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**AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**  
**C-16-048-02-03**

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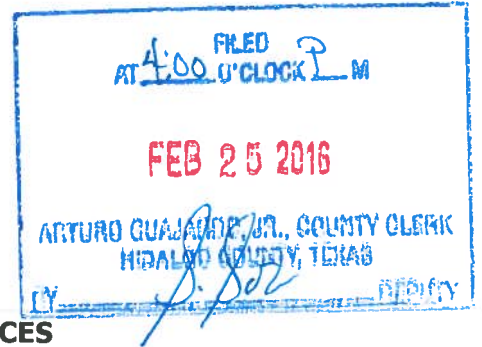
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**ARTICLE 2. Character and Extent of Services.** This Agreement will provide for the development of the **Project** with the following:

**2.1 Scope of Work.** The **Owner** will furnish items and provide those services for the development of the **Project** and fulfillment of this Agreement, as identified in **EXHIBIT "A" *Services to be provided by the Owner***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement.

**2.2 Engineer's Services.** For this Agreement, the professional services to be provided by the **Engineer** are those services more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto and made part of this Agreement.

**2.3 Schedule of Work.** The **Engineer** shall prepare a schedule of work (hereinafter referred to as "Work Schedule") in accordance with the terms identified in **EXHIBIT "C" - *Work Schedule***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 3. Period of Service.** Upon execution of this Agreement, the **Engineer** shall proceed with the work outlined under Article 2 hereof.

**3.1 Termination Date.** This Agreement is for a period of **Five (5) Years**, commencing, **February 3, 2016**, expiring, **February 2, 2021** or **upon completion of the scopes of the project** (hereinafter referred to as the "**Termination Date**"), unless extended by written supplemental agreement, as provided in Article 8 hereof, duly executed by the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior to the **Termination Date**, or otherwise terminated as provided in Article 3.4 herein and below. The **Owner** assumes no liability or obligation for payment to the **Engineer** for work performed or costs incurred by the **Engineer** prior to the date authorized by the **Owner** for the **Engineer** to begin work, during periods when work is suspended, or subsequent to the **Termination Date**.

**3.2 Extension of the Termination Date.** The **Engineer** shall notify the **Owner** in writing as soon as possible if it is determined, or reasonably anticipated, that the work under this

Agreement cannot be completed before the **Termination Date**, and the **Owner** may , at the **Owner's** sole discretion, extend the **Termination Date** by written supplemental agreement as provided in Article 8 hereof. The **Engineer** shall allow adequate time for review and approval by the **Owner** of the written notice and request by the **Engineer** to extend the **Termination Date**.

**3.3 Suspension of Work.** Should the **Owner** desire to suspend the work under this Agreement, but not terminate this Agreement, the **Owner** shall provide thirty (30) calendar days verbal notification to the **Engineer**, followed by written confirmation from the **Owner** to the **Engineer** to that effect. The thirty-day notice may be waived as agreed in writing by both the **Owner** and the **Engineer**. The work under this Agreement may be reinstated and resumed in full force and effect within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice from the **Owner** to the **Engineer**. The sixty-day notice may be waived as agreed in writing by both the **Owner** and the **Engineer**.

If the **Owner** suspends the work, the **Termination Date** as identified above is not affected, and this Agreement will terminate on the date specified, unless extended by written supplemental agreement, as provided in Article 8 hereof, duly executed by the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior to the **Termination Date**.

**3.4 Termination of Agreement.** This Agreement may be terminated before the stated **Termination Date** identified in Article 3.1 herein by any of the following conditions:

- (1) **Commitment of Current Revenues.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the **Owner** does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet to the obligations of this Agreement, the **Owner** may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the **Engineer**. The **Owner** agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of the **Owner** pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. §271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1995).

- (2) By mutual agreement and consent, in writing, of both the **Engineer** and the **Owner**.
- (3) By the **Owner**, upon failure of the **Engineer** to fulfill the **Engineer's** obligations set forth herein in a satisfactory manner as determined by the **Owner** and in sole opinion of the **Owner**, after the **Owner** provides written notice to the **Engineer** of such failure and the **Engineer** has not corrected such failure within (30) days of such written notice by the **Owner**.
- (4) By the **Engineer**, upon failure of the **Owner** to fulfill the **Owner's** obligations set forth herein, after the **Engineer** provides written notice to the **Owner** of such failure and the **Owner** has not corrected such failure within thirty (30) days of such written notice by the **Engineer**.
- (5) By the **Owner** without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice to the **Engineer**.
- (6) By satisfactory completion of all services and obligations described herein.

Should the **Owner** terminate this Agreement as herein provided, no fees other than fees due and payable at the time of termination shall thereafter be paid to the **Engineer** notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary. In determining the value of the work performed by the **Engineer** prior to termination, the **Owner** shall be the sole judge of the value of such work performed. Compensation for work at termination will be based on a percentage of the work completed at that time. Should the **Owner** terminate this Agreement under (5) of the paragraph above, the amount charged during the thirty (30) day notice period shall not exceed the amount charged during the preceding ninety (90) days.

If the termination of this Agreement is due to the failure of the **Engineer** to fulfill the **Engineer's** obligations under this Agreement, the **Owner** may take over the Project and prosecute the work to completion. In such case, the **Engineer** shall be liable to the Owner for any additional cost occasioned by the Owner.

If the **Engineer** defaults in the performance of this Agreement or if the **Owner** terminates this Agreement for fault on the part of the **Engineer**, the **Owner** will give

consideration to payment of an amount in settlement to include: the actual costs incurred by the **Engineer** in performing the work to the date of default, the amount of work required which was satisfactorily completed to date of default, the value of the work which is usable to the **Owner**, the cost to the **Owner** of employing another consultant and/or firm to complete the work required and the time required to do so, and other factors which affect the value to the **Owner** of the work performed at the time of default. This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any default by the **Engineer**, but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party and shall be cumulative.

The termination of the Agreement and payment of an amount in settlement as prescribed above shall extinguish all rights, duties, and obligations of the **Owner** and the **Engineer** under this Agreement, except the obligations set forth in Articles 11.2, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18.3, 19, 22 and 26 hereto.

**ARTICLE 4. Progress and Coordination.** The **Engineer** shall, from time to time during the progress of the work, confer with the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall prepare and present such information as may be pertinent and necessary, or as may be requested by the **Owner**, in order to evaluate features of the **Engineer's** services and work.

At the request of the **Owner** or the **Engineer**, conferences shall be provided at the **Engineer's** office, the office of the **Owner**, or at other locations designated by the **Owner**. These conferences shall also include evaluation of the **Engineer's** services and work when requested by the **Owner**.

All applicable study reports shall be submitted in preliminary form for approval by the **Owner** before the final report is issued. The **Owner's** comments regarding the **Engineer's** preliminary report will be addressed by the **Engineer** in the final report.

If funds by other agencies or entities are to be used for the development of the project under this Agreement, the **Engineer's** services and work will be subject to periodic review and

approval by other agencies or entities, including those of the city, county, state and/or federal agencies.

Should it be determined that the progress in the production of the **Engineer's** services and work does not satisfy the requirements of the approved **Work Schedule** as provided by **Exhibit "C"**, attached hereto, the **Owner** shall review the approved **Work Schedule** with the **Engineer** to determine the corrective action needed by either the **Owner** or the **Engineer**.

The **Engineer** shall promptly advise the **Owner** in writing of events which have a significant impact upon the progress of the **Engineer's** services and work and the approved **Work Schedule**, including:

- (1) problems, delays, adverse conditions which will materially affect the ability to attain contract objectives, prevent the meeting of time schedules and goals, or preclude the timely completion and submittal of **Project** deliverables by the **Engineer** within established time periods; this disclosure will be accompanied by a statement by the **Engineer** of recommended or immediate action taken, or contemplated, and any **Owner** or other agency or entity assistance needed to resolve the situation: and
- (2) favorable developments or events which enable meeting the **Work Schedule** goals sooner than anticipated.

**ARTICLE 5. Compensation and Fees.** For and in consideration of the services to be rendered by the Engineer, the Owner shall compensate the Engineer as follows:

**5.1 Basic Services.** For and in consideration of the **Services** to be rendered by the **Engineer**, as identified in Article 2 and more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, the maximum amount payable by the **Owner** to the **Engineer** for **Services**, subject to adjustment in accordance with Article 6.1 herein, will be provided in each work authorization issued. An outline and breakdown of the **Services Fee** is more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "D1"-Fee Schedule**, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. Payments to the **Engineer** for **Services** shall be made by the **Owner**, upon presentation by the **Engineer**

of the monthly **Request for Payment**, in accordance with the terms and provisions of Article 6 herein.

**5.2 Special Services.** Those services that may be required to provided by the **Engineer** as **Special Services** are set forth below and more particularly described in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto. For and in consideration of these **Special Services** rendered as required by the **Engineer**, the **Owner** shall pay the **Engineer** a negotiated lump sum fee (hereafter referred to as "**Special Services Fee**") at the hourly labor rates and non-labor rates (hereinafter referred to as "**Contract Rates**") specified in **EXHIBIT "D" - Contract Rates**, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement, and as follows:

1. **RESIDENT OR SITE ENGINEER, INSPECTOR** Actual performance of services of project site engineer, resident engineer and/or inspector, if required by **Owner**.
2. **DOCUMENT COPIES** Actual performance and/or providing of additional copies (over 10) of report; additional copies (over 10) of plans (contract drawings), specifications and estimates (PS&E); additional copies (over 10) of bidding documents: additional copies (over 10) of as-built drawings.
3. **EXTRA TRAVEL** Extra travel required of **Engineer** and authorized by **Owner** to points outside of Hidalgo County.
4. **EXPERT WITNESS** Assistance to the **Owner** as expert witness in any litigation with third parties, arising from the development or construction of the **Project**.
5. **MISCELLANEOUS.** Investigations involving detailed consideration of operation, maintenance and overhead expenses and (unless otherwise agreed) the preparation of rate schedules, earning and expense statements; preparation of feasibility studies; environmental document preparation; appraisals, valuations, and material audits; or inventories required for certification of force account construction performed by the **Owner**; preparation of change orders for extra work done by the **Contractor**.

#### **ARTICLE 6. Method of Payment.**

**6.1 Request for Payment.** Payments to the **Engineer** for services rendered will be made while work is in progress as executed through a lump sum fee assigned to each work authorization (hereinafter referred to as "**Work Authorization**") in accordance with **Article 7** herein. For each **Work Authorization**, the **Engineer** shall prepare and submit to the **Owner** monthly progress reports in sufficient detail to support the progress of the work and in support of

a request for payment (hereinafter referred to as "**Request for Payment**"). The progress report shall indicate the percent completion of the work accomplished by the **Engineer** during the billing period and to the date of the **Request for Payment**. On or before noon of the first Monday of each month during the performance of the services, the **Engineer** shall submit to the **Owner** for approval a **Request for Payment**. Payment of the lump sum fee for each **Work Authorization** identified in the **Request for Payment** will be in proportion to the percent completion of the work tasks identified in such **Work Authorizations** together with a detailed breakdown of the amount and the sum of all prior payments. The **Owner** shall review each such **Request for Payment** and may make such exceptions as the **Owner** reasonably deems necessary or appropriate under the circumstances then existing. About ten (10) working days after the Commissioners Court of the **Owner** meets approving such payment, the **Owner** shall make payment to the **Engineer** in the amount approved as aforesaid subject to Article 6.4 herein and below.

If the **Project**, or any portion(s) thereof, are deleted or otherwise not constructed, compensation to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** for the **Project** or such portions of the project shall be only the amounts paid the **Engineer** for actual work performed in accordance with the **Work Authorization(s)** approved by the **Owner**.

**6.2 Final Payment.** After final completion of the work and acceptance thereof by the **Owner**, the **Engineer** shall submit a final request for payment ("**Final Request for Payment**") which shall set forth all amounts due and remaining unpaid to the **Engineer** and upon approval thereof by the **Owner**, the **Owner** shall pay to the **Engineer** the amount due ("**Final Payment**") under such **Final Request for Payment** in accordance with the provisions of Article 6.1 hereof. The **Final Payment** shall not be made until the **Engineer** delivers to the **Owner** an affidavit that so far as the **Engineer** has knowledge or information any and all amounts due for materials and services over which the **Engineer** has control have been paid.

**6.3 Qualification on Obligations to Pay.** Any provision hereof to the contrary notwithstanding, the **Owner** shall not be obligated to make any payment (whether a payment under Article 6.1 hereof or **Final Payment**) to the **Engineer** hereunder if any one or more of the following conditions precedent exist:

- (1) The **Engineer** is in default of any of its obligations hereunder or otherwise is in default under this Agreement or under any contract documents related to this Agreement;
- (2) Any part of such payment is attributable to the **Engineer's** services which are not performed in accordance with this Agreement; provided, however, such payment shall be made as to the part thereof attributable to the **Engineer's** services which were performed in accordance with this Agreement.
- (3) The **Engineer** has failed to make payments promptly to consultants or other third parties used in connection with the **Project** for which the **Owner** has made payment to the **Engineer**;
- (4) If the **Owner**, in good faith judgement, determines that the portion of the compensation then remaining unpaid will not be sufficient to complete the **Engineer's** services in accordance with this Agreement, no additional payments will be due the **Engineer** hereunder unless and until the **Engineer**, at its sole cost, performs a sufficient portion of the **Engineer's** services so that such portion of the compensation then remaining unpaid is determined by the **Owner** to be sufficient to so complete the **Engineer's** services.

**6.4** No partial payment made hereunder shall be or construed to be final acceptance or approval of that part of the **Engineer's** services to which such partial payment related or relieves the **Engineer** of any of its obligations hereunder with respect thereto.

**6.5** The **Engineer** shall promptly pay all bills for labor and material performed and furnished by others in connection with the performance of the **Engineer's** services.

**6.6 Waiver.** The making of the **Final Payment** shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the **Owner** except those arising from (1) faulty or defective services of the **Engineer** appearing after completion of the **Project**. (2) failure of the **Engineer's** services to comply with the requirements of this Agreement or any contracts or Agreements related to the **Project**, or (3) terms of any special warranties required by this Agreement or provided at law or in equity. The

acceptance of **Final Payment** shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the **Engineer** except those previously made in writing and identified by the **Engineer** as unsettled at the time of the **Final Request for Payment**.

**ARTICLE 7. Work Authorization.** After execution of this Agreement, the **Engineer** shall proceed with the work outlined under Article 2 hereof, only as authorized by the **Owner** through an agreed **Work Authorization** document in the form identified in **EXHIBIT "E"-*Work Authorization Form***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. The **Engineer** will identify, as approved by the **Owner**, the needed services for the **Project**, as required through the course of the development to the **Project**. The **Owner** shall authorize the **Engineer** to perform one or more of the agreed tasks identified in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, in the form of individual work authorizations. Upon authorization from the **Owner**, the **Engineer** will prepare a **Work Authorization** document, which will include a description of the work to be performed, including a description of the tasks and milestones, a work schedule, and an estimated cost proposal agreed upon by the **Owner** and the **Engineer**. The estimated cost proposal shall set forth in detail the computation of the cost of each work task, at the hourly rates established and identified in **EXHIBIT "D"**, attached hereto. The **Work Authorizations** shall not waive the **Owner's** and the **Engineer's** responsibilities and obligations established in this Agreement.

The estimated cost proposal for each **Work Authorization**, developed by the **Engineer** and approved by the **Owner** shall be used by the **Owner** to appropriate a purchase order for the **Work Authorization**. Each executed **Work Authorization** shall become a part of this **Agreement**. Upon satisfactory completion of the **Work Authorization**, the **Engineer** shall submit the **Project's** deliverables as specified in the executed **Work Authorization** to the **Owner** for review and acceptance.

Work included in a **Work Authorization** shall not begin until the **Owner** and the **Engineer** have signed the **Work Authorization**. All work must be completed on or before the completion date specified in the **Work Authorization**, unless extended by written agreement by the **Engineer** and the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall promptly notify the **Owner** of any event that will affect completion of the **Work Authorization**. All **Work Authorizations** must be executed and completed by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** within the period established for this Agreement as specified in Article 3 hereof.

The final acceptance by the **Owner** of each **Work Authorization** for the **Project** shall serve as evidence of completion, on the part of the **Engineer**, of all services under this Agreement insofar as they pertain to that portion of work on the **Project** identified in the applicable work authorization.

**ARTICLE 8. Supplemental Agreements.** The terms of this Agreement may be amended by supplemental agreement if the Owner determines that (1) there is a need to extend the **Termination Date** identified in Article 3.1 hereof, (2) there has been a significant change in the scope, complexity or character of the services to be performed by the **Engineer**, and/or (3) for any other reason agreeable to the **Owner** and the Engineer. All supplemental agreements will be developed in the form identified in **EXHIBIT "F" - *Supplemental Agreement Form***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement, and incorporated herein by reference as "**Supplemental Agreement**".

If determined appropriate by the **Owner**, additional compensation to the **Engineer** for (1), (2) and/or (3) above shall be paid as a negotiated lump sum fee at the **Contract Rates** specified in **EXHIBIT "D"**, attached hereto. The negotiated lump sum fee shall be incorporated into the **Supplemental Agreement**.

Any **Supplemental Agreement** must be executed by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior to the **Termination Date** specified in Article 3 hereof.

It is distinctly understood and agreed that no claim by the **Engineer** for additional work, as identified in Article 9 hereof, or changes or revisions in work, as identified in Article 10 hereof, shall be made by the **Engineer** until full execution of the **Supplemental Agreement** and authorization to proceed is granted by the **Owner**. The **Owner** reserves the right to withhold payment to the **Engineer** pending verification of satisfactory work performed by the **Engineer**.

**ARTICLE 9. Additional Work.** If the **Engineer** is of the opinion that any work it has been directed to perform is beyond the scope of this Agreement and constitutes extra work, the **Engineer** shall promptly notify the **Owner** in writing, In the event the **Owner** finds that such work does constitute extra work, the **Owner** shall so advise the **Engineer** and a written supplemental agreement will be executed between the **Owner** and the **Engineer** as provided herein. The **Engineer** shall not perform any proposed additional work or incur any additional cost prior to the execution by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** of a supplemental agreement. Additional compensation from the **Owner** to the **Engineer** shall be paid as a negotiated lump sum fee at the Contract Rates specified in **EXHIBIT "D"** attached hereto. The negotiated lump sum fee shall be incorporated into the supplemental agreement as specified in Article 8 hereof. The **Owner** shall not be liable or under any obligation to compensate the **Engineer** for work performed or costs incurred by the **Engineer** relating to additional work not directly associated with the performance of the work authorized in this Agreement or as amended through supplemental agreement.

**ARTICLE 10. Changes or Revisions in Work.** If the **Owner** finds it necessary to request changes to the work, and the changes are within the applications of sound engineering principles, the **Engineer** shall make such revisions if requested and directed by the **Owner**.

**10.1 Preliminary Work.** The **Engineer** will make, without expense to the **Owner**, such revisions of any preliminary reports or drawings as may be required to meet the needs of the **Owner** and the applications of sound engineering principles.

**10.2 Previously Approved or Satisfactorily Completed Work.** If the **Owner** funds it necessary to request the **Engineer** to make changes to work previously approved by the **Owner** or work satisfactorily completed for which the **Owner** approves or, after a definite plan has been approved by the **Owner**, if a decision is subsequently made by the **Owner**, which for proper execution involves extra services and expenses for changes in or additions to the drawings specifications or other documents, this will be considered as additional work, and compensation from the **Owner** to the Engineer will be in accordance with Article 9 hereof.

**10.3 Project Delays.** If the **Engineer** is required to perform additional work due to delays by the imposition of causes not within the **Engineer's** control, such as by the re-advertisement of bids or by the delinquency or insolvency of contractors, such work associated with these delays shall be considered additional work, and the **Engineer** shall be compensated by the **Owner** for such extra services and expense in accordance with Article 9 hereof.

**10.4 Reduction of Project Cost.** Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, in the event it is necessary for the **Owner** to require changes in the final plan of the **Project** to enable it to reduce the construction cost of the **Project** to an amount within the sum estimated by the **Engineer**, the **Engineer** will be required to make such revisions or changes. These changes will only be considered additional work by the **Engineer**, if the **Engineer** previously provided these same changes as options to the **Owner** at the stage of preliminary work or prior to the approval of the final plan for the Project, and the option or options were not selected or approved by the **Owner** to be incorporated into the final plan of the Project. Payment for this additional work will then be made to the **Engineer** in accordance with Article 9 hereof. If the **Engineer** failed to provide these changes as an option or options to the **Owner** at the stage of preliminary work or prior to the approval of the final plan of the **Project**, these changes will not be considered additional work and no additional compensation will be made to the **Engineer**.

**ARTICLE 11. Ownership and Release of Documents.**

**11.1 Ownership of Documents.** Original drawings and specifications are the property of the **Engineer** however the **Project** is the property of the **Owner**, and the **Engineer** may not use the drawings and specifications thereof for any purpose not relating to the **Project** with the **Owner's** consent. The **Owner** shall be furnished with such reproductions of drawings and specifications as the **Owner** may reasonably require. Upon completion of the work or any earlier termination of this Agreement under Article 3.4 hereof, the **Engineer** will revise drawings to reflect changes made during construction and will promptly furnish the **Owner** with one complete set of reproducible record prints. Prints shall be furnished by the **Engineer**, as an additional service, at any other time requested by **Owner**. All such reproductions shall be the property of the **Owner** who may use them without the **Engineer's** permission for any proper purpose relating to the **Project**, including but not limited to additions to or completion of the **Project**. Any additions or revisions by the **Owner** to a drawing signed, sealed, and dated by a registered professional engineer, shall be made in accordance with the Texas Engineering practice Act and the Rules of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

All documents furnished to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** shall be delivered to the **Owner** upon completion or termination of this Agreement. The **Engineer**, at the **Engineer's** own expense, may retain copies of such documents or any other data under this Agreement.

**11.2 Release of Documents or Information.** Release of information to the public or others regarding the **Project** will be accordance with the Texas Public Information Act.

**ARTICLE 12. Discounts, Rebates, Refunds.** In connection with procurement services rendered by the **Engineer**, if procurement services are required of the **Engineer** hereunder, all discounts, rebates and refunds shall accrue to the **Owner**. For some purchases, the **Engineer** may deem that payment within the discount period is not safe; and/or inspection, guarantees, or other considerations may dictate delay. In such cases, the **Engineer** shall promptly notify the

**Owner** so that a course of action may be mutually agreed upon by the **Owner** and the **Engineer**.

**ARTICLE 13. Records, Accounting, Inspection.** The **Engineer** shall keep full and detailed records and accounts in a manner approved by the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall afford the **Owner's** authorized personnel and independent auditors, if any, full access to the work performed by the **Engineer** regarding the Project and to all of the **Engineer's** books, records, correspondence, instructions, drawings, receipts, vouchers and other documents relating to such work under this Agreement and the **Engineer** shall preserve all such records for three (3) years after final payment. The **Engineer** shall deliver to the **Owner** upon completion of such work, a statement of the cost of such work detailed according to the accounting procedure and requirements of the **Owner**.

**ARTICLE 14. Subcontracting and Assignment.** The **Engineer** shall not assign, subcontract or transfer the **Engineer's** interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall bind every subconsultant by written subcontract to observe all the terms of this Agreement to the extent that they may be applicable to each subconsultant. No subcontract relieves the **Engineer** of any responsibilities under this Agreement.

The **Engineer**, and the **Owner**, do hereby bind themselves, their successors, executors, administrators and assigns to each other party of this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators, and assigns of such other party in respect to all covenants of this contract.

**ARTICLE 15. Patents.** The **Engineer** shall indemnify and save the **Owner** harmless from all liability for alleged or actual infringement of any patent resulting from the use of apparatus or equipment furnished or designed by the **Engineer** or from the use of any process designed by the **Engineer** or effected by said apparatus or equipment, and the **Engineer** shall indemnify and save the **Owner** harmless from and against all costs, legal fees, expenses and

liabilities incurred in or about any claim of or action for such infringement: provided, however, that the **Owner** shall promptly transmit to the **Engineer** all papers served on the **Owner** in any suit involving such claim of infringement, and provided further, that the **Owner** permits the **Engineer** to have entire charge and control of the defense of any such suit. If because of actual infringement the use of such apparatus, equipment, or process is enjoined, the **Engineer** shall refund the purchase price thereof in proportion to the length of service uncompleted, the life of such apparatus or equipment being assumed as five years. The **Engineer** hereby grants to the **Owner** a non-exclusive, royalty-free license under patents now or hereafter owned by the **Engineer** covering any machines, apparatus, processes, articles, or products included in the **Engineer's** work hereunder.

**ARTICLE 16. Confidential Information, Inventions and Other Restrictions.**

**16.1 Confidential Information.** The **Engineer** shall not use in any way, commercial or otherwise, except to the extent required by the proper performance of this Agreement; and shall hold in confidence and not disclose to any person, for any reason or at any time, any information relating to the secret processes, products, compositions, machinery, apparatus or trade secrets of the **Owner**, or any other confidential information given to the **Engineer** by any of the **Owner's** commissioners, elected officials, employees, or representatives or acquired by the **Engineer** during the term of or as a result of this Agreement. Any information not generally available to the public shall be considered secret and confidential for the foregoing purposes; provided, however, that any technical information which was lawfully in the **Engineer's** possession prior to such disclosure to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** or which is or shall lawfully be published or become part of general knowledge from sources other than the **Engineer** or which otherwise shall lawfully become available to the **Engineer** from a source other than the **Owner**, shall not be subject to these provisions. All the foregoing stipulations shall apply to such information and work hereunder as well as to any information and ideas originated or developed

by the **Engineer** in performing such work. Such information may, of course, be disclosed to the proper officials or employees of the **Owner** if necessary to perform the work hereunder. The **Engineer** shall, however, inform each of its employees who receive such information of these restrictions and the **Engineer** shall take all reasonable precautions and exert all reasonable efforts to assure conformance with such restrictions by all of its officers, employees, and agents, obtaining from them if necessary, agreements satisfactory to the **Owner**, effectuating the purposes of this Article.

**16.2 Inventions.** The **Engineer** shall communicate to the **Owner** at once, and require the **Engineer's** employees assigned to this **Project** to communicate to the **Owner** all inventions and improvements which any of the **Engineer's** employees, either alone or in conjunction with any of the **Owner's** employees may conceive, make or discover during the course of or as a result of work on this **Project** under this or any ensuing agreement with the **Owner** that relates to the processes, products, compositions, machinery or plants of the **Owner**, or relating in any way to any of the operations in which the **Owner** may be obligated to pay to the **Engineer** as compensation for services rendered by the **Engineer** under contract with the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall require its employees to execute patent applications and assignments thereof to the **Owner** or its nominees, and powers of attorney relating thereto for any country the **Owner** may designate, and shall take all other actions as the **Owner** may request to maintain and protect such inventions and improvements. The **Owner** shall pay all costs or charges incurred in protecting such inventions and improvements if the **Owner** desires to protect them. Before assigning any of the **Engineer's** employees to work under any contract with the **Owner** concerning this **Project**, the **Engineer** shall obtain from them agreements satisfactory to **Owner** complying in all respects with the terms and provisions of this Article.

**16.3** The rights and obligations set forth in Article 16 shall survive the performance of this Agreement, or any termination, discharge or cancellation thereof

**ARTICLE 17. Engineer's Seal, Responsibility and Warranties.**

**17.1 Engineer's Seal.** The **Engineer** shall assign a responsible engineer or engineers licensed to practice in the State of Texas, who shall sign, seal and date all appropriate engineering submissions to the **Owner** in accordance with the Texas Engineering Practice Act and the Rules of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

**17.2 Engineer's Responsibility.** The **Engineer** shall be responsible for the accuracy of the work for the **Project** and shall promptly make necessary revisions or corrections resulting from errors, omissions, or negligent acts by the **Engineer**. No additional compensation will be made to the **Engineer** for any necessary revisions or corrections resulting from errors, omissions, or negligent acts by the **Engineer**.

The **Engineer's** responsibility for all questions arising from design errors and/or omissions will be determined by the **Owner** or a designee appointed by the **Owner**. The **Engineer** will not be relieved of the responsibility for subsequent correction of any such errors or omissions or for clarification of any ambiguities until after the construction phase of the **Project** has been completed.

**17.3 Warranties.**

(a) The **Engineer** warrants that engineering design work performed by the **Engineer** hereunder shall be in accordance with sound engineering design practices and in conformance with applicable code and standards established for such work.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the **Owner** and the **Engineer** agree and acknowledge that the **Owner** is entering into this Agreement in reliance on the **Engineer's** experience and abilities with respect to performing the **Engineer's** services hereunder. The **Engineer** accepts the relationship of trust and confidence established between it and the **Owner** by this Agreement. The **Engineer** covenants with the **Owner** to use the **Engineer's** best efforts, skill, judgement and abilities to design the **Project**

and to further the interests of the **Owner** in accordance with the **Owner's** requirements and procedures, in accordance with all professional standards, and in compliance with all applicable national, federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders and with those of any other body having jurisdiction. If the development of plans, specifications and estimates (hereinafter referred to as "**PS&E**") are identified in this Agreement under Article 2 hereof or **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, as part of the services to be provided by the **Engineer** for the **Project**, prior to the commencement of construction, the **Engineer** shall certify in writing to the **Owner** that the **PS&E** for the **Project**, and the improvements when built in accordance therewith, conform to all applicable governmental regulations, statutes and ordinances then in effect. The **Engineer** represents covenants and agrees that there are no obligations, commitments or impediments of any kind that will limit or prevent performance of the **Engineer's** services.

(c) The **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that all of **Engineer's** services to be furnished by the **Engineer** under or pursuant to this Agreement from the inception of the Agreement until the **Project** has been fully completed, shall be of the standard and quality which prevail among engineers of similar experience, knowledge, skill and ability engaged in engineering practice throughout Texas under the same or similar circumstances involving the design and construction of **Project**.

(d) The **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that the **Engineer's** special talent, training and experience cause the **Engineer** to be the prime professional on the **Project**; that because of such talent and training, the **Engineer** envisions the construction of the **Project** in its entirety and possesses the special skills which enable the **Engineer** to recognize dangerous conditions that a reasonable, prudent engineer having such special skills could anticipate may arise from the proper use of the **Project** after acceptance by **Owner**; and that the **Engineer** recognizes that any commissioners, elected officials, employees and agents of the **Owner**, plus

residents and owners of property within the area affected by the **Project** are within a class of foreseeable persons who will be relying on the project being designed in a professional and safe manner.

(e) If the development of **PS&E** is identified in this Agreement under Article 2 hereof or **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, as part of the services to be provided by the **Engineer** for the **Project**, the **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that the **PS&E** of the **Project** will be accurate and free from any material errors. The **Engineer** additionally represents, covenants and agrees to the following: that the design of the **Project** will conform to its foreseeable use as a **Project** with all the amenities as set forth in any **PS&E** developed by the **Engineer** for the **Project**; that the result of such **PS&E**, if built in accordance therewith, will be suitable for purposes for which the **Project** is designed; and the **Project** will be inspected in a workmanlike, professional manner and will be suitable for the **Project's** intended purpose. The **Engineer's** responsibilities as set forth herein shall at no time be in any way diminished by reason of any approval by the **Owner** of any **PS&E** developed by the **Engineer** for the **Project**, nor shall the **Engineer** be released from any liability by reason of such approval by the **Owner**, it being understood that the **Owner** at all times is ultimately relying upon the **Engineer's** skill and knowledge in preparing such **PS&E**.

(f) In connection with the **Engineer's** performance of procurement services hereunder, if any, the **Engineer** use its best efforts to obtain from all vendors of equipment and materials, fullest possible warranties against defective materials and workmanship for the benefit of the **Owner**.

**ARTICLE 18. Engineer's Resources.** The **Engineer** shall furnish and maintain, at the **Engineer's** own expense, office space for the performance of all services, skilled and sufficient personnel, as well as adequate and sufficient equipment to perform the services as required under this Agreement.

**18.1 Project Manager.** The **Engineer** shall provide a manager (**Project Manager**) for the **Project** that is a registered professional engineer in the State of Texas. The **Project** manager shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable that **Project Manager** during the course of the **Project** without prior consent of the **Owner**. If, due to situations beyond the control of the **Engineer**, the **Engineer** must change the **Project Manager** prior to the completion and acceptance of the **Project**, the **Engineer** will submit a request to change the **Project Manager** to the **Owner** for approval.

**18.2 Employees of the Engineer.** All employees of the **Engineer** shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable them to perform the duties assigned to them and required for the services under this Agreement. Any employee of the **Engineer** who, in the opinion of the **Owner**, is incompetent, or whose conduct becomes detrimental to the work required under this Agreement, shall immediately be removed from association with the **Project** when so instructed by the **Owner**. The **Engineer** certifies that the **Engineer** presently has employed sufficient and qualified personnel, and will maintain sufficient and qualified personnel for performance of the services under this Agreement.

**18.3 Documents/Information Exchange** The purpose of this Article is to define the required automated resources, format for graphics files, and information exchange pertaining to the **Project**. Taking into consideration that the **Owner** has a significant investment in the development of the **Project**, there is a need for the **Engineer** to provide consistency in document development for information exchange. Consistency in document development for information exchange and production will help facilitate an economically efficient **Project**. Therefore, the **Engineer** shall provide the **Owner** with documents and information in accordance with the special requirement outlined in **EXHIBIT "B"** attached hereto.

**ARTICLE 19. Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the **Engineer** and its agents, partners, subcontractors, and consultants (collectively

**"Indemnitors"**) shall and do agree to indemnify, and hold harmless the **Owner**, the **Owner's** respective directors, elected officials, employees and agents (collectively **"Indemnitees"**) from and against all claims, damages, losses, liens, causes of action, suits, judgments and expenses, including attorney fees, of any nature, kind or description (collectively **"Liabilities"**) of any person or entity whomsoever arising out of, caused by or resulting from the negligent performance of the **Engineer's** services through activities of the **Engineer**, its agents, partners, subcontractors and/or consultants performed under this Agreement, and which are caused by or result from error, omission, or negligent act of the **Engineer** or of any person employed or contracted by the **Engineer** provided that any such **Liabilities** (1) are attributable to bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease or death of any person, or to the injury to or destruction of tangible personal property including the loss of use and consequential damages resulting there from and (2) are caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the **Engineer**, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the **Engineer** or anyone for whose acts the **Engineer** may be legally liable. The **Engineer** shall also save harmless the **Owner** from any and all expense, including but not limited to, attorney fees which may be incurred by the **Owner** in litigation or otherwise resisting said claim or liabilities which may be imposed on the **Owner** as a result of such activities by the **Engineer**, its agents partners, subcontractors and/or consultants. In this connection, it is agreed and understood that the **Engineer** shall not be responsible for any portion of the liability proximately caused by the **Owner's** negligence.

**ARTICLE 20. Joint and Several Liability.** In the event more than one of the **Indemnitors** are connected with an accident or occurrence covered by the indemnification in Article 19 hereof, then each of such **Indemnitors** shall be jointly and severally responsible to the **Indemnitees** for indemnification and the ultimate responsibility among such **Indemnitors** for the loss and expense of any such indemnification shall be settled by separate proceedings and without jeopardy to any **Indemnitee**. The provisions of this Article shall not be construed to

eliminate or reduce any other indemnification or right which the **Owner** or any of the **Indemnitees** has by law.

**ARTICLE 21. Insurance.** The **Engineer** shall obtain and maintain insurance in the limits of liability for each of the types of insurance coverage identified as follows.

- (1) **Workers' Compensation**, endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner** in accordance with the statutory obligations imposed by Worker's Compensation or Occupational Disease laws under the Texas Workers' Compensation Law ("**Statutory Texas**")
- (2) **Commercial General Liability**, endorsed with the **Owner** as an additional insured and endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner all to the extent of the liabilities assumed by the Engineer under Article 19 and Article 20** herein, in limits of liability not less than one million dollars (**\$1,000,000**) combined single limit each occurrence and in the aggregate for bodily injury and property damage.
- (3) **Texas Business Automobile Policy**, endorsed with the **Owner** as an additional insured and endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner all to the extent of the liabilities assumed by the Engineer under Article 19 and Article 20 herein**, in limits of liability not less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (**\$250,000**) each person for bodily injury, five hundred thousand dollars (**\$500,000**) each occurrence for bodily injury, and one hundred thousand dollars (**\$100,000**) each occurrence for property damage.
- (4) **Professional Liability** in limits of **\$1,000,000** each claim and aggregate.

The **Engineer** covenants and agrees to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability for each of the types of insurance coverage identified above. The **Engineer** shall furnish the **Owner** with a certificate of insurance (**Hidalgo County Certificate of Insurance**) showing the said policy to be in full force and effect during the period of service, identified in Article 3 hereto, for this Agreement. The completed Hidalgo County Certificate of Insurance shall be attached hereto and identified as **EXHIBIT "G"- Hidalgo County Certificate of Insurance**. The **Engineer** will be considered in breach of contract should the **Engineer** fail to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability and requirements identified above while performing services for and under this Agreement, and will be subject to default and termination of

the Agreement as outlined in Article 3.4 hereto. Additionally, the **Engineer** covenants and agrees to use its best efforts to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability and requirements identified above until one year following the date of the acceptance of the **Project** by **Owner**.

**ARTICLE 22. Compliance with Laws.** The **Engineer** shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations and the orders and decrees of any court, or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement including, without limitation, worker's compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations and licensing laws and regulations. When required the **Engineer** shall furnish the **Owner** with satisfactory proof of its compliance therewith.

**ARTICLE 23. Non-collusion.** The **Engineer** warrants that the **Engineer** has not employed or retained any company or persons, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the **Engineer**, to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that the **Engineer** has not paid or agreed to pay any company, engineer or any other person or entity any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or execution of this Agreement. For breach or violation of this warranty the **Owner** shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or, in the **Owner's** discretion, to deduct from the *Services Fee*, or otherwise recover, the full amount of each fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or contingent fee.

**ARTICLE 24. Gratuities.** The **Owner** mandates that employees of the **Owner** shall not accept any benefits, gifts or favors from any person doing business or who reasonably speaking may do business with the **Owner** under this Agreement; the only exceptions allowed are ordinary business meals. Any person doing business with or who may reasonably seeking to do business with the **Owner** under this Agreement may not make any offer of benefits, gifts or favors

to **Owner** employees, except as mentioned herein above. Failure on the part of the **Engineer** to adhere to this provision may result in the termination of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 25. Payment of Franchise Tax.** The **Engineer** hereby certifies that the **Engineer** is not delinquent in Texas franchise tax payments, or that the **Engineer** is exempt from, or not subject to, such as tax. A false statement concerning corporation's franchise tax status shall constitute grounds for termination of the Agreement at the sole option of the **Owner**.

**ARTICLE 26. Disputes.** The **Engineer** shall be responsible for the settlement of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of any procurement made by the **Engineer** in support of the services under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 27. Severability.** In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

**ARTICLE 28. Notices.** All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be personally delivered or mailed to such party at the following respective addresses:

**OWNER**  
Hidalgo County  
100 East Cano, Ste. 100  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

**ENGINEER**  
**L & G Consulting Engineers, Inc.**  
d/b/a **L&G Engineering**  
2100 West Expwy 83  
Mercedes, Texas 78570

The Address may be changed by either party by written notice and notice so mailed shall be effective upon mailing.

**ARTICLE 29. Miscellaneous Provisions.**

(a) This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the **Engineer** and the **Owner** relating to the work herein described and supersedes any prior understanding or written or oral contracts between the parties respecting the subject matter defined herein. These are no previous or contemporary representations or warranties of the **Owner** or the **Engineer** not set forth herein.

(b) Except as specifically provided herein no modification, waiver, termination, rescission, discharge or cancellation of this Agreement or of any terms thereof shall be binding on the **Owner** unless in writing and executed by an officer or employee of the **Owner** specifically authorized to do so.

(c) No waiver of any provision of or a default under this Agreement shall affect the right of the **Owner** thereafter to enforce said provision or to exercise any right or remedy in the event of any other default whether or not similar.

(d) No modification, waiver, termination, discharge or cancellation of this Agreement or of any terms thereof shall impair the **Owner's** right with respect to any liabilities whether or not liquidated of the **Engineer** to the **Owner** theretofore accrued.

(e) All rights and remedies of the **Owner** specified in this Agreement are in addition to the Owner's other rights and remedies.

(f) The **Engineer** shall remain an independent contractor and shall have no power nor shall the **Engineer** represent that the **Engineer** has any power to bind the **Owner** or to assume or to create any obligation express or implied on behalf of the **Owner** except as specifically authorized in advance by the **Owner**.

(g) The Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Texas and is performable in Hidalgo County, Texas.

(h) This Agreement may only be amended by a written document executed by the Owner and the **Engineer** as provided by Article 8 herein.

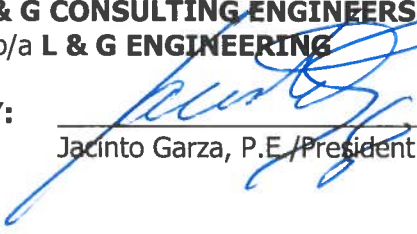
**ARTICLE 30. Signatory Warranty** The undersigned signatory or signatories for the **Engineer** hereby represent and warrant that the signatory is an officer of the organization for which he or she has executed this Agreement and that he or she has full and complete authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the **Engineer**. The above-stated representations and warranties are made for the purpose of inducing the **Owner** to enter into this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 31. Texas Law to Apply.** This agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County, Texas.

**ARTICLE 32. Immunities.** Nothing in this agreement is intended to and County does not hereby waive, release or relinquish any right to assert any of the defenses County enjoys by virtue of the state or federal constitution, laws, rules or regulations, and any sovereign, official or qualified immunity available to County as to any claim or action of any person, entity, or individual against County.

**WITNESS WHEREOF**, the **Engineer** and the **Owner** have caused this **Agreement for Professional Services** to be effective as of the 3rd day of February, 2016.

**ENGINEER:**  
**L & G CONSULTING ENGINEERS INC.**  
d/b/a **L & G ENGINEERING**

**BY:**   
Jacinto Garza, P.E./President

**OWNER:**  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**

**BY:**   
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

**ATTEST:**  
  
Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk



APPROVED BY  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
ON: 2/3/16 

**Approved by Commissioners' Court on:** February 3, 2016

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
Atlas, Hall & Rodriguez, L.L.P.

By: 

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- LOCATION MAP**
- EXHIBIT A-1** -Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Procurement Packet
- EXHIBIT A** -Scope of Services to be provided by the Owner
- EXHIBIT B** -Scope of Services to be provided by the Engineer
- EXHIBIT C** -Work Schedule
- EXHIBIT D** -Contract Rates
- EXHIBIT D-1** -Estimated Project Fee Schedule
- EXHIBIT E** -Sample Work Authorization Form
- EXHIBIT F** -Sample Supplemental Agreement Form
- EXHIBIT G** -Certificate of Insurance (*Hidalgo County*)



Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
2812 S. Business Highway 281  
Edinburg, Texas 78539  
Tel: (956) 318-2626 Fax(956) 318-2629

January 20, 2015

Participant's name

Address

City

State, Zip Code

Re: **HIDALGO COUNTY**  
Request for Qualifications - **"Professional Engineering Services Pool-Hidalgo County"**  
(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)  
**RFQ No: 2015-006-02-04-YZV**

Dear Respondents:

Enclosed please find a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) packet for your consideration. Hidalgo County Purchasing Department welcomes and appreciates your participation in the RFQ process.

**We have updated our RFQ packet.** Carefully read and review all instructions, requirements, specifications and/or scope of work included in this packet.

If any further assistance is required, please do not hesitate to call the Purchasing Department at (956) 318-2626.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent

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Enclosures



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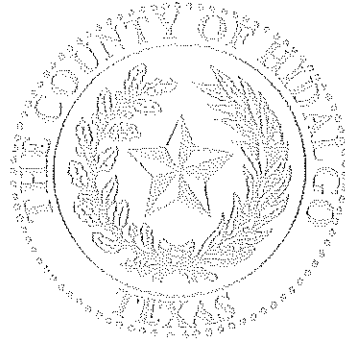
The above mentioned items shall be found in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) packet that is attached herewith. Should you find that any of the items are not attached in its entirety please contact Purchasing by calling (956) 318-2626, advise of missing documentation, and Purchasing will forward information either through facsimile or by U.S. Mail.

Thank you.

  
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

January 20, 2015

Date



## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

### HIDALGO COUNTY

*(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)*

## "Professional Engineering Services Pool"

**RFQ NO: 2015-006-02-04-YZV**

Acceptance Due Date: **February 04, 2015**

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

### Project Buyer Contact Information:

Yolanda Velasquez, Buyer III  
(956) 292-7000 Ext. 4867  
[yolanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:yolanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us)

1. Sealed qualifications will be received for "HIDALGO COUNTY (including all funding sources, programs, and entities) PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL", in accordance with the requirements attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Qualifications should address all requirements set forth. Respondents may suggest substitutions of features which they feel would be in the best interest of Hidalgo County ("County"). Strong rationale must be presented for any deviation from the requirements. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject the deviation and its effect on the overall qualifications.
2. One (1) original, seven (7) copies of all qualifications and two (2) CDs in PDF Format are required with the respondent's name and address clearly typed/printed on upper left hand corner and the proper notation clearly typed/printed on the lower left hand corner of the envelope and/or package, RFQ No.: 2015 -006-02-04-YZV- "HIDALGO COUNTY (including all funding sources, programs, and entities) PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL", and in County's Purchasing Department, Physical Location: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 Postal Mailing: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281 New Administration Building , Edinburg, Texas, ON OR BEFORE 9:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2015.

**NO FACSIMILES OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ANY QUALIFICATION RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED. OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST ALSO BE PROPERLY LABELED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EXPRESS ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE IN REFERENCE TO QUALIFICATION.**

Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all qualifications and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the proposal considered the best and most advantageous to Hidalgo County.

3. Hidalgo County reserves the right to separate and accept, or eliminate any item(s) listed under this qualification that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements. Hidalgo County also reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best qualification for approval. Receipt of any qualification shall under no circumstances obligate County to accept the lowest dollar qualification. The award of this contract shall be made to the responsible offeror whose qualification is determined to be the best evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors as herein set forth.
4. Failure of the delivered item to perform as specified or failure to meet the stated delivery schedule shall release Hidalgo County from all obligations to the contracting party with regard to the item(s) in question. In such event, County may elect to award the contract to the next-lowest responsible respondent, or to reject all qualifications and re-advertise.
5. For work to be performed at a County owned or operated location, each respondent shall, in its sole discretion, visit the job site before preparing the qualification and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Respondent should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the qualification.
6. Descriptive specifications are referenced in this document to indicate the general kind and quality of equipment desired by Hidalgo County. Due to various styles and models of equipment, respondents are required to include illustrations, specifications, explanation of warranties, and service data with their qualification including catalogue numbers and any necessary references.
7. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after priced qualification opening.

8. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all qualifications.
9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this qualification document must be in a written addendum and signed by the County Judge or his designee. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of the Request for Qualifications. Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their qualification.
10. Costs are to be net F.O.B., County Prepaid.
11. County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and Local Tax. Do Not include tax in cost figure. If it is determined that tax was included in the cost figures it will not be included in the tabulation of any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
12. Funds for this procurement have been provided through the County budget for this fiscal year only. County, on an annual basis, has the right to reconsider a contract during the budget process for ensuing years if financial resources of County are insufficient to meet the liabilities of said contract. The award of a qualification or contract hereunder will not be construed to create a debt of the County which is payable out of funds beyond the current fiscal year.

13. **DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:**

- No deliveries accepted after 3:00 P.M., Monday-Friday.
- At least seventy two (72) hours prior notice of delivery must be given to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent before delivery will be accepted.
- If you need additional information call the office listed below:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
(956) 318-2626

14. **BILLING AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Invoices must include:
  - a) Name and address of successful respondent
  - b) Name and address of receiving department or official
  - c) Purchase Order Number and Contract number (if any)
  - d) Notation- HIDALGO COUNTY (including all funding sources, programs, and entities) PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL
  - e) Descriptive information as to the items or services delivered, including product code, item number, quantity, etc.
- Discount payments will be considered when offered.
- Contact person for Billing and Payment questions:

**HIDALGO COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE**  
 Postal/Mailing 2808 S. Business Hwy. 281  
 Edinburg, Texas 78539  
 (956) 318-2511

**15. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Qualification Opening, 9:30 A.M.	<u>FEBRUARY 04, 2015</u>
Award of Contract	_____, 2015
Commence Work or Deliver Products	_____, 2015

**16. HIDALGO COUNTY HOLIDAYS**

<b>2015 YEAR</b>	
New Year's Day	01/01/2015
Martin Luther King Day	01/19/2015
President's Day	02/16/2015
Good Friday	04/03/2015
Memorial Day	05/25/2015
Independence Day	07/04/2015
Labor Day	09/07/2015
Columbus Day	10/12/2015
Veteran's Day	11/11/2015
Thanksgiving Day	11/26/2015-11/27/2015
Christmas Day	12/24/2015-12/25/2015
New Year's Eve	12/31/2015

**17. BID OR PERFORMANCE BOND AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION; PAYMENT UNDER CONTRACT:**

- ~~If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract for goods and services exceeding \$100,000, all bidders shall furnish a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of five percent of the total contract price. A bid bond must be executed with a surety company authorized to do business in Texas. All respondents are also required to furnish a certification or acknowledgment stating that the contractor or vendor is free from suspension or debarment pursuant to federal regulation 45CFR76.~~
- ~~Together with the signing of a contract or issuance of a purchase order following the acceptance of a qualification, and prior to commencement of the actual work, the respondent shall furnish a performance bond to the County for the full amount of the contract, if that contract exceeds \$50,000.~~
- ~~If the contract is for \$50,000 or less, no money will be paid to the contractor until completion and~~

~~acceptance of the work or the fulfillment of the purchase obligation to the County, and, if applicable, the receipt by County of satisfactory evidence that all subcontractors and materialmen have been paid.~~

- ~~• If a contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of public buildings or public works, the contractor shall provide a payment bond for a contract in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), as required by Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2253.~~
- ~~• For requirements contracts, bond requirements are determined by applying the proposed unit price to the estimated quantities included in the specifications.~~

#### 18. ETHICAL STANDARDS:

- It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of the County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of the County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or qualification therefore pending before any department or agency of the County.
- It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for the County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.
- No public official shall have an interest in a contract awarded hereunder except in accordance with Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Chapter 171.

- **NOTICE:**

ALL COMMUNICATIONS BY A VENDOR TO THE COUNTY, ITS OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS REGARDING THIS PROCUREMENT SHALL BE DONE THROUGH THE HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

No vendor, its representative, agent, or employee shall engage in private communication with a member of the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court or county department heads regarding any procurement of goods or services by the County from the date that the bid, RFP, or RFQ is released. No private communication regarding the purchase shall be permitted until the procurement process is complete and a purchase order is granted or a contract is entered into. Members of the commissioners court are required to make a reasonable effort to inform themselves regarding potential procurements and have a duty to inquire of vendors, their representatives or employees, the nature of any private communication being sought prior to engaging in any communication. "Private Communication" means communication with any vendor outside of a posted meeting of the governing body, a regular meeting of a standing or appointed committee, or a negotiation with a vendor which has been specifically authorized by the governing body.

**19. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- Effective January 1, 2006, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor, person, consultant or contractor considering doing business with Hidalgo County (“the County”) to disclose in the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (the “CIQ”) attached as Exhibit D, the vendor, person, consultant or contractor’s affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with the County. By law, the CIQ must be filed with the Hidalgo County Clerk’s Office no later than the seventh business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require that statement to be filed. The disclosure requirement applies to a person or business who contracts or seeks to contract with Hidalgo County for the sale or purchase of property, goods or service. Any purchase order or contract resulting from this process shall be considered null and void if the successful respondent fails to comply with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176. Vendors, consultants, contractors and others who desire to conduct business with Hidalgo County are encouraged to refer to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 for the details of this law. An offense under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 is a Class C Misdemeanor.

Please submit completed CIQ forms to the Hidalgo County Clerk’s Office located at 100 N. Clossner, Edinburg, Texas 78539, Hidalgo County Courthouse.

COMPLETION AND SUBMISSION OF FORM CIQ IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE RESPONDENT.

20. If, during the life of any contract or qualification awarded, the successful respondent's net prices generally available to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to County.
21. Qualifications, and all goods and services provided thereunder, shall comply with all federal, state and local laws concerning this type(s) of goods and/or services.
22. Minimum Standards For Responsible Prospective Respondents: A prospective respondent must affirmatively demonstrate respondent's responsibility. A prospective respondent, by submitting a qualification, represents to County that it meets the following requirements:
  - Possess or is able to obtain adequate financial resources as required to perform under the qualification;
  - Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
  - Have a satisfactory record of performance;
  - Have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;
  - Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.
23. Successful respondent will pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expenses to County, all FICA, FUTA/SUTA and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all employees, and all wages and benefits as required by Federal or

State law. Successful respondent's officers, agents and/or employees will not be entitled to any benefits of an employee or elected official of County, including, but not limited to, benefits associated with County's civil service system.

24. Any contract award to a successful respondent will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty (30) day's written notice prior to cancellation.
25. County reserves the right to enforce performance of any contract awarded hereunder in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the County in the event of breach or default by successful respondent; County reserves the right to terminate any contract immediately in the event a successful respondent fails to:
  - A. Meet schedules;
  - B. Pay any required fees or taxes; or
  - C. Otherwise perform in accordance with the requirements.
26. Successful respondent shall defend, indemnify and save harmless County and all its elected officials, officers, agents and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property on account of any negligent act or fault of the successful respondent, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier in the execution of, or performance under, any contract which may result from qualification award. Successful respondent indemnifies and will indemnify and save harmless County from liability, claim or demand on their part, agents, servants, customers, and/or employees whether such liability, claim or demand arise from event or casualty happening or within the occupied premises themselves or happening upon or in any of the halls, elevators, entrances, stairways or approaches of or to the facilities within which the occupied premises are located. Successful respondent shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against County growing out of such injury or damages, and shall, upon request, provide a defense to County by counsel reasonably acceptable to County. Successful respondent's indemnity hereunder shall include, but is not limited to, claims relating to patent, copyright or trademark infringement, and the like, arising out of the goods or services provided by successful respondent.
27. Successful respondent shall warrant that all items/services shall conform with the specifications and/or all warranties provided under the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and the like. Items supplied under a contract pursuant to this Request for Qualifications shall be subject to County's approval. Items found to be defective or not meeting specifications shall be replaced by successful respondent within two business days at no expense to County. Items not picked up within one (1) week after notification shall be deemed a donation to County and may be used or disposed of at County's discretion and without waiver of any other rights of County as to the item's nonconformity.
28. This document and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas, and will be performable exclusively in Hidalgo County, Texas.
29. The successful respondent shall not assign, sell, transfer or convey its rights under any awarded contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County.
30. Respondents shall provide with the qualification response, a list of at least three (3) references where like

services have been supplied by their firm. Include the name of the business or government, address, telephone number and name of representative or contact person.

31. Respondents must provide **all** documentation requested with this Qualification in their response. Failure to provide this information may result in rejection of the qualification as none conforming.

Request for Qualifications  
for  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
*(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)*

**“Professional Engineering Services Pool”**

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
Physical Location: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281  
Postal/ Mailing: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281  
New Administration Building  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

In accordance with the Requirements, and subject to all laws and regulations of the United States and state and local laws, the undersigned respondent proposes and commits to furnish all labor, equipment, material, software and services as set forth in the documents hereinbefore mentioned. The undersigned further agrees, upon acceptance of its qualification, to execute a contract and/or Purchase Order issued by Hidalgo County for performing and completing the work described in the Requirements within the time stated and for the prices proposed in the documents attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Respondent acknowledges receipt of all of the pages of the documents referenced in the Request for Qualification Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Respondent understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best qualification.

Respondent agrees that this qualification shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving qualifications, as contained in the Requirements.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

The County of Hidalgo will be accepting Statements of Qualifications from qualified State of Texas registered Professional Engineering firms in order to establish a pre-qualified pool of Engineers on an "As Needed Basis" per project by all County Departments and/or applicable Programs requiring said services as set forth in the requirements. Upon approval and acceptance by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court, the term of the pre-qualified pool of Engineers will be for a period starting March 16, 2015 and ending March 15, 2016. The Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will receive sealed envelopes containing Statements of Qualifications for the provision of **"PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL"-HIDALGO COUNTY** (including all funding sources, Programs, and Entities as specified herein. Statements of Qualifications will be accepted until **9:30 A.M., Wednesday, February 04, 2015**. **ANY RFQ RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED.**

The following outlines the Request For Qualifications:

### **SECTION I - GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **RFQ DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS/DELIVERY:**

A total of **one (1) original, three (3) copies and eight (8) CD's in PDF format** of the RFQ shall be submitted as part of your response.

Respondents must complete and include in their response, all documentation requested in this RFQ. Refer to enclosed RFQ Check List form for documents to be included with your response.

**Hidalgo County is requesting that statements of qualifications responses be sealed, clearly marked and/or labeled with the Company's name, RFQ Number, Project Title, and Opening Date, and be delivered to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent, at:**

US Postal Mail Address:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
Administration Building  
2812 S. Business Hwy 281  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Physical Address:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
Administration Building  
2802 S. Business Hwy. 281  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Hidalgo County requires respondents, when hand delivering statements of qualifications, to have a Purchasing Department representative time/date stamp and initial the envelope when dropping RFQ off.

All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of (rfq's, bids, proposals and/or quotes) shall be the responsibility of the respondent and no reimbursement for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto Hidalgo County.

#### **PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT:**

Respondents to this RFQ must submit a signed Proposer's Affidavit (attached herein in Exhibit E)

certainly that the submission is (1) not the result of Collusion as described in the Proposer's Affidavit, (2) that the Respondent does not have a Conflict of Interest as described in the Proposer's Affidavit, or (3) that the Respondent has not and will not attempt to lobby directly or indirectly as described in the Proposer's Affidavit.

**NON-DISCRIMINATION:**

Respondents, during the performance of this contract, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, national origin or disability except where religion, sex, national origin or disability is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor.

**PROCESSING TIME FOR PAYMENT:**

Respondents are advised that a minimum of thirty (30) days is required to process invoices for payment.

**ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF RFQ's:**

Hidalgo County's Purchasing Department will not accept telegraphic or electronically transmitted submissions.

**PROOF OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS CAPABILITY:**

Respondents must, upon request, furnish satisfactory evidence of their ability to furnish products or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of these requirements. Hidalgo County will make the final determination as to the vendor's ability.

**RESPONDENT DEFAULT:**

Hidalgo County reserves the right, in case of respondent default, to procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the defaulting respondent responsible for any excess costs occasioned thereby.

**RESTRICTIVE OR AMBIGUOUS REQUIREMENTS:**

It is the responsibility of the respondent to review the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) packet and to notify in writing the Purchasing Department if the requirements are formulated in a manner that would unnecessarily restrict competition. These criteria also apply to requirements that are ambiguous.

**RFQ QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:** Any protest(s) or question(s) regarding the requirements or request for qualifications procedures must be received in the Purchasing Department **via facsimile to (956)292-7612 or via e-mail to [yolanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:yolanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us) NO LATER THAN Monday, January 26, 2015** at 5:00 p.m. Responses will be sent to all applicants by **Wednesday, January 28, 2015** **TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**SIGNING OF QUALIFICATIONS:**

In order to be considered, all submittals **must** be signed. **Please sign the original in blue ink.**

**WAIVING OF INFORMALITIES:**

Hidalgo County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technicalities when it is in the best interest of Hidalgo County.

**SUBCONTRACTING:**

The successful submitter may not subcontract the award without the written consent of the Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County.

**TERM OF POOL:**

The pool term is for a period of one (1) year or upon completion of project(s) unless project specific for more than one (1) year.

**DAVIS BACON ACT: (If Applicable)**

All selected and awarded firms are required to include the Davis-Bacon Act when advertising and developing project specifications.

**SECTION II - RFQ REQUIREMENTS**

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS:**

The required contents and limitations for the preparation of the RFQ are described in this section. Failure to provide the requested information or adhere to any County limitations will result in disqualification of the submitted RFQ.

**UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROJECT:**

This section should demonstrate the respondent's understanding of the project needs, the work required, and any local issues or concerns. This description should be concise, candid, and limited to 3 pages in length.

**FIRM QUALIFICATIONS:**

The County of Hidalgo is seeking to contract with a competent engineering firm(s), registered and licensed to practice in the State of Texas that has had experience in, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Roadway, Bridge and General Design and Construction
- Federal, State and County-funded construction projects
- Solid Waste related projects
- Mechanical Engineering Projects

Additionally, this section should include a description of the firm's project personnel and their most recent (and varied) projects. For each project, a client contact name and phone number should be included for reference purposes. Additionally, the names of the personnel proposed for this project who participated in the listed projects should be provided. This project list is limited to 5 pages and should include the following;

- 1) Area firm specializes in
- 2) Minimum years of experience
- 3) Project(s)

**PERSONNEL AND STAFFING:**

The firm should provide an organizational chart for the project and a summary paragraph of the project work to be performed by each proposed staff member. Biographic summaries that highlight

the experience relevant to the specific project responsibilities should be provided for all proposed personnel. There is a one (1) page limitation for each biographic summary provided.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The engineering services contract will encompass all project-related engineering services to the County of Hidalgo including, but not limited to, the following:

**A.**

- Route and Design Studies
- Social, Economic, Environmental Studies and Public Involvement
- Right of Way Maps and Data
- Utility Adjustments
- Surveying
- Pre-Design

**B.**

- Roadway Design
- Drainage Design
- Solid Waste
- Signing, Markings and Signalization
- Traffic Control Plans
- Bridge Design
- Plans and Specifications
- Bid Preparation

**C.**

- Building Design
- Plans, Drawings and Specifications
- Bid Package Preparation

**D.**

- Construction Contract Management
- Conduct Construction Materials Engineering and Testing Services
- Design for New Construction
- Design for Alterations/Renovations
- Needs Assessment

- ADA Compliance
- Code Analysis
- Cost Estimating

**E.**

- Soil/Rock and Foundation Studies
- Excavations and Trenches
- Dams and Cut or Filled Slopes
- Pavements
- Water and Waste Retention/Disposal
- Specialized Testing and Instrumentation

**Other Engineering Services include:**

Project Development Management, Facility Analysis & Master Planning, Site Planning & Analysis, Roof Design, Parking Design, Security Design, Energy Conservation, Ventilation Design, Acoustical Design, Asbestos Abatement Monitoring, etc.

**Additionally, this section should include, but not restricted to the following information:**

- A. Firm name, address, phone number and person(s) to contact regarding the Statement of Qualifications.
- B. Qualifications and recent experience of the firm and key personnel relative to the performance of similar services for public entities. This should also include the following information:
  - 1. Copy of current license certification with state seal
  - 2. History of engineering certification from the State of Texas.
  - 3. List of projects related to the subject areas within the past year.
- C. List of in-State references including the name, address and phone number of the person most closely associated with the firm's prior project performance.
- D. Ability to commence services immediately after successfully negotiating a contract for services.
- E. Statement regarding an Affirmative Action Program.

**PARTICIPATING FIRMS ARE NOT TO PROVIDE A FEE PROPOSAL WITH THIS SUBMITTAL:**

The fee will be negotiated in accordance with the Professional Services Procurement Act, Tex. Govt. Code Ann. 2254.001, et seq.

## **PART III – SELECTION / EVALUATION**

### **SELECTION PROCEDURES/EVALUATION PROCESS:**

The evaluation system consists of a 100-point system.

#### **1. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF PROJECT TEAM (20)**

The firms should provide information on their proposed professional team members, i.e. applicable certifications/registrations and other pertinent information that demonstrates their qualifications to perform the contract. The professional team members responsible/assigned to assist County projects shall be identified in the organizational chart. Team members shall have experience in performing various types of contracts for counties, cities, irrigation districts, TX DOT or other clients as stated in the Request for Qualifications. A list of, and scope of, the various projects, for comparative purposes, shall be included in an appendix.

#### **2. EXPERIENCE OF PROJECT TEAM/ABILITY TO COMMIT RESOURCES (25)**

In addition to the Project Manager and the Professional Team Member(s), the provider shall designate experienced engineering staff to completely and efficiently perform the work, either through their own personnel, sub-providers or commitment to hire additional staff. The proposal shall identify the project team composition, project leadership, reporting responsibilities and address how sub-providers, if any, will fit into the management structure. Résumés of the key technical staff members, limited to two (2) pages per person, must be included in an appendix, as well as narrative descriptions of projects proposed as similar work experience.

#### **3. METHODOLOGY (20)**

The RFQ should provide a description of the firm's approach to the methodology and management to the scope of services for the project.

#### **4. UNDERSTANDING OF PROJECT/SIMILAR PROJECTS (25)**

The proposal shall include the following:

- \* demonstrate an understanding of the scope of services
- \* address appropriate Federal/State/Local regulations and policies
- \* identify information to be gathered or obtained

#### **Responsiveness to RFQ:**

- \* Response is Clear;
- \* Response is Well Organized;
- \* Easy to Evaluate;
- \* Appropriate to this RFQ

The firms should provide as much background information as to its experience in providing similar services to State, City, County or any other governmental agencies. Reference information should be as current as possible, especially contact persons and telephone numbers.

5. **FAMILIARITY WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS (10)**

The RFQ should indicate through past experience of the proposed Team that they possess sufficient knowledge of governmental regulations, appropriate codes, guidelines, professional standards and policies (as required).

**STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS GRADING AND RANKING PROTOCOL:**

Once a Project has been identified and it is determined that Engineering services are required, approval to seek engagement for professional services is sought from Hidalgo County Commissioners Court. The following protocol and procedures are utilized;

1. Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court, Elected Official and/or the User Department in need of Engineering Services will nominate (at the minimum) three (3) firms from Hidalgo County's approved pool of firm, thereafter, will review, score and evaluate the statement of qualifications received in response to this Hidalgo County Request for Qualifications;
2. A grid of the scores will be presented to Commissioners' Court for the purpose of **ranking and approval** for the Purchasing Department to enter into negotiations with the number one (1) ranked firm;

**NEGOTIATION PROCESS:**

Negotiations will commence with Commissioners' Court approved number one ranked firm;

1. Firm(s) will be asked to submit (as part of those negotiations) a "scope of service" including fees;
2. The negotiated contract including best and final offer with the successful firm will be presented to Commissioners' Court (including compliance with all requirements as well as insurances) for consideration and final approval.
3. If negotiations with the number one (1) ranked firm fail, the Purchasing Department will recommend to Commissioners' Court that negotiations cease with the number one (1) ranked firm and commence to negotiate with the next highest ranked firm.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL  
RFQ No. 2015-006-02-04-YZV**

**EXHIBIT "B"**

Selection Criteria	Points	Score
<b>1. Professional Qualifications of Project Team (20 pts maximum)</b>		
➤ Registered and licenses to practice in the State of Texas (i.e. certifications/registrations and other pertinent information that demonstrates their qualifications to perform the contract)	10	
➤ Provides information on proposed professional Team qualifications to perform various types of contracts	5	
➤ Team members identified in the organizational chart.	5	
Comments/Rationale For Points:		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>2. Experience of Project Team/Ability to Commit Resources (25 pts maximum)</b>		
➤ Designate engineering staff members in an appendix form	5	
➤ Identifying the project composition, project leadership, reporting responsibilities	10	
➤ Experience of engineering staff to completely and efficiently perform the work.	10	
Comments/Rationale For Points:		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>3. Methodology/Experience/Availability of Project Manager (20 pts maximum)</b>		
➤ Firm's approach to the methodology and management to the scope of services for the project(s).	5	
➤ Must be a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Texas and must be included in Appendix	5	
➤ Project Manager must have five (5) types of projects plus be 85-100 % involvement with technical development of project	10	
Comments/Rationale For Points:		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>4. Understanding of Project/Similar Projects (25 pts maximum)</b>		
➤ Demonstrate and understanding of the scope of services	5	
➤ Address appropriate Federal/ State/ Local regulations and policies. Knowledge and experience of working with multiple entities, counties, cities, etc.	5	
➤ Identify information to be gathered or obtained/proposed approach to complete the scope	5	
➤ RFQ responsiveness. Response is clear, well organized, easy to evaluate, and appropriate to this RFQ.	5	
➤ Reference information including contact persons and telephone numbers.	5	
Comments/Rationale For Points:		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>5. Familiarity with Applicable Rules and Regulations (10 pts maximum)</b>		
➤ Indicate passed experience of the proposed Firm knowledge of governmental regulations, appropriate codes, guidelines, professional standards and policies	5	
➤ Must contain a narrative that outlines applicable regulations, guideline, standards, and policies	5	
Comments/Rationale For Points:		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Total Score</b>		

Firm/Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROCUREMENT FORM  
ATTACHMENT "B"  
HIDALGO COUNTY-PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL  
RFQ NO: 2015-006-02-04-YZV**

Name and Address of Firm:	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div>
Principals of Firm and Titles:	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div>
Firm's Registration No.:	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; height: 15px;"></div>
Area of Specialization:	
Civil Engineering	Electrical Engineering
Structural Engineering	Highway Engineering
MEP Engineering (Mech/Elec/Plumb)	
Mechanical Engineering	
Environmental Engineering	
Local References (Rio Grande Valley) List Four (4) Only:	
Reference #1: _____	
Reference #2: _____	
Reference #3: _____	
Reference #4: _____	
Recent Projects (Within Two [2] Years) List Four (4) Only:	
Project #1: _____	
Project #2: _____	
Project #3: _____	
Project #4: _____	

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Typed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT "C"**  
**Insurance Requirements**  
**Professional Services**  
**(i.e...Engineers, Architects, Appraisers, Surveyors**  
**& Other Professional Services)**

The proposer awarded the contract shall furnish proof of insurance, which will also include any subcontractor that is subcontracted by the proposer in at least the following limits, to be in place prior to providing any services under this Contract and to continue at all times in force in effect during the term of this Contract:

1. Professional liability insurance policy with limits of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence, or limited to claims made, include at least a five (5) year extended reporting period.
2. A Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) Comprehensive General Liability insurance policy providing additional coverage to all underlying liabilities of County.
3. Automobile liability insurance policy with limits of at least Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) per person and Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) per occurrence. Coverage should include injury to or death of persons and property damage claims with limits up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) arising out of the services provided to County hereunder.
4. Uninsured/Underinsured motorist coverage in an amount equal to the bodily injury limits set forth immediately above;
5. Workers compensation insurance in amounts established by Texas law, unless the Bidder is specifically exempted from the Texas Workers Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code Chapter 401, et. seq.

**Hidalgo County will only accept certificates of insurance on an Acord form (as attached hereto).** Certificates of insurance naming County as an additional insured shall be submitted to County for approval prior to any services being performed by Contractor. Each policy of insurance required hereunder shall extend for a period equivalent to, or longer than the term of the Contract, and any insurer hereunder shall be required to give at least thirty (30) days written notice to the County prior to the cancellation of any such coverage on the termination date, or otherwise. This Contract shall be automatically suspended upon the cancellation, or other termination, of any required policy of insurance hereunder, and such suspension shall continue until evidence adequate replacement coverage is provided to County. If replacement coverage is not provided within thirty (30) days following suspension of the Contract, this Contract shall automatically terminate.

<b>ACORD</b>		<b>CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE</b>	DATE (MM/DD/YY)
PRODUCER		THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.	
		<b>INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE</b>	
INSURED		INSURER A:	
		INSURER B:	
		INSURER C:	
		INSURER D:	
		INSURER E:	

**COVERAGES**

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THEIR TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS	
A	<b>GENERAL LIABILITY</b>				EACH OCCURRENCE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY				FIRE DAMAGE (Any one fire)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE OCCUR				MEDICAL (Any one person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S & CONT. PROT				PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY				ANNUAL AGGREGATE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER. POLICY PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				PRODUCTS - COMP/OP	\$
B	<b>AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY</b>				COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS				BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS				PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS				AUTO ONLY-EA ACCIDENT	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS				OTHER THAN AUTO ONLY EA ACC AGG	\$	
C	<b>GARAGE LIABILITY</b>					\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO					\$
	<b>EXCESS LIABILITY</b>				EACH OCCURRENCE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE				AGGREGATE	\$
D	<b>WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY</b>					\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCTIBLE					\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$					\$
	<b>OTHER</b>				WC STATUTORY LIMITS <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	\$
					E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$
					E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE	\$
					E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT	\$

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATION / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS  
 County of Hidalgo shall be named as additional insured on all Commercial General Liability policies.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	ADDITIONAL INSURED; INSURER LETTER:	CANCELLATION
Hidalgo County Attn: Purchasing Department 2812 S Highway Bus. 281 Edinburg, Texas 78539		SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BY CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL 30 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT, BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.
		AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

# Insurance Requirement Acknowledgment

I \_\_\_\_\_, authorized representative for \_\_\_\_\_, Company/Vendor

hereby acknowledge receipt of the County's required insurance limits. Said requirements:

will be acquired within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of award of project by the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court;

will acquire additional amounts required to meet the County's requirements within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of award of project by the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court; currently carry the following

Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Automobile Liability: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ General Liability: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

have already been met, see attached copy of insurance certificate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Notice to Proposer:**

A certificate of insurance for the required insurance limits shall be provided to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers in order to qualify for award and to execute a contract between your Company and the County.

Failure to provide Certificates of Insurance to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers will cause the award to be rescinded and re-awarded to next qualified vendor. Certificates of Insurance will be monitored and verified on a **quarterly basis** to ensure coverage policy is in place. It is the Company's obligation to maintain the appropriate insurance coverage throughout the term of the contract.

**THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR PACKET**

# **PROJECT REQUIREMENTS ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

This is to certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_ possess all of the **APPLICABLE:**

1. Licenses: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Bonds: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Certificates: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Permits: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

necessary to carry out the required project. Furthermore, I am providing copies of the required documentation so that, if my company is awarded this project, I may be eligible to enter into a contract with Hidalgo County and proceed to complete the project in a timely manner.

**\* Any licenses, bonds, certificates, permits, etc. which are required must be presented as part of the packet in order to expedite the evaluation process. Failure to provide said documentation will result in the disqualification of your proposal/qualification.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

# EXHIBIT "D"

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2  Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

Yes       No

B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes       No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

Yes       No

D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**EXHIBIT "E"**  
**PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT**

<b>PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND ANTI-LOBBYING</b>
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STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HIDALGO

Affiant, \_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, deposes that:

(1) Affiant does hereby state neither the Proposer nor any of the Proposer's officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, has in any way colluded, conspired, agreed, directly or indirectly with any person, firm, corporation, or other proposer, or potential proposer, to provide any money or other valuable consideration for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure a contract or fix the prices in the attached proposed or the proposal of any other proposer, and further states that no such money or other reward will be hereinafter paid.

(2) Affiant further states they have neither recommended or suggested to Hidalgo County or nay of its officials or employees, any of the terms or provisions set forth in their Request for Proposal and subsequent agreement, except at a meeting open to all interested proposers, of which proper notice was given.

(3) Affiant, further states their officers, employees, or agents have not, and will not attempt to lobby, directly or indirectly, the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court between proposal submission date and award by the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court.

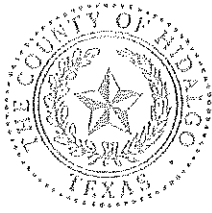
(4) Affiant further states no officer, or stockholder of the Proposer is a member of the staff, or related to any employee of the Hidalgo County except as noted herein below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.



# HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT Proposer/Vendor Application

Complete in print or type. Please return this application to the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
thru Facsimile: (956) 318-2629,  
in person or regular mail to: 2802 South Business Hwy 281, Edinburg, Texas 78539  
or e-mail: [purchasing@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:purchasing@co.hidalgo.tx.us)

Company Name:	Telephone No. (     )	
dba Name:		
Legal Name:		
Mailing Address :	Fax No. (     )	
Physical Address:		
City, State, Zip	Tax I.D. No.	
Remit to Address :	City, State, Zip	
E-Mail Address:		
Representative(s) Name(s) & Title(s)		
Type of Organization (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit <input type="checkbox"/> LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Specify _____	
State Identification No.	(Please attached completed W-9 form with this application)	
Federal Identification No. or (if individual) SS No.	_____	
State of Incorporation:	Date: _____ Other: _____	
Type of Business (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesaler <input type="checkbox"/> Retailer <input type="checkbox"/> Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Distributor <input type="checkbox"/> Service Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Specify _____	
Name & Title of Person(s) Authorized to Sign Bids, Proposals, and/or Contracts:		
Small and/or Disadvantaged Business Information (check application criteria)		
Small Business:	Disadvantaged Business (At Least 51% Ownership)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 125,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Black American	<input type="checkbox"/> Native American
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 250,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American	<input type="checkbox"/> Women
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 499,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific American	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> More than 500,000 annual gross receipt		
Have you been certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Indicate Certification No.(s): _____ or are Certificate(s) attached?:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
What type of product(s) is/are solicited by your company?: _____		
Would you like to be provided with specifications for procurements of such products?:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
To Be Completed by the County: Rec'd by (Purchasing): _____ Date Rec'd by (Purchasing): _____		
Date Forwarded Information to Auditor's Office: _____ Entry Date: _____ Vendor No.: _____		

**HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) DECLARATION**

The primary objective of the Hidalgo County HUB Program is to ensure Historically Underutilized Businesses receive a fair and equal opportunity for participation in the County's procurement process. This fact holds true for Services (Professional & Non-Professional), Commodities, and Construction contracts and any subcontracts thereto. The program strongly encourages Prime Contractors to provide subcontracting opportunities to Certified Hub Contractors/Vendors. Our goal for HUB contractor/vendor participation, as well as HUB subcontractor participation is 30%. To be considered as a "Certified HUB Contractor/Vendor" the contractor/vendor must have been certified by, and hold a current and valid certification with any of the three agencies listed below.

Have you been Certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?:                   • Yes • No

If yes, by whom?: • Texas Building & Procurement Commission   • Other \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Certification No(s): \_\_\_\_\_ or Are Certificate(s) Attached?: • Yes • No

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**LIST OF CERTIFIED HUB SUBCONTRACTORS**

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

What percentage of the Bid, RFP, or RFQ is to be subcontracted with Certified HUB sources?: \_\_\_\_\_% (List HUB Subcontractor information below).

HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): • Texas Building & Procurement Commission • Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): • Texas Building & Procurement Commission • Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): • Texas Building & Procurement Commission • Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the  
 requester. Do not  
 send to the IRS.

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)		Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									
				-					

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number									
				-					

### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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### General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

**Note.** If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

**Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien.** Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

**What is backup withholding?** Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

#### Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

### Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### Penalties

**Failure to furnish TIN.** If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

### Specific Instructions

#### Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

**Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

**Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA) name" on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

**Disregarded entity.** Enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. The name of the entity entered on the "Name" line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the "Name" line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the "Name" line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

**Note.** Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the "Name" line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

**Limited Liability Company (LLC).** If the person identified on the "Name" line is an LLC, check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter "P" for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the "Name" line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the "Name" line.

**Other entities.** Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

## Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

**Note.** If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
  2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
  3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
  4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
  5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:
6. A corporation,
  7. A foreign central bank of issue,
  8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
  9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
  10. A real estate investment trust,
  11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
  12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
  13. A financial institution,
  14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
  15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

## Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

**Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.** If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note.** See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov). You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at [www.irs.gov/businesses](http://www.irs.gov/businesses) and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note.** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

## Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

**1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.** You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

**4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

**5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**Note.** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

**Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft**

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

**Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.** Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov). You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov) or contact them at [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft) or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

**What Name and Number To Give the Requester**

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual <sup>1</sup>
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup>
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner <sup>3</sup>
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor <sup>4</sup>
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

\*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

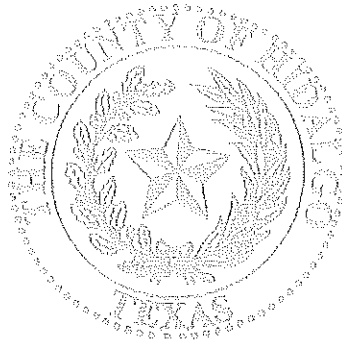
**Certification  
Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Ineligibility**

As is required by the Federal Regulations Implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 45 CFR Part 76, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension, the applicant certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that both it and its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity with commission of any of the offenses enumerated herein; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application had one or more public transactions terminated for cause or default.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If the bidder is unable to certify to all of the statements in this Certification, such bidder should attach an explanation to this proposal.



**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)  
**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**  
**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL**

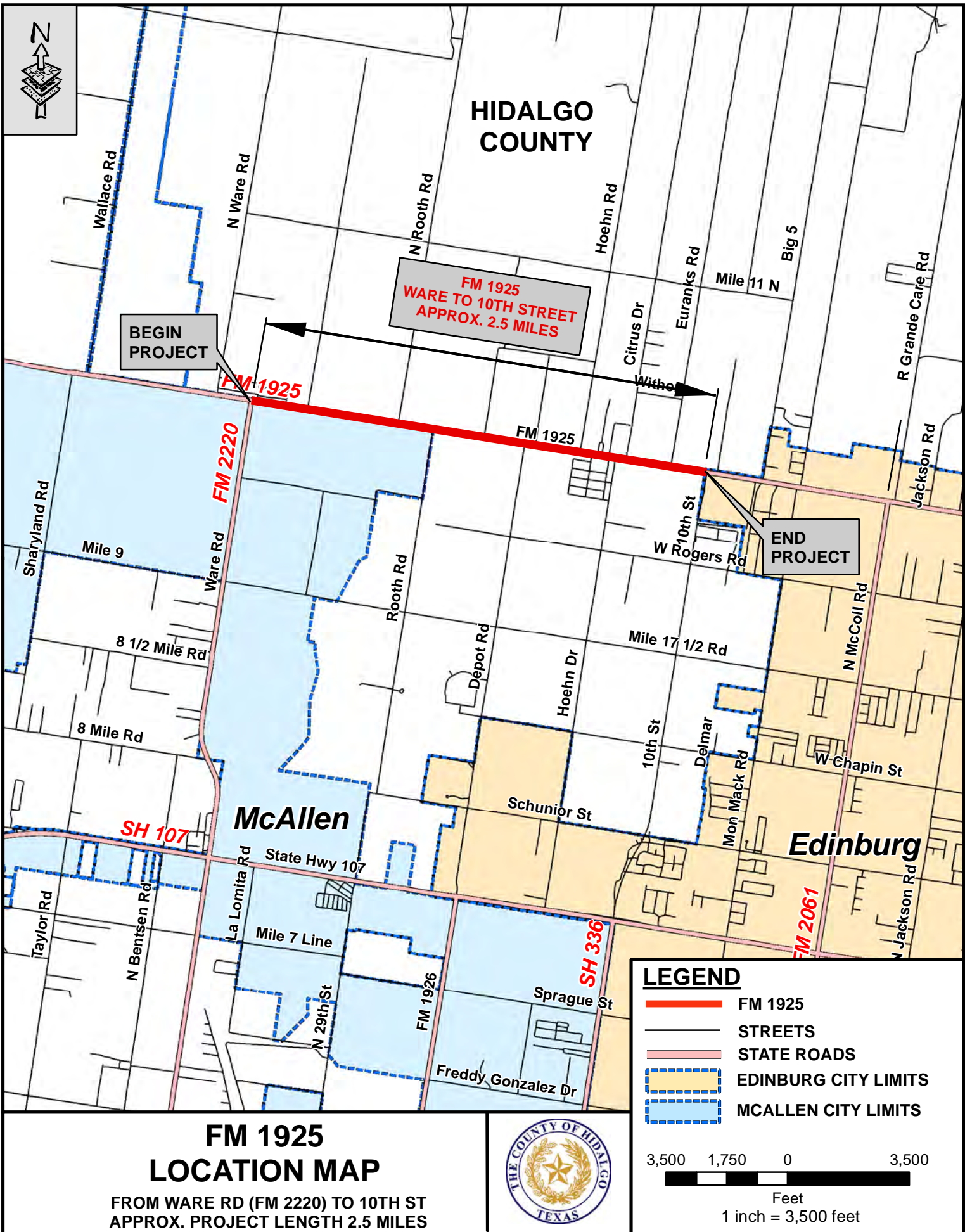
**RFQ No.: 2015-006-02-04-YZV**

**RFQ SUBMITTAL CHECK LIST**

All forms listed below must be included in the RFQ response.

Indicate with a check mark (✓) the Forms completed and included in this response:

- ..... Page 8 of Legal Notice
- ..... Attachment "B" –Procurement Form –Areas of Specialization
- ..... Exhibit "C" -Acknowledgement forms (pages 3 and 4)
- ..... Exhibit "D" -CIQ Form -Copy of County Clerk File Recording fee receipt.
- ..... Exhibit "E" –Proposers Affidavit
- ..... Vendor Bidder Application and IRS form W-9
- ..... Certification Regarding Debarment
- ..... One Original, 7 Copies, and 2 CD's containing a complete copy of Response.



# FM 1925 LOCATION MAP

FROM WARE RD (FM 2220) TO 10TH ST  
APPROX. PROJECT LENGTH 2.5 MILES



## LEGEND

- FM 1925
- STREETS
- STATE ROADS
- EDINBURG CITY LIMITS
- MCALLEN CITY LIMITS

3,500 1,750 0 3,500



Feet  
1 inch = 3,500 feet

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**Services to be provided by the County**

1. The County will issue work authorization to initiate all required services and designate the authorized representative of the coordination of each work authorization.
2. The County will provide copies of all subdivision plats of record and/or in the subdivision process.
3. The County will provide the Engineer with on-going guidance, timely reviews, and decisions necessary to complete services required by the work authorization in order to permit the Engineer to maintain an agreed upon project schedule.
4. The County will process all acceptable requests for payment in a timely manner.

**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 1-PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The services designated herein as "Services provided by the ENGINEER" shall include the performance of all engineering services for the following described facility:

COUNTY/CITY: HIDALGO COUNTY

CONTROL: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT/DESCRIPTION: EA, PUBLIC INVOLEMENT, SCHEMATIC AND HYDROLOGIC DESIGN

LENGTH: 2.5 Mile

HIGHWAY: FM 1925

LIMITS: FROM 1,500 FT WEST OF FM 2220 (WARE RD) TO 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET

**PROJECT CLASSIFICATION**

(Place an "X" in only one Project Classification)

- Surface Treatment
- Overlay
- Rehabilitation Existing Road (Scarify & Reshape)
- Convert Non-Freeway to Freeway
- Widen Freeway
- Widen Non-Freeway
- New Location Toll Freeway
- New Location Non-Freeway
- Interchange (New or Reconstruct)
- Bridge Widening or Rehabilitation
- Bridge Replacement
- Upgrade to Standards - Freeway
- Upgrade to Standards - Non-Freeway
- Miscellaneous Studies (Use Function Code 110 for All Tasks)

ENGINEER shall mean L&G Engineering.

STATE shall mean Texas Department of Transportation and/or City of \_\_\_\_\_.

COUNTY shall mean \_\_\_\_\_ County.

CITY shall mean the City of \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 2 – LEVEL OF SERVICE ANALYSIS AND ENGINEERING**

(Function Code 102)

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER   CITY/COUNTY

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| — | — | <b>Preliminary Design Values</b><br><i>The Engineer will work with the Owner to establish basic design concepts, project controls and general scope of Projects.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary Route Locations on Uncontrolled Mapping</b><br><i>The Engineer will evaluate various alternatives (route locations, alignment shifts, geometry) for the Project.</i>  |
| — | — | <b>Uncontrolled Mapping (w/Contours &amp; GIS Info)</b><br><i>The Engineer will investigate the existing routes and coordinate with the Owner on establishing the best-fit alignments and mapping proposed geometry for Projects. Preliminary Location Exhibit will be developed.</i>  |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary Traffic Evaluations &amp; Trends</b><br><i>The Engineer will investigate existing traffic models and trends for the proposed Projects and adjacent roadways tying into the proposed Projects.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary Hydrologic Map</b><br><i>The Engineer will develop a Hydrologic Map for the Projects. Hydrologic Maps will be based on LIDAR and GIS information.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary ROW Requirements</b><br><i>The Engineer will research and identify affected property owners on the Projects utilizing the latest appraisal district file information from Hidalgo County Appraisal District and information from Carson Maps.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary Cost Estimates</b><br><i>The Engineer will calculate preliminary construction cost estimates for the location and geometry of the Projects.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Preliminary Environmental Analysis (for fatal flaws)</b><br><i>The Engineer will perform Preliminary Environmental Constraint Mapping to determine if any fatal flaws exist along the proposed alignment.</i>   |
| — | — | <b>Project Fact Sheet with Est. Local Cost vs. Total Project Cost</b><br><i>The Engineer will produce a Project Fact Sheet providing summaries of all pertinent items in this scope of services (as required) and providing estimated local costs vs. total project costs for the Projects.</i>  |
| — | — | <b>Meetings, Coordination &amp; Support for Project Development</b><br><i>The Engineer shall provide coordination services and shall assist in meetings and workshops with TxDOT, Hidalgo County, Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 and Hidalgo County Irrigation Districts, and all other affected parties. The Engineer shall serve as representative for the Owner in coordination items. The Engineer shall coordinate with the Owner’s staff on all Project related items.</i> |

EXHIBIT "B"  
SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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**SECTION 3 - ROUTE AND DESIGN STUDIES**  
(Function Code 110)

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER CITY/COUNTY

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| ___ | ___ | 1. Route Location Studies  |
| ___ | ___ | 2. Level of Service Analysis   |
| ___ | ___ | 3. Traffic Evaluations and Projections   |
| ___ | ___ | 4. Develop Roadway Design Criteria   |
| ___ | ___ | 5. Preliminary Cost Estimates  |
| ___ | ___ | 6. Design Schematic<br>(See Section 7, page 7-1 for schematic layout requirements) |
| ___ | ___ | 7. Preliminary Right-of-Way Requirements   |
| ___ | ___ | 8. Design Concept Conference   |
| ___ | ___ | 9. Soil Core Hole Drilling   |
| ___ | ___ | a. Pavement (See Section 7, pages 7-2 thru 7-3 for requirements)                   |
| ___ | ___ | b. Retaining Walls (See Section 10, page 10-1 for requirements)                    |
| ___ | ___ | c. Miscellaneous Structures (See Section 10, page 10-3 for requirements)           |
| ___ | ___ | d. Bridges (See Section 11, page 11-2 thru 11-3 for requirements)                  |

**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 4 - SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES  
AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**  
(Function Code 120)

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER CITY/COUNTY

1. Environmental Reports

All Environmental Reports shall be in accordance with 43 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 2.40-2.51, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Part 771 and Highway Design Operations and Procedures Manual, Part II-B.

a. Environmental Assessments

- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared, anticipating a Categorical Exclusion.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared in accordance with 23 USC 327 and the 2014 TxDOT-FHWA Memorandum of Understanding, anticipating a Finding of No Significant Impact.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (3) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared, anticipating the need for a Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

b. Environmental Impact Statement

- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) A Draft Environmental Impact Statement shall be prepared. After appropriate interagency and public reviews within time limits prescribed by the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Part 771 and 43 Texas Administrative Code 2.40-2.51, a Final Environmental Impact Statement shall be prepared.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) A Section 4(f) Statement (Department of Transportation Act) shall be provided by the ENGINEER. The format and content of the statement is found in FHWA Technical Advisory T6640.8A.

2. Public Involvement

All public involvement procedures shall be in accordance with 43 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 2.40-2.51, Code of Federal Regulations Title 23, Part 771 and Highway Design Operations and Procedures Manual, Part II-B.

- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ a. A public involvement meeting(s) and public hearing shall be scheduled, coordinated and conducted.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ b. Technical assistance for one public meeting and one public hearing, preparation of, and maintenance of contact lists, minutes of meeting(s), exhibit preparation, and other tasks outlined by the COUNTY, shall be provided.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ c. A Notice of Availability (NOA) shall be published by the COUNTY upon approval of the environmental decision.

3. Technical Reports

All technical reports shall be prepared in accordance with TxDOT's environmental rules and guidelines.

- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ a. Air Quality Analysis  
An air quality analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE'S Air Quality Guidelines. The air quality analysis shall be provided as a Technical Report and a summary of the air quality results included in the administratively complete document for the project.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ b. Biological Technical Report  
A biological form and technical report shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE'S Biological Guidelines. The report will include water resources, and threatened and endangered species.
- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ c. Cultural Resources  
Historical and archeological studies shall be completed in accordance with the STATE'S guidelines.

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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Services

Provided By:

ENGINEER CITY/COUNTY

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(1) Historic Structure Studies

A records search, project coordination request, and reconnaissance survey shall be performed, and documentation prepared regarding identification efforts, National Register eligibility and potential impacts to historic properties in accordance with the state’s historic structure requirements.

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(2) Archeological Studies

File searches, project coordination request, an archeological reconnaissance, and an archeological survey shall be conducted to determine if known archeological sites are present or have been designated State Archeological Landmarks; and to identify the need (if any) to perform additional archeological investigations.

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d. Community Impact Analysis

A community impact analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’S Community Impact Guidelines.

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e. Hazardous Materials

The consultant shall perform an Initial Site Assessment (ISA) for hazardous materials impact in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) 1528.93 (Transaction Screen Process) and a Hazardous Materials Technical Report, as needed.

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f. Indirect and Cumulative Impacts Analysis

An indirect and cumulative impacts analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’s guidelines.

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g. Noise Analysis

A noise analysis shall be prepared, including predicted noise levels and the consideration and evaluation of noise mitigation, in accordance with the STATE’S Noise Guidelines. The noise analysis shall be provided as a Technical Report and a summary of the noise analysis results shall be included in the administratively complete document.

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4. Environmental Scoping

The ENGINEER shall initiate the environmental scoping process with TxDOT. An environmental scoping document and risk assessment will be completed in coordination with TxDOT.

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5. General Guidelines for Preparation of Environmental Documents

a. All technical reports will be submitted electronically to TxDOT through their FTP site.

b. The draft administratively complete document will be submitted to TxDOT electronically through their FTP site.

c. The administratively complete document will be prepared in accordance with the content and format of FHWA Technical Advisory T6640.8A and the TxDOT Administrative Code 43 TAC §2.44.

d. The administratively complete document will be submitted to TxDOT electronically through their FTP site.

e. Upon completion and approval of the administratively and technically complete document, the Engineer will provide one (1) hard copy to the Client. All copies to TxDOT will be digital.

f. Exhibits in the environmental document shall be color copies and text shall be black and white.

EXHIBIT "B"  
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**SECTION 5 - RIGHT-OF-WAY DATA**

(Function Code 130)

Services

Provided By:

SURVEYOR CITY/COUNTY

**NOTE:** No work involving right-of-way (ROW) data is to be performed until the ENGINEER has given the SURVEYOR written approval of the final location of the proposed ROW lines as approved by TxDOT and the CITY.

**A. RIGHT-OF-WAY MAPPING:**

**1. PURPOSE:**

The purpose of right-of-way mapping is to prepare documents suitable for the acquisition of real property interests and the probable issuance of a title policy.

**2. DEFINITIONS:**

For purposes of this Contract, the following definitions shall apply:

- 2.1. Abstract Map – A drawing to scale prepared from record documents depicting proposed right-of-way lines, existing right-of-way lines, easement lines, and private property lines with relevant grantee names, recording data, and recording dates.
- 2.2. Closure/Area Calculation Sheet – A computer generated print-out of the area and the perimeter bearings, distances, curve data, and coordinates of an individual parcel of land to be acquired.
- 2.3. Access Denial Line – A line which indicates specific location where access to the roadway is denied.
- 2.4. Property Descriptions – A written metes and bounds description delineating the area and the boundary and describing the location of an individual parcel of land unique to all other parcels of land.
- 2.5. Owner – The most current title holder of record as determined by a study of the Real Property Records.
- 2.6. Parcel Plat – An 8 ½ inch by 11 inch drawing to scale depicting all the information shown on the right-of-way map regarding an individual parcel of land to be acquired.
- 2.7. Parent Tract – A unit or contiguous units of land under one ownership, comprising a single marketable tract of land consistent with the principle of highest and best use. A parent tract may be described by a single instrument or several instruments. A single parent tract cannot be severed by a public right-of-way, easement, or separate ownership which destroys unity of use.
- 2.8. Parent Tract Inset – A small line drawing, to an appropriate scale, of the parent tract perimeter placed upon the right-of-way map in the proximity of the respective parcel. Parent tract insets are used in cases where the parent tract cannot be shown to the same scale as the right-of-way map. Since parent tract insets are used to identify the limits and location of parent tracts, they should include public right-of-ways, utility easements and fee strips, and identifiable water courses which bound the parent tract.
- 2.9. Point of Beginning (P.O.B.) – A corner of the parcel of land to be acquired, located on the proposed right-of-way line and being the beginning terminus of the first course of the property description.
- 2.10. Point of Commencing (P.O.C.) – A monumented property corner which can be identified in the Real Property Records and is located outside the proposed right-of-way corridor. For title purposes, the point of commencing should be a monumented back corner of the parent tract. In the event a monumented back corner of the parent tract cannot be recovered, the nearest identifiable monumented property corner located outside the proposed right-of-way corridor may be used.

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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Services

Provided By:

SURVEYOR CITY/COUNTY

- 2.11. Preliminary Right-of-Way Layout/Abstract Map – A drawing to scale depicting proposed right-of-way lines, existing right-of-way lines, proposed pavement, access denial lines, the proposed centerline alignment, private property lines, easement lines, visible improvements, visible utilities, the station and offset from the centerline alignment to each Point of Curvature (PC), Point of Tangency (PT), and angle point in the proposed right-of-way lines and to each PC, PT, and angle point in the existing right-of-way lines in areas of no proposed acquisition. *(Reference Sample Attached)*
- 2.12. Right-of-Way Maps/Property Description/Parcel Plats – A series of 22 inch by 34 inch and 11 inch by 17 inch drawings to scale depicting the results of relevant elements of records research, field work, analysis, computation, and map making required to determine title, delineate areas and boundaries, locate and describe utilities and improvements to the extent necessary to appraise the value and negotiate the acquisition of individual parcels of private land for a proposed right-of-way project. *(Reference Sample Attached)*

**3. WORK TO BE PERFORMED:**

3.1. Preliminary Right-of-Way Layout/Abstract Map:

An abstract map shall be prepared sufficient to determine the following:

- 3.1.1. Any and all interests of public record held in the land to be acquired.
- 3.1.2. The total record holdings of an owner contiguous to land to be acquired from that owner.
- 3.1.3. Any and all interests in land to be acquired held in common (shopping mall parking lots, subdivision reserves, etc.)
- 3.1.4. Any and all improvements proposed by other agencies which may have a bearing on project development.
- 3.1.5. All called monuments, bearings, and distances as per recorded information.
- 3.1.6. Preliminary Parcel numbering system.
- 3.1.7. Any and all utilities (permitted or of record)
- 3.1.8. Reference Sample provided.

3.2. Right-of-Way Map:

The SURVEYOR shall field locate property corners, existing right-of-way markers, improvements, visible utilities, verify and update the planimetric file, if provided, and as directed by the ENGINEER.

A right-of-way map shall be prepared for each proposed right-of-way project. A right-of-way map shall include a title sheet, an index sheet, a survey control index sheet, a horizontal and vertical control data sheet, and sufficient plan sheets to cover the proposed project, or as directed by the ENGINEER. The STATE has developed standard title sheets, index sheets, and plan sheets, copies of which the SURVEYOR shall request and secure for all purposes of this Contract. Plan sheets shall include, but need not be limited to, the following items of information.

By mutual agreement between the Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying and the TxDOT, right-of-way maps need not be signed and sealed by a Registered Professional Land Surveyor.

- 3.2.1. Proposed right-of-way lines shall be delineated with appropriate bearings, distances, and curve data. Curve data shall include the radius, delta angle, arc length, and long chord bearing and distance.
- 3.2.2. Existing right-of-way lines shall be delineated with appropriate bearings, distances, and curve data to the extent necessary to describe the individual parcels of land to be acquired. Curve data shall include the radius, delta angle, arc length, and long chord bearing and distance.

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3.2 *Right-of-Way Map Continued (continued)*

- 3.2.3. The proposed project baseline alignment shall be delineated with appropriate bearings, distances, and curve data. Curve data shall include the station of the curve Point of Intersection (PI), radius, delta angle, arc length, tangent length, long chord bearing and distance, and the N and E coordinates of the curve PI. All alignment PCs, PTs, and even 500 foot stations shall be labeled as to station.
- 3.2.4. Proposed paving lines combined with relevant existing paving lines shall be shown to the extent necessary to compile a complete picture of proposed traffic movements. Proposed paving on the final mylars submitted to the ENGINEER shall be shaded with a dot pattern or highlighted by some other means acceptable to the ENGINEER.
- 3.2.5. Access denial lines shall be shown sufficiently to indicate areas where access is to be denied and where access is to be permitted if required by the ENGINEER.
- 3.2.6. Private property lines shall be delineated with appropriate bearings, distances, and curve data to the extent necessary to describe the individual parcels of land to be acquired. Curve data shall include the radius, delta angle, arc length, and long chord bearing and distance.
- 3.2.7. Porción lines, subdivision lines and survey lines shall be shown and identified by name and Porción number.
- 3.2.8. County lines and city limit lines shall be located and identified by name.
- 3.2.9. A north arrow shall be shown on each sheet, and, if possible, located in the upper right corner of the sheet.
- 3.2.10. Monumentation set or found shall be shown and described as to material and size.
- 3.2.11. A station and offset shall be shown for each PC, PT, and angle point in the proposed right-of-way lines. Stations and offsets shall be with respect to the proposed centerline alignment.
- 3.2.12. Intersecting and adjoining public right-of-ways shall be shown and identified by name, right-of-way width, and recording data.
- 3.2.13. Railroads shall be shown and identified by name, right-of-way width, and recording data.
- 3.2.14. Utility corridors shall be identified as to easement or fee and recording information shall be identified.
- 3.2.15. Easements and fee strips shall be shown and identified by width, owner, distance of easement to a property corner of the parent track, and recording data.
- 3.2.16. Building lines or set-back lines shall be shown and identified.
- 3.2.17. Visible improvements located within the proposed right-of-way corridor or within 50 feet of a proposed right-of-way line shall be shown and identified.
- 3.2.18. Structures shall be identified as commercial or residential, by number of stories, and as to type (brick, wood frame, etc.).
- 3.2.19. Structures which are severed by a proposed right-of-way line shall be dimensioned to the extent necessary to completely delineate the severed parts.
- 3.2.20. Parking areas, billboards, and other on-premise signs which are severed by a proposed right-of-way line shall be dimensioned to the extent necessary to delineate that portion of the parking area, billboard, or sign which is located within the proposed right-of-way corridor.

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3.2 *Right-of-Way Map Continued (continued)*

- 3.2.21. In cases where structures are located outside the proposed right-of-way corridor and within 25 feet of a proposed right-of-way line, the shortest distance between the structure and the proposed right-of-way line shall be shown and field verified.
- 3.2.22. Visible utilities located within the proposed right-of-way corridor or within 50 feet of a proposed right-of-way line shall be shown and identified.
- 3.2.23. The location of underground utilities and fuel storage tanks situated within the proposed right-of-way corridor or within 50 feet of a proposed right-of-way line shall be determined and shown as required by the ENGINEER. The visible location of stand pipes, vents and filler caps in conjunction with available design and as-built drawings may be used to determine a most probable location and size in the event an actual location is indeterminable.
- 3.2.24. Points of commencing and points of beginning shall be shown and labeled. Points of beginning shall be shown with their respective N and E surface coordinates. As an exception, a point of commencing will not be required in the case of a total taking without a remainder.
- 3.2.25. Each parcel of land to be acquired shall be identified by a parcel number which shall appear in the ownership tabulation and on the right-of-way map in the proximity of the respective parcel. If the SURVEYOR is unfamiliar with the criteria used by the STATE to assign parcel numbers, he shall seek the assistance of the ENGINEER at the time the abstract map is complete. THE SURVEYOR SHALL SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM THE ENGINEER IN DEVELOPING AN OWNERSHIP TABULATION TABLE.
- 3.2.26. An ownership tabulation shall be shown which shall include the parcel number, existing area of the parent tract, lot(s) and block(s) constituting the parent tract when applicable, owner's name, type of conveyance, film code, county clerk's file number, taking area, and remaining area of the parent tract located left and/or right of the centerline alignment. Types of conveyance, film code and file numbers refer to conveyances into the STATE and will be added to the right-of-way map by the STATE at a later date. Several blank lines shall be provided in the tabulation block to facilitate future map additions.
- 3.2.27. A parent tract inset shall be shown for each parent tract which cannot be shown to scale on the right-of-way map. The use of broken scale lines should be avoided. When parent tract insets are used, the point of commencing with the appropriate bearing and distance to the point of beginning may be shown on the parent tract inset.
- 3.2.28. A note shall be included on the title sheet and each map sheet stating the source of bearings, coordinates, and datum used.
- 3.2.29. Appropriate notes shall be included on the title sheet and each map sheet stating the following:
  - a. Month(s) and year abstracting upon which the map is based.
  - b. Month(s) and year field surveys were conducted upon which the map is based.
  - c. Month and year the map was completed by the SURVEYOR.
- 3.2.30. The right-of-way CSJ number, if available, shall be shown on each right-of-way map sheet.

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3.3. Exhibits:

An Exhibit shall be prepared for each parcel or tract consisting of a property description and a parcel plat.

3.3.1. Property Description:

A property description shall be prepared for each parcel of land to be acquired. Standard formats for property descriptions, copies of which the SURVEYOR shall request to the ENGINEER and secure for all purposes of this Contract. Property descriptions shall include, but need not be limited to, the following items of information.

All property descriptions shall be signed and sealed by a Registered Professional Land Surveyor. The property description shall begin with a general description which shall include as a minimum:

- a. State, County, and Survey within which the proposed parcel of land to be acquired is located.
- b. A reference to unrecorded and recorded subdivisions by name, lot, block, and recording data to the extent applicable.
- c. A reference by name to the grantor and grantee, date and recording data of the most current instrument(s) of conveyance describing the parent tract. Use execution dates in deed references as opposed to recording or filing dates. In any case, the property description shall make clear which date is being used.

The property description shall continue with a metes and bounds description which shall include as a minimum:

- d. A point of commencing.
- e. A point of beginning with the appropriate N and E surface coordinates.
- f. A series of courses, identified by number and proceeding in a clockwise direction, describing the perimeter of the parcel of land to be acquired, and delineated with appropriate bearings, distances, and curve data.

Curve data shall include the radius, delta angle, arc length, and long chord bearing and distance. Each course shall be identified either as a proposed right-of-way line, and existing right-of-way line, or a property line of the parent tract. Each property line of the parent tract shall be described with an appropriate adjoiner call.

- g. A description of all monumentation set or found shall include, as a minimum, size and material.
- h. A reference to the source of bearings, coordinates, and datum used.

3.3.2. Parcel Plat:

A parcel plat shall be prepared for each parcel of land to be acquired. The STATE has developed standard formats for parcel plats, copies of which the SURVEYOR shall request from the ENGINEER and secure for all purposes in this Contract. Parcel plats shall include each and every item of information shown on the right-of-way map which concerns the individual parcel. All parcel plats shall be signed and sealed by a Registered Professional Land Surveyor.

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**4. DELIVERABLES:**

In preparing right-of-way maps, the following is an outline of the work to be submitted (records should be delivered in a binder):

- —            4.1. An Abstract Map of the current record title holders included in the Preliminary Map showing the proposed schematic and existing right-of-way as per General Specifications defined in 2.11.
- —            4.2. A Right-of-Way map for the project limits under cover of Title Sheet, Index Sheet, Control Data Sheet, and Exhibits of the property descriptions and parcel plats as per General Specifications defined in 2.12, 3.2 and 3.3.  
ROW Map Submittal Requirements:
  - 4.2.1. Two (2) paper sets of half-size ROW maps (11"x 17")
  - 4.2.2. One (1) paper set of the full-size ROW maps (22"x 34")
  - 4.2.3. Four (4) sets of original metes & bounds descriptions (field notes) with parcel plats (signed & sealed by the surveyor). *Do not include traverse sheet.*
  - 4.2.4. City requires one (1) electronic copy of the ROW Map on a CD, and One (1) copy of the DGN electronic file on a CD from the surveyor- Both the electronic copy of the ROW Map and the DGN file can be on one CD.

IF Roadway is ON-SYSTEM and after Administrative Approval of the ROW Maps by Division (REVISIONS) Submittal Requirements:

  - 4.2.5. Two (2) paper sets of the half-size of the affected ROW map sheets (11"x17"), detailing the revision
  - 4.2.6. One (1) paper set of the full-size of the affected ROW map sheets (22"x 34"), detailing the revision
  - 4.2.7. Four (4) sets of any revised original metes & bounds descriptions (field notes) with parcel plats (signed & sealed by the surveyor). *Do not include traverse sheet.*
  - 4.2.8. Division needs one (1) electronic copy of the revised ROW Map sheets on a CD, and
  - 4.2.9. One (1) copy of the DGN electronic file on a CD from the surveyor- detailing the revision-Both the electronic copy of the revised ROW Map sheets and the DGN file can be on one CD.
- —            4.3. Appropriate monuments on the proposed right-of-way lines at intersecting property lines, and at all PCs, PTs, angle points, intersecting right-of-way lines of side streets, and at 1,000 foot stations of the proposed centerline alignment.
- —            4.4. Appropriate monuments on the existing right-of-way lines in areas of no acquisition at all PCs, PTs, angle points, and 1,000 foot stations, and as directed by the ENGINEER of the proposed centerline.
- —            4.5. A SURVEYOR's report, outlining the approach, reasons or basis for the existing right-of-way determination, and conclusions made.
- —            4.6. Records used to establish ownership.
- —            4.7. ROW and parcel filed notes signed and sealed by a RPLS.
- —            4.8. Computation sheets of survey closures, ground surveys, etc. used to develop plats and meets and bound information.
- —            4.9. Items indicated under the Automation Requirements Section 6.
- —            4.10 Completed (Attached) Checklist with submittal of ROW Map etc.

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**5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

For purposes of this Contract, the following general requirements shall apply:

- 5.1. Copies of instruments of record submitted to the ENGINEER shall be indexed by parcel number.
- 5.2. Coordinates appearing on right-of-way maps, on parcel plats, and in property descriptions shall be surface coordinates based on the Texas State Plane Coordinate System. The combined adjustment factors (sea level factor x scale factor) which have been developed by the STATE for its use are as follows:
  - 5.2.1. In (List Applicable Counties): Counties (----- Zone), grid coordinates are multiplied by a combined adjustment factor of 1.xxxxxx to obtain surface coordinates. For work in Counties other than those listed, the ENGINEER will provide the combine adjustment factor.
- 5.3. Line and curve tables may be used when necessary.
- 5.4. The number of centerline alignment stations to be shown on a single plan sheet shall be restricted to the extent necessary to allow approximately 4 inches between match lines and sheet borders for future details and notes.
- 5.5. A minimum 4 inch by 4 inch space shall be reserved at the bottom right corner of each map sheet for future revision notes.

**6. AUTOMATION REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to standard hard copy plots and mylar copies, the following will be required electronically:

- 6.1. Right-of-way maps and parcel plats shall be prepared using a *Micro Station* software graphics system capable of producing graphics files that can be plotted and viewed without further modification or conversion using the State's *Micro Station V8* graphics system.
- 6.2. It is the intent of the ENGINEER to secure graphics files which have elements of equal integrity, singularity, and attributes as elements prepared using the State's *Micro Station V8* graphics system.
- 6.3. For purposes of clarity, consistency, and ease of utilization, the SURVEYOR shall request and secure standards relevant to right-of-way mapping to the extent necessary to ensure that the needs of the ENGINEER are met. This includes, but may not be limited to, TxDOT seed file and corresponding units.def file, TxDOT font resource file, TxDOT GEOPAK SMD file, TxDOT DGNLIB, associated cell libraries and custom line styles, and other files as deemed appropriate for the project.
- 6.4. Graphics files furnished to the ENGINEER by the SURVEYOR shall be submitted on a Compact Disk CD, DVD or USB, in a format compatible with the STATE's computer system. The SURVEYOR shall confer with the ENGINEER regarding acceptable media and formats before making submissions. The SURVEYOR shall request and secure a Consultant File Index form provided by the ENGINEER, to be completed by the SURVEYOR, and to be submitted to the ENGINEER along with the graphics files.
- 6.5. Property descriptions shall be prepared using a computer word processing system capable of producing data files readable using *Microsoft Office Word Version 2007* word processing software.
- 6.6. Data files furnished to the ENGINEER by the SURVEYOR shall be submitted in ACSII format on a CD, DVD or USB.
- 6.7. Provide to the ENGINEER electronic copies of all instruments of record acquired pursuant to a work authorization.

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**7. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS:**

For purposes of this Contract, the following general specifications for right-of-way mapping shall apply:

- 7.1. Completed right-of-way maps shall be submitted to the ENGINEER on single or double matte mylar, 22 inches by 34 inches in size with a 21 inch by 32 inch printed border positioned ½ inch from the top, bottom, and right edge of the sheet. Two copies on 11 inch by 17 inch paper will also be supplied to the ENGINEER.
- 7.2. Parcel plats shall be submitted to the ENGINEER on 8 ½ inch by 11 inch bond paper with respective borders of 7 ½ inches by 10 inches, positioned ½ inch from the top, bottom, and right edge of the sheet. Match lines shall be used where more than one sheet is required.
- 7.3. Right-of-way maps shall be drawn to a scale of 1 inch = 50 feet. An appropriate scale other than 1 inch = 50 feet may be used on some proposed right-of-way projects upon prior approval by the ENGINEER.
- 7.4. Since right-of-way maps are reduced in size by one-half for archiving purposes, the smallest size lettering acceptable on a right-of-way map shall be 1/10 of one inch (Leroy #100). A right-of-way map which contains any lettering smaller than 1/10 of one inch will not be accepted by the ENGINEER.
- 7.5. Parcel plats shall be drawn to a preferred scale of 1 inch = 50 feet. An appropriate scale other than 1 inch = 50 feet may be used on some proposed right-of-way projects upon prior approval by the ENGINEER. In the case of a very large parcel which would be difficult to show with clarity on a single 8 ½ inch by 11 inch sheet, the SURVEYOR shall use multiple 8 ½ inch by 11 inch sheets with matching lines.
- 7.6. The smallest size lettering acceptable on a parcel plat shall be 0.06 of an inch (Leroy #60).
- 7.7. Property descriptions shall be submitted on 8 ½ inch by 11 inch bond paper.
- 7.8. The ENGINEER has encountered a number of mylar products which are considered unacceptable. The SURVEYOR shall confer with the ENGINEER regarding mylar products he intends to use which have not been previously used on State projects.
- 7.9. Zip-A-Tone or other similar stick-on products shall not be used on right-of-way maps or parcel plats.

**8. ADHERENCE TO STANDARDS:**

For purposes of clarity, consistency, and ease of understanding, the CITY/COUNTY, as an acquiring agency of private property for public use, has adopted the STATE standards and formats for right-of-way mapping which have proven to facilitate the processes of negotiation, appraisal, relocation assistance, and condemnation. It shall be the responsibility of the SURVEYOR to adhere to these standards and formats to every extent possible to ensure that the needs of the acquiring agency are met.

**SAMPLES ATTACHED FC 130:**

- PRELIMINARY Right-of-Way Layout / Abstract Map
- Right-of-Way Map, Field Notes, Parcel Sketches and Area Computation Sheets



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- Property descriptions i.e., lot, block, tract, subdivision, etc...
- Identify existing and proposed access denial locations (*if applicable*)

Proposed information:

- #5- 2-ft iron road set monumentation i.e. P.C., P.T., Break Points and 1000' stations at proposed ROW lines and where existing ROW line is the proposed ROW.
- Survey and R.O.W. lines
- Basis of bearings
- Parcel bearings and distances correspond with traverse sheet
- Outside ties (P.O.C.) corresponds with field notes
- Point of beginning (P.O.B.) established on proposed R.O.W. line
- Parcel tied to baseline
- Baseline information shown i.e. Stationing, bearings, curve data, etc...
- Conveyance information shown in tables i.e. parcel number, grantors name, amount of take, remainder etc.
- Math checked on remainder

Improvements:

- Improvements bisected or within 25' of proposed R.O.W. line are shown on map with stationing and distance from proposed R.O.W. line. Buildings are labeled and dimensioned.
- Off-premise outdoor advertising signs within proposed R.O.W. are shown and labeled.

Utilities:

- All utilities within or crossing existing and proposed right of way are shown and labeled as to size, easement or fee width, and recording data of instrument.
- Location of underground storage tanks and/or filler caps are shown and labeled

FIELD NOTES - Heading

- County
- Highway
- Parcel number
- R.O.W. CSJ
- Construction CSJ

General Description or "preamble"

- Area of parcel to be acquired is shown in acreage (0.000) for rural land and/or square feet (to nearest whole sq. ft.) for urban land or smaller parcels

Parent tract data is shown:

- Size of parent tract
- Survey data or lot, block, and subdivision
- Name of last recorded seller and buyer
- Date, volume and page or document number of last recorded conveyance
- Records and county of last recorded conveyance

Beginning Description

- Point of commencement is on outside tie and is described accurately by bearings and distances as it leads to the point of beginning.
- Point of beginning is on proposed R.O.W. line

Particular Description

- Traverse calls are clockwise sequence
- Bearings and distances correspond exactly with map, parcel sketch, and traverse sheet
- Bearings are to nearest whole second and distances are to the nearest one-hundredth of a foot
- Calls are numbered
- Denial of access shall be described from beginning to end (*if applicable*)

Closing Description

- Last call leads back to P.O.B.
- Restates area of parcel

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- Establishes taking in existing road R.O.W. if applicable
- Legal description is referenced to Plat
- Sealed and signed
- Include an access clause whether access is permitted or denied (*if applicable*)

**PARCEL SKETCH:**

- Shows P.O.B. and P.O.C.
- All data corresponds exactly with Map and Field Notes
- Sheet size is no larger than 8 1/2" x 11"
- Plat closely matches example provided
- Plat referenced to legal description
- Sealed and signed
- Include an access clause whether access is permitted or denied (*if applicable*)
- Existing utility lines and easements (deed reference, if available);

**TRAVERSE SHEET**

- Computations show area to be acquired in sq. ft. or acres, whichever is applicable
- Computations show area that is existing road R.O.W. if applicable
- Traverse calls are in clockwise sequence
- Error of closure meets the following:

Secondary rural	.0003
Primary rural - secondary urban	.0002
Urban or industrial	.00013

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**SECTION 6 - FIELD SURVEYING AND PHOTOGRAMMETRY**

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**DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS:**

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of a "design survey" is to provide field information in support of transportation systems design.

The purpose of a "construction survey" is to provide field data in support of highway construction.

**DEFINITIONS:**

A "design survey" is defined as the combined performance of research, field work, analysis, computation, and documentation necessary to provide detailed topographic (3-dimensional) mapping of a project site. A design survey may include, but need not be limited to, cross-sections or data to create cross-sections and Digital Terrain Models (DTM), horizontal and vertical location of utilities and improvements, detailing of bridges and other structures, review of right-of-way maps, establishing control points, etc.

A "construction survey" is defined as the combined performance of reconnaissance, field work, analysis, computation, and documentation necessary to provide the horizontal and vertical position of specific ground points to be used by the construction contractor for determining lines and grades.

**1. Design Surveying**

a. Primary Project Control – 3 to 5 miles spacing

Precision shall be 1 part in 20,000 or better, unless otherwise directed by the District Engineer.

- (1) Establish horizontal control points
- (2) Establish vertical control points

NOTE: ALL BEARING AND DISTANCE SHALL BE BASED ON THE STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM NAD 1983, SOUTH ZONE. ALL DISTANCES AND COORDINATES SHALL BE SURFACE AND MAY BE CONVERTED TO GRID BY MULTIPLYING BY A COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 0.999960

b. Secondary Project Control – Surveyor shall recover and/or reset H&V Control Points as provided by the Engineer and create Survey Control Data Sheets for inclusion in the Construction Project Plans signed and sealed by an R.P.L.S.

- (1) No traverse should exceed 25 angle points. Planimetrics shall be 20 ft Lt & Rt from the proposed ROW as per the schematic provided by the Engineer.
- (2) The unadjusted angular error should not exceed 2 seconds per angle, plus 14 seconds.
- (3) The unadjusted ratio of precision should be one part in 10,000 or better. (The ratio of precision is the total length of the traverse divided by the total error.)
- (4) The unadjusted vertical error should not exceed 0.03 foot per mile of traverse.
- (5) Project control base lines
- (6) Photogrammetric ground control
  - (a) Establish horizontal control
  - (b) Establish vertical control points
  - (c) Place and maintain control point targets

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c. Other Design Surveying

- (1) **The limit of the Design surveys shall be 500-ft before and after the limits of the project as identified by the Project Engineer on the schematic. Establish horizontal and vertical control.** Set H&V Control at 1000-ft intervals along the project proposed right-of-way. Provide x, y, z for each H&V Control. Provide an H&V Control along each outfall identified on the Hydrologic Map. The H&V Control shall be #5 I.R. 2-ft in depth set in concrete. **The surveyor shall provide an H&V Control Book (a Sample shall be provided by the Engineer to the Surveyor).** The Surveyor will provide a 3-pt reference sketch with ties to the BMs for inclusion the existing H&V Control Book. Establish benchmark circuit throughout the project with a tolerance of 0.03'/ft per mile error vertically.
- (2) Complete topographic and cross section survey, data processing, and CADD mapping (2D & 3D) for the limits of the project.
- (3) Locate all visible utilities, data processing and CADD mapping (2D & 3D) including irrigation lines. Follow sample provided by the Engineer.
- (4) Field locate cross culverts, driveway culverts, inverts, irrigation lines, within the project limits, data processing and CADD mapping (2D & 3D).
- (5) Right of Entry, Right of Way Research, and Appraisal District Records is the responsibility of the Surveyor.
- (6) The Surveyor shall stake the proposed centerline on the existing fields as approved by Engineer before construction for the purpose of utility adjustments and project location.
- (7) Profile and cross section intersecting streets for ties into project (500-ft. beyond the proposed ROW per schematic and 20-ft wider than the existing ROW of intersecting street). Reference missing voids as per CD provided by the Engineer.
- (8) Cross section irrigation crossings for a distance of 20-ft beyond the proposed ROW at 100-ft intervals in a DTM file. Provide a complete description of irrigation appurtances as identified by the engineer sample layout "EXHIBIT E". The SURVEYOR will meet with the ENGINEER before he ties down any irrigation lines. Jointly the SURVEYOR and the ENGINEER will identify from records such as the Irrigation District Maps and the A&M Data of existing irrigation lines that will need to be tied down. The SURVEYOR will follow the sample given to him by the ENGINEER and tie the structures horizontally and vertically and include in the field books to be submitted.
- (9) Tie Horizontally and Vertically the existing storm drain system that lies within the existing proposed ROW including the elevation of the outfall of said recovered existing storm drain systems.
- (10) Tie to existing underground and overhead utilities (location, elevation and direction)  
Horizontally – The surveyor shall call the 1-800 number for the utilities to be marked on the ground as well as any city water and sewer lines. He shall tie all visible utility crossings with name, address and Phone #'s of utility companies. The engineer will coordinate with the utility companies and jointly the Surveyor and the Engineer will identify which utilities were missed and need to be tied down.  
Vertically – The engineer shall identify all utilities that are potential conflicts and that need to be tied vertically. The engineer will advise the surveyor in writing of the needed vertical ties and the surveyor will tie the lines vertically once the surveyor has coordinated the exposure and provide the information to the engineer.

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(11) Cross section and profile all outfall channels identified on the Hydrologic Map for a distance of 200-ft beyond the proposed ROW upstream and downstream at 100-ft intervals. The SURVEYOR will provide a complete 2D/3D File including utilities of the outfalls identified.

- (12) Driveways and Turnouts
- (a) Inventory commercial entrances, public roads and side streets separately.
  - (b) Obtain centerline station. (Width at ROW, PAV'T and existing radius.
  - (c) Inventory by type (dirt, caliche, gravel or paved). If paved, indicate condition in terms of no patches, has patches or has potholes.
  - (d) Obtain width at R.O.W. line.
  - (e) Obtain elevations at both edges of the driveway or turnout in line with the side drain.

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(13) ROW staking (Existing and Proposed @ 1,000 ft. stations PC's PT's and Angle points as per ROW Map)

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(14) Soil core hole staking at bridge class structures.

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(15) Determine changes in topography from voids and outdated maps due to development, erosion, etc.

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(16) Profiles of existing drainage facilities.

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(17) Measurement of hydraulic opening under existing bridges.

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(18) Obtain elevations of manholes and valves of utilities

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(19) Provide temporary signs, traffic control, flags, safety equipment, etc.

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(20) Ties to existing bridges railroad rail elevations or culverts that may conflict with new construction.

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(21) Bridge widening top of deck and/or top of cap elevations at the Profile Grade Line (PGL) and the edges of slab at bent locations.

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(22) Inventory signs, mailboxes, and driveways

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(23) Locate wetlands.

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(24) Locate existing right-of-ways.

d. Construction Surveys:

In performing construction surveys, the following will be requested by the ENGINEER on an as needed basis, but need not be limited to:

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(1) Stake existing and/or proposed right-of-ways.

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(2) Stake existing and/or proposed baseline/centerline.

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(3) Stake proposed bridge structures.

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(4) Stake proposed drainage structures, such as manholes, culverts, etc.

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(5) Set grade stakes.

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(6) Recover and check existing control points.

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(7) Establish additional control points.

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(8) Check elevations and locations of structures.

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(9) Determine and resolve conflicts associated with survey data.

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—      —      **2. Photogrammetric Products**

- a. Uncontrolled Photography
  - (1) Contact Prints
  - (2) Mosaics
  - (3) Digital ortho plots
- b. Mapping
  - (1) Planimetric Maps
  - (2) Contour Maps
  - (3) Cross Sections
  - (4) Profiles
  - (5) Digital Terrain Models (DTM)

—      —      **3. UTILITY SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION:**

Utility Quality Levels are in cumulative order (least to greatest) as follows

—      —      3.1. Quality Level C - Existing Records: Utilities are plotted from review of available existing records that will be generated by the Engineer on the schematic and provided to the surveyor for his further creation of a Utility Map which will be turned in as a deliverable as part of this work order.

—      —      3.2. Quality Level B - Surface Visible Feature Survey: The Surveyor shall gather the field tied Utility Information and compare it to the existing records (if any) as provided by the Engineer and correlate with surveyed surface-visible features. The surveyor shall create a Utility Layout Map or plan layout 2D, showing the limits of the proposed project and limits of the work area required for this work authorization; including highway stations, limits within existing or proposed right of way. Correlate utility owner records with designating data and resolve discrepancies using professional judgment. A color-coded composite utility facility plan with utility owner names, quality levels, line sizes and subsurface utility locate (test hole) locations. The Layout Map will include all utilities that have been field tied – 2D Horizontal Utilities. This Layout will be provided to the Engineer and a meeting held with Engineer to identify which utilities will need to be tied down vertically. A note must be placed on the designate deliverable only that states "lines sizes are from best available records". All above ground appurtenance locations must be included in the deliverable to the Engineer. This information will be provided in the latest version of Micro Station or Geopak used by the State. The electronic file will be delivered on C.D. or DVD. A hard copy is required and must be signed, sealed, and dated by the Surveyor. Note: Determine and inform the Engineer of the approximate utility depths at critical locations. This depth indication is understood by the Engineer to be approximate only and is not intended to be used for preparing the construction plans.

—      —      3.3. Subsurface Utility Locate (Test Hole) Service (Quality Level A), THE SURVEYOR SHALL ESTIMATE LOCATING VERICALLY 25 UTILITES PER MILE OR AS IDENTIFIED BY THE ENGINEER. Locate shall mean to obtain precise horizontal and vertical position, material type, condition, size and other data that may be obtainable about the utility facility and its surrounding environment through exposure by non-destructive excavation techniques that ensures the integrity of the utility facility. Subsurface Utility Locate (Test Hole) Services (Quality Level A) are inclusive of Quality Levels B and C. The Surveyor shall:

3.3.1 Review the requested test hole locations that have been identified by the Engineer and Coordinate with utility owner inspectors as may be required by law or utility owner policy.

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3. *Utility Subsurface (continued)*

- 3.3.2 Measure and record the following data on an appropriately formatted test hole data sheet that has been sealed and dated by the Engineer:
- Elevation of top and/or bottom of utility tied to the datum of the furnished plan.
  - Identify a minimum of two benchmarks utilized. Elevations shall be within an accuracy of 15mm (.591 inches) of utilized benchmarks.
  - Elevation of existing grade over utility at test hole location.
  - Horizontal location referenced to project coordinate datum.
  - Outside diameter of pipe or width of duct banks and configuration of non-encased multi-conduit systems.
  - Utility facility material(s).
  - Utility facility condition.
  - Coating/Wrapping information and condition.
  - Unusual circumstances or field conditions.
- 3.3.3 Excavate test holes in such a manner as to prevent any damage to wrappings, coatings, cathodic protection or other protective coverings and features. Water excavation can only be utilized with written approval from the appropriate State District Office.
- 3.3.4 Back fill all excavations with appropriate material, compact backfill by mechanical means, and restore pavement and surface material. The Engineer shall be responsible for the integrity of the backfill and surface restoration for a period of three years. Install a marker ribbon throughout the backfill.
- 3.3.5 Provide complete restoration of work site and landscape to equal or better condition than before excavation.
- 3.3.6 Plot utility location position information on the Utility Layout sheet and identify the vertical elevation and sealed by the responsible Surveyor. This information will be provided in the latest version of Micro Station or Geopak format used by the State. The electronic file will be delivered on C.D or DVD.

4. **DELIVERABLES:**

The deliverables to be specified in individual work authorizations for design surveys and construction surveys may be any combination of the following:

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| ___ | ___ | 4.1. Digital Terrain Models (DTM) in a format acceptable by the ENGINEER.  |
| ___ | ___ | 4.2. Final H&V Field Book Binder with all pertinent information obtained in the field for Design Surveys. Maps, plans, or sketches prepared by the SURVEYOR showing the results of field surveys.  |
| ___ | ___ | 4.3. Computer printouts or other tabulations summarizing the results of field surveys.   |
| ___ | ___ | 4.4. Digital files or media acceptable by the ENGINEER containing field survey data.   |
| ___ | ___ | 4.5. Maps, plats, plans, sketches, or other documents acquired from utility companies, private corporations, or other public agencies, the contents of which are relevant to the survey.   |
| ___ | ___ | 4.6. Field survey notes, as electronic and/or hard copies.   |
| ___ | ___ | 4.7. A H&V Control Book identifying the basis of the Primary and Secondary Control and an 8 ½ inch by 11 inch survey control data sheet for each construction control point which shall include, but need not be limited to, a location sketch, a physical description of the point including a minimum of two reference ties, surface coordinates, a surface adjustment factor, elevation, and the horizontal and vertical datums used. Survey control data sheets shall be signed and sealed by the supervising Registered Professional Land Surveyor. |

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| — | — | 4.8. Final mylar set of 11 inch by 17 inch Survey Control data sheets sign and seal by the RPLS per TxDOT guidelines.  |
| — | — | 4.9. A digital and/or hard copy of all computer printouts of horizontal and vertical conventional traverses, GPS analysis and results, data including property descriptions with field notes and plats, right-of-way maps, and survey control data sheets to include in the H&V Field Book Binder. |
| — | — | 4.10. Survey reports in a format requested by the ENGINEER.  |
| — | — | 4.11. Items indicated under the Automation Requirements Section 6.   |

**5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 5.1. Design surveys and construction surveys shall be performed under the supervision of a Registered Professional Land Surveyor currently registered with the Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying.
- 5.2. Horizontal ground control used for design surveys and construction surveys, furnished to the SURVEYOR by the ENGINEER or based on acceptable methods conducted by the SURVEYOR, shall meet the standards of accuracy required by the STATE.
- 5.3. Reference may be made to standards of accuracy for horizontal control traverses, as described in the FGCS Standards and Specifications for Geodetic Control Networks, latest edition, the TxDOT Survey Manual, latest edition, the TxDOT GPS Manual of Practice, latest edition, or the TSPS Manual of Practice for Land Surveying in the State of Texas, as may be applicable.
- 5.4. Vertical ground control used for design surveys and construction surveys, furnished to the SURVEYOR by the ENGINEER or based on acceptable methods conducted by the SURVEYOR, shall meet the standards of accuracy required by the ENGINEER.
- 5.5. Reference may be made to standards of accuracy for vertical control traverses, as described in the FGCS Standards and Specifications for Geodetic Control Networks, latest edition, the TxDOT Survey Manual, latest edition, the TxDOT GPS Manual of Practice, latest edition, or the TSPS Manual of Practice for Land Surveying in the State of Texas, as may be applicable.
- 5.6. Side shots or short traverse procedures used to determine horizontal and vertical locations shall meet the following criteria:
  - Side shots or short traverses shall begin and end on horizontal and vertical ground control as described above.
  - Standards, procedures, and equipment used shall be such that horizontal locations relative to the control may be reported within the following limits:
    - Bridges and other roadway structures: less than 0.1 of one foot.
    - Utilities and improvements: less than 0.2 of one foot.
    - Cross-sections and profiles: less than 1 foot.
    - Bore holes: less than 3 feet.
  - Standards, procedures, and equipment used shall be such that vertical locations relative to the control may be reported within the following limits:
    - Bridges and other roadway structures: less than 0.02 of one foot.
    - Utilities and improvements: less than 0.1 of one foot.
    - Cross-sections and profiles: less than 0.2 of one foot.
    - Bore holes: less than 0.5 of one foot.

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5. **AUTOMATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- 6.1 Planimetric design files (DGN) shall be fully compatible with the State's *Micro Station V8* graphics program without further modification or conversion.
- 6.2 Electronically collected and processed field survey data files shall be fully compatible with the State's *CADD* systems without further modification or conversion. All files shall incorporate only those feature codes currently being used by the STATE.
- 6.3 Digital Terrain Models (DTM) shall be fully compatible with the STATE's GEOPAK system without further modification or conversion. All DTM files shall be fully edited and rectified to provide a complete digital terrain model with all necessary break lines.

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**ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

**A. TRAFFIC CONTROL:**

The SURVEYOR shall control traffic in and near surveying operations adequately to comply with provisions of the latest edition of the TxDOT Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices – Part VI and the latest edition of the Occupational Safety Manual both of which can be found on the TxDOT internet site.

In the event field crew personnel must divert traffic or close traveled lanes, a Traffic Control Plan based upon principles outlined in the latest edition of the TxDOT Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices – Part VI shall be prepared by the SURVEYOR and approved by the ENGINEER prior to commencement of field work. A copy of the approved plan shall be in the possession of field crew personnel on the job site at all times and shall be made available to the ENGINEER for inspection upon request.

**B. INVOICING:**

Payment requests shall include a SURVEYOR’s invoice. With each payment request, the SURVEYOR shall submit a project status report which will, as a minimum, include the percentage of total work complete as of the date of the payment request and a description of current work activity. The percentage of total work complete shall not be based simply on the percentage of funds expended, but shall be based on the best judgment of the SURVEYOR as to the percentage of actual work complete.

**C. EASEMENTS, LETTERS OF PERMISSION, ETC.**

The SURVEYOR shall be responsible for delineating easements. The SURVEYOR will be responsible for securing the necessary legal instruments and obtaining all Right-of-Entries (ROEs).

**D. MEETINGS:**

The ENGINEER shall setup the necessary meetings with the SURVEYOR in order to assure all field information is provided on-time and products are delivered in accordance with TxDOT’s specifications. SURVEYOR must attend all meetings involving data provided if requested by ENGINEER.

**E. PROJECT MANAGER/SURVEYOR COMMUNICATION:**

The SURVEYOR shall designate one Texas Registered Professional Land Surveyor (RPLS) to be responsible throughout the project for project surveying coordination and all communications, including billing, with the ENGINEER.

**F. OFFICE LOCATION:**

The SURVEYOR will perform the services to be provided under this agreement out of a local office and have a crew available to perform requested tasks within 24 hours of request. The coordinating SURVEYOR’s Project Manager (RPLS) shall be accessible at all times and working from the local office.

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**SECTION 7 - ROADWAY DESIGN CONTROLS**

(Function Code 160)

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1. Geometric Design
    - a. Horizontal and Vertical Alignment (Preliminary based on office surveys)
    - b. Schematic Layout
      - (1) The location of interchanges, main lanes, grade separations, frontage roads and ramps.
      - (2) Develop vertical and horizontal alignment of main lanes, ramps and cross roads at proposed interchanges or grade separations. Frontage road alignment data need not be shown on the schematic; however, it should be developed in sufficient detail to determine ROW needs. The degree of horizontal curves and vertical curve data, including "K" values, shall also be shown for ease of checking.
      - (3) For freeways, show the location and text of the proposed main lane guide signs. Lane lines and/or arrows indicating the number of lanes shall also be shown.
      - (4) A complete explanation of the sequence and methods of stage construction, if proposed, including the initial and ultimate proposed treatment of crossovers and ramps.
      - (5) The tentative ROW limits.
        - (a) Provide a roadway Design System (RDS) or (GEOPAK) computer tape of the preliminary earthwork to verify ROW requirements.
        - (b) Provide a graphics file containing the approved schematic.
      - (6) The geometric (pavement cross slopes, lane and shoulder widths, slope rates for fills and cuts) of the typical sections of proposed highway main lanes, ramps, frontage roads, and cross roads.
      - (7) The current and projected traffic volumes as provided by the TxDOT (20 year traffic projection, unless otherwise determined by the District Engineer).
      - (8) The control of access lines if Interstate or designated under House Bill 179.
      - (9) Direction of traffic flow on all roadways.
      - (10) Location and width of median openings for highway without access control.
      - (11) The geometric of speed change (acceleration, deceleration, climbing) lanes.
  
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  2. General Guidelines for Project Development
    - a. Prior to preparing detailed plans for a proposed project, a preliminary schematic layout shall be prepared which indicates the general geometric features and location requirements peculiar to the project. An uncontrolled aerial mosaic will be provided for this use. Four copies of the schematic layout shall be submitted through the district to the Design Division for approval and subsequent coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) where applicable. The layout shall be submitted for two-lane arterial highway projects on new locations and for all multi-lane highway projects. **No geometric design is to be performed until the COUNTY has given the engineer written approval of the preliminary schematic layout.**
    - b. All geometric design shall be in conformance with the State's Design Division, Operations and Procedures Manual, except where variances are permitted in writing by the STATE.
    - c. The schematic layout shall include basic information which is necessary for the proper review and evaluation including the items listed above in the checklist for schematic layout.
    - d. Handling of traffic during construction shall be a consideration in the development of preliminary designs.

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- 2. General Guidelines for Project Development (*continued*)
  - e. Upon approval of the schematic layout by Design Division (FHWA on Federal-aid projects), it shall be the basis for an exhibit at any required public hearing prior to final development of the project. If there are any changes to the schematic after the Design Division and FHWA approval and before the public hearing, four copies of the revised schematic, as displayed at the hearing, shall be submitted either prior to or accompanying the public hearing data. If there are no changes in the schematic as displayed at the hearing, only photographs of the schematic and other displays shall be submitted with the public hearing data.
  - f. For all freeway construction projects, these schematics shall show the location and text of the proposed main lane guide signs. A schematic layout shall be submitted through the district to the Traffic Operations Division, Traffic Safety Section for approval and subsequent coordination with the FHWA. All signing shall be in conformance with the Texas MUTCD.
  - g. On complex projects, informal contact through the district with the Design Division and FHWA personnel is encouraged with regard to development of preliminary design prior to official schematic submission.
  - h. The engineer shall furnish a project tape that is compatible with the STATE's computer system, a project listing, and a cross section plot showing the original design sections containing the earthwork input and original cross sections for the project. **Accuracy of the earthwork design is of utmost importance since it is the basis for contractor payments and construction staking.**
  
- 3. Exhibit for Airway/Highway Clearance Permits
  
- 4. Grading Design
  - a. Refine the horizontal and vertical alignment of main lanes, frontage roads, ramps, cross roads and direct connectors based upon the approved schematic layout. Determine vertical clearances at grade separations and overpasses, taking into account the appropriate super elevation rate.
  - b. Typical Sections
  - c. Design Cross Sections
  - d. Determine Cut and Fill Quantities
  - e. Slope Stability Analysis
  - f. Embankment Foundation Stability Analysis
  - g. Embankment Settlement Analysis
  
- 5. Pavement Design
  - a. Prior to initiating detailed plan preparations for a project, a preliminary investigation shall be made to determine the approximate section and pavement type to be used for the pavement structure. The Flexible Pavement Design Manual for flexible pavement, "Appendix F" of the Design Division, Operations and Procedures Manual, and the current AASHTO Guide for the Design of Pavement Structures, may be used for this purpose.
  - b. The typical section shall also reflect proposed geometric including pavement cross slopes, lane and shoulder widths, and slope rates whenever this data have not been previously shown on a schematic submission.
  - c. Embankment and Subgrade
    - (1) Soil Core Holes (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)
      - (a) Along center line
      - (b) Along center line of each roadwayThe location and minimum number of soil core holes required for this project are as follows: (To be determined when schematic is being completed)

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- 5. Pavement Design (*continued*)
  - c. Embankment and Subgrade (*continued*)
    - (2) Identify, interpret and summarize geologic features that affect engineering design (PI, Sulfate content, % of lime)
  - d. Traffic Data for Pavement Design by STATE
  - e. Basic Design Criteria
  - f. Life Cycle Cost Analysis(es)
  - g. Cost Data
  - h. Pavement Material Properties
  - i. Rehabilitation Investigations
    - (1) Core Hole Survey (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)
      - (a) Determine type and depth of existing material, pavement, etc. The Engineer will determine whether to salvage ACP and FLEXBASE as well as their properties and provide this information to TxDOT.

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**SECTION 8 - DRAINAGE**  
(Function Code 161)

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All hydraulic design shall be in accordance with the TxDOT's Hydraulic Manual, except where variances are permitted in writing by the COUNTY.

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|     |     | 1. Hydrologic Studies, Discharges  |
| ___ | ___ | a. Hydrologic Map showing drainage areas, contours and drainage Q's.                             |
| ___ | ___ | b. Drainage area maps showing existing conditions and proposed improvements.                     |
| ___ | ___ | c. Hydrologic data/discharge determination   |
|     |     | 2. Hydraulic Drainage Study and Documentation  |
| ___ | ___ | a. Hydraulic computations  |
|     |     | (1) Storm water detention available within the ROW (linear ft. along side drain ditch).          |
| ___ | ___ | (2) Storm water detention required outside the ROW (as per HCDD#1)                               |
| ___ | ___ | (3) Culverts   |
| ___ | ___ | (4) Bridge waterways   |
| ___ | ___ | (5) Channels   |
| ___ | ___ | (6) Storm sewers/inlets  |
| ___ | ___ | (7) Pump stations  |
| ___ | ___ | (8) Storm Water Management facilities  |
| ___ | ___ | (9) Other  |
|     |     | (a) Irrigation Canals/Siphons  |
| ___ | ___ | b. Hydraulic report(s)   |
| ___ | ___ | c. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodway requirements                              |
| ___ | ___ | d. Determine impact of proposed drainage plan on the following receiving stream(s)               |
|     |     | (1) Hidalgo County Drainage District Outfalls  |
|     |     | (2) All Irrigation District Outfalls impacted  |
|     |     | 3. Layout, Structural Design and Detailing of Drainage Features                                  |
| ___ | ___ | a. Culverts  |
|     |     | (1) New culverts   |
| ___ | ___ | (2) Culvert widening and/or lengthening  |
| ___ | ___ | (3) Culvert replacements   |
| ___ | ___ | b. Storm sewers  |
|     |     | (1) New storm sewers   |
| ___ | ___ | (2) Modify existing storm sewers   |
| ___ | ___ | (3) Inlets   |
| ___ | ___ | (4) Manholes   |
| ___ | ___ | (5) Trunk lines  |
| ___ | ___ | c. Pump stations   |
| ___ | ___ | d. Subsurface drainage at retaining walls  |
| ___ | ___ | e. Outfall channel(s) within the ROW   |
| ___ | ___ | f. Outfall channel(s) outside the ROW  |
| ___ | ___ | g. Detention Pond(s) within the ROW  |
| ___ | ___ | h. Detention Pond(s) outside the ROW   |
| ___ | ___ | i. Summary of Quantities   |
| ___ | ___ | j. Storm Water Management facilities   |
| ___ | ___ | 4. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SW3P)  |
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**SECTION 9 - SIGNING, MARKINGS AND SIGNALIZATION**

(Function Code 162)

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- —      1.   Signing and Markings Layout
- a.   Requirements (Separate Layout)
- (1)   Roadway layout
- (2)   Center line with station numbering
- (3)   ROW lines
- (4)   Culverts and other structures that present a hazard to traffic
- (5)   Location of utilities, if not shown on plan and profile
- (6)   Existing signs to remain, to be removed, to be relocated
- (7)   Proposed signs (illustrated and numbered)
- (8)   Existing overhead sign bridges to remain, to be revised, removed or relocated
- (9)   Proposed overhead sign bridges indicating location by plan layout (electrical details need not be shown on this layout)
- (10)   Proposed markings (illustrated and quantified) which include pavement markings, object markings and delineation
- (12)   Quantities of existing pavement markings to be removed
- (13)   Proposed delineators and object markers
- b.   For projects involving freeway to freeway or other types of directional interchanges, projects including left-hand ramps or connections, the following information must be provided:
- (1)   The location of interchanges, main lanes, grade separations, frontage roads and ramps
- (2)   complete explanation of the sequence and methods of stage construction, where applicable, which would include the initial and ultimate proposed treatment of crossovers and ramps
- (3)   The number of lanes in each section of proposed highway and the location of changes in numbers of lanes
- (4)   The projected traffic volumes as provided by the STATE (20 year traffic projection, unless otherwise determined by the District Engineer)
- (5)   Tentative ROW limits
- (6)   Direction of traffic flow on all roadways
- (7)   Main lane, ramp, frontage road, and necessary cross road profiles at proposed interchanges or grade separations
- —      2.   Summary of Small Signs Tabulation
- —      3.   Summary of Large Signs Tabulation including all Guide Signs
- —      4.   Sign Detail Sheets
- a.   All signs except route markers
- b.   Design details for large guide signs
- c.   Dimensions of letters, shields, borders, corner radii etc.
- d.   Designation of shields attached to guide signs
- e.   Designation of arrow used on exit direction signs

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5. Traffic Signals

a. Development of Justification (Warrant) Data

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- (1) Location Map  
Relationship of proposed installation to other traffic signals, highways, business areas and traffic generators
- (2) Photographs as appropriate
- (3) Accident data as appropriate
- (4) Vehicle volumes (provided by TxDOT)
  - (a) Existing
  - (b) Estimated
  - (c) Projected
  - (d) Pedestrian
- (5) Traffic Survey - Count Analysis
- (6) Recommendation based on above data

b. Layout

- (1) Title Sheet (when applicable)
  - (a) Describe the location
  - (b) Type of installation
  - (c) Area map with project limits for each location
  - (d) Index of sheets
  - (e) Space for official signatures
- (2) Estimate and quantity sheet (when applicable)
  - (a) List of all bid items
  - (b) Bid item quantities
  - (c) Specification item number
  - (d) Paid item description and unit of measure
- (3) Basis of estimate sheet (list of materials)
- (4) General notes and specification data sheet
- (5) Condition diagram
  - (a) Highway and intersection design features
  - (b) Roadside development
  - (c) Traffic control including illumination
- (6) Plan sheet(s)
  - (a) Existing traffic control that will remain (signs and markings)
  - (b) Existing utilities
  - (c) Proposed highway improvements
  - (d) Proposed installation
  - (e) Proposed additional traffic controls
  - (f) When applicable, proposed conduit for Railroad interconnect with standard details for runs under tracks.
  - (g) Proposed illumination attached to signal poles.
- (7) Notes for plan layout
- (8) Elevation sheet(s) (span wire design)
- (9) Phase sequence diagram(s)
  - (a) Signal locations
  - (b) Signal indications
  - (c) Phase diagram
  - (d) Signal sequence table
  - (e) Flashing operation (normal and emergency)
  - (f) Preemption operation (when applicable)
  - (g) Interval timing, cycle length and offset

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5. Traffic Signals (*continued*)
- b. Layout (*continued*)
- (10) Construction detail sheets(s)
- (a) Poles (TxDOT standard sheets)
- (b) Detectors
- (c) Pull Box and conduit layout
- (d) Controller Foundation standard sheet
- (11) Marking details (when applicable)
- (12) Barricade and warning sign standard sheet and any special details for work zone traffic control for special conditions
- (13) Aerial or underground interconnect details (when applicable)
- c. General Requirements
- (1) Contact local utility company
- (a) Confirm power source
- (b) Discuss route of aerial or underground interconnect cable (when applicable)
- (c) Adjustment of overhead utility lines
- (2) Prepare governing specifications and special provisions list
- (3) Prepare project estimate
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- d. Summary of Quantities

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SECTION 10 - MISCELLANEOUS (ROADWAY)  
(Function Code 163)

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1. Retaining Walls
  - a. Structural Details
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) Cast-in-Place Cantilever at \_\_\_ locations. (TxDOT Standard Retaining Wall)\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) Tiedback Retaining Wall at \_\_\_ location. (TxDOT standard retaining wall)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (3) Specialized Retaining Wall at \_\_\_ locations (Unique Design).\*
  - b. Alternate Patented Retaining Walls at all locations. (Layouts Only)\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) Mechanically Stabilized Earth
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) Concrete Block Wall Systems
  - c. Retaining Wall Layout (PLAN)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) Designation of reference line
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) Beginning and ending retaining wall stations
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (3) Station of each retaining wall joint\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (4) Offset from reference line
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (5) Horizontal curve data
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (6) Number of retaining wall panels and lengths\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (7) Total length of wall
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (8) Indicate face of wall
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (9) All wall dimensions and alignment relations (alignment data as necessary)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (10) Soil core hole locations
  - d. Retaining Wall Layout (ELEVATION)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) Top of wall elevations at each joint or intervals\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) Existing and finished ground line elevations
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (3) Height of stem at each joint\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (4) Wall panel designations\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (5) Top of footing elevations\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (6) Limits of measurement for payment\*\*\*\*
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (7) Type, limits and anchorage details of railing (If applicable)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (8) Top and bottom of wall profiles and soil core hole data plotted at correct station and elevation. The plot shall be at the same scale as the wall profile. Ground water elevations and the observation date shall be shown.
  - e. Foundation Studies (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) The soil core holes shall be obtained at approximately 200 foot intervals along retaining wall alignments. The core holes shall extend 25 feet below the footing elevation.
  - f. Stability Analysis (the ENGINEER shall estimate this task as part of his bid to complete the work).
  - g. Estimate
  - h. Summary of Quantities
  - i. Typical X-section.
  - j. General Guidelines for Retaining Walls
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (1) The ENGINEER shall make final design calculations and final detail drawings in accordance with standard requirements of the Texas Department of Transportation. **The designer and checker shall check all calculations and initial each page.**
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (2) The ground water level should be observed at the water strike.
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (3) For purposes of uniformity statewide, soil core hole data shall be shown on layouts as illustrated in the Bridges and Structures Foundation Exploration and Design Manual.
    - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ (4) Foundation exploration shall conform to the requirements set forth in Administrative Circular No. 25-84, Administrative Circular 33-87 and Administrative Circular No. 25-92.

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2. Traffic Control Plan, Detours and Sequence of Construction

Traffic Control Plans (TCP) are required for all projects. A detailed TCP shall be developed when traffic handling during construction involves complications for which a feasible solution is not covered by the Texas MUTCD or the current Barricade and Construction (BC) Standards. The following items are required on all Traffic Control Plan Layouts:

- a. The sequence of construction and method of handling traffic during each phase.
- b. The existing and proposed traffic control devices that will be used to handle traffic during each construction sequence. Include signals, regulatory signs, warning signs, construction warning signs, guide signs, route markers, construction pavement markings, channelizing devices, portable changeable message signs, flashing arrow boards, barricades, barriers, etc.
- c. The proposed traffic control devices (stop signs, signals, flag person, etc.) at grade intersections during each construction sequence.
- d. Where detours are provided, typical cross sections shall be shown.
- e. Road construction work hours shall be developed after an investigation of the traffic volumes has been performed.

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3. Illumination

a. Preliminary Roadway Illumination Layout and Circuit Layout

(1) For projects involving freeway to freeway or other types of directional interchanges and projects including left-hand ramps or connections, provide the following:

- (a) The location of interchanges, main lanes, grade separations, frontage roads and ramps
- (b) A complete explanation of the sequence and methods of stage construction, where applicable, which would include the initial and ultimate proposed treatment of crossovers and ramps
- (c) The number of lanes in each section of proposed highway and the location of changes in the number of lanes
- (d) The projected traffic volumes as provided by the STATE (20 year traffic projection unless otherwise determined by the district engineer)
- (e) Tentative ROW limits
- (f) Direction of traffic flow on all roadways
- (g) Main lane, ramp, frontage road, and necessary cross road profiles at proposed interchanges or grade separations

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b. Final Roadway Illumination and Electrical Circuit Layouts

- (1) Roadway layout showing pavement edges, shoulders, curbs, retaining walls, etc.
- (2) Center line with station numbering.
- (3) ROW lines.
- (4) Symbol legend. Use department standard symbols for lighting and electrical.
- (5) Culverts and other structures that present a hazard to traffic.
- (6) Location of underground utilities, if not shown on plan profile.
- (7) Location of overhead electrical lines, both crossing and parallel to ROW.
- (8) Existing sign lighting circuits and roadway illumination to remain, to be removed, to be relocated.
- (9) Existing service poles, electrical circuits, ground boxes, etc.
- (10) Contact electric utility for service pole locations, voltage characteristics.
- (11) Location of proposed sign lighting circuits and roadway illumination.
- (12) Proposed electrical circuits.
- (13) Tabulation of all quantities including proposed, existing to be relocated, existing to be removed. The layout sheet quantities and lighting summary shall be shown. Tabulations to include estimated quantity with a column for final quantities.

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| — | — | 3. Illumination ( <i>continued</i> )  |
| — | — | c. General Guidelines for Illumination (If applicable)<br>The ENGINEER shall submit to the COUNTY, well in advance of PS&E due date, the roadway illumination and electrical circuit layout sheets for review by the STATE. Two copies of the layout sheets are to be submitted. One copy will be returned to the Engineer showing corrections that are to be made by the ENGINEER. When final plan submission is made, the ENGINEER shall provide a written statement regarding completion of the corrections. |
| — | — | 4. Miscellaneous Drafting/Standards   |
| — | — | a. Erosion Control<br>b. Landscape Development  |
| — | — | 5. Compute and Tabulate Quantities  |
| — | — | 6. Special Utility Details (Irrigation lines)   |
| — | — | 7. Miscellaneous Structures   |
| — | — | a. Type of Structure*   |
| — | — | (1) Overhead Sign Bridges (O.S.B.)<br>Modifications or special O.S.B. designs shall be prepared using the same design assumptions that are used for the standard O.S.B structures.  |
| — | — | (a) New O.S.B. structure(s)<br>(b) Structural evaluation of existing O.S.B. structure(s) that are to remain in place or to be relocated.  |
| — | — | (2) High Mast Illumination Poles (HMIP)   |
| — | — | (3) Traffic Signal Supports   |
| — | — | (4) Conventional Illumination Poles   |
| — | — | (5) Sound Barrier Walls   |
| — | — | b. Checklist for Layouts  |
| — | — | (1) Reference appropriate O.S.B. standard<br>(2) Drilled shaft size and length<br>(3) Soil strength used for design {indicate basis and boring(s) used}<br>(4) Design height<br>(5) Tower heights<br>(6) Leg spacings<br>(7) Design wind speed  |
| — | — | c. Foundation Studies (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)<br>The soils exploration requirements for miscellaneous structures on this project are as follows: (To be provided by the Engineer on an as-needed basis)   |
| — | — | 8. Agreements   |
| — | — | a. Utility Agreements   |
| — | — | b. Exhibits for Utility Agreements  |
| — | — | c. Railroad Agreements  |
| — | — | d. Railroad Exhibits  |
| — | — | (1) Railroad Underpasses<br>(2) Railroad Overpasses<br>(3) Railroad Grade Crossing (Replanking)<br>(4) Railroad Grade Crossing Warning Systems (Signals)<br>(5) Other Miscellaneous Sketches for Railroads  |
| — | — | e. Traffic Signal Agreements  |
| — | — | f. Exhibits for Traffic Signal Agreements   |
| — | — | 9. Estimate   |
| — | — | 10. Specifications and General Notes  |

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**SECTION 11 - BRIDGE DESIGN**  
(Function Code 170)

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			<u>NUMBER REQUIRED</u>
		1. Preparation of Structural Details	
		a. New Structure(s)	
___	___	(1) Underpass(es)	_____
___	___	(2) Overpass(es)	_____
___	___	(3) Main Lanes	_____
___	___	(4) Direct Connector(s)	_____
___	___	(5) Ramp Bridge(s)	_____
___	___	(6) Waterway Structure(s)**	_____
___	___	(7) Pedestrian Structure(s)	_____
___	___	(8) Utility Structure(s)	_____
___	___	(9) Railroad Underpass(es)	_____
___	___	(10) Railroad Overpass(es)	_____
___	___	(11) Bridge Classification Culvert(s)**	_____
___	___	(11) Alternate Structural Designs	_____
___	___	(12) Alternate Foundation Design	_____
		Total New Structures =	_____
		b. Existing Structure(s)	_____
___	___	(1) Bridge Widening, Rehabilitation and/or Modification of Existing Structure(s)	_____
___	___	(2) Bridge Replacement	_____
___	___	(3) Raising Bridge Elevation	_____
___	___	(4) Bridge Classification Culvert(s) Widening and/or Modification of Existing Structures(s)	_____
___	___	(5) Railroad Overpass(es)	_____
___	___	(6) Railroad Underpass(es)	_____
		Total Existing Structures =	_____

\* Contour plots of bridge gores are required for projects involving ramps within the main bridge in order to ensure project transition. The Template data and vertical alignment necessary to generate the contour plots are also required.

\*\* In the early stages of a project, it sometimes cannot be determined whether a Waterway Bridge Structure or a Bridge Classification Culvert (20' minimum length) will be required. Therefore, the ENGINEER should be aware that either of these two types of bridges may be reclassified later in the project for the other type when more information is known that would dictate a change in structure classification.

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2. Preparation of Bridge Layouts (each bridge)
- a. Bridge Layouts (PLAN)
- (1) Horizontal curve information or bearing of centerline.
  - (2) Including horizontal, vertical, and template information of all roadways or railroads crossed.
  - (3) Bearing of center line or reference line.
  - (4) Skew angle(s).
  - (5) Slope for header banks and approach fills.
  - (6) Control stations at beginning and ending of bridge (with deck elevation), intersections, etc.
  - (7) Approach pavement and crown width.
  - (8) Bridge roadway width and curbs, face of rail, shoulders, or sidewalks.
  - (9) Approach slab and curb returns.
  - (10) Limits and type of riprap.
  - (11) Proposed features under structure.
  - (12) Location of profile grade line.
  - (13) North arrow.
  - (14) Typical bridge roadway section including preliminary proposed beam types and spacings.
  - (15) Cross slope and super elevation data.
  - (16) Minimum horizontal clearances when applicable.
    - (a) Dimensions to features that control clearances. (Calculate and indicate points of minimum vertical and horizontal clearances.
  - (17) Location of soil core holes (station and offset), shown on layout.
  - (18) Bent stations and bearings.
  - (19) Retaining wall locations.
  - (20) Traffic flow directional arrows.
  - (21) Railing types shown.
  - (22) Joint types and seal size, if used.
  - (23) Beam line numbers consistent with span details.
  - (24) Critical horizontal clearances (location of railroad tracks, nearby structures and utilities).
  - (25) Bearings of utilities.
- b. Bridge Layouts (ELEVATION)
- (1) Type of foundation.
  - (2) Finished grade elevations at beginning and end of bridge.
  - (3) Overall length of structure.
  - (4) Length, type of spans and units.
  - (5) Type of railing.
  - (6) Minimum calculated vertical clearance(s).
  - (7) Existing and proposed ground lines clearly marked.
  - (8) Grid elevations and stations.
  - (9) Bent numbers encircled.
  - (10) Stationing of bridge compatible with grid stations.
  - (11) Standard title.
  - (12) Profile grade data.
  - (13) Type of riprap.
  - (14) Soil Core Hole information with penetrometer test data shall be shown on the bridge layout at correct station, elevation and scale.
  - (15) Fixed/expansion condition of all bents.
  - (16) Column "H" heights.
  - (17) Number, size and length of foundations.

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- —      2. Preparation of Bridge Layouts (each bridge) *(continued)*
- —      c. Additional layout requirements for waterway structures and bridge classification culverts.
- (1) Design and 100-year peak discharges.
  - (2) Design and 100-year high water (HW) (Recorded HW and date if available)
  - (3) Natural and through-bridge velocities for design and 100-year floods.
  - (4) Calculated backwater for design and 100-year floods.
  - (5) Direction of flow for waterway crossings.
  - (6) Contours for water crossing.
- —      3. Bridge Classification Culvert, Estimate, Quantities, and Specifications (each bridge)
- —      4. Foundation Studies (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)
- The minimum number of soil core holes shall be obtained in accordance with Section 1-301 of the Bridges and Structures Foundation Exploration and Design Manual. Soil core holes shall be obtained at approximately (300 foot) intervals along bridge alignments. Texas cone penetrometer (TCP) tests shall be conducted in all soil types encountered at a maximum of (10 foot) intervals. If single column bents with single drilled shafts are planned, TCP values should be taken at close intervals in the upper (15 feet).
- —      5. Bridge Total Quantities and Cost Estimates (each bridge)
- —      6. Bridge Special Provisions and Specifications (each bridge)
- —      7. Bearing seat elevations for each beam or girder. Top of cap elevations for non-beam type structures.
- —      8. General Guidelines for Bridge Design
- a. The ENGINEER shall prepare a bridge layout of each bridge structure for Company's review and approval. The bridge layout shall be in conformance with the Bridges and Structures, Operation and Planning Manual and the Bridges and Structures, Detailing Manual. Soil core hole data is not required for submission of the preliminary bridge layout. **No bridge design work is to be performed until the COUNTY has given the engineer written approval of the preliminary bridge layout.**
- Several months may be required, after the preliminary bridge layout is submitted, for the district to obtain approval and/or permits from the following:
- TxDOT Design Division, when applicable:
    - Railroad Companies
    - FHWA
    - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
    - U.S. Coast Guard
    - Bureau of Reclamation
    - Texas Parks and Wildlife
    - Others
- Therefore, the bridge layout should be submitted at the earliest possible date and the ENGINEER's design schedule should reflect this.
- b. All bridge superstructure and substructure design will be reviewed by the Design Division for purposes of verifying structural integrity and optimization of design.
- c. The final bridge layout shall be in conformance with the Bridges and Structures, Operation and Planning Manual and the Bridges and Structures Detailing Manual.

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8. General Guidelines for Bridge Design (*continued*)
- d. The ENGINEER shall make final design calculations and final detail drawings in accordance with standard requirements of the Texas Department of Transportation. All bridge design shall be in conformance with the Texas Department of Transportation Bridges and Structures Operation and Planning Manual, the current American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials or American Railway Engineers Association Specifications for railway structures, Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, including applicable interim specifications, and the Bridges and Structures, Foundation Exploration and Design Manual. The ENGINEER shall furnish design calculations to the Design Division. **The designer and checker shall check all calculations and initial each page.**
  - e. Structural steel or prestressed concrete shop drawings, form work drawings and false work drawings are not part of the design requirements. However, contract plans shall be in sufficient detail to permit the preparation of complete shop details for fabrication and erection.
  - f. Elements of the bridge (abutments, bents, slabs, etc.) shall be detailed to a metric scale of 1:20 (1/2 inch equals one foot architect scale) or 1:50 (1/4 inch equals one foot architect scale) to provide clear legible drawings when the drawings are reduced. Lettering shall be a minimum size of 4 millimeters (5/32 inch) height for hand lettering and 140 for lettering by computer-aided design and drafting (CADD).
  - g. Standard drawings for beams, diaframs, railings, armor joints, riprap, etc., shall be furnished to the ENGINEER upon request. These standards shall not be redrawn by the ENGINEER nor shall his title block be transferred to the standard drawings. Modifications to the standards, if necessary, shall be clearly identified and designated by "MOD" in the standard title. Specific special drawings prepared by the ENGINEER shall not be identified as standards.
  - h. Bridge layout sheets shall have the same vertical and horizontal scale. Usually a metric scale of 1:100 (1 inch = 10 feet) or 1:200 (1 inch = 20 feet) is used. Sections of existing and proposed structures usually have a metric scale of 1:50 (1 inch = 5 feet). Soil core holes shall be positioned and labeled on the bridge layout plan view. The core hole data shall be plotted at the correct station, at the same vertical scale, and at the proper elevation unless otherwise approved by the Design Division.
  - i. APPENDIX C, "GENERAL PLAN CHECKLIST", on pages C-1 thru C-5, more specifically relates various sheet types, details, summaries, standards, etc.
  - j. For purposes of uniformity statewide, soil core hole data shall be shown on layouts as illustrated in the Bridges and Structures Foundation Exploration and Design Manual.
  - k. Geometry and structural design errors found after acceptance of bridge plans shall be promptly corrected by the consultant at no cost to the Company.

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**SECTION 12 - CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES**

(Function Code 320)

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— — **CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES:**

The ENGINEER will provide engineering, geotechnical testing and support services for and during the construction of the Project or portions of the Project approved by the COUNTY. Specific (basic and special) services for CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT by the ENGINEER will include the following:

**Construction Bidding:**

- 1) The ENGINEER will furnish the COUNTY the necessary copies of approved plans, specifications, notices to bidders, and proposals as prepared under PS&E.
- 2) The ENGINEER will assist the COUNTY on the tabulation of bids, recommendations to the Owner as to the proper action on all bid proposals received, and the preparation of formal contract documents for the award of each construction contract.

**Construction Contract Administration and Inspection:**

- 3) In general, the ENGINEER will provide the management and engineering support/data required for consultation and advisement to the COUNTY and act as the COUNTY's representative as provided in the General Condition of the Construction Contract.
- 4) The ENGINEER will coordinate and conduct a pre-construction conference (if required).
- 5) Defects and Deficiencies. The ENGINEER will use his best efforts to protect the COUNTY against defects and deficiencies in the work of the Contractor. The ENGINEER will promptly notify the COUNTY of any such defect or deficiency, and take all steps possible to require the Contractor to correct the defect or deficiency.
- 6) Contractor Payment. The ENGINEER will review quantities as submitted by the Contractor and will coordinate with the COUNTY for the preparation of the monthly and final estimates for payment to the Contractor.
- 7) The ENGINEER will provide Project site inspection of the authorized construction contract as follows:
  - a) Project Engineer. The ENGINEER will provide visits by the Project Engineer or a competent representative of the ENGINEER to the site of construction for the purpose of monitoring the Contractor's progress and conformance to the construction contract plans and specifications.
  - b) Resident Engineer and/or Construction Inspector(s). The ENGINEER will furnish the services of a Resident Engineer and/or Construction Inspector(s) for on the site inspection construction to monitor/inspect the Contractor's daily progress and conformance to TxDOT's PS&E specifications.

**Miscellaneous Technical Activities:**

- 8) Shop Drawings. The ENGINEER will review and check all shop or working drawings furnished by the Contractor.

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- 9) Control of Materials & Equipment. The ENGINEER will provide inspection of all materials and equipment furnished/used by the Contractor as follows:
  - a) Review and record all laboratory, shop and mill tests of materials and equipment for compliance with the construction contract specifications.
  - b) Observe and/or perform Project record testing and/or independent assurance testing as outlined in the construction contract specifications.
- 10) Change Orders. When applicable the ENGINEER will prepare the engineering data, including plan sheet drawings, specifications, and estimates, for the preparation of construction contract change orders, which may be required due to actual field conditions encountered or new requirements directed by the COUNTY.
- 11) As Built Drawings. The ENGINEER will develop as built drawings to depict the work as actually constructed. The COUNTY will be furnished five (5) set of prints.

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**CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL TESTING:**

The ENGINEER will provide the COUNTY with construction material testing services for the Project. The services to be provided include sampling and testing of all construction materials as required by the project plans and specifications. All sampling frequencies and test procedures will be performed in general accordance with the Texas Department of Transportation TEX methods (or ASTM methods as required) as outlined in the Guide Schedule for Sampling and Testing (11/07). The construction material testing includes, but is not limited to the following:

- (a) Sampling and laboratory testing of soils and base materials proposed for use in the construction of Project (Roads/Bridges/Misc.) to determine compliance of these materials with project plans and specifications.
- (b) Field density testing of soils and base materials to ensure proper compaction as required by project plans and specifications.
- (c) Field sampling and testing of fresh concrete, and laboratory testing of hardened concrete to determine compliance with project plans and specifications.
- (d) Field compaction testing of asphalt to ensure proper compaction during lay down operations.
- (e) Field inspection, sampling and laboratory testing of asphalt materials to determine their material properties and their compliance with project plans and specifications.
- (f) The ENGINEER will be responsible for concrete batching as well as the asphalt testing at the plants to insure delivery of acceptable material to the job site.
- (g) Any additional laboratory testing as required/requested by the COUNTY and the project plans and specifications.
- (h) Providing accurate and timely reports to the COUNTY and all/other recipients as designated by the COUNTY.
- (i) The ENGINEER will verify the concrete and asphalt designs to assure it is in accordance with TxDOT specifications to be developed by the contractor.

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**SECTION 13 - FC 600 – ACQUISITION PROVIDER SERVICES**  
**(for EST. 0 PARCELS AND 0 RELOCATIONS/DISPLACEMENTS)**

(Services to be provided by L&G Engineering)

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**1) PROJECT ADMINISTRATION**

- a) Negotiation of Scope of Services for Work Authorization
  - i) Acquisition Provider will visit project site with COUNTY personnel if necessary.
- b) Project Presence at L&G Consultant Office Headquarters
  - i) Full Project Office
    - (1) No Joint Use of COUNTY or TxDOT facilities
    - (2) Open during normal COUNTY and State work hours
    - (3) Personnel available to answer questions
    - (4) Availability of Project Files
    - (5) At least one office staff member is required to be a current commissioned notary public.
- c) Overhead Costs
  - i) Administrative costs
- d) Communication
  - i) Provide monthly progress reports with invoice.
  - ii) Participate in project review meetings as determined by the COUNTY.
  - iii) Prepare initial property owner contact list for use by the COUNTY in distribution of Acquisition Provider introduction letters.
  - iv) Prepare and Mail via Certified, Return Receipt Requested method, all introduction letters for each individual parcel.
- e) File Management
  - i) Project and parcel files will be kept in the COUNTY's Office, if necessary. Working files will be kept in the Acquisition Provider's project administrative office, but documents generated or received by the Acquisition Provider will be forwarded to the COUNTY office as they are generated or received by the Acquisition Provider, if necessary.
  - ii) Prepare payment transmittal request utilizing standard payment submissions forms with supporting documentation.
  - iii) Maintain records of all payments including check number, amount, and date paid, etc.
  - iv) Provide copies of all incoming and outgoing correspondence as generated if requested by COUNTY at provider conference.
  - v) Maintain copies of all correspondence and contacts with property owners.

**2) TITLE SERVICES**

- a) Secure preliminary title commitments from the Title Company that will be providing title insurance. Cost of preliminary title commitments will be paid by the Acquisition Provider (if requested by the title company) and will be included in the Acquisition Provider's scope of work for payment and paid as a separate item.
- b) Secure title commitment updates in accordance with insurance rules and requirements for parcel payment submissions. Cost of title commitment updates will be paid by the Acquisition Provider (if requested by the title company) and will be included in the Acquisition Provider's scope of work and paid as a separate item.
- c) Secure title insurance for all parcels acquired, insuring acceptable title to COUNTY OF HIDALGO. Written approval by the COUNTY required for any exception.

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**3) APPRAISAL**

- —      a) Appraiser may be selected from TxDOT’s list of state approved fee appraisers. This list will be available for review at all District offices or at the Right of Way Division Office at 118 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, upon request.
  
- —      b) Secure written permission (if necessary) from the owner to enter the property from which land is to be acquired. If the Acquisition Provider and/or the fee appraiser, after diligent effort, are unable to secure the necessary letter of permission from the property owner, a waiver must be obtained, in writing from the COUNTY/TxDOT. Maintain permission letters with appraisal reports.
  
- —      c) Prepare (if necessary) pre-appraisal contact with interest owner(s) for each parcel using acceptable COUNTY/TxDOT forms.
  
- —      d) Contact property owners or their designated representative to offer opportunity to accompany the appraiser on the appraiser’s inspection of subject property. Maintain record of contact in file.
  
- —      e) Prepare complete appraisal report for each parcel to be acquired utilizing TxDOT Forms No. ROW-A-5 and ROW-A-6 as applicable. These reports shall conform to TxDOT/COUNTY policies and procedures along with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices.
  
- —      f) As necessary, prepare written notification to COUNTY/TxDOT of any environmental concerns associated with the right of way to be acquired which could require environmental remediation.
  
- —      g) All completed appraisals will be administratively reviewed by L&G Engineering ROW Office and recommended for approval by TxDOT.
  
- —      h) As necessary, the appraiser will appear and or testify as an Expert Witness in eminent domain proceedings and be available for pre-hearing /pre-trial meetings as directed by L&G Engineering and/or TxDOT.
  
- —      i) As necessary, the appraiser will coordinate with review appraiser regarding revisions, comments, or additional information that may be required.
  
- —      j) The cost of the appraiser appearing as an expert witness for testimony at special commissioners hearing must be included in the proposed fee schedule for the appraiser. The cost of the appraiser’s expert witness testimony for trial is not part of this contract, and shall be paid by the COUNTY.

**4) APPRAISAL REVIEW**

- —      a) Review Appraiser may be selected from TxDOT’s list of state approved fee appraisers. This list is available for viewing at all District offices or the Right of Way Division office at 118 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas upon request.
  
- —      b) Review all appraisal reports for each parcel to determine consistency of values, supporting documentation related to the conclusion reached and compliance with TxDOT/COUNTY policies and procedures and the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices.
  
- —      c) Prepare and submit to TxDOT the Form ROW-RTA-10 “Tabulation of Values”, for each appraisal.

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\_\_\_ \_\_\_ d) The cost of the review appraiser appearing as an expert witness for testimony at special commissioners hearing must be included in the proposed fee schedule for the review appraiser. The cost of the appraiser's expert witness testimony for trial is not part of this contract, and shall be paid by the COUNTY.

**5) APPRAISAL UPDATES**

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ a) Prepare complete appraisal update for the parcel to be acquired utilizing TxDOT Form No. ROW-A-5. These reports shall conform to COUNTY/TxDOT policies and procedures along with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ b) As necessary, prepare written notification to COUNTY/TxDOT of any environmental concerns associated with the right of way to be acquired which could require environmental remediation. All completed appraisals will be administratively reviewed by L&G Engineering Right of Way Office and recommended for approval by TxDOT.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ c) As necessary, the appraiser will appear or testify as an Expert Witness in eminent domain proceedings and be available for pre-hearing or pre-trial meetings as directed by the COUNTY/TxDOT.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ d) The cost of the appraiser appearing as an expert witness for testimony at special commissioners hearing must be included in the proposed fee schedule for the appraiser. The cost of the appraiser's expert witness testimony for trial is not part of this contract, and shall be paid by the COUNTY.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ e) As necessary, the appraiser will coordinate with the review appraiser regarding corrections and/or additional information that may be required.

**6) NEGOTIATION, TASKS AND FEES**

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ a) Analyze appraisal and appraisal review reports and confirm the TxDOT's approved value prior to making offer for each parcel.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ b) Analyze preliminary title report to determine potential title problems, propose methods to cure title deficiencies.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ c) Prepare the initial offer letter, instruments of conveyance, and any other documents required or requested by COUNTY /TxDOT on applicable COUNTY /TxDOT forms.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ d) Mail (Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested) initial offer letter, draft deed, Bill of Rights Brochures, Acknowledgement of Appraisal and Appraisal Reports to address confirmed with the Appraisal District of Hidalgo County. Maintain follow-up contacts and secure the necessary instruments upon acceptance of the offer for the closing.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ e) Provide a copy of the appraisal report for the subject property exclusively to the property owner or authorized representative at mailing of initial offer. Maintain original signed Receipt of Appraisal. (unless property owner refuses to sign it).

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ f) Respond to property owner inquiries verbally and in writing within two business days.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ g) Prepare a separate negotiator contact report for each parcel per contact.

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- —      h) Maintain parcel files of original documentation related to the purchase of the real property or property interests.
  
- —      i) Advise property owner on the Administrative Settlement process. Transmit to TxDOT any written counter offer from property owners including supporting documentation, and provider recommendation with regard to Administrative Settlements in accordance with COUNTY /TxDOT policy and procedures.
  
- —      j) Prepare final offer letter, documents of conveyance as necessary.
  
- —      k) Appear and provide Expert Witness testimony as an Acquisition Provider when requested.
  
- —      l) Meet at the L&G Engineering ROW office in Mission once per week as agreed-upon with the Right of Way Acquisition Manager/Administrator.
  
- —      m) Provide a monthly progress report per parcel by the 25th of the month with invoice.
  
- —      n) The consultant shall, as part of this proposal, estimate 10% of the parcels identified on Page 37 may result in condemnation. The consultant shall be available for any meeting/hearings as requested by the COUNTY Attorney.
  
- —      **7) CLOSING SERVICE FEES**
  - —      a) Coordinate with COUNTY and Title Company to obtain an updated title commitment along with other Forms and certified copy of the instrument of conveyance necessary when requesting the Parcel Payment from the COUNTY.
  
  - —      b) Acquisition Provider shall attend closings and provide closing services in conjunction with Title Company.
  
  - —      c) Acquisition Provider shall record all original instruments immediately after closing at the respective County Clerk's Office, except for donations which must be forwarded to TxDOT for acceptance by the Texas Transportation Commission.
  
- —      **8) RELOCATION ASSISTANCE SERVICES (separate Work Authorization will be issued once relocations have been identified, unless noted otherwise).**
  - —      a) The amount of relocations or displacements as identified. L&G will provide relocation advisory services. L&G will compute replacement housing supplements (owner occupant and/or tenants)
  
  - —      b) L&G will provide advisory services to business displacements and relocate them effectively.
  
  - —      c) TxDOT will review, approve and pay for all relocation costs as per the Agreement.
  
- —      **9) CONDEMNATION SUPPORT**
  - —      a) Pre-Hearing Support
    - —      i) Upon receipt of a copy of the final offer, request an updated title commitment for Eminent Domain from the Title Company.
    - —      ii) Prepare a Bisection Clause for the original set of Legal Descriptions supplied by Surveyor, if applicable.
    - —      iii) Use the information from the Title Commitment to join all interested parties on the necessary forms. Spouses of owners must also be joined.

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- iv) Upon completion of the necessary forms, prepare a packet containing 2 copies each of the following documents: Title Commitment, Negotiator’s Reports, Appraisal Acknowledgment, Preappraisal Contact Sheet, signed and sealed property description, and plat, Final Offer Letter, any correspondence from the land owner or representatives, along with one copy of the appraisal report. Submit packet to the COUNTY Office for submission to the COUNTY Attorney’s office.
  - v) Upon receipt of concurrence for the Appraisal Witness, request the update of appraisal.
  - vi) Upon receipt of packet prepared by the COUNTY Attorney which will include Petition for Condemnation, Lis Pendens, Order Appointing Special Commissioners, Order Setting Hearing, Oath of Special Commissioner, and Notice of Hearings, developed by the COUNTY Attorney; the attorney shall file the original petition with the COUNTY Court at Law or other appropriate Court for a cause number to be assigned.
  - vii) The COUNTY attorney shall file the Lis Pendens including the cause number with the COUNTY Clerk’s Office.
  - viii) Upon assignment of a court, the COUNTY Attorney shall file the Order Appointing Commissioners with the judge retaining a copy of the Order for the files.
  - ix) Following appointment of Special Commissioners by the judge, the COUNTY shall secure the following documents: Oath of Commissioners signed by the Commissioners, Order Setting Hearing, 2 copies of the Notice of Hearing signed by the Commissioners.
  - x) The COUNTY shall file all originals with the court and send copies marked “copy” to L & G Engineering.
  - xi) The COUNTY Attorney shall send a copy of the petition to the Title Company so that the Title Company can make sure the appropriate parties were joined and that no changes in title have occurred.
  - xii) The COUNTY Attorney shall set the Special Commissioners Hearing after the updated appraisal has been submitted, if there is no change in value. If there is an increase in value, COUNTY will approve the new value and the COUNTY’s provider will present a revised offer and a final offer letter and submit a copy of the final offer letter.
  - xiii) The COUNTY Attorney shall coordinate a pre-hearing conference prior to the hearing (the day before or earlier) to discuss facts of the case with the COUNTY, Appraiser, and Negotiator.
  - xiv) After the hearing is set, the COUNTY Attorney shall serve Notices of Hearing to the indicated parties at least 11 days prior to the Commissioner’s hearing. If it is necessary to join the Federal Government, be advised that they have an additional 60 days to prepare for the Hearing.
  - xv) Once the notices have been served, the COUNTY Attorney shall file the original notices with the court and send copies stamped “copy” to L&G Engineering ROW Office.
  
  - xvi) The COUNTY’s Attorney shall send a reminder letter 2-3 weeks in advance to the COUNTY Administration offices, Acquisition Provider, the three special commissioners and court reporter concerning Hearing dates.
- b) Post Hearing Support (by COUNTY Attorney)
- i) For the hearing, prepare the necessary forms and Special Commissioners time sheets and submit forms to Hidalgo COUNTY clerk’s office.
  - ii) Obtain the signatures of Special Commissioners on the Award of Commissioners and file with the court for the judge’s signatures within 48 hours of the Hearing.
  - iii) Give timesheets to Judge. The amount paid to the Special Commissioners is determined by the Judge.
  - iv) Obtain and distribute 3 certified copies of the award as follows: 1 certified copy to the title company with a request for a commitment, 1 certified copy to the COUNTY, 1 certified copy to L&G Engineering with the Commitment to request the warrant in the amount of the Special Commissioners Award.

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- v) Send the Commitment and the Award to COUNTY, along with individual special commissioner's billing requesting the payment for their fees.
- vi) File COUNTY warrant in the registry of the court. File a Notice of Deposit with the court and send certified copies to each defendant notifying them of the date of the deposit. The Date of Deposit is the Date of Take.
- vii) Take photograph of the interest to be acquired (if necessary) on the day of deposit for relocation verification.
- viii) Send written notices of the date of deposit to the COUNTY Administration office and all interested parties.
- ix) Appear as Expert Witness as requested. Sub-contractors must also appear as Expert Witnesses as requested.
- x) All acquisition negotiations file indicating all “due diligence” provided by the Acquisition Provider will be directed to the COUNTY Attorney’s office for his further handling in accordance to the Eminent Domain process by the COUNTY.

**10) COMPENSABLE UTILITIES**

Utility Accommodation is an integral factor in road construction and design. Coordination of utility adjustments is a necessary function within planning, design, acquisition and construction and requires the administration of property rights issues, utility policy, and reimbursement of eligible utility adjustments. It includes the following tasks:

- —      a) Preliminary Design Consultations
  - i) Conduct Field Investigation and review Certificate of Convenience and Necessity boundaries to identify utility providers within the project area. Communications through letter, phone calls and email to establish a contact list. Coordinate data gathering by surveyors and design team. Introduce project to utility providers.
- —      b) Field Observations and Verifications
  - i) Provide maps to Utility providers to “redline” and identify conflicts. Coordinate exposures and data collection by surveyor. Provide and confirm utility data on project maps. Order Utility Location Service.
- —      c) Exchange of Information with Utility Providers
  - i) Provide project schedule.
  - ii) Request schedules for utility adjustments.
  - iii) Identify who is responsible for utility process.
- —      d) Confirmation of Property Interests
  - i) Request Documents.
  - ii) Coordination of data on maps and citation of property interest documents.
  - iii) Confirm utilities are within easements.
- —      e) Coordination of Agreements
  - i) Identify utilities that are compensable.
  - ii) Determine parties and agreements necessary to complete compensable process.
  - iii) Coordinate execution and processing of Standard Utility Agreements.
- —      f) Utility Meetings throughout project development
  - i) Set up and coordinate utility meetings during planning, design, acquisition and construction phases.
  - ii) Attend and participate in meetings by other parties.

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**11) PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

- —
- a) Project Administration
    - i) Payment and Milestones
      - (a) Full Project Office
        - (1) Lump Sum Basis (assume 1 year project presence)
        - (2) Initial payment of 25% upon establishment of a project office with functional phone and utility services.
        - (3) Remainder paid out in equal monthly installments of 15% starting the following month.
        - (4) Monthly billing to COUNTY OF HIDALGO will be required.
  - b) Title Services
    - ii) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel basis.
    - iii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% upon securing initial title commitment.
  - c) Appraisal Services
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel Basis
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% paid upon delivery of complete and acceptable appraisal report
  - d) Appraisal Review
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel Basis
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% upon submission of ROW-A-10
  - e) Appraisal Update
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel Basis
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% upon delivery of complete and acceptable appraisal update.
  - f) Negotiation, Task, and Fees
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel Basis
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 80% upon presentation of initial offer.
      - (b) 20% upon successful negotiation and all instruments are recorded.
  - g) Closing Service Fees
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Parcel Basis
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% upon recordation of instrument of conveyance.
  - h) Relocation Assistance
    - i) Payment
      - (a) Per Relocation
    - ii) Milestones
      - (a) 100% upon issuance of 90-day vacancy letter.
  - i) Compensable Utilities
    - i) Payment
      - (a) By percent complete

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**ADDITIONAL RESONSIBILITIES**

**Easements, Letters of Permission, Etc.**

The ENGINEER shall be responsible for delineating easements. The ENGINEER will be responsible for securing the necessary legal instruments.

**Coordination of Utilities**

The ENGINEER shall furnish the COUNTY prints of a project layout which will be distributed by ENGINEER to various utility companies to determine which utilities are in the limits of the project. These shall be preliminary layouts. Upon completion of the preliminary drainage plans and U&D sheets, the ENGINEER shall distribute to the various utility companies and request return. Upon return of these prints, the ENGINEER will schedule a meeting with the various utility companies to discuss potential conflicts and conformance with the State's Utility Accommodation Policy. The ENGINEER is responsible for coordination with the various utility companies for exposing potential conflicts and field ties to uncover utilities in potential conflict areas.

**Meetings**

Meetings will be held with the FHWA, State Officials, local governments, property owners, utility owners, railroad companies, other consulting firms, etc., as needed or required by the COUNTY. The ENGINEER shall coordinate through the COUNTY for the development of this project with any local entity having jurisdiction or interest in the project (i.e., city, county, etc).

**Specifications, Special Provisions, Special Specifications**

Use the State's standard specifications or previously approved special provisions and/or special specifications. If a special provision and/or special specification is developed for this project, it shall be in the State's format and incorporate references to approved State test procedures.

**Project Manager/Engineer Communication**

The ENGINEER shall designate one Texas Registered Professional Engineer to be responsible throughout the project for project management and all communications, including billing, with the COUNTY's Director. Any replacements to the ENGINEER's designated Project Manager/Engineer must be approved by the COUNTY.

Engineering documents produced for the department's engineering projects shall be signed, sealed and dated or CADD sealed in accordance with Administrative Order No. 5-89 and Administrative Circular No. 26-91.

**Design Responsibilities**

The ENGINEER is responsible for design errors and/or omissions that become evident before, during or after construction of the project. The ENGINEER's responsibility for all questions arising from design errors and/or omissions will be determined by the COUNTY and all decisions shall be final and binding. This would include, but not necessarily be limited to:

1. All design errors and/or omissions resulting in additional design work to correct the errors and/or omissions.
2. Preparation of design documents and detail drawings necessary for a field change due to design errors and/or omissions.
3. Revision of original tracings to the extent required for a field change due to design errors and/or omissions.

The ENGINEER shall promptly make necessary revisions or corrections resulting from the ENGINEER's errors, omissions or negligent acts without additional compensation. Acceptance of the work by the COUNTY will not relieve the ENGINEER of the responsibility for subsequent correction of any such errors or omissions or for clarification of any ambiguities.

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**Document and Information Exchange**

Data, Plan Sheets, General Notes and/or Specifications provided to the COUNTY shall be furnished on 8GB USB flash drives. Each 8 GB flash drive shall have a file titled Table of Contents. The Table of Contents shall indicate the locations of files within the directory structure of the documentation.

General Notes and specifications shall be provided in MS Office 2007 format. Plan sheets shall be provided in Microstation DGN or GEOPAK GPK format. PDF copies of plan sheets shall also be provided.

Two copies of the documentation shall be provided to the COUNTY.

If required, the ENGINEER shall provide to the COUNTY, a CD that contains all the plan sheets for the project. The graphics tape shall be compatible with the COUNTY's computer system.

CD Tape Required (YES or NO): YES

**Proposal Time**

The time indicated in the proposal and the contract shall include time necessary for reviews, approval, etc.

**Office Location**

The ENGINEER will perform the services to be provided under this agreement out of their office or offices listed below:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Office Location</u>
PS&E	Mission Office
Schematic	Mission Office
Environmental Document	Mercedes Office

The work effort will be managed out of the \_\_\_\_\_ Mercedes \_\_\_\_\_  
(City)

office located at 2100 West Expressway 83 \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Address)

Mercedes \_\_\_\_\_, Texas \_\_\_\_\_.  
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**APPENDIX A - PLAN SHEET SEQUENCE PROCEDURE**

1. Title Sheet  
Detailed Index of Sheets
2. Typical Sections
3. General Notes and Specifications Data
4. Estimate and Quantity Sheets
5. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SW3P) Sheets
6. Traffic Control Plans
  - a. Sequence of Construction Layouts
  - b. Detour Plan/Profile/Typical Sections/Quantities
7. Roadway Layouts
  - a. Roadway Plan/Profile Sheets
  - b. Intersection Plan/Profile Sheets
  - c. Intersection Layouts
  - d. Alignment Layouts/Data
  - e. Ramp Layouts/Profiles
  - f. Connection Roads/U-turns Layouts/Profile
8. Roadway Details
  - a. Concrete Pavement Details/Standards
  - b. Concrete Pavement Terminal Anchorage Details/Standards
  - c. Bridge Approach Details/Standards
  - d. Bridge Terminal Anchorage Details/Standards
  - e. Roadway/Median Barrier Details/Standards
  - f. Curb Details
  - g. Driveway Details/Typical Sections/Standards
9. Signing Layouts and Marking Layouts
10. Traffic Signal Layouts
11. Lighting Layouts
12. Illumination Detail Standards (HMID, HMIF, HMIP, RID)
13. Utility Layouts/Profiles
14. Drainage Area Maps and Hydraulic Data
  - a. General Drainage Area Maps
  - b. Stage-Discharge Curves
  - c. Main Cross-Drainage Culvert/Bridge Hydraulic Data
  - d. Drainage Area Maps/Culverts/Storm Sewer
  - e. Hydraulic Data/Culverts/Inlets/Storm Sewer/Pumps
15. Detailed Drainage Plans
  - a. Drainage Plan/Profile Sheets (Storm Sewer Plan/Profile Sheets)
  - b. Channel Plan/Profiles/Typical Sections
  - c. Box Culvert Plan/Profile
  - d. Pipe Sewer/Culvert Cross Sections

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**APPENDIX A - PLAN SHEET SEQUENCE PROCEDURE (Continued)**

16. Drainage Structural Details/Standards
  - a. Inlet Details/Standards
  - b. Manhole Details/Standards
  - c. Junction Box Details/Standards
  - d. Safety End Treatment Details/Standards
  - e. Box Culvert Details/Standards
  - f. Culvert Wingwall Details/Standards
  - g. Excavation-Backfill Diaphragms
  - h. Riprap Details/Standards
  - i. Temporary Pollution and Erosion Control Details
  
17. Pumphouse Layouts
  
18. Pumphouse Details
  
19. Pumphouse Standard Details
  
20. Bridge Layouts/Profile/Typical Sections\*
  
21. Bridge Details\*
  - a. Summary of Bridge Quantities
  - b. Abutments
  - c. Interior Bents
  - d. Spans
  - e. Special details for the specific bridge
  
22. Bridge Standard Details\*
  
23. Bridge Railing Standards
  
24. Retaining Wall Layouts/Profiles\*\*
  
25. Retaining Wall Details\*\*
  
26. Retaining Wall Standard Details\*\*
  
27. Guard Fence/Standards and Signal Pole Standards
  
28. Signal/Electrical Details/Standards and Signal Pole Standards
  
29. Signing/Markers/Striping Details/Standards
  
30. Barricade/Construction/Beacon Standards
  
31. Miscellaneous Standards
  - a. Chain Link Fence Standards
  - b. Bridge End Detail/Standards
  - c. Roadway Clearance Details/Standards
  - e. Attenuator Standards

**NOTE:** Variations of these plan sheet sequence guidelines may be permitted if approved in writing by the County.

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1. Title Sheet  
The ENGINEER shall be responsible for completing the title sheet as required and formatted by the STATE and as discussed in Part V of the Highway Design, Operations and Procedures Manual. Refer to Section K - Plans, 1 - Title Sheets, page 5-24, for the procedure to be used regarding all plans prepared by the ENGINEER.
2. Project Layout  
The project layout shall clearly depict the entire project as it is proposed and will usually be drawn at a scale of 1 inch=100 feet or 1 inch=200 feet, depending on the size of the project.
3. Typical Sections  
See Part IV of the Highway Design, Operations and Procedures Manual.
4. Sequence of Work Sheets (Traffic Control Plan)  
Clarity and completeness should be the rule to follow in preparing these sheets, with particular attention given to location of construction signs and barricades, lane widths, protection of drop offs, etc. For a reference guide use the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Usual scale of 1 inch=100 feet and/or 1 inch=50 feet for special locations. A narrative sequence shall be included in the special provisions for the project. Staging of structural elements shall be considered. Provisions for drainage shall be considered, included and indicated during all stages of construction operations.
5. Removal Item Sheets  
These sheets indicate removal of existing facilities necessary to the proposed construction. (1 inch=40 feet) (use same scale as plan/profile sheets).
6. Summary Sheets  
Summary Sheets are required to indicate type, quantity and/or location of work for individual items of the proposed project.
7. Alignment Layout Sheets  
These sheets indicate the horizontal alignment with curve data and coordinates usually tabulated thereon. On some projects, depending on size, this information may be included on the plan profile sheets. Usual scale (1 inch=100 feet) or (1 inch=40 feet).
8. Plan Profile Sheet  
Clarity and completeness should be the rule to follow in preparation of these sheets. Usual scale (1 inch=40 feet or 1 inch=50 feet) or (1 inch=20 feet), depending on project complexity.
9. Drainage Area Maps  
Usual scale (1 inch=100 feet) and/or (1 inch=200 feet) supplemented by large scale area maps as necessary.
10. Drainage Plan Profile Sheets  
These sheets may be required on some projects to clearly depict location of inlets, storm sewer lines, and profile of storm sewer lines and laterals. Usual scale (1 inch=40 feet or 1 inch=50 feet) or (1 inch=20 feet). Storm sewer design does include redesign of storm sewers imposed by utility constraints developing after initial reviews by the STATE and consequential redesign and adjustments.
11. Runoff, Inlet, Storm Sewer and Culvert Sheets  
Use standard sheets.

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12. Culvert Cross Sections and Details  
District standard reproducible sheets can be furnished (one each) to the ENGINEER for modification of special designs.
13. Manhole and Inlet Details  
District standard reproducible sheets can be furnished (one each) to the ENGINEER.
14. Miscellaneous Detail  
Curb, Sidewalk, Driveways, etc.
15. Intersection Details
16. Marking Layouts and/or Details  
Layouts of the entire project with markings depicted thereon. Usual scale 1:500 (1 inch=40 feet or 1 inch=50 feet). On some projects typical details might suffice.
17. Structural Details  
Bridge layout sheets shall have the same horizontal and vertical scale. Usually (1 inch = 10 feet) (1 inch = 20 feet). Sections of existing and proposed structures usually have a scale of (1 inch = 5 feet). Elements of the bridge (abutments, bents, slabs, etc.) shall be detailed to a (1/2 inch = 1 foot) or (1/4 inch equals 1 foot) architect scale to provide clear legible drawings when reduced. Letters shall be a minimum size of 4 millimeters (5/32 inch) height for hand lettering and 140 for lettering by computer-aided design and drafting (CADD).
18. Overhead Sign Bridge Layouts  
A maximum of four structures may be shown on each layout sheet. The reference to the appropriate overhead sign bridge (OSB) standard and the following requirements shall be shown on the layout:
  - (1) Drilled shaft size and length
  - (2) Soil strength used for design {indicate basis and boring(s) used}
  - (3) Design height
  - (4) Tower height
  - (5) Leg spacings and
  - (6) Design wind speed.

The wind speed design map need not be included in the project plans. Designation of tower member size and anchor bolt size shall not be shown. For OSBs which require special design, the design shall be in accordance with the AASHTO sign specifications (see Item 22 of References on page 49) and to the same loading requirements as for normal standard structures. Structures (special or standard) which will have changeable message signs shall be analyzed by the ENGINEER.

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**APPENDIX C - GENERAL PLAN CHECKLIST**

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___	___	Title Sheet
___	___	Project Layout
___	___	Sequence of Work
___	___	Detour Layouts & Profiles
___	___	Construction Pavement Markings
___	___	Signing & Barricades
___	___	Construction Sign & Beacons
___	___	Typical Sections
___	___	Shaping & Finishing Sections
___	___	Slopes Adjacent to Shoulders
___	___	Estimate & Quantities
___	___	General Notes & Specification Data
___	___	Grading Summary
___	___	Miscellaneous Summaries (See following "SUMMARIES" heading)
___	___	Horizontal Curve Data & Alignment Layouts
___	___	Drainage Summaries
___	___	Structure Summaries
___	___	Erosion Control Summary & Details
___	___	Plan/Profile Sheets
___	___	Erosion Control Summary & Details
___	___	Pavement Contours
___	___	Superelevation Transition (If Required)
___	___	Grading Contours
___	___	Guard Fence Layouts
___	___	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SW3P)
___	___	Drainage Area Maps
___	___	Hydraulic Data
___	___	Drainage Sheets
___	___	Bridge Hydrology Sheets
___	___	Inlet & Manhole Details
___	___	Utility Support Details
___	___	Culvert Cross Sections & Details
___	___	Special Culvert Designs
___	___	Special Drainage Details
___	___	Chain Link Fence Locations
___	___	Ramp Details Sheet
___	___	Removal Item Sheet - Including detours (Shown in detour summary, No payment for removal; subsidiary to construction detours)
___	___	Pavement Details
___	___	Pavement Standard Modification for Concrete Shoulder
___	___	Concrete Pavement Continuously Reinforced (CPCR)
___	___	Concrete Pavement Contraction Design (CPCD)
___	___	Concrete Pavement Details - Jointed Reinforced (Steel Bars) (CPJR)
___	___	Bridge Approach Slab Details
___	___	Vehicle Attenuator Details
___	___	Miscellaneous Details
___	___	Wheelchair Ramps
___	___	Pavement Marking Details
___	___	Modified Standards
___	___	List of Standards
___	___	Permanent Signing Plans & Quantities

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___	___	Permanent Lighting Plans, Quantities & Standards
___	___	Bridge Layout(s)
___	___	Bridge Details
___	___	Retaining Wall Layout(s)
___	___	Retaining Wall Details
___	___	Pumphouse Details
___	___	Underdrain Details (Retaining Walls)
___	___	Culvert Standards
___	___	Soil Profile
___	___	Temporary Traffic Signals
___	___	Design Cross Sections
___	___	Estimate
___	___	List of Standard Specification, Special Provisions & Special Specifications
___	___	Detour Special Provisions (If Required)
___	___	Construction Time Estimate
___	___	Critical Path Method (CPM)
___	___	Unit Price Documentation

**Miscellaneous**

___	___	Conduit Requirements
___	___	Traffic signal Requirements

**Summaries**

**(ALL BELOW YES FOR ENGINEER AND NO FOR COUNTY UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)**

___	___	Salvaging and Placing Topsoil
___	___	Prepare ROW
___	___	Remove Old Structures
___	___	Scarify Existing Pavement
___	___	Remove Old Concrete Curb of Curb and Gutter (C&G)
___	___	Remove Old Concrete Pavement
___	___	Remove Old Concrete Riprap
___	___	Remove Metal Beam Guard Fence
___	___	Galvanized steel Beam Guard Fence (12Ga) (GSBGF)
___	___	Temporary Guard Fence (TEMPGF)
___	___	Summary of Concrete Flumes
___	___	Curbs
___	___	Adjust Manholes & Inlets
___	___	Underdrains
___	___	Base and Pavement
___	___	Large Structure
___	___	Concrete Riprap (RR8 & RR9)
___	___	Temporary Portable Concrete Barrier (PCBR)
___	___	Concrete Traffic Barrier
___	___	Vehicle Attenuator
___	___	Guard Rail Energy Absorbing Terminal (Great System)
___	___	Pavement Markings & Blast Cleaning (Thermoplastic)
___	___	Retaining Walls
___	___	Large Structure Summaries
___	___	Small Structure Summaries

EXHIBIT "B"  
SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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**APPENDIX C - GENERAL PLAN CHECKLIST *(continued)***

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER CITY/COUNTY


**Summaries**                      **(ALL BELOW YES FOR ENGINEER AND NO FOR COUNTY UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)**

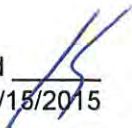
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|-----|-----|---|
| ___ | ___ | Earthwork (Roadway & Channel) & Channel Details             |
| ___ | ___ | Culverts  |
| ___ | ___ | Detours   |
| ___ | ___ | Seeding or Mulch Sod - Quantity Only                        |
| ___ | ___ | Inlet & Manholes  |
| ___ | ___ | Sidewalks   |
| ___ | ___ | Construction Pavement Markings                              |
| ___ | ___ | Driveways   |
| ___ | ___ | Concrete Median   |
| ___ | ___ | Storm Sewers  |
| ___ | ___ | Head Walls & Safety End Treatments                          |
| ___ | ___ | Curb Openings   |
| ___ | ___ | Manholes  |
| ___ | ___ | Chain Link Fence, Remove & Replace Chain Link Fence         |
| ___ | ___ | Remove & Relay Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP) or Pipe Sewer |



# EXHIBIT "D"

## CONTRACT RATES

 <b>L &amp; G Engineering</b> Transportation Consulting Engineers		
Audited Overhead Rate FY 2014		
Labor/Staff Classification	Hourly Base Rate	Contract Rate FY 15
Principal	\$ -	\$ -
Senior Project Manager	\$ 70.00	\$ 211.40
Engineer (V) - Senior Engineer	\$ 58.00	\$ 175.16
Senior Environmental Planner/Specialist	\$ 49.00	\$ 147.98
Engineer (III) - Project Engineer	\$ 43.00	\$ 129.86
Engineering Lab Manager	\$ 34.00	\$ 102.68
Senior Engineer Tech / Geotechnical Engineer	\$ 32.00	\$ 96.64
Environmental Planner/Specialist (II)	\$ 30.00	\$ 90.60
Project Inspector (V)	\$ 28.00	\$ 84.56
Record Keeper	\$ 27.00	\$ 81.54
Environmental Planner/Specialist (I)	\$ 26.00	\$ 78.52
Project Inspector (I)	\$ 22.00	\$ 66.44
CADD Operator / GIS Analyst	\$ 22.00	\$ 66.44
Admin/Clerical	\$ 20.00	\$ 60.40
Soil & Aggregate Technician	\$ 17.00	\$ 51.34
Concrete Technician	\$ 17.00	\$ 51.34
Asphalt Technician	\$ 17.00	\$ 51.34
Negotiated Overhead Rate: <b>169.26%</b> Negotiated Profit Rate: <b>12.00%</b> Multiplier: <b>3.02</b>	and profit. All rates are negotiated rates and are not subject to change or adjustment.	
<b>Other Direct Expenses:</b>	<b>Cost</b>	
Lodging	\$85/night	
Meals	\$36/day	
Mileage	\$0.56/mile	
Car Rental	\$75.00/day	
8 1/2" X 11" copies	\$1.00/sheet	
11" X 17" copies	\$1.50/sheet	
11" X 17" Mylar	\$2.00/sheet	
Overnight Mail - Letter Size	\$15.00/Each	
Overnight Mail - Oversized Box	\$38.00/Each	

JG Approved   
7/15/2015

**EXHIBIT "D-1"**  
**ESTIMATED PROJECT FEE SCHEDULE**  
**FM 1925 PROJECT**  
**Limits: from 1,500 west of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th St.**

ROADWAY PROJECT: .....	FM 1925
LIMITS: .....	1,500 ft. west of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th Street
EXISTING ROADWAY SECTION: .....	40-ft Rural
EXISTING ROW WIDTH: .....	80' to 100' Varies
PROPOSED ROADWAY SECTION: .....	5-lane urban
PROPOSED ROW WIDTH: .....	120FT
ESTIMATED CONSTR. COST	<b>\$13,150,000.00</b>
LENGTH FOR 4-LANE ROADWAY .....	2.70 Miles

<i>ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS</i>	<i>ESTIMATED % LOCAL COST</i>	<i>ESTIMATED PROJECT COST</i>	<i>ESTIMATED LOCAL COST</i>
<b>WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1 - PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>PHASE I - EA, PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, SCHEMATIC, HYDROLOGIC DESIGN</b>			
Environmental Assessment with TxDOT	100%	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 153,000.00
Public Involvement for the project with stakeholders and 1 Public Meeting	100%	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
Archeological and Historical Research	100%	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Engineering Technical Support at Public Mtgs with Layouts etc	100%	\$ 11,250.00	\$ 11,250.00
Schematic (Roadway & Outfall)	100%	\$ 184,100.00	\$ 184,100.00
Hydrological Map	100%	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
Office Surveys for Schematic (Preliminary Ownership Identification and Property Rights)	100%	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
Preliminary Compensable Utilities Identification on Schematic for Approval by TxDOT/FHWA	100%	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
Update Schematic based on FIELD SURVEYS and ROW Map as provided by City of McAllen and comments as provide by TxDOT/County for schematic and EA update w/ FHWA	100%	\$ 39,000.00	\$ 39,000.00
Engineering Technical Support to address Public Hearing	100%	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
Public Involvement to address Public Hearing	100%	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 681,350.00</b>	<b>\$ 681,350.00</b>
<b>WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 - ESTIMATED</b>			
<b>PHASE II- PS&amp;E and CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT</b>			
PS&E Development (8% Engineering Fee)	100%	TXDOT	
Engineering Fee to Create 2 sets of Plans and Submit through TxDOT	100%	TXDOT	
PS&E Development for OUTFALL 3/4 Mile	100%	TXDOT	
Signal Design (During Construction and Permanent)	100%	TXDOT	
Permitted Utilities Coordination to adjust	100%	TXDOT	
ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION COST	0%	\$ 13,150,000.00	
Field Surveys for Design and Construction	100%	TXDOT	
TxDOT Construction Inspection (11%)	0%	\$ 1,446,500.00	
Eng Consultant Construction Management (18 Months)	100%	TXDOT	
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 14,596,500.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 - ESTIMATED</b>			
<b>PHASE III - ROW Map and ROW Acquisition</b>			
Complete ROW Map (Estimated 56 Parcels)	100%	\$ 224,000.00	\$ 224,000.00
Right-of-Way Costs - Acq.Services @ (est. 56 Parcels @ \$13,800/Parcel Avg.)	100%	\$ 772,800.00	\$ 772,800.00
Estimated County Attorney Costs for Condemnation (\$15,000/Parcel based on 20% total of parcels)	100%	\$ 168,000.00	\$ 168,000.00
Estimated Compensable Utility Mgmt for Acq. of Property Rights and Compensate for Utility Adjust(s)	100%	\$ 100,800.00	\$ 100,800.00
Estimated Roadway Right-of-Way Costs	1.1%	\$ 2,851,200.00	\$ 31,363.20
Estimated outfall Right-of-Way Costs	100%	\$ 123,966.94	\$ 123,966.94
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 4,240,766.94</b>	<b>\$ 1,420,930.14</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 19,518,616.94</b>	<b>\$ 2,102,280.14</b>

WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1 - PHASE I	FY 15	\$ 681,350.00	NOT ISSUED
WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 2 - PHASE II	FY 16	BY TXDOT	NOT ISSUED
WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 - PHASE III	FY 17	\$ 1,097,600.00	NOT ISSUED

*LPA COSTS NOT INCLUDED IN WORK AUTHORIZATIONS	\$ 323,330.14
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED CITY/COUNTY COST:</b>	<b>\$ 2,102,280.14</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST:</b>	<b>\$ 19,518,616.94</b>

\* Local Public Agencies (LPA)

11%



# EXHIBIT "E"

## Sample Work Authorization

### PART 5. PERIOD OF SERVICE

This Work Authorization shall become effective on the date of final acceptance of the parties hereto, and terminate upon completion of scopes of the work authorization.

### PART 6. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS

This Authorization does not waive the parties' responsibilities and obligations provided under the **Agreement**.

### PART 7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIRMATION

Acknowledgement and confirmation by **Hidalgo County** \_\_\_\_\_, Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ as to content and detail of this **Work Authorization No. 1.**

**HIDALGO COUNTY**

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. \_\_**

**BY:\_\_\_\_\_**

### PART 8. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL

This Work Authorization is hereby accepted, approved by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court on \_\_\_\_\_ as indicated below.

**THE ENGINEER:**  
**L&G ENGINEERING**

**THE OWNER:**  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**By: Jacinto Garza, P.E.**  
**President**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**By: Ramon Garcia,**  
**County Judge**

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**By: Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk**

### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- Location Map
- Exhibit A - Services to be provided by Owner
- Exhibit B - Services to be provided by Engineer
- Exhibit C - Work Schedule
- Exhibit D-1 - Fee Schedule



# EXHIBIT "F"

## Supplemental Agreement Form

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Engineer and the Owner have caused this Supplemental Agreement to the Agreement for Professional Services to be executed as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

**THE ENGINEER:  
ENGINEER**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE OWNER:  
HIDALGO COUNTY**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS  
(as required)

SAMPLE





# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

FORM 1295

1 of 1

Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.  
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

## OFFICE USE ONLY CERTIFICATION OF FILING

**1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.**

L&G Consulting Engineers INC  
Mercedes, TX United States

Certificate Number:  
2016-5497

Date Filed:  
01/25/2016

**2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.**

Hidalgo County

Date Acknowledged:

**3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the goods or services to be provided under the contract.**

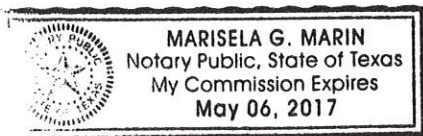
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Engineering Services

4	Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of interest (check applicable)	
			Controlling	Intermediary
	Sandoval , Armando J	Mercedes, TX United States		X
	Garza, Jacinto	Mercedes, TX United States	X	

5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.

**6 AFFIDAVIT**

I swear, or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the above disclosure is true and correct.



*Jacinto Garza*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said JACINTO GARZA, this the 25 day of January, 2016, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

*Marisela G Marin*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of officer administering oath

MARISELA G MARIN  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of officer administering oath

*Sec/Juas.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of officer administering oath

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 01/26/2016

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 C-16-048-02-03  
 Engineering Services

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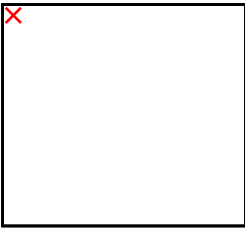
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 Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said \_\_\_\_\_, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of officer administering oath      Printed name of officer administering oath      Title of officer administering oath



**AGENDA**  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
**COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**MEETING**  
**February 3, 2016**  
**9:30 A.M.**

**NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners Court will be held in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Administration Building, 100 E. Cano, 1st floor, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas. Discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:**

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Prayer**
4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**
5. **Open Forum**
6. **County Judge's Office:**
  - A. AI-53133 Discussion, consideration, and approval of letter of support for Pharr, San Juan, Alamo Promesas del Valle Initiative (PSJA PVI).
7. **District Attorney's Office:**
  - A. AI-53236 Proclamation declaring February 2016 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness month.
  - B. AI-53140 District Attorney - USDJ (1256):  
Approval of 2016 appropriation of funds in the amount of \$13,000.00 to fund the purchase of uniforms and travel expenditures for law enforcement personnel.
8. **District Clerk - Laura Hinojosa:**
  - A. AI-53215 Discussion, consideration and approval to increase change fund from \$ 200.00 to \$400.00, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 130.902.

- A. AI-53177 Pct. 4 Rd. Maint (1200):
1. Approval of Certification of Revenues as certified by the County Auditor for Pct. 4 Misc. Reimbursements- JO 9 Drainage Project.
  2. Approval of 2015 appropriation of funds for Pct. 4 in the amount of \$185,817.35.

23. **Budget & Management:**

- A. AI-53225 County Clerk:  
Requesting authority to set up an escrow account of \$5,000.00 for recording fees assessed by the County Clerk's Office with authority for County Treasurer to issue payment after auditing procedures are completed by the County Auditor.
- B. AI-53222 Authorization to participate in the 2016 Texas Warrant Round Up Program.
- C. AI-53202 Confirmation of Indigent Defense (1100-412-00-009-003-0) as a County Department and Isidro Sepulveda (slot 0001) as the Department Head.
- D. AI-53059 Various Departments: Approval of salary schedule corrections as listed on Exhibit A.

E. **Budget Appropriations:**

1. AI-52969 Sanitation Program Approval to amend the Countywide Solid Waste Citizen Collection Station Rules.
2. AI-53206 Various Pct 4 Projects (1200):  
Approval of 2016 appropriation of funds from the R&B unreserved fund balance in the amount of \$396,302.86 to fund Pct 4 Rio Grande Care & Trenton road projects.

F. **Interfund transfers:**

1. AI-53211 Pct 4 Rio Grande Care Rd (1200):  
Approval of 2016 interfund transfer from Co. Wide Adm-Contingency (1100) to Pct 4 Rio Grande Care Road Project (1200) in the amount of \$148,697.14 to partially fund anticipated project expenditures.

**Purchasing Department:**

**Notes:**

**A. FOR ANY CONTRACT(S) AWARDED AND APPROVED UNDER THIS AGENDA, EXECUTED COPIES OF THE CONTRACT(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY INTRA-NET WEBSITE AND WILL BE FOWARDED VIA E-MAIL, FAX OR HAND DELIVERED TO HIDALGO**

1. AI-53203 A. Recommendation by project engineer, SAMES, Inc., to award the Base Bid to the responsible vendor submitting the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications, subject to compliance with HB 1295, for the following two projects as listed:

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT NO.	AWARD RECOMMENDATION TO VENDOR:	AMOUNT:
1	"Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 – Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 4W (10N - 12N)"	2016-027-01-27-MSS	TEXAS CORDIA CONSTRUCTION, LLC	\$628,528.50
2	"Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 – Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 12N (FM 1015 – 2W)"	2016-028-01-27-MSS	M. J. A. CONSTRUCTION, LLC	\$155,897.80

B. Pursuant to TXLGC 262.031 and in the interest of expediting a project's progress, requesting authority/approval for the Precinct Commissioner or designee: Raul Lozano, [unless otherwise voiced/announced by Commissioner Cuellar] to execute change orders that involve ...'an increase or decrease in cost of \$50,000.00 or LESS and in no event to exceed the Change Order's statutory limits...'. The original contract price may not be decreased by 18 % or more without the consent of the contractor".

2. AI-53216 Requesting approval of "Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Work Authorization No. 2" as submitted by Millennium Engineering-Contract #C-15-319-09-15 [increase in the amount of \$3,191.25 to previous amount of \$7,770.25] for a new total of \$10,961.50 for additional services as detailed in the supplemental document for the "Spanish Palms Subdivision project" in Precinct One through original assigned requisition #286496-PO#734791.
3. AI-52907 Pursuant to current "Lease of Parcels for Citizen Collection Site(s) for Hidalgo County- Precinct No 1; under Section 1.3 [Holdover], notice and action to continue to utilize leased parcel(s) premises on a month to month provision with Richard Cohrs-Donna Area [E-15-073A-02-04] so as to have no lapse in operating location while procurement process is completed under the same rates, terms and conditions and subject to HB1295 if applicable.

1. AI-53226 Requesting approval to submit application for Electricity Services with deposit and application fees in the amount of \$865.00 for the Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility, payable to Magic Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., with authority for County Treasurer to issue payment/check after completion of Auditor's review/audit/processing procedures are completed.

2. AI-53107 a. Acceptance and approval of a Professional Engineering Agreement#

**APPROVED**

C-16-048-02-03 with L&G Consulting Engineers, Inc. d/b/a L&G Engineering, for: "Job Specific" Project: "FM 1925 from 1,500 ft. West of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th Street" for Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 including compliance with HB1295 [if and when applicable];

b. Pursuant to Article 14 of the "professional engineering services" agreement #C-16-048-02-03 with L&G CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. d/b/a L&G ENGINEERING, is requesting approval to engage the services of SUB-CONTRACTOR (AMA TERRA ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.) with adherence to insurance provisions required by said article;

c. Acceptance and approval of Work Authorization No. 1 (with an estimated cost of \$ 681,350.00) as submitted by project engineer, L&G Engineering for "Job Specific" Project: "FM 1925 from 1,500 ft. West of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th Street" project for Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4, in connection to agreement # C-16-048-02-03.

D. **WIC**

1. AI-53033 Presentation of sole responsible vendor [Laura Salinas] submitting the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications and/or requirements for the purpose of award and approval of contract for Request for Bids titled: Hidalgo County WIC Program-"Lease Office Space-City of Mercedes through project No.: 2016-015-01-06-SMA. Subject to compliance with HB1295 [when and/or if applicable].

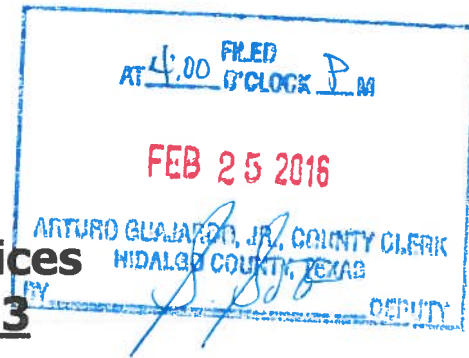
E. **Co. Wide**

1. AI-53092 Action to reject all bids received for Hidalgo County "Extraction of Water [aka, De-watering] Project through the Request for Bid: No.: 2016-022-MEG and modification of a new procurement packet [RFB: No.:2016-055-MEG] will be developed and drafted by/through the Purchasing Department and Emergency Management Coordinator so as to remove services/requirements not needed by HC and reflect compliance with HB1295 as well.

**Closed Session:**

25. Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 & 551.072 to discuss the following:

**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
**Professional Engineering Services**  
**Contract No. C-16-048-02-03**  
**Work Authorization Form**



**WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1**

**THIS WORK AUTHORIZATION** is made pursuant to the terms and conditions of Article 1 of the Agreement made by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY**, action herein by and through the **Commissioner's Court**, hereinafter called the "**Owner**," and, **L&G Consulting Engineers, Inc. d/b/a L&G Engineering**, professional engineers of Mercedes, Texas, hereinafter called "**Engineer**".

**PART 1. SCOPE OF WORK**

The purpose of this Work Authorization is for the **Engineer** to provide Engineering Services required for the preparation for the Environmental Assessment, Public Involvement, Schematic Design and Hydrologic Design for the FM 1925 from 1,500ft. West of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

The scope of services to be provided by the **Owner** is identified in **EXHIBIT "A" – Scope of Services to be provided by the Owner** attached hereto.

The scope of services to be provided by the **Engineer** is identified in **EXHIBIT "B" – Scope of Services to be provided by the Engineer** attached hereto.

**PART 2. ESTIMATED COST**

The estimated cost for services under this Work Authorization is \$ **681,350.00**. This amount is based upon the costs outlined in the Estimated **Cost Proposal** attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "D-1" – Estimated Man-hour Breakdown**.

**PART 3. PAYMENT**

Compensation and payment to the **Engineer** for the services established under this Work Authorization shall be made in accordance with **Article 6** of the Agreement.

**PART 4. FUNDING**

This Work Authorization No. 1 shall be funded through funding source:

Account No. **6-1347-431-00-124-168-0-721**

Requisition Number \_\_\_\_\_ (**MUST BE INCLUDED AFTER CC APPROVAL**)

**PART 5. PERIOD OF SERVICE**

This Work Authorization shall become effective on the date of final acceptance of the parties hereto, and terminate upon completion of scopes of the work authorization, as identified on **EXHIBIT "C" – Work Schedule**.

**PART 6. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS**

This Authorization does not waive the parties' responsibilities and obligations provided under the **Agreement**.

**PART 7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIRMATION**

Acknowledgement and confirmation by Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4, Commissioner Joseph Palacios as to the content and detail of this **Work Authorization No. 1**.

**HIDALGO COUNTY  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4**

BY: *Joseph Palacios*

**PART 8. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL**

This Work Authorization is hereby accepted, approved by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court on 02/03/16 as indicated below.

**THE ENGINEER:  
L&G ENGINEERING**

By: *Jacinto Garza*  
Jacinto Garza, P.E./President

**THE OWNER:  
HIDALGO COUNTY**

By: *Ramon Garcia*  
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

**ATTEST:**

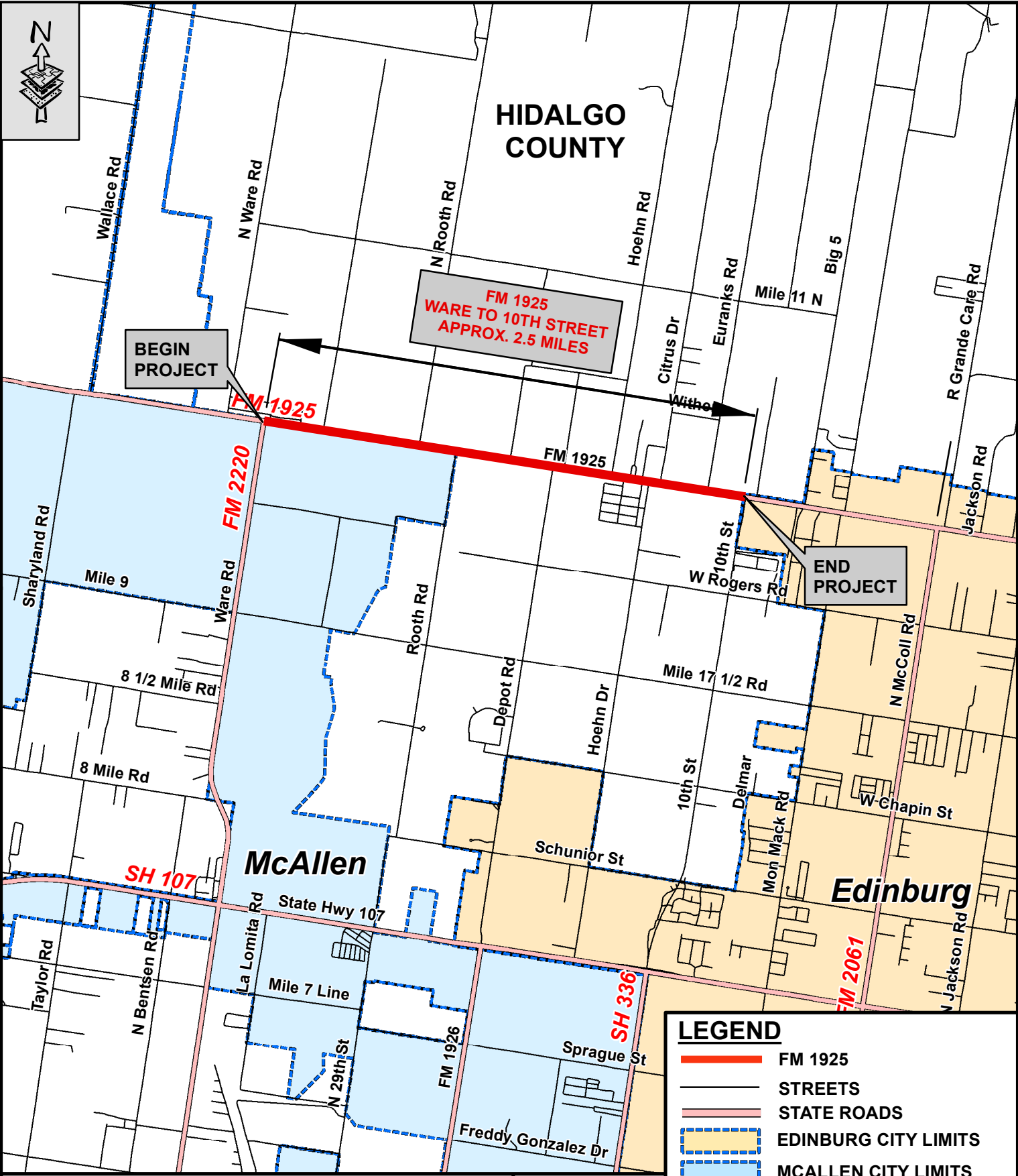
*Arturo Guajardo Jr.*  
By: Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk



APPROVED BY  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
ON: 2/3/16

**LIST OF EXHIBITS**

- Location Map
- Exhibit A – Services to be provided by Owner
- Exhibit B – Services to be provided by Engineer
- Exhibit C – Work Schedule
- Exhibit D-1 – Estimated Man-hour Breakdown



# HIDALGO COUNTY

**BEGIN PROJECT**

**FM 1925  
WARE TO 10TH STREET  
APPROX. 2.5 MILES**

**END PROJECT**

**McAllen**

**Edinburg**

### LEGEND

- FM 1925
- STREETS
- STATE ROADS
- EDINBURG CITY LIMITS
- MCALLEN CITY LIMITS

3,500 1,750 0 3,500



Feet  
1 inch = 3,500 feet

## FM 1925 LOCATION MAP

FROM WARE RD (FM 2220) TO 10TH ST  
APPROX. PROJECT LENGTH 2.5 MILES



**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**Services to be provided by the County**

1. The County will issue work authorization to initiate all required services and designate the authorized representative of the coordination of each work authorization.
2. The County will provide copies of all subdivision plats of record and/or in the subdivision process.
3. The County will provide the Engineer with on-going guidance, timely reviews, and decisions necessary to complete services required by the work authorization in order to permit the Engineer to maintain an agreed upon project schedule.
4. The County will process all acceptable requests for payment in a timely manner.

**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 1-PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The services designated herein as "Services provided by the ENGINEER" shall include the performance of all engineering services for the following described facility:

COUNTY/CITY: HIDALGO COUNTY

CONTROL: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT/DESCRIPTION: ENVIRONMENTAL, PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT,  
SCHEMATIC AND HYDROLOGIC DESIGN

LENGTH: 2.5 MILES

HIGHWAY: FM 1925

LIMITS: FROM 1,500FT WEST OF FM 2220 (WARE RD)  
TO 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET

**PROJECT CLASSIFICATION**

(Place an "X" in only one Project Classification)

- Surface Treatment
- Overlay
- Rehabilitation Existing Road (Scarify & Reshape)
- Convert Non-Freeway to Freeway
- Widen Freeway
- Widen Non-Freeway
- New Location Toll Freeway
- New Location Non-Freeway
- Interchange (New or Reconstruct)
- Bridge Widening or Rehabilitation
- Bridge Replacement
- Upgrade to Standards - Freeway
- Upgrade to Standards - Non-Freeway
- Miscellaneous Studies (Use Function Code 110 for All Tasks)

ENGINEER shall mean L&G Engineering.

STATE shall mean Texas Department of Transportation.

COUNTY shall mean the Hidalgo County.

CITY shall mean the City of \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 2 – FEASIBILITY STUDIES**  
(Function Code 102)

Services Provided By:		
<u>ENGINEER</u>	<u>CITY/COUNTY</u>	
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Design Values <i>The Engineer will work with the Owner to establish basic design concepts, project controls and general scope of Projects.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Route Locations on Uncontrolled Mapping <i>The Engineer will evaluate various alternatives (route locations, alignment shifts, geometry) for the Project.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Uncontrolled Mapping (w/Contours & GIS Info) <i>The Engineer will investigate the existing routes and coordinate with the Owner on establishing the best-fit alignments and mapping proposed geometry for Projects. Preliminary Location Exhibit will be developed.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Traffic Evaluations & Trends <i>The Engineer will investigate existing traffic models and trends for the proposed Projects and adjacent roadways tying into the proposed Projects.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Hydrologic Map <i>The Engineer will develop a Hydrologic Map for the Projects. Hydrologic Maps will be based on LIDAR and GIS information.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary ROW Requirements <i>The Engineer will research and identify affected property owners on the Projects utilizing the latest appraisal district file information from Hidalgo County Appraisal District and information from Carson Maps.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Cost Estimates <i>The Engineer will calculate preliminary construction cost estimates for the location and geometry of the Projects.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Preliminary Environmental Analysis (for fatal flaws) <i>The Engineer will perform Preliminary Environmental Constraint Mapping to determine if any fatal flaws exist along the proposed alignment.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Project Fact Sheet with Est. Local Cost vs. Total Project Cost <i>The Engineer will produce a Project Fact Sheet providing summaries of all pertinent items in this scope of services (as required) and providing estimated local costs vs. total project costs for the Projects.</i>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	Meetings, Coordination & Support for Project Development <i>The Engineer shall provide coordination services and shall assist in meetings and workshops with TxDOT, Hidalgo County, Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 and Hidalgo County Irrigation Districts, and all other affected parties. The Engineer shall serve as representative for the Owner in coordination items. The Engineer shall coordinate with the Owner’s staff on all Project related items.</i>

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SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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**SECTION 3 - ROUTE AND DESIGN STUDIES**

(Function Code 110)

Services

Provided By:

ENGINEER   CITY/COUNTY

<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>	1. Route Location Studies
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	2. Level of Service Analysis
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	3. Traffic Evaluations and Projections
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	4. Develop Roadway Design Criteria
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	5. Preliminary Cost Estimates
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	6. Design Schematic (See Section 7, page 7-1 for schematic layout requirements)
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	7. Preliminary Right-of-Way Requirements
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	8. Design Concept Conference
		9. Soil Core Hole Drilling
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	a. Pavement (See Section 7, pages 7-2 thru 7-3 for requirements)
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	b. Retaining Walls (See Section 10, page 10-1 for requirements)
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	c. Miscellaneous Structures (See Section 10, page 10-3 for requirements)
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	d. Bridges (See Section 11, page 11-2 thru 11-3 for requirements)

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER**

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**SECTION 4 - SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES  
AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**  
(Function Code 120)

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER CITY/COUNTY

1. Environmental Reports  
All Environmental Reports shall be in accordance with 43 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 2.40-2.51, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Part 771 and Highway Design Operations and Procedures Manual, Part II-B.
  - a. Environmental Assessments

<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	(1) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared, anticipating a Categorical Exclusion.
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	(2) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared in accordance with 23 USC 327 and the 2014 TxDOT-FHWA Memorandum of Understanding, anticipating a Finding of No Significant Impact.
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	(3) An Environmental Assessment shall be prepared, anticipating the need for a Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
  - b. Environmental Impact Statement

<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	(1) A Draft Environmental Impact Statement shall be prepared. After appropriate interagency and public reviews within time limits prescribed by the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Part 771 and 43 Texas Administrative Code 2.40-2.51, a Final Environmental Impact Statement shall be prepared.
<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>	(2) A Section 4(f) Statement (Department of Transportation Act) shall be provided by the ENGINEER. The format and content of the statement is found in FHWA Technical Advisory T6640.8A.
  
2. Public Involvement  
All public involvement procedures shall be in accordance with 43 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 2.40-2.51, Code of Federal Regulations Title 23, Part 771 and Highway Design Operations and Procedures Manual, Part II-B.
  - a. A public involvement meeting(s) and public hearing shall be scheduled, coordinated and conducted.
  - b. Technical assistance for one public meeting and one public hearing, preparation of, and maintenance of contact lists, minutes of meeting(s), exhibit preparation, and other tasks outlined by the COUNTY, shall be provided.
  - c. A Notice of Availability (NOA) shall be published by the COUNTY upon approval of the environmental decision.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>
  
3. Technical Reports  
All technical reports shall be prepared in accordance with TxDOT’s environmental rules and guidelines.
  - a. Air Quality Analysis  
An air quality analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’S Air Quality Guidelines. The air quality analysis shall be provided as a Technical Report and a summary of the air quality results included in the administratively complete document for the project.
  - b. Biological Technical Report  
A biological form and technical report shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’S Biological Guidelines. The report will include water resources, and threatened and endangered species.
  - c. Cultural Resources  
Historical and archeological studies shall be completed in accordance with the STATE’S guidelines.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>

## EXHIBIT “B”

### SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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Services

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YES      NO

(1) Historic Structure Studies

A records search, project coordination request, and reconnaissance survey shall be performed, and documentation prepared regarding identification efforts, National Register eligibility and potential impacts to historic properties in accordance with the state’s historic structure requirements.

YES      NO

(2) Archeological Studies

File searches, project coordination request, an archeological reconnaissance, and an archeological survey shall be conducted to determine if known archeological sites are present or have been designated State Archeological Landmarks; and to identify the need (if any) to perform additional archeological investigations.

YES      NO

d. Community Impact Analysis

A community impact analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’S Community Impact Guidelines.

YES      NO

e. Hazardous Materials

The consultant shall perform an Initial Site Assessment (ISA) for hazardous materials impact in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) 1528.93 (Transaction Screen Process) and a Hazardous Materials Technical Report, as needed.

YES      NO

f. Indirect and Cumulative Impacts Analysis

An indirect and cumulative impacts analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the STATE’s guidelines.

YES      NO

g. Noise Analysis

A noise analysis shall be prepared, including predicted noise levels and the consideration and evaluation of noise mitigation, in accordance with the STATE’S Noise Guidelines. The noise analysis shall be provided as a Technical Report and a summary of the noise analysis results shall be included in the administratively complete document.

YES      NO

4. Environmental Scoping

The ENGINEER shall initiate the environmental scoping process with TxDOT. An environmental scoping document and risk assessment will be completed in coordination with TxDOT.

YES      NO

5. General Guidelines for Preparation of Environmental Documents

- a. All technical reports will be submitted electronically to TxDOT through their FTP site.
- b. The draft administratively complete document will be submitted to TxDOT electronically through their FTP site.
- c. The administratively complete document will be prepared in accordance with the content and format of FHWA Technical Advisory T6640.8A and the TxDOT Administrative Code 43 TAC §2.44.
- d. The administratively complete document will be submitted to TxDOT electronically through their FTP site.
- e. Upon completion and approval of the administratively and technically complete document, the Engineer will provide one (1) hard copy to the Client. All copies to TxDOT will be digital.
- f. Exhibits in the environmental document shall be color copies and text shall be black and white.

EXHIBIT "B"  
SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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SECTION 7 - ROADWAY DESIGN CONTROLS

(Function Code 160)

Services  
Provided By:  
ENGINEER COUNTY

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| <u>YES</u> | <u>N/A</u> | 1. Geometric Design  |
| <u>YES</u> | <u>N/A</u> | a. Horizontal and Vertical Alignment (Preliminary based on office surveys)   |
|            |            | b. Schematic Layout  |
|            |            | (1) The location of interchanges, main lanes, grade separations, frontage roads and ramps.   |
|            |            | (2) Develop vertical and horizontal alignment of main lanes, ramps and cross roads at proposed interchanges or grade separations. Frontage road alignment data need not be shown on the schematic; however, it should be developed in sufficient detail to determine ROW needs. The degree of horizontal curves and vertical curve data, including "K" values, shall also be shown for ease of checking.   |
|            |            | (3) For freeways, show the location and text of the proposed main lane guide signs. Lane lines and/or arrows indicating the number of lanes shall also be shown.   |
|            |            | (4) A complete explanation of the sequence and methods of stage construction, if proposed, including the initial and ultimate proposed treatment of crossovers and ramps.  |
|            |            | (5) The tentative ROW limits.  |
|            |            | (a) Provide a roadway Design System (RDS) or (GEOPAK) computer tape of the preliminary earthwork to verify ROW requirements.   |
|            |            | (b) Provide a graphics file containing the approved schematic.   |
|            |            | (6) The geometric (pavement cross slopes, lane and shoulder widths, slope rates for fills and cuts) of the typical sections of proposed highway main lanes, ramps, frontage roads, and cross roads.  |
|            |            | (7) The current and projected traffic volumes as provided by the TxDOT (20 year traffic projection, unless otherwise determined by the District Engineer).   |
|            |            | (8) The control of access lines if Interstate or designated under House Bill 179.  |
|            |            | (9) Direction of traffic flow on all roadways.   |
|            |            | (10) Location and width of median openings for highway without access control.   |
|            |            | (11) The geometric of speed change (acceleration, deceleration, climbing) lanes.   |
| <u>YES</u> | <u>N/A</u> | 2. General Guidelines for Project Development  |
|            |            | a. Prior to preparing detailed plans for a proposed project, a preliminary schematic layout shall be prepared which indicates the general geometric features and location requirements peculiar to the project. An uncontrolled aerial mosaic will be provided for this use. Four copies of the schematic layout shall be submitted through the district to the Design Division for approval and subsequent coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) where applicable. The layout shall be submitted for two-lane arterial highway projects on new locations and for all multi-lane highway projects. <b>No geometric design is to be performed until the COUNTY has given the engineer written approval of the preliminary schematic layout.</b> |
|            |            | b. All geometric design shall be in conformance with the State's Design Division, Operations and Procedures Manual, except where variances are permitted in writing by the STATE.  |
|            |            | c. The schematic layout shall include basic information which is necessary for the proper review and evaluation including the items listed above in the checklist for schematic layout.  |
|            |            | d. Handling of traffic during construction shall be a consideration in the development of preliminary designs.   |

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
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Services  
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ENGINEER COUNTY

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| <u>YES</u> | <u>N/A</u> | 2. General Guidelines for Project Development ( <i>continued</i> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e. Upon approval of the schematic layout by Design Division (FHWA on Federal-aid projects), it shall be the basis for an exhibit at any required public hearing prior to final development of the project. If there are any changes to the schematic after the Design Division and FHWA approval and before the public hearing, four copies of the revised schematic, as displayed at the hearing, shall be submitted either prior to or accompanying the public hearing data. If there are no changes in the schematic as displayed at the hearing, only photographs of the schematic and other displays shall be submitted with the public hearing data.</li> <li>f. For all freeway construction projects, these schematics shall show the location and text of the proposed main lane guide signs. A schematic layout shall be submitted through the district to the Traffic Operations Division, Traffic Safety Section for approval and subsequent coordination with the FHWA. All signing shall be in conformance with the Texas MUTCD.</li> <li>g. On complex projects, informal contact through the district with the Design Division and FHWA personnel is encouraged with regard to development of preliminary design prior to official schematic submission.</li> <li>h. The engineer shall furnish a project tape that is compatible with the STATE's computer system, a project listing, and a cross section plot showing the original design sections containing the earthwork input and original cross sections for the project. <b>Accuracy of the earthwork design is of utmost importance since it is the basis for contractor payments and construction staking.</b></li> </ul> |
| <u>N/A</u> | <u>N/A</u> | 3. Exhibit for Airway/Highway Clearance Permits   |
| <u>NO</u>  | <u>N/A</u> | 4. Grading Design <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Refine the horizontal and vertical alignment of main lanes, frontage roads, ramps, cross roads and direct connectors based upon the approved schematic layout. Determine vertical clearances at grade separations and overpasses, taking into account the appropriate super elevation rate.</li> <li>b. Typical Sections</li> <li>c. Design Cross Sections</li> <li>d. Determine Cut and Fill Quantities</li> <li>e. Slope Stability Analysis</li> <li>f. Embankment Foundation Stability Analysis</li> <li>g. Embankment Settlement Analysis</li> </ul>  |
| <u>NO</u>  | <u>N/A</u> | 5. Pavement Design  |
| <u>NO</u>  | <u>N/A</u> | a. Prior to initiating detailed plan preparations for a project, a preliminary investigation shall be made to determine the approximate section and pavement type to be used for the pavement structure. The Flexible Pavement Design Manual for flexible pavement, “Appendix F” of the Design Division, Operations and Procedures Manual, and the current AASHTO Guide for the Design of Pavement Structures, may be used for this purpose.  |
| <u>NO</u>  | <u>N/A</u> | b. The typical section shall also reflect proposed geometric including pavement cross slopes, lane and shoulder widths, and slope rates whenever this data have not been previously shown on a schematic submission.  |
| <u>N/A</u> | <u>N/A</u> | c. Embankment and Subgrade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Soil Core Holes (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Along center line</li> <li>(b) Along center line of each roadway</li> </ul>                         The location and minimum number of soil core holes required for this project are as follows: (To be determined when schematic is being completed)                     </li> </ul>  |
| <u>N/A</u> | <u>N/A</u> |   |

EXHIBIT "B"  
SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

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ENGINEER COUNTY

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| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | 5. Pavement Design ( <i>continued</i> )  |
|           |            | c. Embankment and Subgrade ( <i>continued</i> )  |
|           |            | (2) Identify, interpret and summarize geologic features that affect engineering design (PI, Sulfate content, % of lime)  |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | d. Traffic Data for Pavement Design by STATE   |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | e. Basic Design Criteria   |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | f. Life Cycle Cost Analysis(es)  |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | g. Cost Data   |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | h. Pavement Material Properties  |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | i. Rehabilitation Investigations   |
| <u>NO</u> | <u>N/A</u> | (1) Core Hole Survey (Show cost estimate with Function Code 110)   |
|           |            | (a) Determine type and depth of existing material, pavement, etc. The Engineer will determine whether to salvage ACP and FLEXBASE as well as their properties and provide this information to TxDOT. |





**EXHIBIT D-1**  
ESTIMATED MAN-HOUR BREAKDOWN

FM 1925 PROJECT  
from 1,500 FT. WEST OF FM 2220 (Ware Road) TO 10TH STREET

	MANHOURS								Sub-Contract Amounts / ROW COST	TOTAL LINE ITEM COST
	Senior Project Manager	Senior Engineer	Senior Environmental Scientist /Specialist	Project Engineer	Senior Engineer Tech	CADD Operator / GIS Analyst	Admin / Clerical	TOTAL HOURS		
<b>CONTRACT RATE</b>	211.40	175.16	147.98	129.86	96.64	66.44	60.40			
<b>WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1</b>										
<b>PHASE I - EA, PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, SCHEMATIC, HYDROLOGIC DESIGN</b>										
1 Environmental Document with TxDOT	140		356	324		250	199	1269		\$ 153,000.03
2 Public Involvement with stakeholders and 1 Public Meeting	30		100	70		70	19	289		\$ 36,000.03
3 Archeological and Historical Research (See Page 2 & 2 for Sub Cost)	30		70	54	38	58	17	267	\$ 27,749.40	\$ 32,251.18
4 Engineering Technical Support at Public Meetings with Layouts, etc.	8	10	18	22		29	6	93		\$ 11,252.52
5 Schematic for Roadway & Outfall	210	220	43	411	280	180	40	1384		\$ 184,100.41
6 Hydrological Map	20	31	21	101	100	89	9	371		\$ 42,002.16
8 Office Surveys for Schematic	30	29		103	94	104	20	380		\$ 42,000.35
9 Preliminary Compensable Utility Identification on Schematic	22	23		109	119	109	7	389		\$ 42,000.35
10 Update Schematic based on comments as provided by TxDOT/FHWA	12	10		94	141	120	15	392		\$ 39,000.28
11 Engineering Technical Support at Public Hearing with Layouts, etc.	38	35	58	64		52	25	272		\$ 36,000.09
12 Public Involvement for 1 Public Hearing	56	14	75	50		55	8	258		\$ 36,000.21
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>1402</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>1116</b>	<b>363.968</b>	<b>5362.968</b>	<b>\$ 27,749.40</b>	<b>\$ 653,607.61</b>

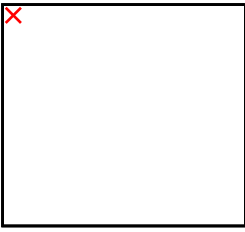
Sub-Total Manhours Fee with Subconsultant Fee:	\$ 681,357.01
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<b>* TOTAL PROJECT FEE:</b>	<b>\$ 681,350.00</b>
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\* Rounded Figure

# EXHIBIT D-1

COST BREAKDOWN										
FM 1925 from 10th Street to FM 2220										
LABOR	PCR	Permit App/ Research Design	Fieldwork	Draft and Final Reports	Curation	Admin and Project Mgmt	Total	Unit	Unit Price	Cost
Principal	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	hr	\$ 216.00	\$ 432.00
Archeologist V/ Principal Investigator	4	0	0	2	0	2	8	hr	\$ 128.00	\$ 1,024.00
Archeologist IV	4	6	28	8	0	2	48	hr	\$ 103.00	\$ 4,944.00
Archeologist III	0	1	28	24	12	0	65	hr	\$ 73.00	\$ 4,745.00
Archeologist II	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	hr	\$ 68.00	\$ 544.00
Archeologist I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	hr	\$ 58.00	-
Historical Architect/ Senior Historian	6	0	0	4	0	4	14	hr	\$ 133.00	\$ 1,862.00
Architectural Historian III	0	24	16	32	0	0	72	hr	\$ 104.00	\$ 7,488.00
Historian II	8	0	0	16	0	0	24	hr	\$ 82.00	\$ 1,968.00
GIS Specialist	8	1	2	7	0	0	18	hr	\$ 84.00	\$ 1,512.00
Administrative/ Document Production Supervisor	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	hr	\$ 88.00	\$ 352.00
Editor	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	hr	\$ 60.00	\$ 360.00
<b>TOTAL LABOR</b>										<b>\$ 25,231.00</b>
EXPENSES	PCR	Permit App/ Research Design	Fieldwork	Draft and Final Reports	Curation	Admin and Project Mgmt	Total	Unit	Unit Price	Cost
Copies, b/w	20	20	50	300	100	10	500	each	\$ 0.10	\$ 50.00
Copies, color	20	20	10	200	50	10	310	each	\$ 1.00	\$ 310.00
Mileage	0	0	700	0	0	0	700	mile	\$ 0.56	\$ 392.00
Lodging (NTE)	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	night	\$ 88.00	\$ 616.00
Taxes, lodging (15%)	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	night	\$ 13.20	\$ 92.40
Meals	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	day	\$ 51.00	\$ 408.00
Airfare	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	each	\$500.00	\$ 500.00
Car Rental	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	day	\$75.00	\$ 150.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>										<b>\$ 2,518.40</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>										<b>\$ 27,749.40</b>



**AGENDA**  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
**COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**MEETING**  
**February 3, 2016**  
**9:30 A.M.**

**NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners Court will be held in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Administration Building, 100 E. Cano, 1st floor, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas. Discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:**

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Prayer**
4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**
5. **Open Forum**
6. **County Judge's Office:**
  - A. AI-53133 Discussion, consideration, and approval of letter of support for Pharr, San Juan, Alamo Promesas del Valle Initiative (PSJA PVI).
7. **District Attorney's Office:**
  - A. AI-53236 Proclamation declaring February 2016 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness month.
  - B. AI-53140 District Attorney - USDJ (1256):  
Approval of 2016 appropriation of funds in the amount of \$13,000.00 to fund the purchase of uniforms and travel expenditures for law enforcement personnel.
8. **District Clerk - Laura Hinojosa:**
  - A. AI-53215 Discussion, consideration and approval to increase change fund from \$ 200.00 to \$400.00, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 130.902.

- A. AI-53177 Pct. 4 Rd. Maint (1200):
1. Approval of Certification of Revenues as certified by the County Auditor for Pct. 4 Misc. Reimbursements- JO 9 Drainage Project.
  2. Approval of 2015 appropriation of funds for Pct. 4 in the amount of \$185,817.35.

23. **Budget & Management:**

- A. AI-53225 County Clerk:  
Requesting authority to set up an escrow account of \$5,000.00 for recording fees assessed by the County Clerk's Office with authority for County Treasurer to issue payment after auditing procedures are completed by the County Auditor.
- B. AI-53222 Authorization to participate in the 2016 Texas Warrant Round Up Program.
- C. AI-53202 Confirmation of Indigent Defense (1100-412-00-009-003-0) as a County Department and Isidro Sepulveda (slot 0001) as the Department Head.
- D. AI-53059 Various Departments: Approval of salary schedule corrections as listed on Exhibit A.

E. **Budget Appropriations:**

1. AI-52969 Sanitation Program Approval to amend the Countywide Solid Waste Citizen Collection Station Rules.
2. AI-53206 Various Pct 4 Projects (1200):  
Approval of 2016 appropriation of funds from the R&B unreserved fund balance in the amount of \$396,302.86 to fund Pct 4 Rio Grande Care & Trenton road projects.

F. **Interfund transfers:**

1. AI-53211 Pct 4 Rio Grande Care Rd (1200):  
Approval of 2016 interfund transfer from Co. Wide Adm-Contingency (1100) to Pct 4 Rio Grande Care Road Project (1200) in the amount of \$148,697.14 to partially fund anticipated project expenditures.

**Purchasing Department:**

**Notes:**

**A. FOR ANY CONTRACT(S) AWARDED AND APPROVED UNDER THIS AGENDA, EXECUTED COPIES OF THE CONTRACT(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY INTRA-NET WEBSITE AND WILL BE FOWARDED VIA E-MAIL, FAX OR HAND DELIVERED TO HIDALGO**

1. AI-53203 A. Recommendation by project engineer, SAMES, Inc., to award the Base Bid to the responsible vendor submitting the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications, subject to compliance with HB 1295, for the following two projects as listed:

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT NO.	AWARD RECOMMENDATION TO VENDOR:	AMOUNT:
1	"Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 – Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 4W (10N - 12N)"	2016-027-01-27-MSS	TEXAS CORDIA CONSTRUCTION, LLC	\$628,528.50
2	"Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 – Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 12N (FM 1015 – 2W)"	2016-028-01-27-MSS	M. J. A. CONSTRUCTION, LLC	\$155,897.80

B. Pursuant to TXLGC 262.031 and in the interest of expediting a project's progress, requesting authority/approval for the Precinct Commissioner or designee: Raul Lozano, [unless otherwise voiced/announced by Commissioner Cuellar] to execute change orders that involve ...'an increase or decrease in cost of \$50,000.00 or LESS and in no event to exceed the Change Order's statutory limits...'. The original contract price may not be decreased by 18 % or more without the consent of the contractor".

2. AI-53216 Requesting approval of "Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Work Authorization No. 2" as submitted by Millennium Engineering-Contract #C-15-319-09-15 [increase in the amount of \$3,191.25 to previous amount of \$7,770.25] for a new total of \$10,961.50 for additional services as detailed in the supplemental document for the "Spanish Palms Subdivision project" in Precinct One through original assigned requisition #286496-PO#734791.
3. AI-52907 Pursuant to current "Lease of Parcels for Citizen Collection Site(s) for Hidalgo County- Precinct No 1; under Section 1.3 [Holdover], notice and action to continue to utilize leased parcel(s) premises on a month to month provision with Richard Cohrs-Donna Area [E-15-073A-02-04] so as to have no lapse in operating location while procurement process is completed under the same rates, terms and conditions and subject to HB1295 if applicable.

1. AI-53226 Requesting approval to submit application for Electricity Services with deposit and application fees in the amount of \$865.00 for the Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility, payable to Magic Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., with authority for County Treasurer to issue payment/check after completion of Auditor's review/audit/processing procedures are completed.
2. AI-53107
  - a. Acceptance and approval of a Professional Engineering Agreement# C-16-048-02-03 with L&G Consulting Engineers, Inc. d/b/a L&G Engineering, for: "Job Specific" Project: "FM 1925 from 1,500 ft. West of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th Street" for Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 including compliance with HB1295 [if and when applicable];
  - b. Pursuant to Article 14 of the "professional engineering services" agreement #C-16-048-02-03 with L&G CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. d/b/a L&G ENGINEERING, is requesting approval to engage the services of SUB-CONTRACTOR (AMA TERRA ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.) with adherence to insurance provisions required by said article;

**APPROVED**

c. Acceptance and approval of Work Authorization No. 1 (with an estimated cost of \$ 681,350.00) as submitted by project engineer, L&G Engineering for "Job Specific" Project: "FM 1925 from 1,500 ft. West of FM 2220 (Ware Road) to 10th Street" project for Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4, in connection to agreement # C-16-048-02-03.

**D. WIC**

1. AI-53033 Presentation of sole responsible vendor [Laura Salinas] submitting the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications and/or requirements for the purpose of award and approval of contract for Request for Bids titled: Hidalgo County WIC Program-"Lease Office Space-City of Mercedes through project No.: 2016-015-01-06-SMA. Subject to compliance with HB1295 [when and/or if applicable].

**E. Co. Wide**

1. AI-53092 Action to reject all bids received for Hidalgo County "Extraction of Water [aka, De-watering] Project through the Request for Bid: No.: 2016-022-MEG and modification of a new procurement packet [RFB: No.:2016-055-MEG] will be developed and drafted by/through the Purchasing Department and Emergency Management Coordinator so as to remove services/requirements not needed by HC and reflect compliance with HB1295 as well.

**Closed Session:**

25. Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 & 551.072 to discuss the following: