner in the Statement of Qualifications.**