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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

TO: CONSTRUCTION TESTING FIRMS

FROM: Pat Donaldson, DPW Administrator 

SUBJECT: DPW PROJECT NO. 19607  
Idaho Division of Veterans Services (IDVS)  
SW Veterans Home  
Boise, Idaho

RFQ submittal packages will be received at the Division of Public Works office, located at 502 N. 4th Street, PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0072, by 3:00 p.m., Mountain Standard Time Zone, April 18, 2024, for furnishing building construction testing services to the State of Idaho.

Questions that arise as a result of this Request for Qualifications should be addressed to:

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Modifications (addenda) to this RFQ, if any, will be posted on the Division of Public Works web page at <https://dpw.idaho.gov/professional-services/>. It is recommended that responders to this RFQ check this page prior to making their submittal.

Funding for the project is from the State and Federal. The Division of Public Works (DPW) will administer the project according to the terms and conditions of State laws and guidelines. The CONSTRUCTION TESTING FIRM will receive general instructions through the State. A Project Manager/Owner's Representative from DPW will be assigned to serve as project manager and liaison between the Department of Administration, the Agency, the CM/GC, and the CONSTRUCTION TESTING FIRM.

The CONSTRUCTION TESTING FIRM shall warrant the following: not knowingly hire or engage any illegal aliens or persons not authorized to work in the United States as required by Title 67, Chapter 79, Idaho Code. The CONSTRUCTION TESTING FIRM shall take steps to verify that it does not hire or engage any illegal aliens or persons not authorized to work in the United States; and that any misrepresentation in this regard or any employment of persons not authorized to work in the United States constitutes a material breach and shall be cause for the imposition of monetary penalties and/or termination of any Contract resulting from this RFQ.

### **DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

The scope of work includes a 4-story (170,000 sf) 122 bed Skilled Nursing Home Facility on the existing Boise Veterans Home site located in Boise, Ada County, Idaho. The building will consist of private rooms with private bathrooms within a home like environment. Each home unit will also have a shared common bathing suite, dining, living, patio and den/day area spaces. The facility will also include a common food preparation area, laundry facility, maintenance, and supply areas, a covered drop off/pick-up area, and general parking space for approximately 260 vehicles. All home units will have direct access to the community center via passenger elevators. The community center includes common multi-purpose spaces, canteen/bistro, therapy, pharmacy, administration support spaces, and other common use spaces.

It is anticipated that a portion of the existing Veterans Home will be demoed to provide adequate space for the new building. Once substantially complete, and the Owner is in full occupancy of the building, the remainder of the existing building will be demolished and at that time the remaining parking lot and sitework will be completed.

The estimated construction budget for this project is \$ 95,000,000 exclusive of fees, commissioning, contingencies, and tests.

Federal Funds / Davis Bacon wages will be associated with this project and likely Build America Buy America. Construction start date is dependent on federal grant opportunity with the earliest plausible grant opportunity allowing for a schedule to commence on or about March 2024 and completion December 2026. Construction is contingent on federal grant opportunity being awarded.

### **REQUIRED SERVICES**

The State is requesting qualification-based submittals for a Construction Testing firm for services as needed.

The Construction Testing firm is required to have all licenses and certifications for testing and inspection of materials per Project Technical Experience described in this RFQ.

The Construction Testing firm will be required to upload all testing and inspection reports to DPW's web-based construction management software.

The Construction Testing firm will be required to provide comprehensive general liability insurance, worker's compensation, as well as professional liability insurance.

The Construction Testing firm will represent the Owner, the Division of Public Works (DPW), reporting directly to the assigned DPW Project Manager/Owners Representative and will coordinate with the General Contractor and Design Professional. The Construction Testing firm shall have the ability to respond to calls for testing within 24 hours' notice. Test results shall be made available within 24 hours of the test performed.

### **REQUIRED PROJECT TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE/REQUIREMENTS**

The Construction Testing firm may provide services including, but not limited to testing and inspections for, soils compaction, aggregates, cement, post-tensioned concrete, concrete formwork, structural steel, including shop fabrication, welding, bolt connections, reinforcing steel, post-installed anchors, concrete masonry units, seismic systems, cold-formed steel framing, asphalt, fire-rated penetrations, and protection during cold weather.

### **QUALIFICATION SUBMITTAL CONTENT**

#### **A. Basic Qualifications: (Max 20 Points)**

1. Provide basic data relative to the Construction Testing firm's company size, history, personnel, certification and experience for the Project's Technical Requirements, resources available to meet the project schedule and duration, and general information. Individual resumes, awards, associations, etc., may be included. (Max 8 points)
2. Provide information (at least three projects within the last five years) that validates that the company has experience and technical certification for the Project's technical requirements. (Max 8 points)
3. Provide information if the Construction Testing firm uses any software programs to monitor, track, and assign tasks. (Max 4 points)

The Division of Public Works reserves the right to investigate and confirm the proposer's financial responsibility. This may include financial statements, bank references and interviews with past consultants, employees, and creditors. Unfavorable responses to these investigations are grounds for rejection of proposal.

#### **B. Team Member Qualification: (Max 36 Points)**

1. List the individuals expected to accomplish the work. Describe who will perform the various tasks, the amount of their involvement and responsibilities, their qualification, and relevant experience to the project's technical requirements. (Max 12 points)
2. List three projects each individual has completed construction testing and/or inspections within the last five years. Name the project, the Owner, cost of construction, and what were tests/inspection completed by the individual. (Max 12 points)
3. Describe the Construction Testing firm and individual's capability and availability to perform all of the testing/inspections during the duration of the project/work. (Max 5 points)
4. The work required must be conducted by a qualified testing firm/individual who is approved by a qualified testing and inspecting agency meeting the requirements of ASTM and shall be certified by the Building Official. The technical project requirements also require a licensed Geotechnical

Engineer to perform some of the project inspections. Provide Idaho certifications and licenses for the individuals performing the work. (Max 7 points)

**C. Examples of Work:** (Max 20 Points) Provide FOUR examples of previous projects for each individual performing the construction testing/inspections that are the same testing/inspection requirements required for this project. Examples include the date of the testing/inspections, project name, location, project owner, square footage, project construction date, and a reference/contact for each project.

**D. Format:** (Max 4 Points) To assist evaluation it is desirable to format the proposal similar to the headings listed above. The proposals should be clear and to the point. Primary contact should be clearly identified on the cover sheet with an email address.

**SUBMITTAL**

Submit five (5) copies of the submittal; include one USB drive containing a PDF of the submittal. In your RFQ cover letter, include the email address of the primary contact person; **failure to provide this information may result in the proposal being nonresponsive.**

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**EVALUATION**

A selection committee consisting of two (2) persons from DPW, two (2) persons from IDVS, and an independent selection committee member will rank the submittals.

The Selection Committee may choose to interview any, all or none of the respondents as may be in the best interest of the State. The ranking criteria will be weighted according to the following:

<b>Initial Ranking, Written Point Scoring</b>		
	Criteria	Maximum Possible Points
A	Basic Qualifications	20
B	Team Member Qualifications	36
C	Examples of Work	20
D	Format	4
Written Total		80
<b>Presentation – Interview Point Scoring</b>		
	Criteria	Maximum Possible Points
	Competency and abilities to address the items above in the written RFQ submittals.	15
	Selection Committee’s Q & A	5
Presentation – Interview Total		20

If interviews are held, selected firms will be notified as to the place, time, and date of the interview. The interview process will be worth 20 points. The Construction Testing firm invited for an interview will receive a final score based on the sum of the Selection Committee's initial ranking and final ranking.

### **AWARD**

Based on the results of the final proposals, DPW will recommend a course of action to the PBFAC at their next regularly scheduled meeting. If recommended, a notice of intent to negotiate will be issued by DPW.

### **PROPOSED DATES:**

Receive RFQ Submittals	April 18, 2024
Oral Interviews	May 9, 2024
PBFAC Selection Approval	June 4, 2024
Negotiate Contract	June 2024

### **SELECTION**

The State will attempt to select a firm at the next scheduled Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council meeting. Upon selection of a firm, the State will issue a letter of intent. However, final award is contingent upon the successful negotiation of an Agreement.

The contents of the submittal may be used in a legal contract or agreement. Proposers should be aware that methods and procedures proposed could become contractual obligations. The State reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request.

The State may also negotiate separately with any source in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the State of Idaho. Awards will be made on the basis of submittals resulting from this request and subsequent interviews.

**END 19607 CONSTRUCTION TESTING RFQ**