

TR202208 “Bats Use of Bridges and Culverts”

Questions and Answers

1. After examining the RFP, our team has concluded that no or very limited field work is expected due to a) the short timeline, b) limited budget, c) comments about a potential second phase, and d) breadth of subject material. We seek clarification that this is an accurate assessment.

Correct, no field work is expected.

2. How many MoDOT bridges and culverts are known to be used by a) bats in general and b) the target bats? Such data are important for developing an analysis of what is already known.

MoDOT has very limited records compared to the number of structures the department is responsible for. Records are available for at least twenty bridges where signs of bat roosting or bats themselves have been noted, but the assumption is the number could be much larger.

3. Our company is certified by the Small Business Administration as a Woman-Owned Small Business. Similarly, we have a potential partner that is a federally recognized minority-owned business. Both firms have established expertise in bats and bridges. Can these federal certifications be used in fulfillment of MoDOT’s diversity goals?

Per Section 5G, use of an MBE/WBE is encouraged but not required nor is it a scoring element. Submission of certifications are encouraged in the proposal and do not count towards the overall page count.