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High-Speed Rail Completes Two Grade Separations in Fresno County

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#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Two new overcrossings are now complete and open to traffic in Fresno County. The Mountain View Avenue overcrossing is 381 feet long and 40 feet wide. The Floral Avenue overcrossing is more than 368 feet long and more than 40 feet wide. Both structures will take traffic over the BNSF railroad and future high-speed rail tracks.

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) today announced the completion of two new high-speed rail overcrossings in Fresno County. The Mountain View Avenue and the Floral Avenue grade separations are now open to traffic

Construction began in 2023 on both high-speed rail structures and were built by contractor Dragados-Flatiron Joint Venture (DFJV). The Mountain View Avenue Grade Separation is located between Cedar and Peach avenues.

Mountain View Avenue Grade Separation by the numbers:

- 368 feet long
- 40 feet wide
- 16,000 cubic yards concrete
- 400,000+ pounds of steel
- 16 pre-cast concrete girders, all manufactured at the DFJV Pre-Cast Facility in Hanford.

The Floral Avenue Grade Separation is located between Cedar and Chestnut avenues.

Floral Avenue Grade Separation by the numbers:

- 381 feet long
- 40 feet wide
- 1,600 cubic yards concrete
- 400,000+ pounds of steel
- 16 pre-cast concrete girders, all manufactured at the DFJV Pre-Cast Facility in Hanford

Construction progresses every day on the high-speed rail project between Madera and Tulare counties. The Authority has begun work to extend the 119 miles currently under construction to 171 miles of future electrified high-speed rail from Merced to Bakersfield.

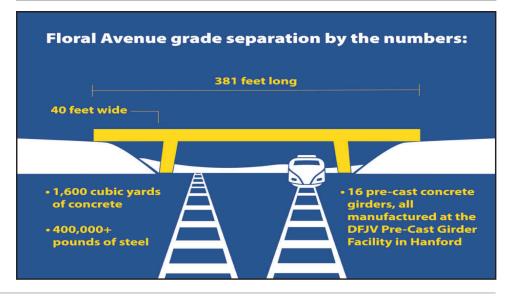
There are currently more than 25 active construction sites in California's Central Valley, with the Authority having also fully environmentally cleared 422 miles of the high-speed rail program from the Bay Area to Los Angeles County.

Since the start of high-speed rail construction, the project has created more than 13,000 goodpaying construction jobs for residents, a majority going to residents of the Central Valley. Nearly 1,500 workers are dispatched to a high-speed rail construction site daily.

For the latest on high-speed rail construction, visit www.buildhsr.com

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# Mountain Avenue Grade Separation by the numbers: 368 feet long 1,600 cubic yards of concrete girders, all manufactured at the DFJV Pre-Cast Girder Facility in Hanford



# Everyone is judging AI by these tests. But experts say they're close to meaningless

[ Article originally appeared in www.calmatters.org ]

## By Jon Keegan, CalMatters

Technology companies are locked in a frenzied arms race to release ever-more powerful artificial intelligence tools. To demonstrate that power, firms subject the tools to question-and-answer tests known as AI benchmarks and then brag about the results.

Google's CEO, for example, said in December that a version of the company's new large language model Gemini had "a score of 90.0%" on a benchmark known as Massive Multitask Language Understanding, making it "the first model to outperform human experts" on it. Not to be upstaged, Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg was soon bragging that the latest version of his company's Llama model "is already around 82 MMLU"

The problem, experts say, is that this test and others like it don't tell you much, if anything,

about an AI product — what sorts of questions it can reliably answer, when it can safely be used as substitute for a human expert, or how often it avoids "hallucinating" false answers. "The yardsticks are, like, pretty fundamentally broken," said Maarten Sap, an assistant professor at Carnegie Mellon University and co-creator of a benchmark. The issues with them become especially worrisome, experts say, when companies advertise the results of evaluations for high-stakes topics like health care or law.

"Many benchmarks are of low quality," wrote Arvind Narayanan, professor of computer science at Princeton University and co-author of the "AI Snake Oil" newsletter, in an email. "Despite this, once a benchmark becomes widely used, it tends to be hard to switch away from it, simply because people want to see comparisons of a new model with previous models."

To find out more about how these benchmarks were built and what they are actually testing for.

The Markup, which is part of CalMatters, went through dozens of research papers and evaluation datasets and spoke to researchers who created these tools. It turns out that many benchmarks were designed to test systems far simpler than those in use today. Some are years old, increasing the chance that models have already ingested these tests when being trained. Many were created by scraping amateur user-generated content like Wikihow, Reddit and trivia websites rather than collaborating with experts in specialized fields. Others used Mechanical Turk gig workers to write questions to test for morals and ethics.

The tests cover an astounding range of knowledge, such as eighth-grade math, world history, and pop culture. Many are multiple choice, others take free-form answers. Some purport to measure knowledge of advanced fields like law, medicine and science. Others are more abstract, asking AI systems to choose the next logical step in a sequence of events, or to review "moral scenarios" and decide what ac-

tions would be considered acceptable behavior in society today.

Emily M. Bender, professor of linguistics at the University of Washington, said that for all the cases that she knows of, "the creators of the benchmark have not established that the benchmark actually measures understanding."

"I think the benchmarks lack construct validity," she added. Construct validity refers to how well a test measures the thing it was designed to evaluate.

Bender points out that, despite what makers of benchmarks and AI tools might imply, systems like Gemini and Llama do not actually know how to reason. Instead, they work by being able to predict the next sequence of letters based on what the user has typed in and based on the vast volumes of text they have been trained on. "But that's not how they are being marketed," she said

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# **CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS**



ANVIL BUILDERS INC. 1550 Park Ave. Emeryville, CA 94608 Phone: 415-285-5000 • Fax: 415-285-5005

Request for DBEs Subcontractors and Suppliers for **Project: Amador Street Infrastructure Improvements** Contract No: 2852

Bid Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 • Bid Time: 10:00 AM

The work is to perform infrastructure improvements to replace gravity sewer and storm drains, roadway pavement, landscape, the existing defunct Amador Street sanitary pump station, associated discharge force main pipe, fittings and appurtenances that end at Amador Street utility corridor, and all related and incidental work. The new sanitary pump station shall be equipped with automated, redundant instrument controls with provisions for future system expansion.

Seeking all trades (but not limited to): Structural Steel, Reinforcing Steel, Landscaping, Earthwork, Paving, Concrete (contractor & supplier), Traffic Control, and other required work and trades

Plans, specifications, and requirements can be viewed at our office or by using the link below

https://sfport.com/business/contract-opportunities/contract-no-2852-amador-street-infrastructure-im-

Please review all documents. By submitting a proposal your company agrees to Anvil Builders Inc standard subcontract. For assistance with bonding, lines of credit, insurance, or anything else regarding bidding on this project, contact Anvil Builders via phone or email.

Will you be bidding this project? Please email or fax your response to Danvilbuilders.com / 415-285-5005.



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CMD certified San Francisco Micro & Small-LBE Subcontractor/Supplier Bids Requested For:

City and County of San Francisco San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Sunnydale Pump Station Safety Improv Contract No. WW-755 BID DATE: Thursday, August 8th, 2024 at 2pm

LBE Subcontracting Requirement: 13%
Project Location: Brisbane/San Mateo, CA

Email quotes to imiranda@shi

Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. is requesting quotes from CMD certified San Francisco Micro & Small-LBE subcontractors and suppliers in the following scopes of work

Subcontractors: Structural Steel; Reinforcing Steel; Lathing & Plastering; Pipeline; Fencing; HAZMAT; HVAC; Earthwork & Paving; Electrical; Painting/waterproofing; Concrete; Concrete Pumping/Delivery; Doors & Gates; Construction Clean-Up;

Trucking; Security Supplies: Steel: Pipes, Valves & Fitting Supplies

Plans and specifications are protected by a Confidentiality Agreement. For more information on how to access the plans and specifications, please visit https://webapps.sfpuc.org/bids/BidDetail.aspx?bidid=4500. You may also contact Jamie Miranda at imiranda@shimmick.com.

The Bid Documents are also available for inspection at SFPUC Contractors Assistance Center.

Please visit https://sfpuc.org/construction-contracts/contractor-assistance/contractors-assistance-center for additional

Should you require assistance with your bid, please contact our lead estimator Erin Brosnan at ebrosnan@shimmick.com

All items of work listed above are made available, even items of work normally performed by Shimmick. Please contact the lead estimator listed above for assistance with breaking down items of work into economically feasible units, with assistance obtaining equipment, supplies, materials, bonding, insurance, estimating, or related assistance. 100% Performance and Payment bonds with a surety company subject to approval of Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. are required of subcontractors for this project. Shimmick Construction will pay bond premium up to 1.5%. Subcontractors will be required to abide by terms and conditions of the AGC Master Labor Agreements and to execute an agreement utilizing the latest SCCI Long Form Standard Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions. Shimmick Construction's listing of a Subcontractor is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with the Subcontractor's price quote. Shimmick Construction requires that Subcontractors and Suppliers price quotes be provided at a reasonable time prior to the bid deadline to enable a complete evaluation. For assistance with bonding, insurance or lines of credit contact Amanda Mobley at amanda.mobley@shimmick.com.

Bidders are alerted to the City's surety bond program, which assists LBE contractors in obtaining bonding and financing for contracts awarded by the SFPUC. For further information regarding enrollment eligibility and program services contact Jennifer Elmore at (415) 217-6578.



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Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. is requesting quotes from Small Business Firms (SB), Minority Firms (MBE), Women Owned Firms (WBE), and Labor Surplus Area Firms (LSA) in the following scopes of work:

City of Watsonville WWTF Electrical System Hazard Mitigation City Project No. WW-22-14797 Project Location: Watsonville, CA BID DATE: Tuesday, August 6th, 2024 at 2pm

Email quotes to jmiranda@shimmick.com

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Suppliers: Aggregate: Doors: Falsework Material: Joint Seal: Mechanical Equipment: Misc. Metal: PVC Pipe: Precast Utility: Ready Mix; CMP Utility Pipe

Plans and specifications may be viewed/obtained OpenGov Procurement. You may also contact Jamie Miranda at imiranda@shimmick.com for a download link

Should you require assistance with your bid, please contact our lead estimator Aaron Lai at alai@sh

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This project is funded in part by a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) grant and the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Prepare California Match grant. This contract requires compliance with the Davis-Bacon wage rates. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

### ARNTZ BUILDERS, INC.

431 Payran Street, Petaluma, CA 94952 • Phone: 707-835-2900 • Fax: 707-835-2994 CONTACT: Kelsey Godfrey • bid@arntzbuilders.com

REQUESTS QUOTATIONS FROM ALL STATE OF CALIFORNIA DGS CERTIFIED DVBF SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS and ALL QUALIFIED SUBCONTRACTORS & SUPPLIERS FOR ALL TRADES FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

> ANTIOCH HIGH SCHOOL GYM HVAC ANTIOCH, CA BID DATE: July 30, 2024 @ 1:30pm ESTIMATE: \$3,700,000

Trades needed but not limited to: Selective Demolition, Hazardous Material Remediation, Concrete, Structural Steel Framing, Metal Ladders, Tube Railings, Rough Carpentry, Sheathing, Weather Barriers, Fiber-Cement Paneling, Sheet Metal Flashing and Trim, Joint Sealants, Aluminum Windows, Gypsum Board, Fiberglass Reinforced Panels, Exterior Painting, Interior Painting, Toilet Partitions, Toilet Accessories, Plumbing, HVAC, Electrical, Demolition Clearing & Grubbing, Drilled Concrete Piers, Paving, Site Concrete, Pavement Markings, Chain Link Fencing, Decorative Metal Gate and Hardware and Enclosures

All contractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5 to be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) or be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015). In addition, they are subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code.

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**Mountain Cascade Inc.** 555 Exchange Court, Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 373-8370, Fax (925) 373-0940

Project: 2024 Recycled Water System Upgrades Phase 1 City Project no. 2024-001 Owner: City of Colusa
Bid Date: August 6th, 2024 @ 3 p.m.

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
PRECAST MATERIALS, MISC. METALS, ELECTRICAL-BUILDING, STEEL PIPE, PIPE SUPPORTS, STRUCTURAL STEEL, REINFORCED CONCRETE SEWER PIPE, DOORS-ROLL UP DOORS, PUMPING PLANT ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, GENERATORS/SWITHCGEAR, DRAINAGE PUMPING EQUIPMENT, PAINTINGS/COATINGS, PRE-**ENG. METAL BUILDINGS.** 

**Project Description:** The work includes but not limited to: upgrades to the City of Colusa WWTP including installation of recycled booster pump station, chlorination system and connection to the farm field irrigation system

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting. estimating@mountaincascade.com

Please feel free to contact Mountain Cascade, Inc. at 925.373.8370 with any questions concerning bonding. insurance, lines of credit, and job overview. We look forward to your respon

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Mountain Cascade Inc. 555 Exchange Court, Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 373-8370, Fax (925) 373-0940

**Project: Final Effluent Monitoring Station Project** Owner: Monterey One Water Bid Date: July 31st, 2024 @2:00 p.m.

\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE THIS IS AN ELECTRONIC BID - TO ENSURE YOUR QUOTE HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND REVIEWED PLEASE HAVE QUOTES TO MCI BY 12PM BID DAY \*\*\*\*

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:

Aggregates, Asphalt, Concrete Material, Pipe Suppliers, Precast Materials, Bypass pumping, Concrete Structures, Demolition, Electrical-Building, Erosion Control, Joint Seal, Reinforcing Steel, Sawcutting, Shoring, Structure Steel, Vibration Monitoring, Trucking, Access Doors/Doors & Hardware, Pumping Plant Electrical Equipment, Paintings/Coatings, Waterproofing, Packaged Metering Manholes, Weko Internal Pipe Seals, Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer Coatings, Concrete Coring & tapping Subs.

Project Description: The work includes but not limited to: construction of a new Prefabricated Metering manhole with 54-inch Palmer-Bowlus flume on the existing M1W 60-inch ID reinforced concrete Land Outfall pipe, an ultrasonic level measuring device to be installed in the PMM to measure the flow in the Outfall. There is a flow in the Outfall at all times. In addition construction of the new flow measurement structure required to implement the required flow bypass, electrical & control panels, SCADA.

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estimating@mountaincascade.com

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Project: Construction on State Highway in Sutter County Near Yuba City from 0.6 Mile South to 0.6 Mile North of Oswald Road

Contract No. 03-4H8704 **Owner: Caltrans** 

Bid Date: August 13rd, 2024 @2:00 PM ELECTRONIC BID

DBE Goal: 22%

We are requesting quotes from all qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
AGGREGATES, ASPHALT, CONCRETE MATERIAL, PIPE SUPPLIERS, DRAINING SYSTEMS PIPE SUPPLIERS, STORM WATER SYSTEMS PIPE SUPPLIERS, PRECAST MATERIALS, AC OILS, AC DIKES, ADJUST MH/ WV, ANALYTICAL TESTING, ASPAHLT GRINDING, ASPHALT PAVING/ ASPHALT STAMPED, CONCRETE FLATWORK, CONCRETE PAVEMENT, CONCRETE STRUCTURES, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, DEMOLITION, ELECTRICAL-STREET LIGHTS/ TRAFFIC SIGNALS/ LOOPS, ERSION CONTROL, GEOTECH ENGINEERS, HYDROSEEDING, K-RAILS, REINFORCING STEEL, SAWCUTTING, STRIPING, SWPP PLAN ONLY, TRAFFIC CONTROL, TREE REMOVAL/ ARBORIST, TRUCKING, BIOLIGIST, LEAD COMPLIANCE PLAN

Project Description: The project includes, but not limited to, Roadway Excavation, HMA-A and CRCP, install signal

Engineers Estimate: \$9,600,000

Plans and specs can be obtained at : <a href="http://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/weekly-ads">http://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/weekly-ads</a>

Or contact: estimating@mountaincascade.com

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**Mountain Cascade Inc.** 555 Exchange Court, Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 373-8370, Fax (925) 373-0940

Project: Main Renewal- Dairy Avenue & H Street Project, Job No. 21463 **Owner: Alameda County Water District** Bid Date: July 31st, 2024 @11:30 a.m

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:

Aggregates, Asphalt, Pipe Suppliers, Cathodic Protection, Chipseal /Slurry Seal, striping, Welded Steel pipe, trucking, valves/watermains/temp facilities.

Project Description: The work includes but not limited to: furnishing and installing 1000 lf. of 8-inch PVC pipe, approx.2720 lf. of 8-inch steel pipe, blow off assemblies, meter boxes, fire hydrant assemblies, gate valves, air valves, cathodic protection in Union City. Furnish and install 400 lf. of 8-inch PVC pipe, approx.500lf. of 8-inch steel pipe, blow off assemblies, meter boxes, fire hydrant assemblies, gate valves, air valves, cathodic protection in the City of Newark.

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting:

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**Project: Biola CSD Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements** Owner: Biola Community Services District

Bid Date: August 21st, 2024 @ 2:00 p.m.

We are requesting quotes from all qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
Pipe Suppliers, Precast Materials, EROS materials, Misc. metals, Cathodic Protection, Concrete Structures, Electrical-Building, Shotcrete, Handrailing, Steel Pipe, Reinforcing Steel, Doors/hardware/hatches, Acoustical, Bldg. masonry, Pumping Plant Electrical, Drywall, Generators/Switchgear, HVAC/Mechanical, Drainage Pumping Equipment, Plumbing, Roofing, Wood Truss, Valves/Water Main/Temp Facilities, Building Insulation.

Project Description: The work includes but not limited to: replacement of existing aerated lagoon wastewater treatment plant with a new packaged extended aeration treatment facility.

Engineers Estimate between: \$22 M

Plans and specs can be obtained at: <a href="mailto:estimating@mountaincascade.com">estimating@mountaincascade.com</a>

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**Project: Mckinley Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation** Project: Mckinley Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation CIP PS 23-18 Federal Aid Project No. STPL – 5456 (022) Owner: City of Lathrop Department of Public Works Bid Date: August 01, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M. Engineers Estimate: \$1,428,500 DBE Goal: 19%

We are requesting quotes from all qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:

AGGREGATES, ASPHALT, AC OILS, ASPHALT GRINDING, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, ELECTRICAL- STREET LIGHTS/ TRAFFIC SIGNALS, LOOPS, , EROSION CONTROL, STRIPING, SURVEYING, SWPP PLAN ONLY, TRAFFIC CONTROL, TRUCKING

Project Description: The work to be performed under this contract is generally described as, but not necessarily limited to: removal and replacement of 6" of Hot-Mix-Asphalt (HMA) over 13" of Class 2 Aggregate Base (AB) on prepared subgrade, and installation of new signing and striping on McKinley Ave from Louise Ave to Yosemite Ave.

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting: estimating@mountaincascade.com

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Subcontractor Solicitation of Interest Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration – Base Isolation Seismic Retrofit Los Angeles, CA

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc., working as the Construction Manager at Risk in conjunction with the Department of Public Works for Los Angeles County, is soliciting interest from qualified subcontractors to participate in the bidding for award phase of

**Project description**: The Hall of Administration Base Isolation Seismic retrofit project consists of the installation of seismic isolators under the foundation of the existing building. Hydraulic jacks and temporary load-bearing shoring will be installed in phases to support and transfer the gravity loads from the existing columns/walls to new support foundations. Seismic strengthening of the superstructure using new concrete shear walls is required at select interior locations. These interior locations will require demolition superstruction. Select restrooms will receive ADA upgrades and elevators are to be modernized. A most gap will be constructed around the building perimeter using earth-retention walls. Shoring and earthwork operations will require demolition and reconstruction of the existing site around the building. Underground utilities will be modified or replaced. This project will be performed at an active site where the building is occupied during typical work hours. Provisions of various sorts will be accommodated so as not to disrupt the occupants of the building.

Project Location: 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Work categories include: Monitoring; Food Service Equipment (modifications); Asphalt Paving (with Striping)

Key Dates: Request for Proposals (RFP) issued to Subcontractors via Building Connected website; Proposals Due to McCarthy Building Companies - 08/01/24.

- This project requires:

- Prevailing Wages
  Contractor Controlled Insurance Program (CCIP)
  A 100% Performance and Payment Bond from an admitted surety upon award of contract for all trades.
  Community Workforce Agreement (CWA)

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REYES CONSTRUCTION, INC.

**Bid Request from Certified DBE Subcontractor and Suppliers** Project Name: Heritage Road Bridge Replacement & Main Street
CIP No. STM386 & STM388
Owner: City of Chula Vista
Estimated Project Value: \$48-53.5M DBE Goal: 21%

Subcontractors: Dewatering, Contaminant Survey, Landscaping, Temp Sound Barrier, Fencing/Guardrail, Traffic Control, Minor Concrete, Minor Concrete Structures, Prestressed Concrete, CIDH Piles, Reinforcing Steel, Retaining Walls, Architectural Treatment, Demolition, Trucking, Asphalt Paving, Asphalt Dikes, Cold Milling, Electrical, Clear & Grub, Sawcutting, Hydroseed/Hydromulch, Signage & Striping Chlorination, Shoring, Cathodic Protection,

Suppliers: Ready Mix Concrete, Dowels, Joint Seal, Aggregates, Geogrid, Geotextiles, Misc. Metals, Softstop Terminal 8" Block, RCP, Concrete Lug, Modular Wetland System, BMP Materials, Traffic Control Materials, Shoring, Cement Mortar Lined pipe, Polyurethane Coated pipes, Valves, Waterworks, Pipe Supports.

### Project Scope:

The Project intel's removal of existing bridge over Otay River and replacement with a new 454-ft long, 130-ft wide bridge providing six-lane prime lane geometry including a raised median, dual northbound left-turn lanes, buffered bike lanes, vehicular barriers rated M.A.S.H. TL-3, six-foot wide sidewalks, roadway lighting, and pedestrian railings. Three-span variable depth haunched concrete box girder design supported by high seat abutments over 36-inch cast in drilled hole (CIDH) piles featuring wing walls and 78-inch CIDH piles. The new bridge, wing walls, grading, rock slope protection, a portion of the drainage system, and headwall outfall adjacent to rock slope protection. Heritage Road will be realigned, widened to provide six-lane prime geometry, and reprofiled matching the new bridge. The scope of work consists of roadway, bicycle, ADA pedestrian, drainage, water quality, landscape, and irrigation improvements. Guardrails and M.A.S.H. rated end terminals will be installed on bridge approaches. Traffic improvements along Heritage Road include roadway markings featuring buffered bike lanes, roadway signage, street lighting, signalization of the intersection at Entertainment Circle North, a signal modification at Main Street, and signal interconnect.

### BID DATE: August 21, 2024, at 2PM (PST)

REYES CONSTRUCTION, INC. State License Number 507561 1383 South Signal Drive, Pomona, CA 91766 State License Number 507561 Contact: Brenda Martinez PH: 909.622.2259 Email: Estimating@reyesconstruction.com

Assistance will be available in obtaining bonds, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, supplies, materials or related technical assistance

For information on the availability of scope of work, plans, and specifications, please contact our office. Plans, Specifications, and Contract requirements can be viewed online at no additional cost:

Via Construct Connect – please send an email request to estimating@reyesconstruction.com
 2) PlanetBids- City of Chula Vista

Please e-mail Quotes to: <u>Estimating@reyesconstruction.com</u>



#### BID NOTICE CBE/LSBE FIRMS

The High Desert Mental Health Crisis Residential Treatment Program (CRTP) and the High Desert Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) & Mental Health Hub (MHH) are components of the Los Angeles County's Public Works Program. These project sites are located at 335 East Avenue I in the city of Lancaster. The CRTP facility entails the construction of (1) 1-story building with a footprint area of approximately 9,900 square feet sitting on approximately 4 acres which is shared with the CSU & MHH facility. The CSU & MHH approximately 9,900 square leet sitting on approximately 4 acres which is snared with the CSU & MHH facility. The CSU & MHH will be one facility separated into (2) one-story buildings with separate entrances. The CRTP building program will include patient bedrooms, staff offices, and outdoor courtyard. Total building gross areas for the CSU & MHH will be a combined 9,900 square feet. The CSU & MHH building program will include therapy interview rooms, staff offices, group therapy rooms, and an outdoor courtyard for each of the respective buildings. The CRTP and CSU & MHH projects will provide a surface parking lot, an ambulance drive, and landscaping improvements.

Current subcontracting scopes of work are as follows:

- Thermal & Moisture Protection
- Openings/Doors/Glazing
- · Finishes/Paint/Flooring
- Specialties/Signage/Accessories/Lockers
- Site Concrete, Bioswale, Flat Work & Walls
- Paving & Surfacing
- · Striping/Pavement Markings
- Roofing
- · Landscaping & Irrigation
- · Window Furnishings
- · Fire Suppression

The County's CBE participation goal for the CRTP and CSU &MHH projects is 25%

Bids are due August 15th 2024 by 2:00 p.m.

\* All interested bidders must submit a Questionnaire form to bid. You can access the questionnaire form at os://penta.egnyte.com/dl/tcQzvQvspR and submit to PENTA via email to ac

For information on the availability of plans, specifications, and Bidder's policy, please contact aelhelbawi@pentabldggroup.com For all technical questions, please contact: aelhelbawi@pentabldggroup.co

PENTA is an Equal Opportunity Employer and strongly encourages participation of CBE/LSBE/SE/DVBE/MBE/WBE/DBE firms.



Is requesting quotes from certified and qualified DVBE and Small Business Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Service Providers for the following (but not limited to) work:

SUBS/SERVICE PROVIDERS

Air-Blown Mortar, Asphalt Concrete, Concrete Barrier (Permanent), Concrete Pumping, Construction Area Signs, Develop/Test/
Drill/Maintain Wells, Erosion Control, Fencing, Furnish and Drive Piling, Furnish Precast Concrete Member, Highway Planting,
Hydroseeding, Irrigation System, Joint Seal – Water Stop, Mobile Barrier System, Metal Beam Guard Railing, Metal Railing,
Movable Barrier System, Paving Asphalt, Painted Traffic Striping & Marking, Pavement Marker, Reinforcing Steel, Remove Pavement Marking & Traffic Stripes, Roadside Sign, Saw Cutting, Signal & Lighting, SWPPP, Temporary Erosion Control, Temporary Fencing, Temporary Railing (K), Thermoplastic Traffic Striping & Marking, Traffic Control System, Traffic Flagger, Welding.

## SUPPLIERS

Asphalt, Concrete and Cement, Drainage Systems, Lumber, Petroleum/Oil/Lubricants, Pipe, Sand and Gravel, Safety Equipment

EMERGENCY RELEASE FACILITY LAKE PERRIS STATE WATER FACILITIES CALIFORNIA AQUEDUCT **EAST BRANCH SANTA ANA DIVISION RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA** 

> Specification No. 22-09 Contract No. C51632

**SMALL BUSINESS GOAL 25%** 

BID DATE August 7, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

All Quotes Due Prior

**Sukut Construction. LLC** 4010 W. Chandler Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704 Contact: Nathan Rodriguez

Phone: (714) 540-5351 • Fax: (714) 545-2003 • Email: estimating@sukut.com

Plans/specs are available for viewing at our office by appointment, by Sukut FTP, or from Owner. Subcontractors must be prepared to furnish 100% performance and payment bonds and possess current insurance and workers' comp coverage. Sukut will assist qualified subcontractors in obtaining bonds, insurance, and/or lines of credit. Subcontractors/Vendors will be required to sign Sukut's Standard Subcontract/Purchase Order. Copies are available for examination. Please contact Nathan Rodriguez at Sukut  $\label{lem:construction} \mbox{Construction for assistance in responding to this solicitation.}$ 

Sukut Construction's listing of a Subcontractor in its bid to the agency is not to be construed as an acceptance of all the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with Subcontractor's price quotes. Quotations must be valid for the same duration as specified by Owner for contract award

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For more info contact Valerie Voorhies at vvv@sbeinc.com

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# **CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS**



O. C. Jones & Sons, Inc. 1520 Fourth Street • Berkeley, CA 94710 Phone: 510-526-3424 • FAX: 510-526-0990

REQUEST FOR DBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR: HMA, RHMA, sign structure, camera systems, and FO cable systems Hwy 50 & 80 in Solano & Yolo Counties Caltrans #03-3H9014 REVISED BID DATE: August 15, 2024 @ 2:00 PM

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We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Temporary and Permanent Hydroseed and Erosion Control Measures, QC/QA Testing, Lead Compliance Plan, Develop Water Supply, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Stationary Impact Attenuator Vehicle, Type III Barricade, Traffic Drum, Portable Changeable Message Sign, Radar Speed Feedback Sign, Automated Flagger Assistance Device, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, Stormwater Sampling, Analysis, and Annual Report, Temporary Fencing, Sweeping, Treated Wood Waste, Biologist, Natural Resource Protection Plan, Noise Monitoring and Control Plan, Clearing & Grubbing, Structural Concrete, Approach Slab Type R, Storm Drain Systems, Roadway Excavation (Type Z-2 Aerially Deposited Lead Disposal), Shoulder Backing, Biograde Enhancement Geogrid, Irrigation, Tack Coat, Cold Plane AC, AC Dike, CIDH Concrete Pile, Structural Concrete, Minor Concrete (Minor Structure), Clean Expansion Joint, Bonded Joint Seal, Roadside Signs, Reinforced Concrete Pipe, Rock Slope Protection, Minor Concrete, Detectable Warning Surface, Misc., Iron & Steel, Manhole Frame & Gate Cover, Fencing, Concrete Barrier Delineator, Palement Marker, Guardrail Systems, Vegetation Control (Minor Concrete), Single Thrie Beam Barrier, Double Thrie Beam Barrier, Transition Railing, Concrete Barrier, Striping & Marking, Overhead Sign Structures, Access Opening (Bridge), Crash Cushions, Rumble Strip, Toll Collection System, Sign Illumination System, Ramp Metering System, Changeable Message Sign System, Electronic Toll System, Extinguishable Message Sign System, Camera Systems, Wireless Ethernet Bridge, Fiber Optic Cable Systems, Automatic Vehicle Classification Systems, Electrical, and Construction Materials

Jean Sicard (510-809-3411 jsicard@ociones.com) and Bill Jensen (510-809-3432 bjensen@ociones.com) are the estimators on this projection.

Jean Sicard (510-809-3411 jsicard@ocjones.com) and Bill Jensen (510-809-3432 bjensen@ocjones.com) are the estimators on this project and are available to provide assistance or answer questions regarding the project scope of work including bid requirements, break out of bid items, plan or spec interpretation, bonding or insurance requirements, and other bid assistance. Plans and specs are available to review at our Berkeley office or can be sent out via Building Connected. Plans are also available under the Advertised Projects tab at the Caltrans website at: <a href="http://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/contract-awards-services.html">http://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/contract-awards-services.html</a>. PDF format quotes should be emailed to the estimator or faxed to 510-526-0990 prior to 12:00 PM on the date of the bid. Quotes from DBE Subcontractors, Suppliers and Truckers are highly encouraged. OCJ is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE participation. Subcontractors must possess a current DIR, Contractors License, and insurance and workers compensation coverage including waiver of subrogation. OCJ may require Performance and Payment bonds on subcontracts. OCJ will pay the bond premium up to 2% of the contract value. Please contact OCJ for any assistance required by your firm in obtaining bonding or insurance. The US Small Business Administration may also assist you in obtaining bonding - please see the following site for information: <a href="http://www.sba.gov/content/contractors">http://www.sba.gov/content/contractors</a>. Visit the California Access to Capital Program Financing Solutions website for additional resources for your small business - <a href="http://www.calbizfinance.org/cal\_cert\_biz\_program.html">http://www.calbizfinance.org/cal\_cert\_biz\_program.html</a>. OCJ is available to help obtain necessary equipment, material and/or supplies. All subcontractors are required to execute OC Jones' standard subcontract agreement, comply with all insurance requirements, and name OCJ as additional i

# FLATIRON

Project: Contract No. 11-430324 – Route 805-15 Separation to Route 805-57

Owner: Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)

Bid Due Date: August 22, 2024, at 2:00 PM

Federal-Aid Project: ACIM-8051(645)E

Request for quotes from Certified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following, but not limited to scopes of work: Aggregate Supply, Asphalt Dike, Asphalt Paving, Bridge Demo, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grub, Cold Plane AC, Concrete Barrier, Construction Area Signs, Demolition, Electrical, Erosion Control, Fencing, Grind Existing Pavement, Guardrail, Hydroseeding, Joint Seal, Joint Seal Assembly Supply, Landscape and Irrigation, Minor Concrete, Misc. Iron and Steel Supply, Misc. Metals Supply, Overhead Signs, Pipe Supply, Pre/Post Construction Survey, QC Testing, Railing, Ready Mix Concrete Supply, Reinforcing Steel, Roadside Signs, Rock Slope Protection, Saw and Seal PCC, Slope Paving, Street Sweeping, Striping, Traffic Control Materials, Underground, and Water Truck.

### PLEASE SUBMIT QUOTES BY EMAIL TO SOCALBIDS@FLATIRONCORP.COM OR FAX TO (858) 271-1330

Plans and specifications are available, at no cost, from Caltrans <a href="https://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/weekly-ads/oe-project.php?q=11-430324">https://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/weekly-ads/oe-project.php?q=11-430324</a> (Registration Required). Additionally, plans and specifications are available to view at Flatiron's San Diego, CA and Chino, CA offices. Please call to make an appointment to view the documents.

This project has a 23% DBE Goal. In addition to request for participation from DBE subcontractors and suppliers, Flatiron requests non-DBE subcontractors to provide lower-tier DBE participation. Bidders are required to indicate lower-tier DBE participation information to be evaluated as part of their quote.

Quotes must be valid for same duration as specified by Owner for contract award. Quotes will be broken down into comparable packages as reasonably necessary to facilitate participation. Flatiron intends to work cooperatively with all firms for scopes of work you are licensed and qualified to perform. Assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, equipment, supplies, and materials is available upon request. Additionally, please contact us if you require technical assistance.

Subcontractors are required to possess and maintain a current contractor's license and must also be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) as required by Public Contract Code Section 1725.5. Subcontractors will be required to execute Flatiron's Standard Subcontract Terms and Conditions and insurance requirements. A copy of the document in electronic format is available upon request.

Bond Requirements: Notwithstanding any contrary language in a bid to Flatiron or any prior course of dealing between Flatiron and a bidder, and unless waived in writing by Flatiron, Flatiron reserves the right to require each bidder to provide payment and performance bonds assuring bidder's obligations to Flatiron in the amount of 100 percent of the bid to Flatiron. Flatiron will reimburse the bond premium at actual cost not to exceed 3%. The surety on the bonds must be a California admitted surety.

Flatiron West, Inc.

12121 Scripps Summits Drive, Suite 400 San Diego, CA 92131
Phone (760) 916-9100 / FAX (858) 271-1330
Email: SoCalBids@flatironcorp.com
Point of Contact: Samantha Rodriguez, Estimating Admin
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Gallagher & Burk, Inc.
344 High Street • Oakland, CA 94601
Phone: (510) 261-0466 • FAX (510) 261-0478
Estimator: VICTOR LE • Website: www.gallagherandburk.com

Gallagher & Burk, Inc. (GBI) is preparing a bid as a Prime Contractor for the project listed below:

CENTRAL AVENUE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, P.W. No. 07-24-19

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 23%

OWNER: CITY OF ALAMEDA - 950 W Mall Square, Suite 110, Alameda, CA 94501

BID DATE: AUGUST 8, 2024 @ 2:30 P.M.

GBI is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

Adjust Iron, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Cold Plane, Crack Sealing, Electrical, Fencing, Landscaping & Irrigation, Minor Concrete, Minor Concrete Structure, PCC Paving, Roadside Signs, Slurry Seal, Stamped/Textured Paving, Striping, Survey/Staking, SWPPP Prep/Water Pollution Control Plan Prepare, Underground, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Class 2 Aggregate Base Material and Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material

Plans and specifications may be reviewed at our office located at 11555 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA or at your local Builders Exchange, or reviewed and downloaded from the Dropbox site at

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/m5i7d8y5irrma1s/AAAqGa-tcqZV8hFik9fw5Qofa?dl=0 or from the Owner's site at https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/active-closed-opportunties or http://ciplist.com/plans/?Oakland/city/9392

Fax your bid to (510) 261-0478 or email <u>gbiestimating@gallagherburk.com</u> to the attention of Estimator Victor Le. If you have questions for the Estimator, call at (510) 261-0466. When submitting any public works bid please include your DUNS number and DIR number. For questions regarding registration for DIR use the link at <u>www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html</u>

If you need DBE support services and assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies or related assistance or services, for this project call the Estimator at (510) 261-0466, or contact your local Small Business Development Center Network (<a href="https://californiasbdc.org">https://californiasbdc.org</a>) or contact the California Southwest Transportation Resource Center (<a href="https://www.transportation.gov/osdbu/SBTRCs">www.transportation.gov/osdbu/SBTRCs</a>). GBI is willing to breakout portions of work to increase the expectation of meeting the DBE goal.

At our discretion, 100% Payment and 100% Performance bonds may be required as a subcontract condition This will be a Prevailing Wage Job. GBI is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.



11555 Dublin Boulevard • P.O. Box 2909 • Dublin, CA 94568-2909 Phone: (925) 829-9220 / Fax: (925) 803-4263 Website: <u>www.desilvagates.com</u> ESTIMATOR: VICTOR LE An Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer

DeSilva Gates Construction (DGC) is preparing a bid as a Prime Contractor for the project listed below:

ROUTE 50. 80. 113 - FOR CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES

OWNER: STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

1727 30th Street, MS 43, Sacramento, CA 95816

BID DATE: JULY 30, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

AC Dike, Approach Slab Replacement, Biologist Consultant, Bridge, Clearing and Grubbing/Demolition, Cold Plane, Concrete Barrier, Construction Area Sign, Traffic Drum and Delineators, Electrical, Emulsion Supplier, Erosion Control, Fencing, Hazardous Material, Landscaping, Lead Compliance Plan, Metal Beam Guardrail, Minor Concrete, Minor Concrete Structure, Roadside Signs, Rumble Strip, Sign Structure, Stamped/Textured Paving, Striping, SWPPP Prep/Water Pollution Control Plan Prepare, Temporary Erosion Control, Underground, Vegetation Control, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Class 2 Aggregate Base Material, Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material, Rubberized HMA (Open Grade) Material and Rubberized HMA (Gap Grade) Material

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## **PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE ADVERTISEMENTS**

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND FEE PROPOSALS (RFQ/P)

Geotechnical Consulting Services for Oakland Living Schoolyards Planning Project at 14 District School Sites OUSD Project No. 24102

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide geotechnical consulting services associated with the site improvements at 14 District school sites that includes outdoor classrooms, picnic areas, planting trees and vegetated landscapes, pollinator gardens, natural play areas and nature-based play structures, and raised beds for edible food gardens.

Interested firms are invited to submit a completed Statement of Qualifications ("SOQ") along with the Fee Proposal (collectively "RFQ/P Packet") as described herein, in PDF format addressed to:

Oakland Unified School District Kenya Chatman, Executive Facilities Director Department of Facilities Planning and Management 955 High Street, Oakland, CA 94601

Oral, telegraphic, facsimile or telephone RFQ/P Packets will not be accepted. RFQ/P Packets received after this date and time will not be accepted. The District reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in the RFQ/P. The District also reserves the right to reject any and all RFQ/P Packets and to negotiate contract terms with one or more Respondents.

The District will only accept electronic Proposals sent via email in lieu of hard copies. Proposals received by the District no later than 2:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) on August 8, 2024 via email will be accepted (to Juanita Hunter at juanita.hunter@ousd.org and the contact persons below).

If you have any questions regarding this RFQ/P please email Kenya Chatman at <a href="kenya.chatman@ousd.org">kenya.chatman@ousd.org</a> and cc: to Colland Jang at <a href="mailto:colland.jang@ousd.org">colland.jang@ousd.org</a>

# LOCAL, SMALL LOCAL AND SMALL LOCAL RESIDENT BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

District Modification: Based on the availability analysis conducted for this specific RFQ/P, the District is waiving the entire 25% SLBE/SLRBE requirement. The minimum local business utilization requirement of 50% is still applicable for this RFQ/P and can be met with a 50% LBE participation.

The Local Business Utilization Policy 7115 requires that there is a mandatory fifty percent (50%) LBU participation with a 25% or less Local Business (LBE) participation and a 25% or more Small Local or Small Local Resident Business (SLBE/SLRBE) participation for all capital program/construction-related contracts and professional services agreements.

## See District Modification above.

On April 28, 2021, the Board of Education amended the Local Business Policy which had named the City of Oakland as the singular agency to certify local businesses to include five additional local business certifications. For businesses located in Oakland, Local Business and Small Local Business certifications may also be accepted from the Port of Oakland, Alameda County Transportation Commission, Alameda County Department of General Services, US Department of Transportation California Unified Certification Program, and the California Public Utilities Commission. The District will follow the City of Oakland Small Business size standards in recognizing Small Local and Small Local Resident Businesses.

The full version of OUSD's latest Local, Small Local and Small Local Resident Business Enterprise Program can be found at the following link:

 $\frac{https://www.ousd.org/facilities-planning-manage-ment/opportunities/lbu-policy}{}$ 

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (RFO/P)

CEQA Consulting Services for the CCPA Site Expansion Project at Coliseum College Preparatory Academy 1390 66th Ave, Oakland CA 94621 Project #21113

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide services in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") associated with the CCPA Site Expansion Project at Coliseum College Preparatory Academy Project ("Project") which was formerly known as Havenscourt Middle School.

Interested firms are invited to submit a complete Statement of Qualifications ("SOQ") and a detailed Fee Proposal (collectively "RFQ/P Packet") as described below of the requested materials with a cover letter addressed to:

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District Modification: Based on the availability analysis conducted for CEQA Consulting Services, the District has waived its mandatory Local Business Utilization Policy requirement for LBE/SLBE/SLRBE certifications for this RFQ/P.

## FULL OPPORTUNITY

The District hereby affirmatively ensures that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE"), Small Local Business Enterprise ("SLBE"), Small Emerging Local Business Enterprise ("SELBE") and Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise ("DVBE") firms shall be afforded full opportunity to submit qualifications in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, gender, transgender status, political affiliation, or religion in any consideration leading to the award of contract. No qualified disabled person shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participating in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise by subjected to discrimination in any consideration leading to the award.

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (RFO/P)

CEQA Consulting Services for McClymonds High School Modernization Project 2607 Myrtle Street, Oakland, CA 94607 Project # 21110

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide services in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") associated with the McClymonds High School Modernization Project ("Project").

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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (RFQ/P)

Environmental Site Assessment Consulting Services for the CCPA Site Expansion Project at Coliseum College Preparatory Academy 1390 66th Ave, Oakland CA 94621 Project #21113

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide environmental site assessment ("ESA") consulting services associated with the CCPA Site Expansion Project at Coliseum College Preparatory Academy Project ("Project") which was formerly known as Havenscourt Middle School.

Interested firms are invited to submit a complete Statement of Qualifications ("SOQ") along with the Fee Proposal (collectively "RFQ/P Packet") as described herein, in PDF format addressed to:

Oakland Unified School District Kenya Chatman, Executive Facilities Director Department of Facilities Planning and Management 955 High Street, Oakland, CA 94601

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#### LOCAL, SMALL LOCAL AND SMALL LOCAL RESIDENT BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

District Modification: The District is modifying the LBU requirement for environmental site assessment services based on the availability analysis performed by the District's local business utilization consultant. The 25% SLBE portion of the District's 50% local business utilization requirement (referenced below) is waived. The minimum local business utilization requirement of 50% remains applicable.

The Local Business Utilization Policy 7115 requires that there is a mandatory fifty percent (50%) LBU participation with a 25% or less Local Business (LBE) participation and a 25% or more Small Local or Small Local Resident Business (SLBE/SLRBE) participation for all capital program/construction-related contracts and professional services agreements.

On April 28, 2021, the Board of Education amended the Local Business Policy which had named the City of Oakland as the singular agency to certify local businesses to include five additional local business certifications. For businesses located in Oakland, Local Business and Small Local Business certifications may also be accepted from the Port of Oakland, Alameda County Transportation Commission, Alameda County Department of General Services, US Department of Transportation California Unified Certification Program, and the California Public Utilities Commission. The District will follow the City of Oakland Small Business size standards in recognizing Small Local and Small Local Resident Businesses.

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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES
PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (RFQ/P)

Environmental Site Assessment Consulting Services for McClymonds High School Modernization Project 2607 Myrtle Street, Oakland, CA 94607 Project # 21110

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide environmental site assessment ("ESA") consulting services associated with the McClymonds High School Modernization Project ("Project").

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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
AND PROPOSALS (RFQ/P)

Environmental Site Assessment Consulting Services for Oakland Living Schoolyards Planning Project at 14 District School Sites OUSD Project No. 24102

July 19, 2024 (Issued)

Responses must be received August 8, 2024, no later than 2:00 p.m.

The Oakland Unified School District ("District") is requesting proposals from experienced firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, persons or professional organizations ("Consultants") to provide environmental site assessment consulting services to conduct soil characterization investigations associated with the site improvements at 14 District school sites that includes outdoor classrooms, picnic areas, planting trees and vegetated landscapes, pollinator gardens, natural play areas and nature-based play structures, and raised beds for edible food gardens.

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## LOCAL, SMALL LOCAL AND SMALL LOCAL RESIDENT BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

District Modification: Based on the availability analysis conducted for this specific RFQ/P, the District is waiving the entire 25% SLBE/SLRBE requirement. The minimum local business utilization requirement of 50% is still applicable for this RFQ/P and can be met with a 50% LBE participation.

The Local Business Utilization Policy 7115 requires that there is a mandatory fifty percent (50%) LBU participation with a 25% or less Local Business (LBE) participation and a 25% or more Small Local or Small Local Resident Business (SLBE/SLRBE) participation for all capital program/construction-related contracts and professional services agreements. See District Modification above.

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## Everyone is judging AI by these tests. But experts say they're close to meaningless

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Problems with the benchmarks are coming into focus amid a broader reckoning with the impacts of AI, including among policymakers. In California, a state that historically has been at the forefront of tech oversight, dozens of AI-related bills are pending in California's legislature and May saw the passage of the nation's first comprehensive AI legislation in Colorado and the release of an AI "roadmap" by a bipartisan U.S. Senate working group.

## Benchmarks and leaderboards

Benchmark problems are important because the tests play an outsized role in how proliferating AI models are measured against each other. In addition to Google and Meta, firms like OpenAI, Microsoft and Apple have also invested massively in AI systems, with a recent focus on "large language models," the underlying technology powering the current crop of AI chatbots, such as OpenAI's ChatGPT. All are eager to show how their models stack up against the com-

petition and against prior versions. This is meant to impress not only consumers but also investors and fellow researchers. In the absence of official government or industry standardized tests, the AI industry has embraced several benchmarks as de facto standards, even as researchers raise concerns about how they are being used.

Google spokesperson Gareth Evans wrote that the company uses "academic benchmarks and internal benchmarks" to measure the progress of its AI models and "to ensure the research community can contextualize this progress within the wider field." Evans added that in its research papers and progress reports the company discloses that "academic benchmarks are not foolproof, and can suffer from known issues like data leakage. Developing new benchmarks to measure very capable multimodal systems is an ongoing area of research for us."

Meta and OpenAI did not respond to requests for comment.

Within the AI industry, the most popular benchmarks are well known and their names have been woven into the vernacular of the field, often being used as a headline indicator of performance. HellaSwag, GSM8K, WinoGrande and HumanEval are all examples of popular AI benchmarks seen in the press releases for major AI models.

One of the most cited is the Massive Multitask Language Understanding benchmark. Released in 2020, the test is a collection of about 15,000 multiple choice questions. The topics covered span 57 categories of knowledge as varied as conceptual physics, human sexuality and professional accounting.

Another popular benchmark, HellaSwag, dates to 2019 and seeks to test a model's ability to examine a sequence of events and determine what is most likely to happen next among a set of choices, known as a "continuation." Rowan Zellers, a machine learning researcher with a PhD from the University of Washington, was

the lead author of the project. Zellers explained that at the time HellaSwag was created, AI models were far less capable than today's chatbots. "You could use them for question-answering on a Wikipedia article like, 'When was George Washington born?" he said.

Zellers and his colleagues wanted to build a test that required more understanding of the world. As Zellers put it, it might explain that: "Someone is Hula-Hooping, then they wiggle the Hula Hoop up, and then hold it in their hands. That's a plausible continuation." But the test would include nonsensical wrong answers as the final step, such as "The person is Hula-Hooping, then they get out of the car."

"Even a five year old would be like, 'Well, that doesn't make sense!" said Zellers.

Visit the link below for the full article:

https://calmatters.org/economy/technology/2024/07/ai-tests/

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# **PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE ADVERTISEMENTS**



#### GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

#### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) is soliciting bids from qualified firms for Contract No. 2024-F-010, San Francisco Ferry Terminal West and East Berth Ramp Rehabilitation. Bids must be uploaded to the District's Procurement Portal: https://ggbhtd.bonfirehub.com by August 27, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., Pacific Time, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read online.

Hard copy submissions will NOT be accepted. Hard copies received will be returned (unopened) to Bidders without consideration.

The bid opening will be conducted online only, and the District will be utilizing Microsoft Teams to conduct the meeting. Below is the Microsoft Teams Meeting information for Bidders who wish to participate in the bid opening. If you have not used Microsoft Teams before, please refer to the link: Join a Meeting in Teams prior to the meeting to ensure that you are able to join without technical difficulties. On the date and time of the meeting, press Ctrl+Click on the hyperlink, "Join Bid Opening." This meeting is specifically for the bid opening relative to the above Contract. Bidders may also call the telephone number and enter the Conference ID number provided below. Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 275 346 134 295

Passcode: 95FRGp

Dial in by phone

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United States, San Francisco Find a local number

Phone conference ID: 106 381 557#

Join on a video conferencing device

 $Tenant\ key:\ goldengate@m.webex.com$ 

Video ID: 114 569 901 0 More info For organizers: Meeting options | Reset dial-in PIN

This public works Project consists of, in general, rehabilitating the San Francisco Ferry Terminal existing west and east berth ramps. At the west berth, the work includes refurbishing the existing hydraulic systems including refurbishing the existing hydraulic cylinders, removing and replacing existing hydraulic lines, removing and replacing existing electrical and control systems, removing and replacing existing hydraulic equipment such as pumps, valves, manifolds, and tanks, and testing and commissioning the new hydraulic systems. At the east berth, the work includes disconnecting the existing steel ramp from the termi-

nal and transporting it to an offsite facility to perform structural steel repairs as well as refurbishing the hydraulic system. The structural steel repairs include repairing cracked elements, strengthening the ramp and sandblasting and coating the steel elements, transporting and reinstalling the ramp, and performing all testing and commissioning to ensure the ramp function. Concrete repairs at the east berth are also included, all other work required to

complete the Project titled San Francisco Ferry Terminal West and East Berth Ramp Rehabilitation, as shown on the Contract Plans and as specified in the Contract Documents.

A pre-bid conference will be held on **August 7, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., Pacific Time**, at the Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza Administration Building, 1 Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA, 94129-9000. A job site tour will be conducted immediately after the conference. While attendance at this conference and the job site tour is not mandatory, the District highly recommends you attend. Parties interested in attending either the pre-bid conference or the bid opening shall notify the District 24 hours prior to attending either event by contacting dmoore@goldengate.org.

Bidders bidding as the prime contractor shall possess a valid State of California Class A, General Engineering Contractor's License, with a minimum experience of one (1) similar projects with public agencies in the past five (5) years at the time of bid submittal. All subcontractors, if any, shall be properly licensed by the State of California to perform specialized trades and shall have a minimum experience of one (1) similar projects with public agencies in the past five (5) years at the time of bid submittal. Bidder shall submit satisfactory qualifications and experience listed above in bidding documents. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 4104, each Bid Proposal must include the name and location of the place of business of each subcontractor who shall perform work or service, or install work for the prime contractor in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of the bid price, using Attachment E, List of Subcontractors, included with the Bid Documents.

Bids must be accompanied by a deposit either in the form of cash, a certified or cashier's check, or Bidder's Bond, as described in the Contract Documents, which shall be applied to damages sustained by the District if the successful Bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract awarded to it.

Bids shall be submitted on the District's Proposal Forms, including all attachments, and plainly marked with Bidder's name, and contract name and number.

The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bidding procedure. No Bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date of opening bids. Within two (2) working days of bid opening, a summary of Bidders' quotes will be available at the District's Procurement Portal website.

To review the bid results, go to the District's Procurement Portal website: https://ggbhtd.bonfirehub.com

and look for Contract No. 2024-F-010. Each Bidder will be notified of award, if award is made.

The successful Bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in amounts equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total price of the Contract. District will retain five percent (5%) from each invoice/billing statement submitted in connection with the Contract. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, the successful Bidder may submit certain securities in lieu of the District withholding funds from progress payments (retention) during the Project.

The District hereby notifies all Bidders that it is the policy of the District to ensure nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and administration of contracts.

Bidders are strongly encouraged to obtain Disadvantaged and Small Business Enterprise (DBE/SBE) participation on this Project. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBEs) ARE, BY DEFI-NITION, CONSIDERED TO BE SBES, AND ARE COVERED BY THE REFERENCES TO SBES IN THIS DOCUMENT. In order to achieve such participation, the District has developed procedures to remove barriers to DBE participation in the bidding and award process and to assist DBEs to develop and compete successfully outside of the DBE Program. These procedures include the establishment of a SBE Element of the District's Diversity Program for Contracts. The District has evaluated subcontracting opportunities for this Contract and determined that such opportunities exist and has established an SBE goal of 11.4% Bidders must meet the contract-specific SBE goal or demonstrate good faith efforts to do so. Bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bid meeting to better understand the applicable DBE/SBE requirements. For DBE/SBE assistance, contact Artemisé Davenport, Manager, DBE and Workforce Inclusion, at (415) 257-

Contractor and all lower-tier subcontractors and suppliers performing covered work shall be required to submit certified payroll and labor compliance documentation to the District electronically using LCP Tracker software.

In accordance with Section 1720 et seq. of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates, as established by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations, will apply to this Contract. Information about prevailing wage rates for this Project is set forth in the Special Provisions. The prevailing wage rates established by the California Department of Industrial Relations are available at http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD. Hard copies can be viewed at the District's Engineering Office or requested by mail, addressed to: Prevailing Wage Unit, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Department of Industrial Relations, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA 94142.

Should the general prevailing wage rates not specify a wage determination for a particular craft classification or type of worker, attention is directed to 8 C.C.R. 16202(b) regarding petitioning the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for a special wage determination. The District has made no request for such determination, as the District does not know the specific craft classifications or type of workers intended by Contractor for this Project.

Contractor and subcontractors must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. This Contract is subject to monitoring and enforcement by the DIR pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4. The Contractor must post job site notices, as prescribed by regulation. The Contractor shall furnish the records specified in Labor Code Section 1776 directly to the Labor Commissioner, monthly in a format prescribed by the Labor Commissioner.

Bidders' attention is directed to the requirements of the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA).

Bid documents are available at no charge on the District's Procurement Portal at https://ggbhtd.bonfirehub.com. In order to download and respond to posted solicitations, Bidders are required to register on the District's Procurement Portal. Once registered the documents may be downloaded. Click on the "Open Public Opportunities" page, click View Opportunity next to the desired project.

Any revision to the Bid Documents will be made by a written addendum and be available on the District's Procurement Portal for download at no charge. Such addendum will become a part of the Bid Documents and be binding on all Bidders. Bidder's receipt of the addendum shall be acknowledged and so noted by each Bidder in the space provided on the Proposal Form. It is the responsibility of Bidder to check the District's Procurement Portal website for any Addenda that may be issued relative to this Contract.

Questions regarding technical information and clarifications shall be submitted in the District's Procurement Portal by clicking on the Opportunity Q & A tab of the message section of the project page. Such submissions shall be sent no later than eight calendar days before bid opening. Note that only written clarifications issued by the District are binding on the District. The District will post all pre-bid questions and the District's responses on the District's Procurement Portal website under Reference Number 2024-F-010. Bidders are encouraged to check the procurement portal website regularly.

John R. Eberle P.E., District Engineer Dated at San Francisco, this 16th day of July 2024

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# The Future of Electrical Contracting: Embracing Innovation and Sustainability

[ Article originally appeared in www.contractorslicensingschools.com ]

Electrical contracting is a dynamic and everevolving trade, playing a crucial role in both residential and commercial construction. With advancements in technology and a growing focus on sustainability, the field of electrical contracting is undergoing significant transformations. This article explores the latest trends, innovations, and sustainable practices that are shaping the future of electrical contracting, providing valuable insights for modern electricians.

## The Rise of Smart Home Technology

## **Integration of Smart Systems**

Smart home technology is revolutionizing how

we interact with our living spaces. Electrical contractors are at the forefront of this transformation, integrating smart systems that enhance convenience, security, and energy efficiency.

- Smart Lighting: Electricians are increasingly installing smart lighting systems that can be controlled via smartphones, voice commands, or automation. These systems not only offer convenience but also help save energy by adjusting lighting based on occupancy and natural light levels.
  - Philips Hue for smart lighting solutions.
  - Lutron Caseta for smart lighting controls.
- Home Automation: From smart thermostats to automated blinds, electrical contractors

are installing devices that allow homeowners to control various aspects of their homes remotely. This integration of home automation systems is creating more comfortable and energy-efficient living environments.

- Nest for smart thermostats and home automation.
- Control4 for comprehensive home automation solutions.

## **Energy Management Systems**

As energy costs rise and environmental concerns grow, energy management systems (EMS) are becoming a critical component of modern electrical installations. These systems monitor and control energy usage, helping homeowners and

businesses reduce their energy consumption and carbon footprint.

- Solar Power Integration: Electrical contractors are increasingly involved in the installation and maintenance of solar power systems.
   Integrating solar panels with the existing electrical grid and setting up battery storage systems are becoming common tasks for electricians.
  - Tesla Powerwall for home battery storage.
  - SunPower for solar energy solutions.

### Visit link for the full article:

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## **EVENTS**



Session 1: "Finding Caltrans and State Government Contracting Opportunities" Date: August 13, 2024 Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Session 2: "Finding Federal Contracting Opportunities" Date: August 14, 2024 Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Contact North Region: nr.small.business@dot.ca.gov Are you ready to expand your business with government contracting, and would like to learn how to find Caltrans, State and Federal Government Contracting Opportunities? If so, then you don't want to miss these two informative event sessions.

Join us and learn how to navigate the Caltrans, Department of General Services (DGS) and the Small Business Administration (SBA) websites to find those government contracting opportunities out for bid, and possibly win a future government contract!

Register Today

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