

Missouri Department of Transportation

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Dear Consultant:

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is requesting the services of a consulting engineering firm to perform the described professional services for the project included on the attached list.

If your firm would like to be considered for these consulting services, you may express your interest by responding to the appropriate office, which is indicated on the attachments. Limit your letter of interest to no more than three pages. This letter should include a statement to indicate your firm's understanding of the project. It should also include any other information which might help us in the selection process, including key personnel you would assign to the project and the backgrounds of those individuals, and any sub-consultants you would propose to use, and an indication of your firm's approach to promoting and developing a diverse workforce. MoDOT is committed to reflecting the diversity of the communities we serve and we expect our partners to do the same. We will utilize the consultant information already on file so we will not need a lengthy submittal of other general company information.

In addition to the three pages previously mentioned, the letter must also include an organizational chart (up to 11"x17" in size) and Key Personnel resumes. The chart must include the organizational structure proposed for the study, with commitments of key staff to the study. A two page resume for each individual designated as Key Personnel may be submitted and the total number of resumes may not exceed five (5). The resumes should describe current workloads and provide detailed information on similar projects that your key personnel have worked on. Indicate the role your key personnel played in the projects and include reference contact information. The firm must also acknowledge that the Key Personnel will not be removed or replaced without written concurrence of the Commission.

The completion of the Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study hereafter known as the I-70 Regional Needs Assessment and Strategies Development Study is required within 12 to 18 months of the Notice to Proceed (NTP). The proposal shall contain your proposed schedule for the PEL Study and the manpower commitment for meeting these dates. The study schedule (up to 11"x17" in size) may be submitted in addition to the three page letter, organizational chart and Key Personnel resumes.

DBE firms must be certified by the Missouri Department of Transportation in order to be counted as participation towards an established DBE Goal. We encourage DBE firms to submit letters of interest as prime consultants for any projects they feel can be managed by their firm. We also encourage both DBE firms and non-DBE firms to consider joining MoDOT's Mentor/Protégé program whenever possible as part of a MoDOT project.



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MoDOT will evaluate firms based on: Past Performance, Qualifications of Personnel Assigned, Familiarity/Capability, General Experience of Firm, and Accessibility of Firm and Staff. Firm's not providing a response on approach to workforce diversity will be considered non-responsive to this solicitation. Firm's that are not current on all of the required prequalification categories found in MoDOT's Approved Consultant Prequalification List at the date of the solicitation expiration will be considered non-responsive.

If your firm wishes to be considered for this project, three (3) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy (PDF) of the proposal should be received at the following address by 3:00 pm, November 15, 2013.

Missouri Department of Transportation
Attn: Mr. Jim Middleton
1590 Woodlake Drive
Chesterfield, MO 63017
Email Address: james.middleton@modot.mo.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eric Schroeter".

Eric Schroeter, P.E.
State Design Engineer

Attachment

GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

The overall objective of this project is to produce a Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study that will link planning information directly or by reference into NEPA for the Interstate 70 corridor from I-64 in St. Charles County to east of the reversible lanes in St. Louis City. The assumptions, procedures, data and decisions made which culminates in the successful completion of this project must be sound and clearly documented.

The PEL Study would focus on broad issues such as general location, mode choice, known environmental and cultural resource constraints, area-wide air quality and land use implications of the major alternatives.

In general the PEL Study will produce the following:

- Approval of general concepts (i.e., preferred strategies) for improving I-70, including a prioritization plan for the corridor.
- Identification of the Sections of Independent Utility, including an action plan for the completion of the environmental process.
- Documentation that can be referenced into the NEPA process for future improvements along the corridor to eliminate repetitiveness.
- Development of agency and public consensus for the overall improvement plan.

The study will be managed by the Transportation Corridor Improvement Group (TCIG). This is a multi-agency group comprised of members from East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWG), Missouri Department of Transportation, and Bi-State, who have agreed to cooperate in carrying out this study.

Tasks for development of the PEL Study shall include, but are not necessarily limited to the following:

1. Lead an intensive public involvement campaign including opportunities to participate and comment at project's major milestones using traditional public meetings, on-line and social media, community advisory groups, and by building informed consent with political entities in the area of study. Ongoing public involvement will be necessary during the preparation of the study.
2. Meet with all affected agencies as frequently as necessary to identify their issues and concerns prior to the recommendation of a preferred strategy.
3. Develop and define a Preliminary Purpose and Need.
4. Develop and identify preferred strategies to improve the I-70 Corridor.

5. Assessment of the social, economic, and environmental impacts of the proposed action or strategy.
6. Interim requirements on the existing system and any necessary improvements to adjacent facilities.
7. Estimates of a range of construction costs for each strategy and the preferred strategy shall be developed to enable planning.
8. Identification of the Sections of Independent Utility including an action plan for completing the environmental process.
9. A proposed schedule to meet the identified needs of the corridor for design and construction activities.
10. Final recommendation for approval by the East-West Gateway Council of Governments Board of Directors.

DISTRICT OFFICES

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Email responses are encouraged

District SL

St. Charles County, St. Louis County and St. Louis City, I-70	
Job No:	J6I3038
Location:	I-64 in St. Charles County to the east of the reversible lanes in St. Louis City
Proposed Improvement:	Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study
Length:	Approximately 40 miles
Approximate Construction Cost:	N/A (Study)
DBE Goal (if applicable)	14%
Consultant Services Required:	Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study with general scope of work as described on the previous page.
Other Comments:	<p>Interviews will be conducted with the short listed firms.</p> <p>The Consultant Short List will be posted to the web</p> <p>Tentative Schedule: Proposals Due – November 15, 2013 Notification of Selection for Interview – December 13, 2013 Interviews – January 16, 2014 Notification of Selection – January 24, 2014</p>

Rating Criteria w/Weighted Values

General Experience of Firm	15 Points Max
Past Performance	35 Points Max
Qualifications of Personnel Assigned	25 Points Max
Familiarity/Capability	15 Points Max
Accessibility of Firm & Staff	<u>10 Points Max</u>
	100 Points Max Total