



MENDOCINO COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE: ARBORICULTURAL
(ARBORIST) AND DISASTER TREE HAZARD MANAGEMENT SERVICES
DOT CONTRACT NUMBER 180001
DAMAGE INVENTORY #88135, Project 30745

I. INTRODUCTION

The Mendocino County Department of Transportation (MCDOT - County) seeks a consultant or consulting firm to provide arboricultural and disaster management services related to the removal of fire-damaged trees that present a safety hazard to the general public as a result of the Redwood Fire. The County will enter into a separate contract for the physical removal of fire-damaged trees.

The County has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DEB) goal for this Agreement of 0%. Refer to the attached Exhibit 10-I "Notice to Proposers DBE Information" for requirements. The goal is 0% because the number of registered DEBs on the State list is small per the calculation and the only other professional "sub-consultant" Land Surveyor is also small and under the limit for goal setting by the Caltrans Local Agency method. Nevertheless, proposers are encouraged to list DEB subs and report DEB percentages. Furthermore, MCDOT has sent invitations to all listed DEB professionals on the State list and encourages any consultant teams with DEB subs to list. The selected consultant is expected to take affirmative steps listed in 44 CFR Part 13.36(e) to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprise, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

This Request for Proposal will be executed as a One-Step RFP Method, as described in Chapter 10 of the Caltrans' *Local Assistance Procedures Manual*.

The County has established insurance requirements applicable to professional services agreements, including this proposed agreement. The applicable insurance requirements are listed in section XVII of this Request for Proposal.

II. DEFINITIONS

COUNTY – The County of Mendocino.

CONSULTANT – 1. A person, partnership, firm, corporation, or joint venture submitting a proposal to obtain a COUNTY contract. 2. A Consultant who signs a contract with the COUNTY to perform services.

III. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

- A. Consultants must submit 3 copies of their proposal with original Consultant signature. The proposal must be formatted in accordance with the instructions of this RFP. Promotional materials may be attached, but are not necessary and will not be considered as meeting any of the requirements of this RFP. Proposals must be enclosed in a sealed envelope or package, clearly

marked “**ARBORICULTURAL AND DISASTER TREE HAZARD MANAGEMENT SERVICES**”, and delivered to:

Attn: Howard Dashiell
Director of Transportation, Engineering
Mendocino County Department of Transportation
340 Lake Mendocino Drive
Ukiah, CA 95482-9432

Late or facsimile proposals will not be accepted unless delivery was out of the control of the sender and proposer can prove the delivery service was at fault.

Note: The un-authorized use of the County’s official logo is strictly prohibited.

Submittal Deadline: March 9, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

- B. In a separate sealed envelope, proposers are required to submit with their proposal package, with original Consultant signature:
 - 1. Certificate of Non-Collusion (Attachment B).
 - 2. Proposal Summary Fact Sheet and Statement of Responsibility (Attachment C).
 - 3. Exhibit 10-O1 “Local Agency Proposer DBE Commitment”.
 - 4. Exhibit 10-O2 “Consultant Contact DBE Information”.
- C. Proposers are expected to examine all provisions, specifications, and instructions included in this RFP. Failure to do so will be at the proposer’s risk.
- D. All proposals must be dated and signed by a representative authorized to enter into contracts for the proposing Consultant.
- E. All proposals will remain in effect and legally binding for at least 45 days from the opening date.
- F. Expenses incurred in preparation of the proposal, site visits, or any other actions related to responding to this RFP shall be the responsibility of the Consultant. Any and all damages that may occur due to packaging or shipping of the proposal will be the sole responsibility of the Consultant.
- G. All proposals, response inquiries, or correspondence relating to or in reference to this RFP, and all reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits and other documentation submitted by Consultant shall become the property of the County of Mendocino.
- H. Time when stated as a number of days, shall include Sundays through Saturdays, excluding legal holidays.
- I. Consultant must examine all information and materials contained in and accompanying its proposal. Failure to do so will be at the Consultant's risk. This will include, but not be limited to, all relevant laws and regulations of the State of California and the United States Government.

- J. The successful consultant will be subject to verification of non-fraud and for listing on the list for debarred contractors/consultants per federal funding requirements.

IV. PRE-SUBMITTAL INQUIRIES

Pre-submittal procedural or process inquiries may be directed to Howard Dashiell, Director, at (707) 234-2808 or dashiellh@mendocinocounty.org. Proposers are required to submit any technical questions in writing 72 hours before proposals are due, in order for staff to prepare written responses to all consultants. Technical questions will be answered by email only. Technical questions will not be accepted by phone.

V. MODIFICATIONS OR WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

- A. A proposal that is in the possession of the County may be altered by letter or facsimile bearing the signature or name of the Consultant's authorized representative, provided it is received **prior to the deadline for submission of proposals**. Telephone or verbal alterations will not be accepted.
- B. A proposal that is in the possession of the County may be withdrawn by the proposer **up to the time of the deadline for submission of proposals**.

VI. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The County intends to progress in this procurement in a series of orderly steps. The schedule that follows has been developed in order to provide adequate information for Consultants to prepare definitive Proposals and to permit Mendocino County to fully consider various factors that may affect its decision. **This schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the County. The County will provide sufficient advance notice to Consultants in the event of schedule changes.**

Scheduled Activity	Proposed Date
Request for Proposals mailed to prospective proposers	February 9, 2018
RFP Submission Deadline	See p. 2
RFP Selection and Notification	March 16, 2018
Board Authorization to Award	TBD
Notice of Award	TBD

VII. SELECTION PROCESS

- A. The County reserves the sole right to judge the contents of the Consultants' proposals. The selection process will be governed by the following criteria:
1. The proposals must adhere to the instructions and format as specified in this RFP.

2. The evaluation will include a review of all documents and information relating to the Consultant's services, organizational structure, capabilities, and qualifications, past performance.
3. Consultants may be required to make an oral presentation and interview before final selection is made.
4. The County may evaluate any information from any source it deems relevant to the evaluation.
5. False, incomplete, or unresponsive statements in a proposal may be sufficient cause for its rejection.

VIII. EVALUATION CRITERIA

- A. The proposal will be judged based on service capabilities and experience of the prospective Consultant and all persons who will be providing services under contract. The following are the critical areas of the proposals that will be evaluated by the Selection Committee:
 1. Adequacy of the described plan/approach to deliver requested services as described in this RFP.
 2. Experience of Consultant in providing services and quality of work.
 3. Status of Professional Certification including whether the Consultant meets the minimum requirements to provide service.
There are further parameters noted in Attachment A.

IX. AWARD AND CONTRACT INFORMATION

- A. The County hereby notifies all proposers that it will affirmatively ensure that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation, and that no proposer shall be discriminated against on the grounds of age, race, color, sex, religion, creed, national origin, marital status, political affiliation, or disability.
- B. The Consultant agrees that should it be awarded a contract, the Consultant shall not discriminate against any person who performs work there under because of age, race, color, sex, religion, creed, national origin, marital status, political affiliation, or disability.
- C. The County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities if deemed in the best interest of the County to do so. The County will select the Consultant whose proposal is determined by the County to be the most responsive and responsible proposal and of the best advantage to the citizens of Mendocino County. The County shall be the sole judge in making such a determination.
- D. The successful Consultant will be required to enter into and sign a formal agreement with the County, which agreement will be in effect for the duration of the contract period. A sample contract is attached to this Request for Proposal as Attachment D. It is the Consultant's responsibility to review the contract's terms and conditions and to state any exceptions to those

conditions in its response to the Request for Proposals. If no exceptions are noted, the County will understand that the Consultant agrees to the terms and conditions as stated in the contract.

- E. In a separate sealed envelope, include a copy of your proposed fee schedule. The fee schedule will not be used during the consultant selection, but may be used by County for comparison purposes during negotiations.
- F. Prior to final selection, Consultants may be required to submit any additional information that Mendocino County may deem necessary to determine the Consultant's qualifications. Should any of the information requested by Mendocino County be considered by the Consultant to be confidential, it must be so stated. Mendocino County will attempt to treat any information submitted by the Consultant as confidential if requested to do so; however, Mendocino County cannot ensure such confidentiality.
- G. Open Procurement
 - 1. The Consultant shall include any latitudes, prohibitions or limitations placed on the purchase of the items presented in the Consultant's Proposal. Items and/or services that Consultant intends to be offered on a unit price basis must be so identified. [The County's objective is to clarify all purchase options.]
 - 2. Mendocino County reserves the right to negotiate changes to the original Proposal(s), including changes in system cost and/or unit price.
 - 3. Mendocino County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Proposals in whole or in part.
 - 4. Mendocino County reserves the right to negotiate a contract with more than one Consultant at the same time.

X. SCOPE OF WORK

Consultants shall provide a scope of work which covers the items outlined below along with any additional items that the Consultant deems necessary in order to deliver the necessary services in accordance with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), and other applicable agency requirements.

The County is seeking the services of a consultant to provide arboricultural and disaster management services related to the removal of fire-damaged trees that present a safety hazard to the general public as a result of the Redwood Fire. The County will enter into a separate contract for the physical removal of fire-damaged trees.

The selected firm will be expected to provide, at a minimum, the following services:

- 1. Indicate for removal all fire-damaged trees that present a safety hazard to the general public inside the County Maintained Right-of-Way (RoW) and adjacent to the RoW. County Staff have numbered and logged trees we believe are candidates for evaluation and have prepare a geospatial inventory of all marked trees consisting of, at a tagged number, picture and size. The successful proposer must confirm, species, size, description of hazard and need for removal if so. Any additional trees found after county identification will be added by consultant.

2. The successful proposer shall have a California Licensed Land Surveyor in responsible charge of using RoW record data provided by the County to find any record monuments and mark them for preservation purposes and also estimate tree location in relation to RoW. Trees located close to RoW lines will subject to adjacent property owner permissions and disputed boundaries will not be resolved.
3. Consultant will assist County with right-of-way and property owner consultations. County does not anticipate performing survey requiring record maps and if that was necessary such work would be extra. Found record monuments damaged by fire or subject to disturbance from tree removal will be documented by “corner record process” without usual requirement to show locations in regards to other monuments due to fire damage circumstances.
4. Assist County with a tree disposal plan.
5. Monitor and document all tree removal contractor operations with automated debris management system.
6. Coordinate daily briefings, work progress, staffing, and other key items with County.
7. Assist County with documentation for reimbursement by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), and other applicable agencies for disaster recovery efforts.

The following attachments are included:

- Table 1: Cost comparison form – The County will consider cost and qualifications in selection of the most qualified consultant (Qualification Based Selection – QBS). The Brooks Act is limited to Engineering and Architectural Design for strict prohibition from cost consideration. Thus, the County has prepared an independent opinion of cost to perform the work for our approximate 1000 trees and 1000 survey monuments estimate. The successful proposer will be expected to submit their first cost proposal using the attached format for comparison purposes as well as selection ranking. The County and Consultant will then enter into negotiation and if the format requires modification to reflect the work needed

- Map 1 & 2: Fire area map

TASK 1 Project Administration Management and Coordination

Contract Management and Coordination will include the following subtasks:

Task 1.1 Consultant Project Management

- 1.1.1 Project Management** – COUNTY has marked trees of concern and logged photos and GIS locations and has provided this information to CONSULTANT. The COUNTY expects the CONSULTANT to keep records of findings and recommendations in the format the COUNTY starts and any additions shall be agreed to in writing by both the COUNTY and CONSULTANT.
- 1.1.2 Site Visit** – Promptly after reviewing the documents, CONSULTANT shall schedule with COUNTY a joint visit to the project site to clarify, modify and refine the tasks to be completed by CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT shall document conclusions reached during the site visit(s) and return the updated **Tables and Listings** to COUNTY, indicating proposed recommendations.
- 1.1.3 Cost Negotiation Changes in Scope** – COUNTY shall then review CONSULTANT’s information and proceed with brief discussions and negotiations to arrive at a fair and reasonable price and schedule for the **Work**

- 1.1.4 Cost Basis** – All work performed by CONSULTANT is to be on a unit basis, i.e. Per tree evaluated, per survey monument searched for and found and protected, concur record filed (or not found) and per property owner contact and “Right-of-Entry” negotiated as shown in Consultant Agreement Exhibit B, with a “not to exceed” amount being applied and progress billing against the not to exceed amount based on the Consultant Rate Schedule and hours tracked. The appropriate not to exceed amount shall be determined jointly by COUNTY and CONSULTANT based on number of trees, properties and record corners.
- 1.1.5 Completion Time** – It is emphasized that time is of the essence for work performed under this Agreement.
- 1.1.6 Work Quality** – All work under this agreement must be completed to the satisfaction of COUNTY and satisfy all requirements of NEPA/CEQA, FEMA, Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration. CONSULTANT will document the results of this work.

Task 1.2 Coordination

- 1.2.1 Point of Contact** – *Proj Mgr name*, of *Company name*, will be the single point of contact for maintaining liaison and coordination throughout the contract with COUNTY’s Project Manager and other team leaders.
- 1.2.2 Project Title** – In reference to the project in any forms or formal written materials, CONSULTANT shall use the project title of: Arboricultural and disaster management services related to the removal of fire-damaged trees that present a safety hazard to the general public as a result of the Redwood Fire.
- 1.2.5 Project Coordination with County** – CONSULTANT will coordinate with the COUNTY through phone conversations, emails, written memoranda, fax etc.
- 1.2.6 Invoices** – CONSULTANT will prepare periodic invoices providing a summary of CONSULTANT’S work, including covered dates of service, and copies of invoices from any sub-consultants. Invoices shall include the County’s project number and consultant agreement number. Invoices shall be consistent with the *Local Assistance Procedures Manual*, Chapter 10, Section 10.8 under “Invoicing (or Progress Payments)”.

Should one contract include several projects, separate invoices shall be issued for each project.

Consultant must have paid all costs included on an invoice before seeking reimbursement from County. Prepayments are not allowed. The complete chain of charges through the sub-consultant levels must follow through to the invoice to COUNTY. Restaurant charges, etc., shall be itemized. Invoices with just a total will be rejected. COUNTY uses the Caltrans *Consultant/Contractor Travel Policy* for reimbursements for travel expenses. If an expense report is used, values on the report must match the receipts and on up the line. Items on a receipt not listed for reimbursement must be crossed out and initialed by the consultant seeking the reimbursement and the new total noted.

Any re-submitted invoice shall be given a new invoice date. The same invoice number and date shall appear on each page of the invoice.

All charges accumulated within the COUNTY’s fiscal year, 1 July through 30 June, not previously invoiced, shall be invoiced, and received by COUNTY, by the second Friday of July.

A sample invoice is given in Consultant Agreement Exhibit F. This format is to be used for all invoices, including subconsultants.

Cover letters, project updates etc. may be included with the invoice but not stapled to it.

Deliverables

- Monthly invoices – SEPARATE for County Roads and Mariposa County Park

TASK 2-5 Tree Evaluation and Recommendation for Removal

Tree Evaluation and Recommendation for Removal will include the following subtasks:

Task 2.1 Prepare written findings for inclusion into table

Tree Evaluation – COUNTY has marked trees of concern and logged photos and GIS locations and has provided this information to CONSULTANT. The COUNTY expects Consultant to add necessary documentation to support findings for removal or not.

TASK 6 Survey Monument Preservation and location of trees Relative to Public Right-of-Way

Survey Monument Preservation and location of Trees Relative to Public Right-of-Way will include the following subtasks:

Task 6.1 Survey Monument Preservation

Record Survey Monuments – COUNTY has researched record documents showing monuments and will provide this information to CONSULTANT. Record information or monuments exists for less than 40% of the County roads related to this project. In many instances there is no record monument information so fences or set width from physical road centerline will be used. The COUNTY expects Consultant to look for those 300 record survey monuments provided by COUNTY and if found mark and flag for preservation. If corners are found burnt and can be perpetuated by corner record with limited documentation the COUNTY and CONSULTANT will work to accomplish this. It not the intent of this task to preform surveys or make any attempt to relate monument locations relative to any records. The intent is to prevent monuments from being lost from tree removal activities and/or to re mark and file Corner Records to perpetuated any found record monuments with the notation that no attempt was made to relate location but the found point was damaged due to fire disaster.

TASK 7 Right-of-Entry Negotiations for Properties Adjacent to Public Right-of-Way

Right-of-Entry Negotiations for Properties Adjacent to Public Right-of-Way will include the following subtasks:

Task 7.1 Contact with Land Owners

COUNTY has researched record ownerships and made general property locations on GIS maps. Such maps are not sufficient for actual boundaries so the CONSULTANT will make careful search for lines of occupation (fences, driveways, etc.) and make an attempt to determine if a tree which is a hazard to the public right is on private property. If determination is uncertain, after consultation with COUNTY, it may be necessary for CONSULTANT to obtain a Right-of-Entry to remove the tree. The COUNTY will defer to the adjacent property owner if not certain. COUNTY will defer tree removal if the property owner is not agreeable.

TASK 8 Field Inspections during Tree Removal Contract for Documentation Assistance

Field Inspector during Tree Removal Contract for Documentation Assistance will include the following subtasks:

Task 8.1 One Full Time Inspector During Contract Working Days

COUNTY plans to bid tree removal with a 120 working day contract. COUNTY will administer contract but requires CONSULTANT to provide a full time inspector to coordinate any technical inquires with project team and to observe and document tree removal and disposal. The tree removal contract will require the successful bidder to locate and permit through the Mendocino County Environmental Health a Chipped Wood Disposal Site. Mendocino County has determined that all trees removed will go to this site and plans no commercial sale of trees other than home use firewood if requested by adjacent property owners in the Right-of-Entry Agreements. CONSULTANT is expected to keep complete records of tree removal and proper disposal.

SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY COUNTY

1. COUNTY will make appropriate staff available for meetings and site visits.
2. COUNTY shall furnish CONSULTANT with the list of trees marked for evaluation with pictures and GIS data.
3. COUNTY shall provide Right-of-Way record research, plats and deed records.

[END OF SCOPE OF WORK]

XI. FORMAT OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Proposals submitted in response to this RFP should include the following elements:

- A. Project understanding and a description of the process/approach to be used in providing the services described in Section X, Scope of Work, of this RFP. Be specific and address all elements including timing of implementation.
- B. A description of Consultant's experience in providing the requested services.
- C. A list of key personnel, including full name, position, licenses or degrees held and a brief summary of relevant experience as related to proposed services; organization chart; list of Board of Directors (if applicable); licenses (where appropriate).
- D. A description of the experience/qualifications of all persons who may perform services under contract. Staff resumes that cover all experience and educational background may be used. All personal information provided will be maintained in confidence as allowed by law.
- E. Timeline indicating implementation schedule and training schedule (if applicable).
- F. Any exceptions to the terms and conditions as specified in "Attachment B" to this RFP. The terms and conditions not specifically identified will be considered acceptable to Consultant.
- G. Additional documents or other material, as appendices, in support of the proposal. The proposal, however, must reference any additional material or documentation.
- H. Upon specific request of the County, Consultant shall provide consent and waiver forms permitting County to obtain personal employment/professional qualification information about Consultant who may perform services under this contract from third parties, and releasing third parties from any and all liability for disclosing such information to County.

Please note that this is a Request for Proposals. A detailed cost proposal is not being requested. Final project costs will be determined through negotiations with the selected firm. If project cost negotiations with the selected firm are unsuccessful, the County reserves the right to enter into negotiations with other firm(s).

XII. RESERVED

XIII. RESERVED

XIV. CONTRACT

- A. Time is of the essence in awarding the contract. The County reserves the right to cancel any intent to award and proceed to the next Consultant if the selected Consultant has not signed the agreement within two weeks after the notification of intent of award.
- B. Execution of Contract
 - 1. Upon the acceptance of a Consultant's Proposal, County will prepare and submit a contract to the

successful Consultant for signature. (See sample contract, as Attachment D, which contains required contractual language.) In the event that the successful Consultant fails, neglects or refuses to execute the contract within a specified number of days after receiving a copy of the contract from County, County may at its option terminate and cancel its action in awarding the contract and the contract shall become null and void and of no effect.

2. Incorporated by reference into the contract which is to be entered into by County and the successful Consultant pursuant to this Proposal will be (a) all of the information presented in or with this Proposal and the Consultant's response thereto, and (b) all written communications between County and the successful Consultant whose Proposal is accepted.

C. No Assignment

Assignment by the successful Consultant to any third party of any contract based on the Proposal or any monies due shall be absolutely prohibited and will not be recognized by County unless approved in advance by County in writing.

D. Force Majeure

Neither party shall be liable to the other for any failure or delay in rendering performance arising out of causes beyond its control and without its fault or negligence. Such causes may include, but not be limited to, acts of God or the public enemy, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but the failure or delay must be beyond its control and without its fault or negligence. Dates or times of performance will be extended to the extent of delays excused by this section, provided that the party whose performance is affected notifies the other promptly of the existence and nature of such delay.

XV. REJECTION OF PROPOSALS

The RFP does not commit the County to award a contract, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of the proposal to this request, or to procure or contract for services or supplies. 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 source, or to cancel the RFP in part or in its entirety, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so. The County may require the proposer selected to participate in negotiations, and to submit such proposal as may result from negotiations.

Any proposal submitted during this RFP process becomes the property of the County. The County will not be liable for nor pay costs incurred by the respondent in the preparation of a response to this RFP or any other costs involved including travel. The selected Consultant will be required to obtain a County business license if not already held.

XVI. GENERAL CONDITIONS

While the intent of the County is to award the contract to the selected Consultant, it reserves the right to both either withdraw and/or not award a contract at any time it so desires. Costs incurred in the preparation of response to this RFP will not be reimbursed.

The County has a standard contract service agreement. The successful firm will be required to agree to the terms contained within. Any issues with the insurance coverage should be mentioned in the response to the Request for Proposals.

Limitations

- 1) The Consultant should expect to have access only to the public records and public files of local government agencies in preparing the proposal or reports. The Consultant should not anticipate any compilation, tabulation, or analysis of data, definition or opinion, etc., unless volunteered by a responsible official of that agency.
- 2) The County has the authority to terminate the contract upon written notice to the Consultant at any time during the period of the contract if the County finds that the Consultant's performance is not satisfactory.
- 3) Contract payments will be made on the basis of satisfactory performance by the Consultant as determined by the County. Final payment to the Consultant will only be made when the County finds that the work performed by the Consultant to be satisfactory and the final work product and documents submitted meet the tasks of the project and is accepted by the County.
- 4) The Consultant should expect to comply with recent requirements of SB 854. Certain portions of the work under this contract may be subject to Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) registration (FEE \$400.00 plus) and submittal of electronic certified payroll. Consultant is responsible to determine those portions of the work to be performed which are subject to prevailing wages and make the necessary reports both in writing to the County and electronic to the DIR.

XVII. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Consultant will be required to furnish to County certificates of insurance evidencing at the minimum the following:

1. Comprehensive General Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.
2. Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability: Worker's compensation limits as required by the labor code of the State of California.
4. Professional Liability Insurance (Errors and Omissions) in the amount of \$500,000 (minimum).

XVIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Table 1 – Cost Comparison Worksheet
Map 1 & 2 – Vicinity and Location Maps
Table 2 - List of trees to review and pictures
Attachment A – Proposal Evaluation Form
Attachment B – Certificate of Non-collusion
Attachment C – Proposal Summary Fact Sheet and Statement of Responsibility
Attachment D – Sample Contract
LAPM Exhibit 10-I – Notice to Proposers DBE Information
LAPM Exhibit 10-O1 – Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment
LAPM Exhibit 10-O2 – Consultant Contact DBE Commitment

Table #1 Cost Comparison Worksheet – County Maintained Road System, Damage Inventory #88135, Project 30745					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit Quantity	Unit Price	Total
1	Administration Management	120	Days		
2	Evaluate 6" to 12" dia. trees	96	EA		
3	Evaluate 12" to 18" dia. trees	125	EA		
4	Evaluate 18" to 24" dia. trees	59	EA		
5	Evaluate 24" to 36" dia. trees	67	EA		
6	Evaluate 36" and over dia. trees	22	EA		
7	Search for file Corner Record for Preserved Monuments	275	EA		
8	"Right-of-Entry" negotiated	100	EA		
				TOTAL:	

Table #2 Cost Comparison Worksheet – Mariposa County Park Damage Inventory #86870, Project 30476					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit Quantity	Unit Price	Total
1	Administration Management	5	Days		
2	Evaluate 6" to 12" dia. trees	5	EA		
3	Evaluate 12" to 18" dia. trees	5	EA		
4	Evaluate 18" to 24" dia. trees	5	EA		
5	Evaluate 24" to 36" dia. trees	5	EA		
6	Evaluate 36" and over dia. trees	5	EA		
7	Search for file Corner Record for Preserved Monuments	10	EA		
8	"Right-of-Entry" negotiated	1	EA		
				TOTAL:	

ATTACHMENT A

County of Mendocino
Department of Transportation
**ARBORICULTURAL (ARBORIST) AND DISASTER
TREE HAZARD MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

Proposal Evaluation Form

Consultant Name: _____

This proposal will be judged based on service capabilities and experience of the prospective Consultant and all persons who will be providing services under contract. The following are the critical areas of the proposals that will be evaluated by the Selection Committee.

1. Adequacy of the described plan and approach to deliver requested services as described in this Request for Proposal.
2. Experience of Consultant in providing services and quality of work.
3. Status of Professional Certification including whether the Consultant meets the minimum requirements to provide service.

	Value*	Score	Notes
A. DBE incorporation	5 points		No set goal but any subs positive
B. Completeness of response	20 points		
C. Compliance with RFP	20 points		
D. Organization capacity to perform the work	20 points		
E. Staff capacity to perform the work	20 points		
F. Technical criteria	10 points		
G. Implementation plan and schedule	10 points		
H. Proximity to Mendocino County	5 points		
I. Relevant experience	20 points		
J. References	10 points		
K. Overall proposal	10 points		
L. Cost Proposal	50 points		

Evaluation Total (Maximum 200)

* Higher scores are better

Evaluated By: _____

Project Manager: _____

Signature: _____

Initial: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

This evaluation is based on experience in the particular field and also with various consultants. There is also no mention in any of the proposals of the costs to perform the work (by law). As a result, the evaluation is somewhat subjective.

The Request for Proposal submitted by each candidate is their work product. The items listed above are more objective, but don't address the "feel" of the submittal. Things to consider:

Appearance - is the work neat and easy to read? Are there project-specific photos or plans?
Continuity - is the work simple to follow? Does it flow from section to section?

ATTACHMENT B
CERTIFICATE OF NON-COLLUSION

The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that this proposal has been made in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word “person” shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club, or other organization, entity, or group of individuals.

(Name of Proposer)

(Signature of Authorized Agent)

_____, 2017
Date

ATTACHMENT C
PROPOSAL SUMMARY FACT SHEET
AND STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

1. Applicant Firm Name: _____
2. Executive Director: _____
3. Contact Person: _____ 4. Title: _____
5. Address _____
6. Telephone Number: _____
7. Authorized Representative's Signature: _____
8. Name and Title: _____

Certifications:

1. Are you incorporated? YES () NO ()

If YES, date of incorporation: _____

State of incorporation: _____

2. Tax Identification Number: _____

Please list the official name of the firm as submitted to the IRS:

3. Fictitious name or names, if any, under which you are doing business:

4. Do you agree to comply with specifications, RFP instructions, draft contract requirements and other pertinent references contained in this RFP?

YES () NO ()

5. Do you agree that the proposal will stand firm and will not be withdrawn for a period of 45 days after the proposal is opened?

YES () NO ()

6. Do you certify that all statements in the proposal are true? This shall constitute a warranty, the falsity of which shall entitle the County to pursue any remedy authorized by law, and shall include the right, at the option of the County, of declaring any contract made as a result thereof to be void.

YES () NO ()

7. Do you agree to provide the County with any other information the County determines is necessary for accurate determination of your qualifications to provide services?

YES () NO ()

8. Do you agree that the proposal amount includes all costs incident to the proposed contract?

YES () NO ()

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information provided in this initial determination of responsibilities is true and correct.

**PRINTED NAME
OF AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVE**

DATE

SIGNATURE

ATTACHMENT D
COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Agreement, dated as of _____, 2017, is by and between the COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and _____, hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 31000, COUNTY may retain independent contractors to perform special services to or for COUNTY or any department thereof; and,

WHEREAS, COUNTY desires to obtain CONSULTANT for its [Services]; and,

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT is willing to provide such services on the terms and conditions set forth in this AGREEMENT and is willing to provide same to COUNTY.

NOW, THEREFORE it is agreed that COUNTY does hereby retain CONSULTANT to provide the services described in Exhibit "A", and CONSULTANT accepts such engagement, on the General Terms and Conditions hereinafter specified in this Agreement, the Additional Provisions attached hereto, and the following described exhibits, all of which are incorporated into this Agreement by this reference:

Exhibit A	Definition of Services
Exhibit B	Payment Terms
Exhibit C	Insurance Requirements
Exhibit D	Mendocino County ePayables Information

The term of this Agreement shall be from _____, 20____ through _____, 20____.

The compensation payable to CONSULTANT hereunder shall not exceed [Spelled out Contract Amount] (\$[Numerical Amount]) for the term of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

DEPARTMENT FISCAL REVIEW: Transportation

Howard N. Dashiell, Director _____ DATE _____
Budgeted: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Budget Unit: _____
Line Item: _____
Grant: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Grant No.: _____

CONSULTANT/COMPANY NAME

By: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSULTANT:

COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

By: _

, Chair
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO, Clerk of said Board

By: _____
Deputy

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

CARMEL J. ANGELO, Clerk of said Board

By: _____
Deputy

INSURANCE REVIEW:

RISK MANAGER

By: _

, Risk Manager

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT,
County Counsel

By: _____
Deputy

FISCAL REVIEW:

By: _____
Deputy CEO/Fiscal

EXECUTIVE OFFICE REVIEW:

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

By: _____
CARMEL J. ANGELO, Chief Executive Officer

Signatory Authority: \$0-25,000 Department; \$25,001 - 50,000 Purchasing Agent; **\$50,001+ Board of Supervisors**

Exception to Bid Process Required/Completed ☐ _____

Mendocino County Business License: Valid ☐

Exempt Pursuant to MCC Section: _____

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** No relationship of employer and employee is created by this Agreement; it being understood and agreed that CONSULTANT is an Independent Contractor. CONSULTANT is not the agent or employee of the COUNTY in any capacity whatsoever, and COUNTY shall not be liable for any acts or omissions by CONSULTANT nor for any obligations or liabilities incurred by CONSULTANT.

CONSULTANT shall have no claim under this Agreement or otherwise, for seniority, vacation time, vacation pay, sick leave, personal time off, overtime, health insurance medical care, hospital care, retirement benefits, social security, disability, Workers' Compensation, or unemployment insurance benefits, civil service protection, or employee benefits of any kind.

CONSULTANT shall be solely liable for and obligated to pay directly all applicable payroll taxes (including federal and state income taxes) or contributions for unemployment insurance or old age pensions or annuities which are imposed by any governmental entity in connection with the labor used or which are measured by wages, salaries or other remuneration paid to its officers, agents or employees and agrees to indemnify and hold County harmless from any and all liability which COUNTY may incur because of CONSULTANT's failure to pay such amounts.

In carrying out the work contemplated herein, CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable federal and state workers' compensation and liability laws and regulations with respect to the officers, agents and/or employees conducting and participating in the work; and agrees that such officers, agents, and/or employees will be considered as Independent Contractors and shall not be treated or considered in any way as officers, agents and/or employees of COUNTY.

CONSULTANT does, by this Agreement, agree to perform his/her said work and functions at all times in strict accordance with all applicable federal, state and County laws, including but not limited to prevailing wage laws, ordinances, regulations, titles, departmental procedures and currently approved methods and practices in his/her field and that the sole interest of COUNTY is to ensure that said service shall be performed and rendered in a competent, efficient, timely and satisfactory manner and in accordance with the standards required by the County agency concerned.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the COUNTY determines that pursuant to state and federal law CONSULTANT is an employee for purposes of income tax withholding, COUNTY may upon two (2) week's written notice to CONSULTANT, withhold from payments to CONSULTANT hereunder federal and state income taxes and pay said sums to the federal and state governments.

2. **INDEMNIFICATION:** To the furthest extent permitted by law (including without limitation California Civil Code sections 2782 and 2782.8, if applicable), Contractor shall assume the defense of, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, liabilities, and losses whatsoever alleged to be occurring or

resulting in connection with the CONSULTANT'S performance or its obligations under this AGREEMENT, unless arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of COUNTY. "CONSULTANT'S performance" includes CONSULTANT'S action or inaction and the action or inaction of CONSULTANT'S officers, employees, agents and subcontractors.

3. **INSURANCE AND BOND:** CONSULTANT shall at all times during the term of the Agreement with the COUNTY maintain in force those insurance policies and bonds as designated in the attached Exhibit C, and will comply with all those requirements as stated therein.
4. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION:** CONSULTANT shall provide Workers' Compensation insurance, as applicable, at CONSULTANT's own cost and expense and further, neither the CONSULTANT nor its carrier shall be entitled to recover from COUNTY any costs, settlements, or expenses of Workers' Compensation claims arising out of this Agreement.

CONSULTANT affirms that s/he is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which requires every employer to be insured against liability for the Workers' Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of the Code and CONSULTANT further assures that s/he will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of work under this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall furnish to COUNTY certificate(s) of insurance evidencing Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage to cover its employees, and CONSULTANT shall require all subcontractors similarly to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of California for all of CONSULTANT'S and subcontractors' employees.

5. **CONFORMITY WITH LAW AND SAFETY:**
 - a. In performing services under this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall observe and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of governmental agencies, including federal, state, municipal, and local governing bodies, having jurisdiction over the scope of services, including all applicable provisions of the California Occupational Safety and Health Act. CONSULTANT shall indemnify and hold COUNTY harmless from any and all liability, fines, penalties and consequences from any of CONSULTANT's failures to comply with such laws, ordinances, codes and regulations.
 - b. **Accidents:** If a death, serious personal injury or substantial property damage occurs in connection with CONSULTANT's performance of this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall immediately notify Mendocino County Risk Manager's Office by telephone. CONSULTANT shall promptly submit to COUNTY a written report, in such form as may be required by COUNTY of all accidents which occur in connection with this Agreement. This report must include the following information: (1) name and address of the injured or deceased person(s); (2) name and address of CONSULTANT's sub-contractor, if any; (3) name and address of CONSULTANT's liability insurance carrier; and (4) a detailed description

of the accident and whether any of COUNTY's equipment, tools, material, or staff were involved.

- c. CONSULTANT further agrees to take all reasonable steps to preserve all physical evidence and information which may be relevant to the circumstances surrounding a potential claim, while maintaining public safety, and to grant to the COUNTY the opportunity to review and inspect such evidence, including the scene of the accident.
6. PAYMENT: For services performed in accordance with this Agreement, payment shall be made to CONSULTANT as provided in Exhibit "B" hereto as funding permits.

If COUNTY over pays CONSULTANT for any reason, CONSULTANT agrees to return the amount of such overpayment to COUNTY, or at COUNTY's option, permit COUNTY to offset the amount of such overpayment against future payments owed to CONSULTANT under this Agreement or any other agreement.

In the event CONSULTANT claims or receives payment from COUNTY for a service, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by COUNTY, State of California or the United States Government, the CONSULTANT shall promptly refund the disallowance amount to COUNTY upon request, or at its option COUNTY may offset the amount disallowed from any payment due or that becomes due to CONSULTANT under this Agreement or any other agreement.

7. TAXES: Payment of all applicable federal, state, and local taxes shall be the sole responsibility of the CONSULTANT.
8. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS: CONSULTANT hereby assigns the COUNTY and its assignees all copyright and other use rights in any and all proposals, plans, specification, designs, drawings, sketches, renderings, models, reports and related documents (including computerized or electronic copies) respecting in any way the subject matter of this Agreement, whether prepared by the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT's subcontractors or third parties at the request of the CONSULTANT (collectively, "Documents and Materials"). This explicitly includes the electronic copies of all above stated documentation.

CONSULTANT shall be permitted to retain copies, including reproducible copies and computerized copies, of said Documents and Materials. CONSULTANT agrees to take such further steps as may be reasonably requested by COUNTY to implement the aforesaid assignment. If for any reason said assignment is not effective, CONSULTANT hereby grants the COUNTY and any assignee of the COUNTY an express royalty – free license to retain and use said Documents and Materials. The COUNTY's rights under this paragraph shall apply regardless of the degree of completion of the Documents and Materials and whether or not CONSULTANT's services as set forth in Exhibit "A" of this Agreement have been fully performed or paid for.

The COUNTY's rights under this Paragraph 8 shall not extend to any computer software used to create such Documents and Materials.

9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: The CONSULTANT covenants that it presently has no interest, and shall not have any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required under this Agreement.
10. NOTICES: All notices, requests, demands, or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing. Notices shall be given for all purposes as follows:

Personal delivery: When personally delivered to the recipient, notices are effective on delivery.

First Class Mail: When mailed first class to the last address of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective three (3) mail delivery days after deposit in a United States Postal Service office or mailbox. Certified Mail: When mailed certified mail, return receipt requested, notice is effective on receipt, if delivery is confirmed by a return receipt.

Overnight Delivery: When delivered by overnight delivery (Federal Express/Airborne/United Parcel Service/DHL WorldWide Express) with charges prepaid or charged to the sender's account, notice is effective on delivery, if delivery is confirmed by the delivery service.

Facsimile transmission: When sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective on receipt, provided that, (a) a duplicate copy of the notice is promptly given by first-class or certified mail or by overnight delivery, or (b) the receiving party delivers a written confirmation of receipt. Any notice given facsimile shall be deemed received on the next business day if it is received after 5:00 p.m. (recipient's time) or on a non-business day.

Addresses for purpose of giving notice are as follows:

To COUNTY: COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

Ukiah, CA 95482

Attn:

To CONSULTANT: [Name of Consultant]
[Number and Street]
[City, State, Zip Code]
ATTN:

Any correctly addressed notice that is refused, unclaimed, or undeliverable because of an act or omission of the party to be notified shall be deemed effective as of the first date that said notice was refused, unclaimed, or deemed undeliverable by the postal authorities, messenger, or overnight delivery service.

Any party may change its address or facsimile number by giving the other party notice of the change in any manner permitted by this Agreement.

11. USE OF COUNTY PROPERTY: CONSULTANT shall not use County property (including equipment, instruments and supplies) or personnel for any purpose other than in the performance of his/her obligations under this Agreement.

12. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES PROVISIONS:** CONSULTANT certifies that it will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules and regulations pertaining to nondiscrimination in employment.
- a. CONSULTANT shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for applicants for employment placed as a result of this Agreement, state that it is an "Equal Opportunity Employer" or that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their race, creed, color, pregnancy, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, national origin, age, religion, Veteran's status, political affiliation, or any other factor prohibited by law.
 - b. CONSULTANT shall, if requested to so do by the COUNTY, certify that it has not, in the performance of this Agreement, engaged in any unlawful discrimination.
 - c. If requested to do so by the COUNTY, CONSULTANT shall provide the COUNTY with access to copies of all of its records pertaining or relating to its employment practices, except to the extent such records or portions of such records are confidential or privileged under State or Federal law.
 - d. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner so as to require or permit any act which is prohibited by law.
 - e. The CONSULTANT shall include the provisions set forth in this paragraph in each of its subcontracts.
13. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:** CONSULTANT and CONSULTANT's employees shall comply with the COUNTY's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace. Neither CONSULTANT nor CONSULTANT's employees shall unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, as defined in 21 U.S. Code § 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any COUNTY facility or work site. If CONSULTANT or any employee of CONSULTANT is convicted or pleads *nolo contendere* to a criminal drug statute violation occurring at a County facility or work site, the CONSULTANT, within five days thereafter, shall notify the head of the County department/agency for which the contract services are performed. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.
14. **ENERGY CONSERVATION:** CONSULTANT agrees to comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency in the State of California Energy Conservation Plan, (Title 24, California Administrative Code).
15. **COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSING REQUIREMENTS:** CONSULTANT shall comply with all necessary licensing requirements and shall obtain appropriate licenses and display the same in a location that is reasonably conspicuous, as well as file copies of same with the County Executive Office.

Before the COUNTY will issue a notice to proceed with the Services, CONSULTANT and any subcontractors must acquire, at their expense, a

business license from County in accordance with MCC 6.0. Such licenses must be kept valid throughout the Agreement term.

CONSULTANT represents and warrants to COUNTY that CONSULTANT and its employees, agents, and any subcontractors have all licenses, permits, qualifications, and approvals of whatsoever nature that are legally required to practice their respective professions.

16. **AUDITS; ACCESS TO RECORDS:** The CONSULTANT shall make available to the COUNTY, its authorized agents, officers, or employees, for examination any and all ledgers, books of accounts, invoices, vouchers, cancelled checks, and other records or documents evidencing or relating to the expenditures and disbursements charged to the COUNTY, and shall furnish to the COUNTY, within sixty (60) days after examination, its authorized agents, officers or employees such other evidence or information as the COUNTY may require with regard to any such expenditure or disbursement charged by the CONSULTANT.

The CONSULTANT shall maintain full and adequate records in accordance with County requirements to show the actual costs incurred by the CONSULTANT in the performance of this Agreement. If such books and records are not kept and maintained by CONSULTANT within the County of Mendocino, California, CONSULTANT shall, upon request of the COUNTY, make such books and records available to the COUNTY for inspection at a location within County or CONSULTANT shall pay to the COUNTY the reasonable, and necessary costs incurred by the COUNTY in inspecting CONSULTANT's books and records, including, but not limited to, travel, lodging and subsistence costs. CONSULTANT shall provide such assistance as may be reasonably required in the course of such inspection. The COUNTY further reserves the right to examine and reexamine said books, records and data during the four (4) year period following termination of this Agreement or completion of all work hereunder, as evidenced in writing by the COUNTY, and the CONSULTANT shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter, or mutilate said books, records, accounts, and data in any manner whatsoever for four (4) years after the COUNTY makes the final or last payment or within four (4) years after any pending issues between the COUNTY and CONSULTANT with respect to this Agreement are closed, whichever is later.

17. **DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS:** CONSULTANT shall maintain and make available to COUNTY for its inspection and use during the term of this Agreement, all Documents and Materials, as defined in Paragraph 8 of this Agreement. CONSULTANT's obligations under the preceding sentence shall continue for four (4) years following termination or expiration of this Agreement or the completion of all work hereunder (as evidenced in writing by COUNTY), and CONSULTANT shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter or mutilate said Documents and Materials, for four (4) years following the COUNTY's last payment to CONSULTANT under this Agreement.
18. **TIME OF ESSENCE:** Time is of the essence in respect to all provisions of this Agreement that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Agreement.

19. **TERMINATION:** The COUNTY has and reserves the right to suspend, terminate or abandon the execution of any work by the CONSULTANT without cause at any time upon giving to the CONSULTANT notice. Such notice shall be in writing and may be issued by any county officer authorized to execute or amend the contract, the County Chief Executive Officer, or any other person designated by the County Board of Supervisors. In the event that the COUNTY should abandon, terminate or suspend the CONSULTANT's work, the CONSULTANT shall be entitled to payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment. Said payment shall be computed in accordance with Exhibit B hereto, provided that the maximum amount payable to CONSULTANT for its [Services] shall not exceed \$[Contract Amount] payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment or lack of funding.
20. **NON APPROPRIATION:** If COUNTY should not appropriate or otherwise make available funds sufficient to purchase, lease, operate or maintain the products set forth in this Agreement, or other means of performing the same functions of such products, COUNTY may unilaterally terminate this Agreement only upon thirty (30) days written notice to CONSULTANT. Upon termination, COUNTY shall remit payment for all products and services delivered to COUNTY and all expenses incurred by CONSULTANT prior to CONSULTANT'S receipt of the termination notice.
21. **CHOICE OF LAW:** This Agreement, and any dispute arising from the relationship between the parties to this Agreement, shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, excluding any laws that direct the application of another jurisdiction's laws.
22. **VENUE:** All lawsuits relating to this contract must be filed in Mendocino County Superior Court, Mendocino County, California.
23. **WAIVER:** No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.
24. **ADVERTISING OR PUBLICITY:** CONSULTANT shall not use the name of County, its officers, directors, employees or agents, in advertising or publicity releases or otherwise without securing the prior written consent of COUNTY in each instance.
25. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement, including all attachments, exhibits, and any other documents specifically incorporated into this Agreement, shall constitute the entire agreement between COUNTY and CONSULTANT relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. As used herein, Agreement refers to and includes any documents incorporated herein by reference and any exhibits or attachments. This Agreement supersedes and merges all previous understandings, and all other agreements, written or oral, between the parties and sets forth the entire understanding of the parties regarding the subject matter thereof. This Agreement may not be modified except by a written document

signed by both parties. In the event of a conflict between the body of this Agreement and Exhibit A or Exhibit B, the provisions in the body of this Agreement shall control.

26. HEADINGS: Herein are for convenience of reference only and shall in no way affect interpretation of this Agreement.
27. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement may be supplemented, amended or modified only by the mutual agreement of the parties. No supplement, amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
28. ASSURANCE OF PERFORMANCE: If at any time the COUNTY has good objective cause to believe CONSULTANT may not be adequately performing its obligations under this Agreement or that CONSULTANT may fail to complete the Services as required by this Agreement, COUNTY may request from CONSULTANT prompt written assurances of performance and a written plan acceptable to COUNTY, to correct the observed deficiencies in CONSULTANT's performance. CONSULTANT shall provide such written assurances and written plan within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of COUNTY's request and shall thereafter diligently commence and fully perform such written plan. CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that any failure to provide such written assurances and written plan within the required time is a material breach under this Agreement.
29. SUBCONTRACTING/ASSIGNMENT: CONSULTANT shall not subcontract, assign or delegate any portion of this Agreement or any duties or obligations hereunder without the COUNTY's prior written approval.
 - a. Neither party shall, on the basis of this Agreement, contract on behalf of or in the name of the other party. Any agreement that violates this Section shall confer no rights on any party and shall be null and void.
 - b. Only the department head or his or her designee shall have the authority to approve subcontractor(s).
 - c. CONSULTANT shall remain fully responsible for compliance by its subcontractors with all the terms of this Agreement, regardless of the terms of any agreement between CONSULTANT and its subcontractors.
30. SURVIVAL: The obligations of this Agreement, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination on expiration of the Agreement, including without limitation, the obligations regarding Indemnification (Paragraph 2), Ownership of Documents (Paragraph 8), and Conflict of Interest (Paragraph 9), shall survive termination or expiration for two (2) years.
31. SEVERABILITY: If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Agreement to be illegal, unenforceable, or invalid in whole or in part for any reason, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions of them, will not be affected, unless an essential purpose of this Agreement would be defeated by the loss of the illegal, unenforceable, or invalid provision.

32. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WARRANTY:** CONSULTANT warrants and represents that it has secured all rights and licenses necessary for any and all materials, services, processes, software, or hardware ("CONSULTANT PRODUCTS") to be provided by CONSULTANT in the performance of this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, or right of publicity rights. CONSULTANT hereby grants to COUNTY, or represents that it has secured from third parties, an irrevocable license (or sublicense) to reproduce, distribute, perform, display, prepare derivative works, make, use, sell, import, use in commerce, or otherwise utilize CONSULTANT PRODUCTS to the extent reasonably necessary to use the CONSULTANT PRODUCTS in the manner contemplated by this agreement.

CONSULTANT further warrants and represents that it knows of no allegations, claims, or threatened claims that the CONSULTANT PRODUCTS provided to COUNTY under this Agreement infringe any patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary right. In the event that any third party asserts a claim of infringement against the COUNTY relating to a CONSULTANT PRODUCT, CONSULTANT shall indemnify and defend the COUNTY pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this AGREEMENT.

In the case of any such claim of infringement, CONSULTANT shall either, at its option, (1) procure for COUNTY the right to continue using the CONSULTANT Products; or (2) replace or modify the CONSULTANT Products so that that they become non-infringing, but equivalent in functionality and performance.

33. **ELECTRONIC COPIES:**

The parties agree that an electronic copy, including facsimile copy, email, or scanned copy of the executed Agreement, shall be deemed, and shall have the same legal force and effect as, an original document.

34. **COOPERATION WITH COUNTY**

Consultant shall cooperate with County and County staff in the performance of all work hereunder.

35. **PERFORMANCE STANDARD**

Consultant shall perform all work hereunder in a manner consistent with the level of competency and standard of care normally observed by a person practicing in Consultant's profession. County has relied upon the professional ability and training of Consultant as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. Consultant hereby agrees to provide all services under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and standards of care, as well as the requirements of applicable Federal, State, and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of Consultant's work by County shall not operate as a waiver or release. If County determines that any of Consultant's work is not in accordance with such level of competency and standard of care, County, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to do any or all of the following: (a) require Consultant to meet with County to review the quality of the work and resolve matters of concern; (b) require Consultant to repeat the work at no additional charge until it is satisfactory; (c) terminate this Agreement pursuant to

the provisions of paragraph 19 (Termination) or (d) pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity.

[END OF GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS]

EXHIBIT A

DEFINITION OF SERVICES

CONSULTANT shall provide the following services:

[END OF DEFINITION OF SERVICES]

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT TERMS

[END OF PAYMENT TERMS]

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Insurance coverage in a minimum amount set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve CONSULTANT for liability in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude COUNTY from taking such other action as is available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise in law. Insurance requirements shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, Consultant's indemnity obligations under Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

CONSULTANT shall furnish to COUNTY certificates of insurance with Automobile Liability/General Liability Endorsements evidencing at a minimum the following:

- a. Combined single limit bodily injury liability and property damage liability - \$1,000,000 each occurrence.
- b. Vehicle / Bodily Injury combined single limit vehicle bodily injury and property damage liability - \$500,000 each occurrence.

[END OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS]

EXHIBIT D

MENDOCINO COUNTY EPAYABLES INFORMATION

The County of Mendocino is currently making electronic payments to all of our vendors and suppliers who qualify. To achieve this more efficient form of payment, the County has partnered with Bank of America and their ePayables credit card program. This electronic initiative will yield many benefits to its participants:

- Expedited receipt of cash – electronic payments provide cash flow benefits by eliminating mail and paper check float
- Elimination of check processing costs
- Remittance data transmitted with payment for more efficient back-end reconciliation
- No collection costs associated with lost or misplaced checks
- Reduced exposure to check fraud
- More efficient handling of exception items
- Fits with existing accounting software – requires no purchase of software, no modifications to existing accounts receivable system and no change to bank accounts.
- Going green with paperless electronic payments help conserve the environment by eliminating printing and mailing of paper checks.

For information regarding the payment process, please contact Margaret Yates yatesm@mendocinocounty.org or 707-234-6860.

Additional information regarding the Bank of America Program is also available at:

http://corp.bankofamerica.com/business/ci/landing/epayables-vendors?cm_mmc=sb-general_-vanity_-sg01vn000r_epayablesvendors_-na

EXHIBIT 10-I NOTICE TO PROPOSERS DBE INFORMATION

The Agency has established a DBE goal for this Contract of ____0____%

OR

The Agency has not established a goal for this Contract. However, proposers are encouraged to obtain DBE participation for this contract.

1. TERMS AS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT

- The term “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” or “DBE” means a for-profit small business concern owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged person(s) as defined in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26.5.
- The term “Agreement” also means “Contract.”
- Agency also means the local entity entering into this contract with the Contractor or Consultant.
- The term “Small Business” or “SB” is as defined in 49 CFR 26.65.

2. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

- A. DBEs and other small businesses are strongly encouraged to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds (See 49 CFR 26, “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs”). The Consultant must ensure that DBEs and other small businesses have the opportunity to participate in the performance of the work that is the subject of this solicitation and should take all necessary and reasonable steps for this assurance. The proposer must not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of subcontracts.
- B. Proposers are encouraged to use services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by DBEs.

3. SUBMISSION OF DBE INFORMATION

If there is a DBE goal on the contract, Exhibit 10-O1 *Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment* must be included in the Request for Proposal. In order for a proposer to be considered responsible and responsive, the proposer must make good faith efforts to meet the goal established for the contract. If the goal is not met, the proposer must document adequate good faith efforts. All DBE participation will be counted towards the contract goal; therefore, all DBE participation shall be collected and reported.

Exhibit 10-O2 *Consultant Contract DBE Information* must be included with the Request for Proposal. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, the successful proposer must execute and return the form.

4. DBE PARTICIPATION GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the proposer’s responsibility to be fully informed regarding the requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26, and the Department’s DBE program developed pursuant to the regulations. Particular attention is directed to the following:

- A. A DBE must be a small business firm defined pursuant to 13 CFR 121 and be certified through the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).

- B. A certified DBE may participate as a prime consultant, subconsultant, joint venture partner, as a vendor of material or supplies, or as a trucking company.
- C. A DBE proposer not proposing as a joint venture with a non-DBE, will be required to document one or a combination of the following:
 - 1. The proposer is a DBE and will meet the goal by performing work with its own forces.
 - 2. The proposer will meet the goal through work performed by DBE subconsultants, suppliers or trucking companies.
 - 3. The proposer, prior to proposing, made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal.
- D. A DBE joint venture partner must be responsible for specific contract items of work or clearly defined portions thereof. Responsibility means actually performing, managing, and supervising the work with its own forces. The DBE joint venture partner must share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks and profits of the joint venture commensurate with its ownership interest.
- E. A DBE must perform a commercially useful function pursuant to 49 CFR 26.55, that is, a DBE firm must be responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work and must carry out its responsibility by actually performing, managing and supervising the work.
- F. The proposer shall list only one subconsultant for each portion of work as defined in their proposal and all DBE subconsultants should be listed in the bid/cost proposal list of subconsultants.
- G. A prime consultant who is a certified DBE is eligible to claim all of the work in the Contract toward the DBE participation except that portion of the work to be performed by non-DBE subconsultants.

5. RESOURCES

- A. The CUCP database includes the certified DBEs from all certifying agencies participating in the CUCP. If you believe a firm is certified that cannot be located on the database, please contact the Caltrans Office of Certification toll free number 1-866-810-6346 for assistance.
- B. Access the CUCP database from the Department of Transportation, Office of Business and Economic Opportunity Web site at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/>.
 - 1. Click on the link in the left menu titled *Disadvantaged Business Enterprise*;
 - 2. Click on Search for a DBE Firm link;
 - 3. Click on *Access to the DBE Query Form* located on the first line in the center of the page.

Searches can be performed by one or more criteria. Follow instructions on the screen.

6. MATERIALS OR SUPPLIES PURCHASED FROM DBES COUNT TOWARDS THE DBE GOAL UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- A. If the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer, count 100 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory, or establishment that produces on the premises the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the Contract and of the general character described by the specifications.
- B. If the materials or supplies purchased from a DBE regular dealer, count 60 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the Contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a DBE regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the

purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A person may be a DBE regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business provided in this section.

- C. If the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, any supplementing of regular dealers' own distribution equipment shall be, by a long-term lease agreement and not an ad hoc or Agreement-by-Agreement basis. Packagers, brokers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not DBE regular dealers within the meaning of this section.
- D. Materials or supplies purchased from a DBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, will be limited to the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on the job site, provided the fees are reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees charged for similar services.

EXHIBIT 10-01 CONSULTANT PROPOSAL DBE COMMITMENT

1. Local Agency: County of Mendocino, Dept. of Transportation 2. Contract DBE Goal: 0%
3. Project Description: 2017 QUADRENNIAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS
4. Project Location: Various Locations
5. Consultant's Name: _____ 6. Prime Certified DBE: ☐

7. Description of Work, Service, or Materials Supplied	8. DBE Certification Number	9. DBE Contact Information	10. DBE %	
Local Agency to Complete this Section		11. TOTAL CLAIMED DBE PARTICIPATION	%	
17. Local Agency Contract Number: 18. Federal-Aid Project Number: 19. Proposed Contract Execution Date: Local Agency certifies that all DBE certifications are valid and information on this form is complete and accurate.				
20. Local Agency Representative's Signature <u>Howard Dashiell</u> 22. Local Agency Representative's Name <u>Director of Transportation</u> 24. Local Agency Representative's Title	21. Date <u>(707)463-4366</u> 23. Phone	IMPORTANT: Identify all DBE firms being claimed for credit, regardless of tier. Written confirmation of each listed DBE is required. 12. Preparer's Signature _____ 13. Date _____ 14. Preparer's Name _____ 15. Phone _____ 16. Preparer's Title _____		

DISTRIBUTION: Original – Included with consultant's proposal to local agency.

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INSTRUCTIONS – CONSULTANT PROPOSAL DBE COMMITMENT

CONSULTANT SECTION

- 1. Local Agency** - Enter the name of the local or regional agency that is funding the contract.
- 2. Contract DBE Goal** - Enter the contract DBE goal percentage as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 3. Project Description** - Enter the project description as it appears on the project advertisement (Bridge Rehab, Seismic Rehab, Overlay, Widening, etc.).
- 4. Project Location** - Enter the project location as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 5. Consultant's Name** - Enter the consultant's firm name.
- 6. Prime Certified DBE** - Check box if prime contractor is a certified DBE.
- 7. Description of Work, Services, or Materials Supplied** - Enter description of work, services, or materials to be provided. Indicate all work to be performed by DBEs including work performed by the prime consultant's own forces, if the prime is a DBE. If 100% of the item is not to be performed or furnished by the DBE, describe the exact portion to be performed or furnished by the DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 to determine how to count the participation of DBE firms.
- 8. DBE Certification Number** - Enter the DBE's Certification Identification Number. All DBEs must be certified on the date bids are opened.
- 9. DBE Contact Information** - Enter the name, address, and phone number of all DBE subcontracted consultants. Also, enter the prime consultant's name and phone number, if the prime is a DBE.
- 10. DBE %** - Percent participation of work to be performed or service provided by a DBE. Include the prime consultant if the prime is a DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 for how to count full/partial participation.
- 11. Total Claimed DBE Participation %** - Enter the total DBE participation claimed. If the total % claimed is less than item "Contract DBE Goal," an adequately documented Good Faith Effort (GFE) is required (see Exhibit 15-H DBE Information - Good Faith Efforts of the LAPM).
- 12. Preparer's Signature** - The person completing the DBE commitment form on behalf of the consultant's firm must sign their name.
- 13. Date** - Enter the date the DBE commitment form is signed by the consultant's preparer.
- 14. Preparer's Name** - Enter the name of the person preparing and signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 15. Phone** - Enter the area code and phone number of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 16. Preparer's Title** - Enter the position/title of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.

LOCAL AGENCY SECTION

- 17. Local Agency Contract Number** - Enter the Local Agency contract number or identifier.
- 18. Federal-Aid Project Number** - Enter the Federal-Aid Project Number.
- 19. Proposed Contract Execution Date** - Enter the proposed contract execution date.
- 20. Local Agency Representative's Signature** - The person completing this section of the form for the Local Agency must sign their name to certify that the information in this and the Consultant Section of this form is complete and accurate.
- 21. Date** - Enter the date the DBE commitment form is signed by the Local Agency Representative.
- 22. Local Agency Representative's Name** - Enter the name of the Local Agency Representative certifying the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 23. Phone** - Enter the area code and phone number of the person signing the consultant's DBE commitment form.
- 24. Local Agency Representative Title** - Enter the position/title of the Local Agency Representative certifying the consultant's DBE commitment form.

EXHIBIT 10-O2 CONSULTANT CONTRACT DBE COMMITMENT

1. Local Agency: County of Mendocino, Dept. of Transportation 2. Contract DBE Goal: 0%
 3. Project Description: 2017 QUADRENNIAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS
 4. Project Location: Various Locations

5. Consultant's Name: _____ 6. Prime Certified DBE: ☐ 7. Total Contract Award Amount: _____
 8. Total Dollar Amount for **ALL** Subconsultants: _____ 9. Total Number of **ALL** Subconsultants: _____

10. Description of Work, Service, or Materials Supplied	11. DBE Certification Number	12. DBE Contact Information	13. DBE Dollar Amount
Local Agency to Complete this Section			
20. Local Agency Contract Number: _____ 21. Federal-Aid Project Number: _____ 22. Contract Execution Date: _____ Local Agency certifies that all DBE certifications are valid and information on this form is complete and accurate. _____ 23. Local Agency Representative's Signature Howard Dashiell _____ 25. Local Agency Representative's Name Director of Transportation _____ 27. Local Agency Representative's Title			\$
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14. TOTAL CLAIMED DBE PARTICIPATION IMPORTANT: Identify all DBE firms being claimed for credit, regardless of tier. Written confirmation of each listed DBE is required. _____ 15. Preparer's Signature _____ 17. Preparer's Name _____ 19. Preparer's Title _____ _____ 16. Date _____ 18. Phone _____			

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 2. Copy – Caltrans District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE). Failure to submit to DLAE within 30 days of contract execution may result in de-obligation of federal funds on contract.

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- 4. Project Location** - Enter the project location as it appears on the project advertisement.
- 5. Consultant's Name** - Enter the consultant's firm name.
- 6. Prime Certified DBE** - Check box if prime contractor is a certified DBE.
- 7. Total Contract Award Amount** - Enter the total contract award dollar amount for the prime consultant.
- 8. Total Dollar Amount for ALL Subconsultants** – Enter the total dollar amount for all subcontracted consultants. SUM = (DBEs + all Non-DBEs). Do not include the prime consultant information in this count.
- 9. Total number of ALL subconsultants** – Enter the total number of all subcontracted consultants. SUM = (DBEs + all Non-DBEs). Do not include the prime consultant information in this count.
- 10. Description of Work, Services, or Materials Supplied** - Enter description of work, services, or materials to be provided. Indicate all work to be performed by DBEs including work performed by the prime consultant's own forces, if the prime is a DBE. If 100% of the item is not to be performed or furnished by the DBE, describe the exact portion to be performed or furnished by the DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 to determine how to count the participation of DBE firms.
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- 12. DBE Contact Information** - Enter the name, address, and phone number of all DBE subcontracted consultants. Also, enter the prime consultant's name and phone number, if the prime is a DBE.
- 13. DBE Dollar Amount** - Enter the subcontracted dollar amount of the work to be performed or service to be provided. Include the prime consultant if the prime is a DBE. See LAPM Chapter 9 for how to count full/partial participation.
- 14. Total Claimed DBE Participation - \$:** Enter the total dollar amounts entered in the "DBE Dollar Amount" column. **%:** Enter the total DBE participation claimed ("Total Participation Dollars Claimed" divided by item "Total Contract Award Amount"). If the total % claimed is less than item "Contract DBE Goal," an adequately documented Good Faith Effort (GFE) is required (see Exhibit 15-H DBE Information - Good Faith Efforts of the LAPM).
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