

In accordance with Texas Government Code §2161.252, qualifications that do not contain an up-to-date "HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)" are non-responsive and will be rejected without further evaluation. In addition, if TxDOT determines that the HSP was not developed in good faith, it will reject the qualifications for failing to comply with material specifications based on the RFQ.

Utilizing multiple engineering and design and construction grants over the course of the next five years, future scope of work items at Madisonville Municipal Airport may include: replace MIRLs, install PAPIs Runway 18-36.

The City of Madisonville reserves the right to determine which of the services listed above may or may not be awarded to the successful firm and to initiate additional procurement action for any of the services listed above.

To assist in your qualification statement preparation, the criteria, 5010 drawing, project diagram, and most recent Airport Layout Plan are available online at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/aviation/projects.htm> by selecting "Madisonville Municipal Airport." The qualification statement should address a technical approach for the current scope only. Firms shall use page 4, Recent Airport Experience, to list relevant past projects for both current and future scope.

AVN-550 Preparation Instructions:

Interested firms shall utilize the latest version of Form AVN-550, titled "Qualifications for Aviation Architectural/Engineering Services." The form may be requested from TxDOT, Aviation Division, 125 E. 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701-2483, phone number, (800) 68-PILOT (74568). The form may be emailed by request or downloaded from the TxDOT website at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/aviation/projects.html>. The form may not be altered in any way. Firms must carefully follow the instructions provided on each page of the form. Qualifications shall not exceed the number of pages in the AVN-550 template. The AVN-550 consists of eight pages of data plus one optional illustration page. A prime provider may only submit one AVN-550. If a prime provider submits more than one AVN-550, or submits a cover page with the AVN-550, that provider will be disqualified. Responses to this solicitation WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN ANY OTHER FORMAT.

ATTENTION: To ensure utilization of the latest version of Form AVN-550, firms are encouraged to download Form AVN-550 from the TxDOT website as addressed above. Utilization of Form AVN-550 from a previous download may not be the exact same format. Form AVN-550 is a PDF Template.

The completed Form AVN-550 must be received in the TxDOT Aviation eGrants system no later than **February 11, 2020**. Electronic facsimiles or forms sent by email or regular/overnight mail will not be accepted.

Firms that wish to submit a response to this solicitation must be a user in the TxDOT Aviation eGrants system no later than one business day before the solicitation due date. To request access to eGrants, please complete the Contact Us web form located at <http://txdot.gov/government/funding/egrants-2016/aviation.html>.

An instructional video on how to respond to a solicitation in eGrants is available at <http://txdot.gov/government/funding/egrants-2016/aviation.html>.

Step by step instructions on how to respond to a solicitation in eGrants will also be posted in the RFQ packet at <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/avn/avninfo/notice/consult/index.htm>.

The consultant selection committee will be composed of local government representatives. The final selection by the committee will

generally be made following the completion of review of AVN-550s. The committee will review all AVN-550s and rate and rank each. The Evaluation Criteria for Engineering Qualifications can be found at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/aviation/projects.html> under Information for Consultants. All firms will be notified, and the top-rated firm will be contacted to begin fee negotiations for the design and bidding phases. The selection committee does, however, reserve the right to conduct interviews for the top-rated firms if the committee deems it necessary. If interviews are conducted, selection will be made following interviews.

Please contact TxDOT Aviation for any technical or procedural questions at (800) 68- PILOT (74568). For procedural questions, please contact Ann Pinder, Grant Manager. For technical questions, please contact Steve Harp P.E., Project Manager.

For questions regarding responding to this solicitation in eGrants, please contact the TxDOT Aviation help desk at (800) 687-4568 or avn-egrantshelp@txdot.gov.

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Request for Qualifications

Pursuant to the authority granted under Transportation Code, Chapter 223, Subchapter F (enabling legislation), the Texas Department of Transportation (department) may enter into, in each state fiscal biennium, up to six design-build contracts for the design, construction, expansion, extension, related capital maintenance, rehabilitation, alteration, or repair of a highway project with a construction cost estimate of \$150 million or more. The enabling legislation authorizes private involvement in design-build projects and provides a process for the department to solicit proposals for such projects. Transportation Code §223.245 prescribes requirements for issuance of a request for qualifications (RFQ) and requires the department to publish a notice of such issuance in the *Texas Register*. The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) adopted Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Chapter 9, Subchapter I relating to design-build contracts (the rules). The enabling legislation, as well as the rules, govern the submission and processing of qualifications statements (QSs), and provide for the issuance of an RFQ that sets forth the basic criteria for qualifications, experience, technical competence, and ability to develop a proposed project and such other information the department considers relevant or necessary.

The commission has authorized the issuance of an RFQ to design, construct, and potentially maintain the Southeast Connector (Project) in Tarrant County, Texas. The Project will consist of non-tolled improvements to I-20 from Forest Hill Drive to Park Springs Boulevard, to I-820 from I-20 to Brentwood Stair Road, and to US 287 from Bishop Street to Sublett Road. The improvements to all three Project sections include the construction of additional general purpose lanes and frontage roads, with collector-distributors also constructed on the I-20 section. The improvements also include the reconstruction and realignment of existing general purpose lanes, frontage roads, on and off ramps, and the interchanges of US 287 and I-20, I-20 and I-820, SP 303 and I-820, US 180 and I-820, and US 287 and I-820.

The Project has an estimated design-build cost of approximately \$1.495 Billion.

Through this notice, the department is seeking QSs from teams interested in entering into a design-build contract and, potentially, a capital

maintenance contract. The department intends to evaluate any QS received in response to the RFQ and may request submission of detailed proposals, potentially leading to the negotiation, award, and execution of a design-build contract, and potentially, a capital maintenance contract. The department will accept for consideration any QS received in accordance with the enabling legislation, the rules, and the RFQ, on or before the deadline in this notice. The department anticipates issuing the RFQ, receiving and evaluating the QSs, developing a shortlist of proposing entities or consortia, and issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to the shortlisted entities. After review and a best value evaluation of the responses to the RFP, the department may negotiate and enter into a design-build contract and potentially, a capital maintenance contract, for the Project.

RFQ Evaluation Criteria. QSs will be evaluated by the department for shortlisting purposes using the following general criteria: project qualifications and experience, statement of technical approach, and safety qualifications. The specific criteria under the foregoing categories will be identified in the RFQ, as will the relative weighting of the criteria.

Release of RFQ and Due Date. The department currently anticipates that the RFQ will be available on January 17, 2020. Copies of the RFQ will be available at the following website:

<https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/debt/strategic-projects/alternative-delivery/seconnector/rfq.html>

QSs will be due by 12:00 p.m. (noon) CST on March 3, 2020, at the address specified in the RFQ.

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Texas Water Development Board

Invitation for Public Comment on Proposed Flood Planning Region Boundaries

The Texas Water Development Board (Board) invites public comment on its proposed flood planning region boundaries that would create 11 flood planning regions in Texas. Board designation of flood planning regions is required under Senate Bill 8, 86th Texas Legislature, which established a new regional and state flood planning process for the state.

The Board invites the public to review these proposed boundaries and provide specific comments regarding any suggestions for changes to the boundaries. In keeping with the bottom-up approach of Senate Bill 8 flood planning, the Board encourages interested parties to work together, to the extent practical, to present a consensus recommendation for any suggested flood planning region boundary changes. Please note that proposed rules related to the implementation of regional and state flood planning under Senate Bill 8 were posted in the December 20, 2019, issue of the *Texas Register* (44 TexReg 7826) and are available for public comment.

The associated draft documents related to both this flood region boundary proposal and the proposed regional and state flood planning rules may be obtained:

--on the Internet at www.twdb.texas.gov

--by contacting Reem Zoun at (512) 463-7847

--by writing to Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas 78711-3231

Please submit any comments regarding proposed changes and the reasoning for such changes. These comments may be sent via email to public-comment@twdb.texas.gov or to Reem Zoun at the above address or by fax at (512) 936-0889 by February 3, 2020.

Basis for the proposed flood planning region boundaries

In delineating the flood planning region boundaries, the Board started with the statutory language included in Senate Bill 8, which requires the flood planning regions to correspond with river basins. Texas' 15 major river and 8 coastal basins have been previously delineated by the Board. The dividing lines of these basins follow watershed boundaries as defined by the United States Geological Survey.

In designating flood planning regions, Texas Water Code §16.062(b) allows the Board to divide river basins to avoid having an impractically large area for efficient planning in a flood planning region.

In developing these proposed flood planning regions, coastal basins were combined with adjacent major river basins based on the potential to be influenced by interbasin flooding, ongoing coastal management efforts, and the stream contribution to bays. Smaller river basins were combined with larger basins based on similar types of flooding, relatively small populations, and practical administrative constraints limiting the number of regions that can be adequately supported by the State.

County boundaries were not considered a factor in delineating flood planning region boundaries due to their incongruity with natural watershed boundaries.

In considering potential flood planning region boundaries, the Executive Administrator determined that there were not sufficiently obvious or beneficial demarcations for subdividing river basins and that the benefits of dividing river basins were outweighed by the drawbacks of the potential for discord between upstream and downstream stakeholders regarding negative effects on neighboring areas. Therefore, these proposed boundaries (below), while they do combine some basins, do not split any of the river basins.

As currently proposed, the rules for implementing the regional flood planning process allow regional flood planning groups to designate subgroups or subcommittees to address issues associated with a geographic area smaller than the full flood planning region. Such subgroups must include at least one voting member that represents each of the statutorily required interest categories. The proposed rule also requires that such subgroups or subcommittees bring any information or recommendations to the full regional flood planning group for consideration.