

**SCTA
Response to Questions
Regarding
RFP for MSN C2 Project
9/1/09**

Q1. We are interested in providing geotechnical engineering services for this project and in teaming with a civil engineering firm. We have reviewed the Request for Proposal and found that Caltrans, Office of Geotechnical Design-West B prepared the Preliminary Geotechnical Report for the Marin/Sonoma Narrows HOV Lane and Proposed Improvements in 2005.

Could you tell me if other geotechnical studies for this project has already been prepared, and can you please send me a copy of the Caltrans report, preferably by email?

A1. A preliminary geotech report was produced during the environmental phase of the project. We are unable to provide copies of reports at this time, however, all reports will be made available to the selected consultant.

Q2. We have reviewed the RFP, the FEIR, and the various web sites available to us regarding the project. I would like to review the Project Report, Storm Water Data Report, Traffic Management Plan, Preliminary Drainage Report and Right of Way/Utility info contained in the Right of Way Data Sheet. How can I obtain copies of those?

A2. A copy of the Project Report can be obtained on the following ftp site:
<ftp://67.110.246.128>

Username: ftpclient
Password: vcaclient

Go to the client folder and then the SCTA – MSN docs folder.

Copies of the Right of Way Data Sheets are in the appendix of the Project Report. We are not able to provide copies of the other requested reports at this time, however all reports will be made available to the selected consultant.

Q3. The RFP suggests that we would supplement available mapping, what is available in terms of mapping? CADD format, year developed, scale, boundary ties? Has Caltrans determined that the existing mapping is adequate for design purposes?

A3. Caltrans has a DTM for the entire length of the segment C which is based on photogrammetry and is in a Caice format. Caltrans can export a XML which can be

converted to Autocadd. The photogrammetry was originally done in metric in 02' and has since been converted into English in 08'. It is anticipated that additional ground surveys will be needed during the PS&E phase to supplement the photogrammetry survey in locations where the work needs to be tied in, I.E. the inside and outside lanes where widening is to occur. Base mapping was also based on the 2001 survey and additional road work has been done since the survey, specifically the AUX lane and barrier from Hwy 116 to E. Washington in the SB direction. Also, the recently placed barrier from that project will need to be relocated because when the Aux lane project went through, instead of widening to the outside to accommodate the Aux lane, it was achieved by restriping and inside widening only. The mapping is not scaled, it is in real units (ft) also the design plane is California plane 29R.

Q4. Should we assume that Caltrans will advertise and administer the construction contract or does SCTA anticipate assuming that role? This will have a large affect on the schedule.

A4. The agency responsible for AAA has not yet been determined. There is currently no funding for construction for this project. The schedule for completing 100% PS&E should not be impacted.

Q5. The RFP does not have any mention of DBE requirements, are there any such requirements?

A5. There are no DBE requirements; however, the SCTA encourages the use of small, local and DBE firms.

Q6. Do you anticipate Public Outreach activities to occur during the design process? If so, do you want the design consultant to manage these activities, participate in them or is SCTA handling all that?

A6. Any public outreach activities needed would be provided by SCTA. It is possible that some outreach may be required for aesthetics.

Q7. I have a couple of questions regarding proposal format. First, may the organizational chart be presented in an 11x17" format? Second, may we include an 11x17" project exhibit as one of our 25 pages?

A7. The org chart and exhibit should be 8 1/2" x 11".