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## REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

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Solicitation No. 69056726Q000011

Soil and Rock Slope Stability Training

**Quote Due Date:**  
See Page A-1, Block 8

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0002   Offeror Work Experience (.pdf  
file)

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(.docx file)

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### ISSUING OFFICE:



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
WESTERN FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY DIVISION  
610 EAST FIFTH STREET  
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<b>SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS</b> <i>OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, &amp; 30</i>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER		PAGE OF 1 2	
2. CONTRACT NO.		3. AWARD/ EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NUMBER		5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 69056726Q000011		6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE 01/21/2026
7. <b>FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL:</b>		a. NAME Evan Rowe			b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No collect calls) 360-619-7679		8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL TIME 02/03/2026 1400 ET
9. ISSUED BY Federal Highway Administration FHWA WESTERN FED LANDS DIVISION 610 E FIFTH STREET Vancouver WA 98661			CODE 690567	10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED OR <input type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: % FOR: <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (EDWOSB) <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (SDVOSB) <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A)		NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION STANDARD (NAICS): 611430 SIZE STANDARD: \$15	
11. DELIVERY FOR FREE ON BOARD (FOB) DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE		12. DISCOUNT TERMS		13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER THE DEFENSE PRIORITIES AND ALLOCATIONS SYSTEM - DPAS (15 CFR 700) <input type="checkbox"/>		13b. RATING 14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ) <input type="checkbox"/> INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) <input type="checkbox"/> REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)	
15. DELIVER TO Federal Highway Administration FHWA WESTERN FED LANDS DIVISION 610 E FIFTH STREET Vancouver WA 98661			CODE 690567	16. ADMINISTERED BY Federal Highway Administration FHWA WESTERN FED LANDS DIVISION 610 E FIFTH STREET Vancouver WA 98661			
17a. CONTRACTOR/ OFFEROR		CODE	FACILITY CODE	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY		CODE	
TELEPHONE NO.				<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER			
				18a. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM			
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES			21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	Soil and Rock Slope Stability Training  See Price Schedule (Section B) and Requirements Description (Section D).  <i>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)</i>						
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA						26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Government Use Only)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE (FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION) FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA						<input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>One (1)</u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED.				<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REFERENCE _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:			
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR				31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)			
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)			30c. DATE SIGNED	31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		31c. DATE SIGNED	

**Reserved**

**SECTION B – CONTINUATION OF SF 1449**

- Block 7**                   **INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS.** All questions concerning this RFQ will only be accepted in writing. Send questions electronically to [WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov](mailto:WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov), no later than 02:00 pm PT on 02/02/2026.
- Block 17b**               **CONTRACTOR REMITTANCE ADDRESS.** All payments by the Government to the contractor will be made in accordance with FAR Clause [52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management.](#)
- Block 18b**               **SUBMITTING INVOICES.** All invoices/payment requests must be submitted via the Delphi e-Invoicing web portal at <https://einvoice.esc.gov> in accordance with TAR Clause *1252.232-70, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests (Nov 2022)* (DEVIATION 2025-02).
- Blocks 19 – 24**       **SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES.** Refer to, complete, and submit the Price Schedule in Attachment 0001.

**RESERVED**

## CONTRACT CLAUSES

### **52.252-2 -- Clauses Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at <https://www.acquisitions.gov/?q=browsefar>

- 52.203-13 -- Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021)
- 52.203-17 -- Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights (Nov 2023)
- 52.204-19 -- Incorporation by Reference of Representations and Certifications (Dec 2014)
- 52.222-3 -- Convict Labor (Jun 2003)
- 52.222-50 -- Combating Trafficking in Persons (Oct 2025)
- 52.227-1 -- Authorization and Consent (Jun 2020)
- 52.227-2 -- Notice and Assistance Regarding Patent and Copyright Infringement (Jun 2020)
- 52.226-8 -- Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (May 2024)
- 52.232-33 -- Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (Oct 2018)
- 52.232-39 -- Unenforceability of Unauthorized Obligations (Jun 2013)
- 52.232-40 -- Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023)
- 52.233-3 -- Protest after Award (Aug 1996)
- 52.233-4 -- Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004)
- 5.244-6 -- Subcontracts for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Jan 2025)

(End of clause)

### **FAR 52.204-13 -- System for Award Management – Maintenance (DEVIATION Nov 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

*Commercial and Government Entity code* means—

(1) An identifier assigned to entities located in the United States or its outlying areas by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Branch to identify a commercial or government entity by unique location (referred to as “CAGE code”); or

(2) An identifier assigned by a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) or by the NATO Support and Procurement Agency to entities located outside the United States and its outlying areas that the DLA CAGE Branch records and maintains in the CAGE master file (referred to as “NCAGE code”).

*Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)* means an identifier used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit, or Government entity.

(b) *Active registration.* The Contractor shall maintain an active Federal Government contracts registration in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> during contract performance and through final payment under this contract. To maintain an active registration in SAM, the Contractor shall review at least annually its registration in SAM and validate that the information is current, accurate, and complete.

(2) The Contractor is responsible for the currency, accuracy, and completeness of the information provided within SAM, and for any liability resulting from the Government’s reliance

on inaccurate or incomplete information. Updating SAM does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.

(c) *Novation and change-of-name agreements.*

(1) If the Contractor has legally changed its business name or “doing business as” name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used to perform the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in part 42 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day’s written notification of its intention to —

- (i) Change the legal business name in SAM;
- (ii) Comply with the requirements of FAR part 42; and
- (iii) Agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible

Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall provide with its written notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.

(2) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (c)(1) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (c)(1)(iii) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the SAM information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the “Suspension of Payment” paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.

(d) *Assignees.*

(1) The Contractor shall not change the legal business name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the SAM record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see FAR part 32). Assignees shall be separately registered in SAM.

(2) Information provided to the Contractor’s SAM record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be incorrect information within the meaning of the “Suspension of Payment” paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.

(e) Unique entity identifier (UEI). The Contractor shall ensure that its UEI is maintained throughout the life of the contract.

(f) Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code. The Contractor shall ensure that the CAGE code is maintained throughout the life of the contract. To update a CAGE code, the Contractor shall initiate the change by updating its SAM registration.

(g) Communicating changes. The Contractor shall communicate any change to its UEI or CAGE code to the Contracting Officer within 30 days after the change, so a modification can be issued to update the UEI or CAGE code on this contract. A change in the UEI does not necessarily require a novation.

(End of clause)

**FAR 52.209-10 Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations  
(DEVIATION Sep 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause-

*Inverted domestic corporation* means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under 6 U.S.C. 395(b), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of 6 U.S.C. 395(c).

*Subsidiary* means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

(b) If the contractor reorganizes as an inverted domestic corporation or becomes a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation at any time during the period of performance of this contract, applicable law may prohibit the Government from paying for Contractor activities performed after the date when it becomes an inverted domestic corporation or subsidiary. The Government may seek any available remedies in the event the Contractor fails to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract as a result of Government action under this clause.

(c) Exceptions to this prohibition are located at 9.108-3.

(d) In the event the Contractor becomes either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation during contract performance, the Contractor shall give written notice to the Contracting Officer within five business days from the date of the inversion event.

(End of clause)

**FAR 52.212-4 -- Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION Aug 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* The clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated by reference.

(b) *Inspection/Acceptance.* The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the Government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its post acceptance rights—

- (1) Within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and
- (2) Before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(c) *Assignment.* The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (*e.g.*, use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.

(d) *Changes*. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.

(e) *Disputes*. This contract is subject to 41 U.S.C. chapter 71, Contract Disputes. Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal, or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated in this contract by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(f) *Excusable delays*. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence. Examples of occurrences include acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. When an excusable delay occurs, the Contractor shall—

- (1) Notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as possible;
- (2) Remedy the delay as quickly as possible; and
- (3) Notify the Contracting Officer when the occurrence is over.

(g) *Invoice*. The Government will handle invoices according to the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and 5 CFR part 1315. The Contractor shall submit invoices to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include the information required by 5 CFR part 1315.9(b).

(h) *Patent indemnity*. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees, and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark, or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) *Payment*—

(1) *Items accepted*. Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.

(2) *Prompt payment*. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#)) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.

(3) *Discount*. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(4) *Overpayments*. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall—

- (i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the—
  - (A) Circumstances of the overpayment (e.g., duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);
  - (B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;
  - (C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable; and
  - (D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(5) *Interest.*

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in (i)(6)(v) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) *Final decisions.* The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by if—

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt within 30 days;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see 32.607-2).

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on—

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures for interest credits prescribed in FAR part 32 in effect on the date of this contract.

(j) *Risk of loss.* Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon—

(1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or

(2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) *Taxes.* The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

(l) *Termination for the Government's convenience.* The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work

performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) *Termination for cause.* The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. The Government will send a cure notice to the Contractor, unless the reason for the termination is late delivery. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) *Title.* Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) *Warranty.* The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) *Limitation of liability.* Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) *Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts.* The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 40 U.S.C. chapter 37, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards; 41 U.S.C. chapter 87, Kickbacks; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Government-financed air transportation; and 41 U.S.C. chapter 21 relating to procurement integrity.

(r) *Order of precedence.* Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) The schedule of supplies/services;
- (2) The Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts, and Unauthorized Obligations paragraphs of this clause;
- (3) Other contract clauses incorporated in the solicitation or contract;
- (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract;
- (5) Solicitation provisions incorporated in the solicitation;
- (6) Other paragraphs of this clause;
- (7) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and
- (8) The specification.

(s) *Unauthorized obligations.*

(1) Except as stated in paragraph (s)(2) of this clause, when any supply or service acquired under this contract is subject to any End User License Agreement (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or similar legal instrument or agreement, that includes any clause requiring the

Government to indemnify the Contractor or any person or entity for damages, costs, fees, or any other loss or liability that would create an Anti-Deficiency Act violation (31 U.S.C. 1341), the following shall govern:

(i) Any such clause is unenforceable against the Government.

(ii) Neither the Government nor any Government-authorized end user shall be deemed to have agreed to such clause by virtue of it appearing in the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement. If the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement is invoked through an “I agree” click box or other comparable mechanism (e.g., “click-wrap” or “browse-wrap” agreements), execution does not bind the Government or any Government authorized end user to such clause.

(iii) Any such clause is deemed to be stricken from the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement.

(2) Paragraph (s)(1) of this clause does not apply to indemnification by the Government that is expressly authorized by statute and specifically authorized under applicable agency regulations and procedures.

(t) *Comptroller General examination of record.* This paragraph applies if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid procedures and is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold on the date of award of this contract.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor’s directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices, at all reasonable times, the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR part 4, longer period required by statute, or periods specified in other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This clause does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(u) *Incorporation by reference.* The Contractor’s representations and certifications, including those completed electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM), are incorporated by reference into the contract.

(End of clause)

## **52.223-23 -- Sustainable Products and Services (DEVIATION Dec 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Sustainable product means—

(1) A product that contains recovered material designated by the EPA under the Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (42 U.S.C. 6962) (40 CFR part 247) (<https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program#products>).

(2) An energy-efficient product or low standby power device (42 U.S.C. 8259b) (10 CFR part 436, subpart C) (<https://www.energy.gov/eere/femp/search-energy-efficient->

[products, https://www.energystar.gov/products?s=mega](https://www.energystar.gov/products?s=mega), and <https://www.energy.gov/femp/low-standby-power-product-list>).

(3) A biobased product that meets the content requirements of the USDA under the BioPreferred® program (7 U.S.C. 8102) (7 CFR Part 4270) (<https://www.biopreferred.gov/>).

(4) A substance identified in the EPA's Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) program as a safe alternative to an ozone-depleting substance (42 U.S.C. 76711) (40 CFR part 82, subpart G) (<https://www.epa.gov/snap/unacceptable-and-acceptable-substitutes-tables>).

(b) *Requirements.* The Government has identified in the statement of work or elsewhere in the contract the sustainable products that are required during the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall ensure that it provides sustainable products as required by this contract, when the products are—

- (1) Delivered to the Government;
- (2) Furnished for use by the Government;
- (3) Incorporated into the construction of a public building or public work; or

(c) Furnished for use in performing services under this contract, where the cost of the products is a direct cost to this contract.

(End of clause)

## **52.240-91 Security Prohibitions and Exclusions (DEVIATION Sep 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

*American Security Drone Act-covered foreign entity* means an entity included on a list that the Federal Acquisition Security Council (FASC) develops and maintains and publishes in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> (section 1822 of Pub. L. 118-31, 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

*Backhaul* means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (e.g., connecting cell phones/towers to the core telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (e.g., fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

*Covered application* means the social networking service TikTok or any successor application or service developed or provided by ByteDance Limited or an entity owned by ByteDance Limited.

*Covered article*, as defined in 41 U.S.C. 4713(k), means:

- (1) Information technology, as defined in 40 U.S.C. 11101, including cloud computing services of all types;
- (2) Telecommunications equipment or telecommunications service, as those terms are defined in section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153);
- (3) The processing of information on a Federal or non-Federal information system, subject to the requirements of the Controlled Unclassified Information program (see 32 CFR part 2002); or
- (4) Hardware, systems, devices, software, or services that include embedded or incidental information technology.

*Covered foreign country* means The People's Republic of China.

*Covered telecommunications equipment or services* means—

- (1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
- (4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

*Critical technology* means—

- (1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;
- (2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled—
  - (i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or
  - (ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;
- (3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);
- (4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);
- (5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or
- (6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

*FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system* means an unmanned aircraft system manufactured or assembled by an American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entity.

*FASCSA order* means any of the following orders issued under the Federal Acquisition Supply Chain Security Act (FASCSA) requiring removing covered articles from executive agency information systems or excluding one or more named sources or named covered articles from executive agency procurement actions, as described in 41 CFR 201-1.303(d) and (e):

- (1) The Secretary of Homeland Security may issue FASCSA orders that apply to civilian agencies, to the extent not covered by paragraph (2) or (3) of this definition. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) FASCSA order.

(2) The Secretary of Defense may issue FASCSA orders that apply to the Department of Defense (DoD) and national security systems other than sensitive compartmented information systems. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a DoD FASCSA order.

(3) The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) may issue FASCSA orders that apply to the intelligence community and sensitive compartmented information systems, to the extent not covered by paragraph (2) of this definition. This type of FASCSA order may be referred to as a DNI FASCSA order.

*Information technology*, as defined in 40 U.S.C. 11101(6)—

(1) Means any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment, used in the automatic acquisition, storage, analysis, evaluation, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information by the executive agency, if the equipment is used by the executive agency directly or is used by a contractor under a contract with the executive agency that requires the use—

(i) Of that equipment; or

(ii) Of that equipment to a significant extent in the performance of a service or the furnishing of a product;

(2) Includes computers, ancillary equipment (including imaging peripherals, input, output, and storage devices necessary for security and surveillance), peripheral equipment designed to be controlled by the central processing unit of a computer, software, firmware and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources; but

(3) Does not include any equipment acquired by a Federal contractor incidental to a Federal contract.

*Intelligence community*, as defined by 50 U.S.C. 3003(4), means the following—

(1) The Office of the Director of National Intelligence;

(2) The Central Intelligence Agency;

(3) The National Security Agency;

(4) The Defense Intelligence Agency;

(5) The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency;

(6) The National Reconnaissance Office;

(7) Other offices within the Department of Defense for the collection of specialized national intelligence through reconnaissance programs;

(8) The intelligence elements of the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, the Coast Guard, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Department of Energy;

(9) The Bureau of Intelligence and Research of the Department of State;

(10) The Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of the Treasury;

(11) The Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security; or

(12) Such other elements of any department or agency as may be designated by the President, or designated jointly by the Director of National Intelligence and the head of the department or agency concerned, as an element of the intelligence community.

*Interconnection arrangements* means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (e.g., connecting a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

*Kaspersky Lab-covered article* means any hardware, software, or service that—

(1) Is developed or provided by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity;

(2) Includes any hardware, software, or service developed or provided in whole or in part by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity; or

(3) Contains components using any hardware or software developed in whole or in part by a Kaspersky Lab-covered entity.

*Kaspersky Lab-covered entity* means—

(1) Kaspersky Lab;

(2) Any successor entity to Kaspersky Lab, including any change in name, e.g., “Kaspersky”;

(3) Any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Kaspersky Lab; or

(4) Any entity of which Kaspersky Lab has a majority ownership.

*National security system*, as defined in 44 U.S.C. 3552, means any information system (including any telecommunications system) used or operated by an agency or by a contractor of an agency, or other organization on behalf of an agency—

(1) The function, operation, or use of which involves intelligence activities; involves cryptologic activities related to national security; involves command and control of military forces; involves equipment that is an integral part of a weapon or weapons system; or is critical to the direct fulfillment of military or intelligence missions, but does not include a system that is to be used for routine administrative and business applications (including payroll, finance, logistics, and personnel management applications); or

(2) Is protected at all times by procedures established for information that have been specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order or an Act of Congress to be kept classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy.

*Roaming* means cellular communications services (e.g., voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

*Sensitive compartmented information* means classified information concerning or derived from intelligence sources, methods, or analytical processes, which is required to be handled within formal access control systems established by the Director of National Intelligence.

*Sensitive compartmented information system* means a national security system authorized to process or store sensitive compartmented information.

*Source* means a non-Federal supplier, or potential supplier, of products or services, at any tier.

*Subsidiary* means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned directly by a parent corporation or through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

*Substantial or essential component* means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

*Unmanned aircraft* means an aircraft that is operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft (49 U.S.C. 44801(11)).

*Unmanned aircraft system* means an unmanned aircraft and associated elements (including communication links and the components that control the unmanned aircraft) that are required

for the operator to operate safely and efficiently in the national airspace system (49 U.S.C. 44801(12)).

(b) *Prohibitions on providing or using specific products or services in performance of contract.* Unless a waiver or exception applies, the Contractor is prohibited from providing any products or services to the Government or using in the performance of the contract any of the following:

(1) A covered application on any information technology owned or managed by the Government, or on any information technology used or provided by the Contractor under this contract, including equipment provided by the Contractor's employees (section 102 of Division R of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Pub. L. 117-328));

(2) A Kaspersky Lab-covered article (Section 1634 of Division A of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub. L. 115-91));

(3) Covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system (paragraphs (a)(1)(A) of section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232)). This does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) *Prohibition on unmanned aircraft systems manufactured or assembled by American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entities.*

(1) *Prohibition.* The Contractor is prohibited from—

(i) Delivering any FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system, which includes unmanned aircraft (i.e., drones) and associated elements (sections 1823 and 1826 of American Security Drone Act of 2023, within the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, Pub. L. 118-31, Div. A, Title XVIII, Subtitle B, 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.);

(ii) On or after December 22, 2025, operating a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system in the performance of the contract (section 1824 of Pub. L. 118-31); and

(iii) On or after December 22, 2025, using Federal funds to procure or operate a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system (section 1825 of Pub. L. 118-31).

(2) *Procedures.* The Contractor shall search SAM for the FASC-maintained list of American Security Drone Act—covered foreign entities before proposing, or using in performance of the contract, any unmanned aircraft system. Also, the Contractor shall ensure any effort or expenditure associated with a FASC-prohibited unmanned aircraft system is consistent with a corresponding exemption, exception, or waiver determination expressly stated in the contract.

(3) *Exemptions, exceptions, and waivers.* The prohibitions in paragraph (c) of this clause do not apply where the agency has determined an exemption, exception, or waiver applies, and the contract indicates that such a determination has been made. See sections 1823 through 1825 and 1832 of Public Law 118-31 for statutory requirements pertaining to exemptions, exceptions, and waivers.

(d) *Prohibition on using or providing specific products or services or conducting certain transactions regardless of connection to contract.*

(1) *Certain telecommunications and video surveillance equipment, systems, or services.*

(i) Unless an applicable waiver has been issued by the Government, the Contractor cannot use any equipment, systems, or services that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical

technology as part of any system (paragraph (a)(1)(B) of section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232)).

(ii) This prohibition applies to using covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. This does not prohibit the contractor from using—

(A) A service that connects to the facilities of a third party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(B) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) *Office of Foreign Assets Control Restrictions.*

(i) Except as authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in the Department of the Treasury, the Contractor shall not acquire, for use in the performance of this contract, any supplies or services if any proclamation, Executive order, or statute administered by OFAC, or if OFAC's implementing regulations at 31 CFR chapter V, would prohibit such a transaction by a person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(ii) Except as authorized by OFAC, most transactions involving Cuba, Iran, and Sudan are prohibited, as are most imports from Burma or North Korea, into the United States or its outlying areas.

(A) For lists of entities and individuals subject to economic sanctions, see OFAC's List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/specially-designated-nationals-and-blocked-persons-list-sdn-human-readable-lists>.

(B) For more information about these restrictions, as well as updates, see OFAC's regulations at 31 CFR chapter V and at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/office-of-foreign-assets-control-sanctions-programs-and-information>.

(C) To conduct electronic screens of potential parties to regulated transactions, see the consolidated screening list at <https://www.trade.gov/consolidated-screening-list>, which consolidates multiple export screening lists of the Departments of Commerce, State, and the Treasury.

(3) *Sudan prohibition.* The Contractor is prohibited from conducting any restricted business operations in Sudan in accordance with Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174).

(4) *Iran prohibitions.*

(i) Unless an exception applies according to paragraph (d)(4)(iii) or the Government grants a waiver, the contractor shall not engage in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran (section 6(b)(1)(A) of Iran Sanctions Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 note)).

(ii) Unless an exception applies according to paragraph (d)(4)(iii) or the Government grants a waiver, contractor shall not export certain sensitive technology to Iran, as determined by the President, and has an active exclusion in SAM (22 U.S.C. 8515).

(iii) The prohibition in paragraphs (d)(4)(i) and (d)(4)(ii) do not apply if the acquisition is subject to trade agreements and the offeror certifies that all the offered products are designated country end products or designated country construction material (see part 25).

(iv) Unless an exception applies or the Government grants a waiver, contractors are prohibited from knowingly engaging in any significant transaction (i.e., over \$10,000) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked according to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (section 6(b)(1)(B) of Iran Sanctions Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 note)).

(e) *Governmentwide exclusion and removal orders.*

(1) Unless the Government has issued an applicable waiver, contractors shall not provide or use as part of the performance of the contract any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if the covered article or the source is prohibited by an applicable FASCSCA order as follows:

(i) For solicitations and contracts awarded by a Department of Defense contracting office, DoD FASCSCA orders apply.

(ii) For all other solicitations and contracts, DHS FASCSCA orders apply.

(2) The Contractor shall search for the phrase "FASCSCA order" in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> to locate applicable FASCSCA orders.

(3) The Government may identify in the solicitation other FASCSCA orders that are not in SAM, which are effective and apply to the solicitation and resulting contract.

(4) A FASCSCA order issued after the date of solicitation applies to this contract only if added by an amendment to the solicitation or modification to the contract (see FAR 40.204-1(c)).

(f) *Reasonable inquiry.* The contractor shall conduct a reasonable inquiry to determine if there are any prohibited products or services. The inquiry will look at any information in the entity's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(g) *Removal of prohibited products and services.* For Federal Supply Schedules, Governmentwide acquisition contracts, multi-agency contracts or any other procurement instrument intended for use by multiple agencies, upon notification from the Contracting Officer, during the performance of the contract, the Contractor shall promptly make any necessary changes or modifications to remove any product or service produced or provided by a source that this clause prohibits.

(h) *General report.*

(1) If the Contractor identifies or is notified by any source, (including a subcontractor at any tier), that any product or service provided or used (or to be provided or used) during contract performance does not comply with any prohibition in this clause, then the Contractor shall report the following information, or as much information is known, in writing to the contracting office as identified in paragraph (h)(2) within 72 hours:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) The specific prohibition the product or service is not complying with;

(iii) A description of the products or services that the Contractor identifies or has reason to suspect is prohibited (include brand; model number, such as the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable);

(iv) The entity that produced the product or service (include entity name, unique entity identifier, Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, facilities responsible for design, fabrication, assembly, packaging, and test of the product, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor (provide manufacturer codes and distributor codes used for the product));

(v) Description of the functionality of the product or service and how that functionality impacts the risk to the product or service;

(vi) An explanation of any factors relevant to determining if the product or service should be permitted by an applicable exception, exemption, or waiver (if the contractor would like the Government to consider a waiver, and asks for such a waiver);

(vii) Whether alternative products or services are available that would comply with the prohibition;

(viii) If the product or service is related to item maintenance, include the following information on the item being maintained:

(A) Brand;  
(B) Model number, OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number;  
and

(C) Item description, as applicable.

(ix) Any readily available information about mitigation actions implemented or recommended.

(2) If a report must be submitted to a contracting office, the Contractor shall submit the report as follows:

(i) If a Department of Defense contracting office, the Contractor shall report to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(ii) For all other contracting offices, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer.

(iii) For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to both the contracting office for the indefinite delivery contract and the contracting office for any affected order.

(3) If the report provided does not contain any of the information required by paragraph (h)(1) of this clause, and the contractor later discovers new information that is required by paragraph (h)(1) of this clause, then the contractor shall submit a subsequent report within 72 hours of discovering the new information.

(4) The contractor shall also report the information in paragraph (h)(1) if the contractor wishes to ask for a waiver of the requirements of a new FASCSA order being applied through modification.

(i) *New FASCSA orders report.*

(1) During contract performance, the Contractor shall review SAM at least once every three months, or as advised by the Contracting Officer, to check for covered articles subject to FASCSA order(s), or for products or services produced by a source subject to FASCSA order(s) not currently identified under paragraph (e) of this clause.

(2) If the Contractor identifies a new FASCSA order(s) that could impact their supply chain, then the Contractor shall conduct a reasonable inquiry to identify whether a covered article or product or service produced or provided by a source subject to the FASCSA order(s) was provided to the Government or used during contract performance. The inquiry will look at any information in the entity's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(3) The Contractor shall submit a report to the contracting office identified in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause if the Contractor identifies, including through any notification by a subcontractor at any tier, that a covered article or product or service produced or provided by a source was provided to the Government or used during contract performance and is subject to a FASCSA order(s). For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to both the contracting office for the indefinite delivery contract and the contracting office for any affected order. The Contractor shall report the following information within 72 hours for each covered article or each product or service produced or provided by a source, where the covered article or source is subject to a FASCSA order:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) Name of the covered article or source subject to a FASCSA order;

(iii) The specific FASCSA order the product or service does not comply with;

(iv) The elements of (h)(1)(iii) through (ix) of this clause.

(j) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (j) but excluding subparagraphs (d)(1) and (i)(1), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for acquiring commercial products or commercial services.

(End of clause)

**FAR 52.252-6 -- Authorized Deviations in Clauses (Nov 2020)**

(a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of “(DEVIATION)” after the date of the clause.

(b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Transportation Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 12) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of “(DEVIATION)” after the name of the regulation.

(End of clause)

**Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) Clauses Incorporated by Reference**

The following Transportation Acquisition Regulation clauses are incorporated by reference with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at <https://www.transportation.gov/assistant-secretary-administration/procurement/tar-part-1252-solicitations-provisions-and-contract>

1252.222-72 -- Contractor Cooperation in Equal Employment Opportunity and Anti-Harassment Investigations (Nov 2022)

1252.223-71 -- Accident and Fire Reporting (Nov 2022)

1252.242-71 -- Contractor Testimony (Nov 2022)

1252.242-72 -- Dissemination of Contract Information (Nov 2022)

(End of clause)

**TAR 1252.232-70 -- Electronic Submission of Payment Requests (Nov 2022) [(DEVIATION Aug 2025)]**

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

(1) Contract financing payment has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

(2) Payment request means a bill, voucher, invoice, or request for contract financing payment or invoice payment with associated supporting documentation. The payment request must comply with the requirements identified in FAR 32.905(b), “Content of Invoices,” this clause, and the applicable Payment clause included in this contract.

(3) Electronic form means an automated system transmitting information electronically according to the accepted electronic data transmission methods and formats identified in paragraph (c) of this clause. Facsimile, email, and scanned documents are not acceptable electronic forms for submission of payment requests.

(4) Invoice payment has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

(b) Electronic payment requests. Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, the contractor shall submit payment requests in electronic form. Purchases paid with a Governmentwide commercial purchase card are considered to be an electronic transaction for purposes of this rule, and therefore no additional electronic invoice submission is required.

(c) Processing system. The Department of Transportation utilizes the DELPHI system for processing invoices. The DELPHI module for submitting invoices is called iSupplier. Access to DELPHI is granted with electronic authentication of credentials (name & valid email address) utilizing the GSA credentialing platform login.gov. Vendors submitting invoices are required to submit invoices via iSupplier (DELPHI) and authenticated via www.login.gov.

(d) Invoice requirements. To receive payment and in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act, all invoices submitted as attachments in iSupplier (DELPHI) shall contain the following:

- (1) Invoice number and invoice date.
- (2) Period of performance covered by invoice.
- (3) Contract number and title.
- (4) Task/Delivery Order number and title (if applicable).
- (5) Amount billed (by CLIN), current and cumulative.
- (6) Total (\$) of billing.
- (7) Cumulative total billed for all contract work to date.
- (8) Name, title, phone number, and mailing address of person to be contacted in the event of a defective invoice.
- (9) Travel. If the contract includes allowances for travel, all invoices which include charges pertaining to travel expenses will catalog a breakdown of reimbursable expenses with the appropriate receipts to substantiate the travel expenses.

**[(10) The following statement "The Contractor certifies that by submitting this invoice to the Government, the supplies and/or services billed have been shipped rendered or delivered in accordance with instructions issued by the ordering officer; that they are reflected in the quantities and/or period of performance stated on the invoice; and that such supplies and/or services conform to the quantity and quality requirements specified in the applicable contracts orders or blanket purchase agreement.**

**Furthermore, pursuant to Executive Order 14173, Ending Illegal Discrimination And Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity, the Contractor certifies that it is in compliance with the Equal Protection principles of the Constitution and all applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws, and acknowledges that such compliance is material to the Government's payment decision under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. § 3729(b)(4)). The Contractor also affirms that it does not operate any diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives that are inconsistent with the Equal Protection principles of the Constitution and the non-discrimination requirements of Federal laws as interpreted by the Supreme Court in Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard, 600 U.S. 181 (2023)."]**

(e) Payment system registration. All persons accessing the iSupplier (DELPHI) will be required to have their own unique user ID and password and be credentialed through login.gov.

- (1) Electronic authentication. See www.login.gov for instructions.
- (2) To create a www.login.gov account, the user will need a valid email address and a working phone number. The user will create a password and then [www.login.gov](http://www.login.gov) will reply with an email confirming the email address.
- (3) iSupplier (DELPHI) registration instructions: New users should navigate to: <http://einvoice.esc.gov> to establish an account. Users are required to log in to iSupplier (DELPHI) every 45 days to keep it active.
- (4) Training on DELPHI. To facilitate use of DELPHI, comprehensive user information is available at <http://einvoice.esc.gov>.

(5) Account Management. Vendors are responsible to contact their assigned COR when their firm's points of contact will no longer be submitting invoices, so they can be removed from the system.

(f) Waivers. For contractors/vendors who are unable to utilize DOT's DELPHI system, waivers may be considered by DOT on a case-by-case basis. Vendors should contact their Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) for procedures.

(g) Exceptions and alternate payment procedures. If, based on one of the circumstances set forth in 1232.7002(a) or (b), and the contracting officer directs that payment requests be made by mail, the contractor shall submit payment requests by mail through the United States Postal Service to the designated agency office. If alternate payment procedures are authorized, the Contractor shall include a copy of the Contracting Officer's written authorization with each payment request. If DELPHI is succeeded by later technology, the Contracting Officer will supply the Contractor with the latest applicable electronic invoicing instructions.

(End of clause)

### **Federal Highway Administration Local Clauses**

#### **FHWA-001 -- Payment and Final Invoice**

(a) Payment for the order shall be provided under the lump sum quote amount. Compensation is full payment for providing all supplies and/or performing all work in a complete and acceptable manner. All risk, loss, damage, or expense arising out of the nature or prosecution of the work is included in the compensation provided by the lump sum quote amount.

(b) For firm-fixed-price (FFP) contracts where supplies are delivered or services are performed, the final invoice is not subject to further contract settlement actions between the Government and the Contractor.

(c) For non-FFP contracts, further contract settlement actions may exist where final invoices are not to be submitted yet until these contract settlement actions are resolved. For these contracts, the Contracting Officer will process final invoices as a routine part of the closeout process. When requested, the Contractor shall submit the final invoice directly to the Contracting Officer/ Contract Specialist along with the final closeout documents. When the final invoice is ready for payment, the Contracting Officer will inform the Contractor that the final invoice can be submitted through the iSupplier system.

(End of clause)

#### **FHWA-002 -- Post-Award Evaluation of Contractor Performance**

(a) Interim and final evaluations of contractor performance may be prepared on this contract in accordance with FAR 42.1502 and TAM 1242.1502. The final performance evaluations will be prepared at the time of completion of work.

(b) The Contractor can elect to review the evaluation and submit additional information or provide a rebuttal statement. The contractor will be permitted 60 calendar days to respond from the date of receipt of the evaluation. The contractor's response is voluntary. If the contractor does not respond within 60 days, the Government will presume that the Contractor has no comment. Any disagreement between the parties regarding an evaluation will be referred to an individual at a level above the Contracting Officer, whose decision is final.

(c) Copies of the evaluations, Contractor responses, and review comments, if any, will be retained as part of the contract file, and may be used to support future award decisions.

(d) The Federal Highway Administration utilizes the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS) to record and maintain past performance information. CPARS hosts a suite of web-enabled applications that are used to document contractor performance information that is required by Federal Regulations. The CPARS module assesses performance on contracts for Systems, Services, Information Technology, and Operations Support; Architect-Engineer contracts; and Construction contracts. Reference material can be accessed in CPARS.

(e) The registration process requires the Contractor to identify an individual that will serve as a primary contact. This individual will be authorized access to the evaluation for review and comment. In addition, the Contractor is encouraged to identify a secondary contact in the event the primary contact is unavailable to process the evaluation within the required 60-day time period. After the FHWA Focal Point registers the contract in CPARS, the contractor representative will receive a system-generated email notifying him/her that the contract is registered. A system-generated email will also provide the Contractor with a User ID if the person does not already have a CPARS User ID.

(f) After a performance evaluation has been prepared and is ready for comment, the Contractor representative will receive a system-generated email notification that the performance evaluation is electronically available for review and comment. The Contractor representative will receive an automated email whenever an assessment is completed and can subsequently retrieve the completed assessment from CPARS for review and comment.

(End of clause)

### **FHWA-003 -- Government Technical Point of Contact (TPOC)**

(a) The Contracting Officer is the only individual authorized to enter into or terminate this contract, modify any term or condition of this contract, waive any requirement of this contract, or accept nonconforming work delivered under this contract.

(b) The Contracting Officer will designate a Government Technical Point of Contact (TPOC) at the time of contract award. The TPOC's responsibilities will include technical monitoring of the Contractor's performance and inspecting and accepting deliveries under the contract. The TPOC will be appointed in writing, at which time ALL the responsibilities of the TPOC will be detailed, and a copy of the appointment memorandum will be furnished to the Contractor. Any changes to the TPOC delegation will be made in writing, either by changes to the existing memorandum or by the issuance of a new appointment memorandum. Copies of any changes will be provided to the Contractor.

(c) The TPOC is not authorized to perform, formally or informally, any of the following actions:

- (1) Promise, award, agree to award, or execute any contract, contract modification, or notice of intent that changes or may change this contract;
- (2) Waive or agree to any modification of the delivery schedule;
- (3) Make any final decision on any contract matter subject to the Disputes Clause;
- (4) Terminate, for any reason, the Contractor's right to proceed, or issue any order causing the Contractor to stop work;

(5) Obligate in any way, the payment of money by the Government.

(d) The Contractor shall comply with the written or oral direction of the Contracting Officer or authorized representative(s) acting within the scope and authority of the appointment memorandum. The Contractor need not proceed with directions that it considers to have been issued without proper authority. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing, with as much detail as possible, when the TPOC has taken an action or has issued direction (written or oral) that the Contractor considers exceeding the TPOC's appointment, within 3 days of the occurrence. Unless otherwise provided in this contract, the Contractor assumes all costs, risks, liabilities, and consequences of performing any work it is directed to perform that falls within any of the categories defined in paragraph (c) prior to receipt of the Contracting Officer's response issued under paragraph (e) of this clause.

(e) The Contracting Officer shall respond in writing within 30 days to any notice made under paragraph (d) of this clause. A failure of the parties to agree upon the nature of a direction, or upon the contract action to be taken with respect thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of the Disputes clause of this contract.

(f) The Contractor shall provide copies of all correspondence to the Contracting Officer and the TPOC.

(g) Any action(s) taken by the Contractor, in response to any direction given by any person acting on behalf of the Government or any Government official other than the Contracting Officer or the TPOC acting within his or her appointment, shall be at the Contractor's risk.

(End of Clause)

## **STATEMENT OF WORK**

### **1. SCOPE OF CONTRACT**

To support the duty requirements of its personnel, WFLHD is seeking to establish a contract to provide a 2-day training course on Soil and Rock Slope Stability.

### **2. LOCATION, DATES, AND TIMES**

The course location will be at the WFLHD office at 610 East 5th Street, Vancouver, WA 98661

Preferred training date is 10-11 February 2026.

Classes will begin at approximately 7:30am and end at approximately 4:30pm. All classes are to have a minimum of two (2) 15-minute breaks and a lunch period of approximately 1 hour.

Number of Attendees: approximately 54

### **3. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- A. Background.** Western Federal Lands Highway Division (WFLHD), a division of the US Department of Transportation – Federal Highway Administration, designs and administers, primarily, road construction projects on Federal Lands in the states of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming. The type of construction is generally 2-lane roads or highways either accessing Federal lands or within Federal lands. In addition to the states listed above, WFLHD administers soil and rock slope stability throughout the Western Federal Lands Highway Division.
- B. Audience.** Attendees include construction personnel ranging in experience from first year inspectors to experienced project engineers; however, other disciplines may be in attendance. Experience of the audience will vary from one to thirty years.

### **4. COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The requested course provides an understanding of geology, hydrology, seismology, geotechnical exploration and engineering, computerized analytical methods, and practical and constructible engineering solutions. The three main areas of interest related to slopes are collecting and evaluating geologic and geotechnical data, analytical methods for soil and rock slopes, and stabilization methods.

#### **A. General Requirements**

- i. The course will teach soil and rock slope stability.
- ii. The course must be 16 hours and include a written test.
  - a. The test must be open book. Upon completion of the test, the instructor will provide and discuss the correct answers.
  - b. On completion of passing grade the attendee will receive the award of professional development hours (14 PDHs), ASCE certificates of completion, and program evaluations.

## **B. Course Content**

- i. LEARNING OBJECTIVES shall include:
  - a. Understand fundamental geotechnical testing and analysis methods needed to characterize soil properties and gain experience in slope stability analysis using the Method of Slices
  - b. Understand the engineering difference between rock substance and rock mass, and be able to identify common tests and field work needed to estimate their strength characteristics for rock slope stability analysis
  - c. Understand the basic geotechnical tools used in rock slope engineering and identify the three key steps in a rock slope stability analysis
  - d. Develop an introductory familiarity with computer software and analysis methods used to investigate slope stabilization options
  - e. Improve the understanding of the relevance of using appropriate shear strength of soils for slope stability analysis
  - f. Gain an introduction to the use of available instrumentation for monitoring the behavior of slopes and to the influence of earthquakes on slopes and the procedures available for seismic analysis.
  
- ii. DRAFT OUTLINE. Suggested topics include:
  - a. Day 1
    - Soil Slope Data
    - Rock Slope Data
    - Infinite Slope Concepts
    - Soil Slope Analysis I
    - Rock Slope Analysis I
  - b. Day 2
    - Soil Slope Analysis II
    - Rock Slope Analysis II
    - Geotechnical Instrumentation
    - Seismic Analysis of Slopes
    - Stabilization Methods

## **5. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

Instructor(s) must be qualified to teach the required course elements effectively, must have no less than five (5) years of prior experience teaching soil and rock slope stability course material, and must be able to relate to the target audience.

- A.** At a minimum, instructor(s) must have:
  - i. A Bachelor degree from an accredited college in the field of construction management, engineering, or a closely related field, and a minimum of 5 years professional experience with the soil and rock slope stability; OR
  - ii. Current certification for ASCE program for soil and rock slope stability; OR
  - iii. Be deemed by WFLHD to possess the academic credentials, instructional experience, and skills necessary for teaching the required course elements.

- B. Instructor(s) must demonstrate competent instructional skills and knowledge of the applicable subject matter inside and outside the classroom.

## 6. GOVERNMENT FURNISHED EQUIPMENT

The Government will provide the contractor with fully equipped training rooms to include flip charts, white board, projection screen, computer projector, and slide projector. A Government Technical Point of Contact will be provided upon award to ensure that the government-furnished equipment and facilities are made available.

## 7. CONTRACTOR FURNISHED EQUIPMENT

The contractor is to provide, in addition to the instructor(s) for the session: presentation; training manuals and handouts, as applicable; tests and grading; certificates, signed by the instructor, showing participant's name, course dates, and hours completed listed Professional Development Hours (PDHs) OR Continuous Learning Points (CLPs).

## 8. PRICING

Quoted price shall be an **all-inclusive lump sum** to include all costs necessary to present the requested training session as cited in paragraph 4 above.

## 9. PAYMENT FOR UNAUTHORIZED WORK

No payments will be made for any unauthorized supplies and/or services or for any unauthorized changes to the work specified herein. This includes any services performed by the Contractor of their own volition or at the request of an individual other than a duly appointed Contracting Officer. Only a duly appointed Contracting Officer is authorized to change the specifications, terms, and conditions under this effort.

## 10. AUTHORITY TO OBLIGATE THE GOVERNMENT

The Contracting Officer is the only individual who can legally commit or obligate the Government to the expenditure of public funds. No cost chargeable to the proposed order can be incurred before receipt of a fully executed purchase order or specific authorization from the Contracting Officer.

## 11. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Anti-Deficiency.** Unless otherwise authorized by Public Law or Federal Regulation, nothing contained herein shall be construed as binding the Government to expend, in any one fiscal year, any sum in excess of the appropriation made by Congress for that fiscal year in furtherance of the matter of the contract or to involve the Government in an obligation for the future expenditure of monies before an appropriation is made (Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. 1341.A.1).
- B. **Indemnification.** Any indemnification language contained in standard form agreements executed between the Government and the Contractor shall be binding upon the Government only to the extent authorized by law, opinions of the Government Accountability Office and the Federal Tort Claims Act (28 U.S.C. §§ 2671-2680).

**SOLICITATION PROVISIONS**

**1. REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF QUOTER**

The offeror makes the following representations and certifications as a part of its quote.

**NOTICE:**

System updates may lag policy updates. The System for Award Management (SAM) may continue to require entities to complete representations based on provisions that are not included in agency solicitations. Examples include 52.222-25, Affirmative Action Compliance, 52.223-22, Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals—Representation, and paragraph (d) of 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Products and Commercial Services. Contracting officers will not consider these representations when making award decisions or enforce requirements. Entities are not required to, nor are they able to, update their entity registration to remove these representations in SAM.

**FAR 52.209-11 -- Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law (DEVIATION Sep 2025)**

(a) The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that—

(1) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or

(2) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(b) The Offeror represents that—

(1) It is [ ] is not [ ] a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and

(2) It is [ ] is not [ ] a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

(End of provision)

**FAR 52.240-90 Security Prohibitions and Exclusions Representations and Certifications (Nov 2025)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

*Backhaul, covered article, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, FASCSA order, Intelligence community, interconnection arrangements, national security system, roaming, sensitive compartmented information, sensitive compartmented information system, source, and substantial or essential component* have the meanings provided

in the clause 52.240-91, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions.

*Business operations* means engaging in commerce in any form, including by acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property, real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

*Marginalized populations of Sudan* means—

- (1) Adversely affected groups in regions authorized to receive assistance under section 8(c) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 109-344) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note); and
- (2) Marginalized areas in Northern Sudan described in section 4(9) of such Act.

*Restricted business operations* means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
  - (2) Are conducted under specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
  - (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
  - (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
  - (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education;
- or
- (6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

*Sensitive technology*—

- (1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—
  - (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or
  - (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and
- (2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

(b) *Procedures.*

(1) *Covered telecommunications and video surveillance.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) at <https://www.sam.gov> for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services.”

(2) *FASCSA Orders.*

(i) The Offeror shall search in SAM for the phrase “FASCSA order” for any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if there is an applicable FASCSA order described in paragraph (e) of FAR 52.240-91, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions.

(ii) The Offeror shall review the solicitation for any FASCSA orders that are not in SAM but are effective and apply to the solicitation and resultant contract (see FAR 40.204-1(c)(2)).

(iii) FASCSA orders issued after the date of solicitation do not apply unless added by an amendment to the solicitation.

(c) *Covered telecommunications equipment or services representations.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the Offeror's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit)—

(1) It will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g); and

(2) It does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g).

(d) *FASCSA Representation.* By submission of this offer, the offeror represents that it has conducted a reasonable inquiry, and that the offeror does not propose to provide or use in response to this solicitation any covered article, or any products or services produced or provided by a source, if the covered article or the source is prohibited by an applicable FASCSA order in effect on the date the solicitation was issued, except as waived by the solicitation, or as disclosed in paragraph (g). A reasonable inquiry will look at any information in the offeror's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit.

(e) *Sudan certification.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the offeror's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit), that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(f) *Iran Representation and Certifications.*

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision or if a waiver has been granted in accordance with FAR 40.203-3, the offeror, after conducting a reasonable inquiry (that looks at any information in the offeror's possession but does not need to include an internal or third-party audit), by submission of its offer—

(i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

(ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person (as defined at section 15 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-172, 50 U.S.C. 1701 note) owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Act. These sanctioned activities are in the areas of development of the petroleum resources of Iran, production of refined petroleum products in Iran, sale and provision of refined petroleum products to Iran, and contributing to Iran's ability to acquire or develop certain weapons or technologies; and

(iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds \$10,000 with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>)

(2) Exception for trade agreements. The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (f)(1) of this provision do not apply if—

(i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements notice or certification (e.g., 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate); and

(ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated

country end products or designated country construction material.

(iii) The offeror shall email questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at [CISADA106@state.gov](mailto:CISADA106@state.gov).

(g) *Disclosure.*

(1) If the Offeror is not able to represent compliance with the prohibitions in paragraphs (c) or (d), then the Offeror shall disclose within 72 hours to the contracting office identified in paragraph (g)(2) the following information for each product or service not compliant:

(i) Contract number and order number, if applicable;

(ii) Identification of whether this disclosure relates to paragraph (c) on covered telecommunication equipment or services, or to paragraph (d) on FASCSA orders;

(iii) A description of the products or services that the Contractor identifies or has reason to suspect is prohibited (include brand; model number, such as the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable);

(iv) The entity that produced the product or service (include entity name, unique entity identifier, Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, facilities responsible for design, fabrication, assembly, packaging, and test of the product, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor (provide manufacturer codes and distributor codes used for the product));

(v) Description of the functionality of the product or service and how that functionality impacts the risk to the product or service;

(vi) An explanation of any factors relevant to determining if the product or service should be permitted by an applicable exception, exemption, or waiver (if the offeror would like the Government to consider a waiver);

(vii) Whether alternative products or services are available that would be compliant with the prohibition;

(viii) If the product or service is related to item maintenance, include the following information on the item being maintained:

(A) Brand;

(B) Model number, OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number;

and

(C) Item description, as applicable.

(ix) Any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(2) If a disclosure is required to be submitted to a contracting office, the offeror shall submit the disclosure as follows:

(i) If a Department of Defense contracting office, the offeror shall submit the disclosure to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(ii) For all other contracting offices, the Offeror shall submit the disclosure to the Contracting Officer.

(3) If the disclosure provided does not contain any of the information required by paragraph (1), and the Offeror later discovers new information that is required by paragraph (1), then the Offeror shall submit a subsequent disclosure within 72 hours of discovering the new information.

(h) *Executive agency review of disclosures.* The Contracting Officer will review disclosures provided in paragraph (g) to determine if any applicable waiver may be sought. The Contracting Officer may choose not to pursue a waiver and may instead make an award to an Offeror that does not require a waiver.

(End of provision)

**TAR 1252.237-71 -- Certification of Data (Nov 2022)**

(a) The offeror represents and certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, the information and/or data (e.g., company profile; qualifications; background statements; brochures) submitted with its offer is current, accurate, and complete as of the date of its offer.

(b) The offeror understands that any inaccurate data provided to the Department of Transportation may subject the offeror, its subcontractors, its employees, or its representatives to:

- (1) prosecution for false statements pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001; and/or
- (2) enforcement action for false claims or statements pursuant to the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. 3801– 3812 and 49 CFR part 31; and/or
- (3) termination for default or for cause under any contract resulting from its offer; and/or
- (4) debarment or suspension.

(c) The offeror agrees to obtain a similar certification from its subcontractors and submit such certification(s) with its offer.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Typed Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

This certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of the United States and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(End of provision)

**2. INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO QUOTERS**

**FAR 52.204-7 -- System for Award Management (DEVIATION Nov 2025)**

The Offeror shall have an active Federal Government contracts registration in the System for Award Management (SAM) when submitting an offer or quotation in response to this solicitation and at the time of award. As part of the SAM registration process, the Government collects information, as described in paragraphs (b) through (d) of this provision, that is necessary to identify the Offeror and for the Offeror to be awarded Federal Government contracts. To register in SAM, go to <https://www.sam.gov>. Allow for processing time when registering in SAM. If the Offeror is not registered in SAM, it should register immediately after receiving this solicitation.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

*Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code* has the meaning provided in the clause at the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.204-13, System for Award Management—Maintenance, of this solicitation.

*Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator* means a bank account identifier to establish additional System for Award Management records for identifying alternative EFT accounts (see part 32) for the same entity.

*Highest-level owner* means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest-level owner.

*Immediate owner* means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees. There may be more than one immediate owner (e.g., joint ventures).

*Predecessor* means an entity whose assets were acquired by the offeror or another entity (most often through merger or acquisition) and whose affairs are now carried out by the offeror or the other entity under a new name.

*Taxpayer identification number* means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror to report income tax and other returns. It may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

*Unique entity identifier* means a number or other identifier used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit, or Government entity. See [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov) for the designated entity for establishing unique entity identifiers.

(b) *Identifiers*. The Offeror shall obtain and provide the following identifying information:

(1) *Unique entity identifier (UEI)*.

(i) The Offeror shall obtain a UEI to register in SAM. The Government will independently validate the existence and uniqueness of the Offeror before assigning a UEI to the Offeror. Go to <https://www.sam.gov> for instructions on obtaining a UEI.

(ii) The Offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "Unique Entity Identifier" followed by the UEI that identifies the Offeror's name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The Offeror shall also enter its EFT indicator, if applicable.

(iii) The Contracting Officer will use the UEI to verify that the Offeror has an active Federal Government contracts registration in SAM.

(2) *Taxpayer identification number (TIN)*.

(i) The Offeror shall provide its TIN or related information to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d); reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M; and implementing regulations issued by the IRS. The Offeror shall consent for TIN validation; and

(3) *Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code*.

(i) The Offeror shall provide a CAGE code and legal business name (Do not use a "doing business as" name) for—

(A) Itself;

(B) Its immediate owner(s), if any;

(C) Its highest-level owner, if any; and

(D) Any predecessor(s), or predecessor of an Offeror's predecessor, that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.

(ii) If the Offeror is in the United States or its outlying areas and does not already have a CAGE code assigned, the DLA CAGE Branch will assign a CAGE code to the Offeror as a part of the SAM registration process. For information on obtaining a CAGE code go to <https://cage.dla.mil/>.

(iii) The Offeror shall get from any immediate and/or highest-level owner(s) their respective CAGE code(s) to provide the code(s) as part of the registration (FAR 52.204-7(b)(3)(i)).

(iv) If the Offeror is located outside of the United States or its outlying areas, and does not already have a CAGE code assigned, the Offeror may obtain a CAGE code as indicated in the following table.

If the Offeror is...	Then...
Located in a country that is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) or a sponsored nation	Contact the appropriate National Codification Bureau ( <a href="https://www.nato.int/structur/ac/135/about/contacts">https://www.nato.int/structur/ac/135/about/contacts</a> )
Located in a country that is not a member of NATO or a sponsored nation	Contact the NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) ( <a href="https://eportal.nspa.nato.int/AC135Public/scage/CageList.aspx">https://eportal.nspa.nato.int/AC135Public/scage/CageList.aspx</a> )

*(c) Representations and certifications.*

(1) The following FAR solicitation provisions contain entity-level representations and certifications that the Offeror shall submit as part of their Federal Government contracts registration in SAM:

Provision	Title	Date
52.204-5	Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business)	Oct 2014
52.209-2	Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation	Nov 2015
52.209-5	Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters	Aug 2020
52.209-11	Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law	Feb 2016
52.219-1	Small Business Program Representations	Feb 2024
52.219-1 Alt I	Small Business Program Representations, with its Alternate I	Feb 2024
52.219-1 Alt II	Small Business Program Representations, with its Alternate II	Mar 2023
52.226-2	Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation	Oct 2014

(2) By submitting its offer, the Offeror verifies that, as of the date of its offer, its representations and certifications posted electronically in SAM for the provisions listed in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision are current, accurate, and complete. The Offeror's representations and certifications in SAM are hereby incorporated by reference into its offer.

(d) *Other information.* The Offeror shall provide more information on its business operations and type that is necessary to be considered for award of certain contracts and financial information necessary to receive payment under contracts.

(End of provision)

**FAR 52.212-1 -- Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION Aug 2025)**

(a) *Submission of offers.* Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. As a minimum, offers shall include—

- (1) The solicitation number;
- (2) The name, address, telephone number of the Offeror;
- (3) The Offeror's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and, if applicable, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator;
- (4) Information necessary to evaluate the factors contained in the provision at 52.212-2 or as described in the solicitation;
- (5) Responses to provisions that require Offeror completion of information, representations, and certifications (other than those collected via the System for Award Management (SAM)); and
- (6) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and any solicitation amendments.

(b) *Period for acceptance of offers.* The Offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 60 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(c) *Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.*

(1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers and any modifications or revisions to the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation.

(2) Any offer, modification, or revision received after the time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition. However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(3) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(4) Offerors may withdraw their offers by written notice to the Government received at any time before award.

(d) *Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids).* The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with Offerors. Therefore, the Offeror's initial offer should contain the Offeror's best terms. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions, if necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest, accept other than the lowest offer, and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(e) *Debriefings.* If a postaward debriefing is given to requesting Offerors, the Government will disclose the following information, if applicable:

- (1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed Offeror's offer.
- (2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful Offeror and the debriefed Offeror and past performance information on the debriefed Offeror.
- (3) The overall ranking of all Offerors when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
- (4) A summary of the rationale for award.
- (5) For acquisitions of commercial products, the make and model of the product to be delivered by the successful Offeror.
- (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed Offeror as to whether the agency followed source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities.

(End of provision)

**FAR 52.212-1 -- Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION Aug 2025) ADDENDUM**

All questions concerning this RFQ shall be submitted electronically to [WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov](mailto:WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov), no later than the due date and time on page 1 of this RFQ.

Each prospective Quoter should attempt to state each question in such a way that the Quoter would have no objection to the Government publishing that precise question (and its answer) in a formal amendment to the RFQ. Additionally, each prospective Quoter should attempt to word each question in such a way that the publication of that question (and its answer) would not divulge any information that the prospective Quoter considers to be proprietary or confidential.

**This is an electronic procurement action.** Hard copies of quotations will not be accepted for this solicitation. All documents are to be submitted in Portable Document Format (pdf), or an approved fixed-layout electronic format, by email to [WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov](mailto:WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov) with reference to the RFQ number in the subject line. File(s) shall not contain any security restrictions (e.g., password protection) that prevent the Government from distributing and printing the document(s) and shall not include marketing materials or letters of support/recommendation.

**Early submission is encouraged.** The timeliness of a quote is determined by the date and time of receipt. It is the Quoter's responsibility to ensure that the quotation submission email is received by the designated cut-off date and time. The Government will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of email data.

In responding to this RFQ, the Contractor shall address an understanding of logistics, schedule, and any other miscellaneous issues of which the Government should be aware. The Contractor shall indicate if any technical assumptions have been made, conditions have been stipulated or exceptions have been taken with the Government Description of Requirement as written. If technical assumptions are not noted, it will be assumed that the vendor's quote reflects no technical assumptions for the award and agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions set forth herein.

Offerors shall not be reimbursed for the costs of developing a response to this RFQ.

Quotation **MUST** include the following:

**1. Technical Quote**

- a. Draft agenda or syllabus not to exceed 5 pages addressing the quoter's technical approach and technical merit factors showing how the Statement of Work requirements will be completed.
- b. Resume(s) for proposed Key Personnel, limited to three pages for each person, which shall demonstrate that the key personnel to be assigned to the contract meet the experience and education requirements outlined in this solicitation.
- c. Relevant experience information reflecting a minimum of five years of experience within the last seven years, limited to a total of 10 pages, to facilitate the Government's consideration.

Offeror may provide completed Offeror Work Experience Form(s) (Attachment 0001), or a similar vendor-generated document which shall include:

- i. a description of the work,
  - ii. the dates of work performance,
  - iii. the name of the client/customer, and
  - iv. a contact phone number and email address so a reference check can be conducted.
- d. Relevant performance information (within the last three years), limited to a total of 15- pages, which shall include the following: a short description of the work, the dates of work performance, the name of the client and a contact phone number and email address, so a reference check can be conducted.
    - i. Offeror may provide the Past Performance Reference Questionnaire (Attachment 0002) to customers/references and them submit such surveys to FHWA via e-mail at [WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov](mailto:WFL.Purchasing@dot.gov) with the subject line "69056726Q000011 Past Performance Review for < *insert vendor name* >".
  - e. Completed Representations and Certifications (see Section E).
  - f. "Reps and Certs FAR Report" from the offerors SAM.gov account.
  - g. Acknowledgement of all solicitation amendments, if any.

**2. Price Quote.**

- a. Completed Standard Form 1449. Particular attention should be paid to assure that blocks 17a, 30a, 30b, and 30c are completed correctly.
- b. Completed Price Schedule

**NOTE: Failure to furnish all information required above may result in your quotation being considered non-responsive and eliminated from further consideration.**

**Fraud Alert.** Current and potential U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Contractors have recently been receiving fraudulent letters purporting to be issued by DOT. These fraudulent letters request that the Contractors resubmit their banking information to DOT. If you receive

such a letter, please DO NOT complete the requested worksheet that is attached to the letters and DO NOT release any information. To register or update information, Contractors are required to go directly through the System for Award Management (SAM) website and never through a third party. You can access SAM at <https://sam.gov/>.

**Department of Transportation (DOT) Compliance with President Trump's Priorities and Agenda.** Consistent with President Trump's priorities and agenda, to the maximum extent permitted by law, DOT intends to take immediate action to begin forbearing enforcement of all Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) or Transportation Acquisition Regulation (TAR) contract clauses, provisions, terms, and conditions, if inconsistent with EOs and implementing guidance issued by the current administration, including but not limited to:

- Executive Order (EO) 14168, Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government (January 20, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14151, Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing (January 20, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14148, Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions (January 20, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14173, Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity (January 21, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14168, Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government (January 20, 2025);
- OPM Memorandum, Initial Guidance Regarding President Trump's Executive Order Defending Women (January 29, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14208, Ending Procurement and Forced Use of Paper Straws (February 10, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14222, Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Cost Efficiency Initiative (February 26, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14240, Eliminating Waste and Saving Taxpayer Dollars by Consolidating Procurement (March 20, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14269, Restoring America's Maritime Dominance (April 9, 2025);
- Executive Order (EO) 14275, Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement (April 15, 2025); and
- Executive Order (EO) 14271, Ensuring Commercial, Cost-Effective Solutions in Federal Contracts (April 16, 2025).

DOT remains committed to ensuring its acquisition policies and practices reflect the direction of the current administration and reserves the right to issue further guidance or take additional action as necessary. Contractors are reminded that compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and Executive Orders is a condition of doing business with the Federal Government and DOT. It is the responsibility of each contractor to monitor for updates and adjust operations accordingly.

(End of addendum)

**FAR 52.212-2 – Evaluation – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION Aug 2025)**

(a) Evaluation factors. The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible Offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation is the lowest evaluated price of

quotations meeting or exceeding the requirements for acceptability. The following factors will be used to evaluate offers:

*Price, Technical Compliance with Solicitation Requirements, Personnel Qualifications, Relevant Past Experience, and Relevant Past Performance.*

(b) *Options (if applicable)*. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. The evaluation of options does not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) *Notice of award*. A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer furnished to the successful Offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of provision)

**FAR 52.212-2 – Evaluation – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION Aug 2025) ADDENDUM**

**EVALUATION FACTORS**

1. **Factor 1 – Price**. The Government will evaluate the quoted price to determine that the price is valid, realistic, fair, and reasonable as well as for consistency and understanding of the PWS/SOW requirements. The price evaluation will determine whether the quoted prices are accurate, complete, and reasonable in relation to the solicitation requirements, market rates, and the Independent Government Cost Estimate (IGCE). The IGCE will **not** be disclosed to the public.
2. **Factor 2 – Technical Compliance with Solicitation Requirements**. Offeror must comply with ALL instructions and submit ALL items as stated FAR 52.212.1 and its Addendum.
  - A. **TECHNICALLY ACCEPTABLE**. Complied with ALL instructions and provided ALL required information as identified in FAR 52.212-1 and its Addendum.
  - B. **TECHNICALLY UNACCEPTABLE**
    - i. Did NOT comply with ALL instructions as stated in Section A of the solicitation; or
    - ii. Did NOT provide all required information as identified in Section A of the solicitation.
3. **Factor 3 – Personnel Qualification**. The Government will evaluate qualifications and/or resumes for proposed key personnel by evaluating (1) the extent to which proposed key personnel resumes demonstrate they meet the experience and education requirements and (2) the resumes demonstrate the technical competency of proposed key personnel as specified in the PWS/SOW.
  - A. **TECHNICALLY ACCEPTABLE**. Qualifications and/or resumes submitted demonstrate that proposed key personnel possess the necessary experience, education, and technical competency as specified in the PWS/SOW.

**B. TECHNICALLY UNACCEPTABLE.** Qualifications and/or resumes submitted did not demonstrate that proposed key personnel possess the necessary experience, education, and technical competency as specified in the PWS/SOW.

**4. Factor 4 – Relevant Past Experience.** Offeror must furnish information to indicate a minimum of five (5) years of relevant experience during the last seven (7) years that involve the Offeror providing services of a similar size and scope. FHWA reserves the right to contact such references directly and use such information in determining satisfactory relevant experience. The Government will evaluate how much experience an offeror has performing work similar in nature, magnitude, and complexity. Relevant experience, unlike past performance, is not limited to the past three years.

**A. TECHNICALLY ACCEPTABLE.** Provided required information and offeror has a minimum of five (5) years of relevant experience during the last seven (7) years providing services of a similar size and scope.

**B. TECHNICALLY UNACCEPTABLE**

i. Did not provide required information; or

ii. Information provided does not substantiate a minimum of five (5) years of relevant experience during the last seven (7) years providing services of a similar size and scope.

**5. Factor 5 – Relevant Past Performance.** Past performance information is an indicator of an offeror's ability to perform the contract successfully. The currency and relevance of the information, source of the information, the context of the data, and general trends in the contractor's performance will be considered. The Government will evaluate the merits of the Offeror's past performance based on its performance record.

Evaluation of past performance may be based on information obtained from references submitted by the offeror as well as information obtained from other sources such as CPARS, FAPPIS, PPIRS, SAM, and any other sources deemed necessary by the Contracting Officer. Only ongoing contracts and contracts completed within the past three years will be evaluated concerning past performance.

**a. TECHNICALLY ACCEPTABLE.** Based on the Government's review:

i. Evaluation(s) reflect no more than 2 marginal ratings, no unsatisfactory ratings, and the CO has no other information that would lead to conclude that there are significant problems with Offeror's past performance; or

ii. Past performance is not available or so sparse that no meaningful past performance rating can be reasonably assigned, the Offeror shall be determined to have unknown (or neutral) past performance.

**b. TECHNICALLY UNACCEPTABLE.** Based on the Government's review:

i. Evaluation(s) received reflect 1 or more unsatisfactory ratings; or

ii. Evaluation(s) received reflect 3 or more marginal ratings; or

iii. The CO has other information that would lead the CO to conclude that there are significant problems with Offeror's past performance.

The Government reserves the right to request such additional information as may be necessary to determine the offeror's qualifications for the award or to clarify any aspects of the technical

and/or cost/price submissions. Such information shall be furnished promptly upon the Government's request.

**BASIS FOR AWARD**

The lowest priced quote will be considered as the quote offering the lowest price on the Price Schedule (Section B) grand total for the base and all options, if any. The lowest-priced quote will be evaluated and, if the lowest-priced quote is determined to be technically acceptable, no other quote(s) will be evaluated. If the lowest-priced quote is determined to be technically unacceptable, the next lowest-priced quote will be evaluated. This process will continue until the lowest-priced, technically acceptable quote is identified.

The Government intends to award without discussions however, the Government reserves the right to enter discussions if determined necessary. Additionally, the Government reserves the right to make no award from this solicitation.

(End of addendum)