



**City of St Pete Beach
Request for Bids**

**Disaster Debris
Removal**

**Bids due by, December 1st, 2016
10:00 AM at City Hall, St. Pete Beach, FL**

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I. CONTRACTOR'S QUALIFICATION SUBMITTAL

The company that is submitting a Bid Package declares that he/she has extensive experience in emergency debris removal.

The undersigned, as Bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in the Solicitation as principal or principals are named herein, and that no other person than herein mentioned has any interest in the Solicitation or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Solicitation or Contract is made without connection with any other person, company, or parties making a Bid; and that it is in all respects fair and in good faith without collusion or fraud.

The Bidder further declares that he/she has examined the site of the work and informed himself/herself fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that he/she has examined the RFB, Plans, and Specifications for the work and Contract Documents relative thereto, and has read all special provisions furnished prior to the opening of Bids; and that he/she has satisfied himself/herself relative to the materials to be supplied and work to be performed.

The bidder certifies that the information and responses provided within this Bid Package are true, accurate, and complete. The City or its designated representatives may contact any entity or references listed in the response and investigate the company as defined in References & Qualifications to verify the bidder's abilities and quality of work. The contractor hereby grants permission for each entity or reference listed in the bidder's response may make any information concerning the Contractor available to the City.

The Bidder proposes and agrees, if the Bid Package is accepted, to contract with the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida, in the form of Contract/Agreement specified for: *"DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL"*

In St. Pete Beach, Florida, in full and complete accordance with the noted, described, and reasonably intended requirements of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents, to the full and entire satisfaction of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida. The Bidder proposes to furnish all materials, equipment, labor, and perform the work submitted in their Qualification schedule for the City of St. Pete Beach *"DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL"*

COMPANY:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

BY:

(SIGNATURE)

NAME:

(PRINT NAME & TITLE)

**CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH
PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT
155 COREY AVENUE
ST. PETE BEACH, FLORIDA 33706**

BID SCHEDULE

Scope of Services - First 72-Hours (Cutting and Clearing Public Right of Way)

Equipment/ Personnel	Unit	Unit Price
Traffic Control Personnel	Hour	
Laborer	Hour	
Operator W/ Chainsaw	Hour	
Safety Personnel	Hour	
Climber w/ gear	Hour	
5-14 CY Dump Truck	Hour	
Tractor w/Box blade	Hour	
Bobcat Loader	Hour	
Transports	Hour	
Rubber-Tired Backhoe	Hour	
15-24 CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
25-34 CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
35-44 CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
45-54 CCY Dump Trucks	Hour	
55-64 CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
65-74 CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
75 + CY Dump Trucks	Hour	
Trackhoe 690 J.D.	Hour	
Motor Grader	Hour	
Water Truck (4000 Ga.)	Hour	
D-4 Dozer	Hour	
D-5 Dozer	Hour	
D-6 Dozer	Hour	
D-7 Dozer	Hour	
D-8 Dozer	Hour	
Generator & Lighting	Hour	
Skidders 648E	Hour	
Front End Loader 544	Hour	
Front End Loader 644	Hour	
Knuckleboom Loader	Hour	
50 foot bucket truck	Hour	
30 ton + crane	Hour	
Diamond Z or Equiv. Tub Grinder	Hour	
Other appropriate Equipment	Hour	
Crew Foreman w/Cell phone	Hour	
Pickup Truck – half-ton	Hour	
Project Management Team	Hour	

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES	COST	UNIT
1	Debris (Vegetative and Construction and Demolition) Removal from Public Property (Right-of-Way) and Hauling to Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Site (TDSRS)		CY
2	Removal of Vegetative Debris from Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Site (TDSRS) and Hauling to Final Disposal		CY
3	Removal of Construction and Demolition Debris from Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Site (TDSRS) and Hauling to Final Disposal Site		CY
4	Contaminated sand from Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Sites (TDSRS): Removal and Hauling to Final Disposal Site		CY
5	Fill Dirt (other than filling stump holes)		CY
6	Debris Removal from Public Property (Right-of-Way) and Hauling directly to Final Disposal Site		CY
7	Management of TDSRS		CY
8	Processing (Grinding/Chipping) of debris at TDSRS or Final disposal		CY
9	Processing (Burning) of debris at TDSRS or Final disposal		CY
10	Temporary fencing as directed by the City		LF
	HAZARDOUS STUMP REMOVAL & HAULING TO DISPOSAL SITE		
11	Greater than 25 inches diameter to 36 inches diameter		Stump
12	37 inches diameter to 48 inches diameter		Stump
13	48 inches diameter and greater		Stump
14	Pre-event training for Client personnel		PER
15	Down tree cutting, loading, hauling and disposal from drainage retention areas, cemeteries, parks and other public properties		CY
16	6 inches diameter to 12 inches diameter		Tree
17	12 inches diameter to 24 inches diameter		Tree
18	24 inches diameter to 36 inches diameter		Tree
19	36 inches diameter to 48 inches diameter		Tree
20	48 inches diameter and greater		Tree
	HANGING LIMB REMOVAL & HAULING TO DISPOSAL SITE		
21	Hangers for trees up to 65 feet in height		Tree

II. GENERAL CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

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BID DOCUMENTS

- I. Contractor's Submittal
- II. General Contract Documents
- III. References
- IV. Certificate of Insurance
- V. Equipment and Personnel
- VI. Technical Specifications
- VIII. FDOT Letter, Map, Pinellas County Memo, FHWA Form 1273

The City of St. Pete Beach is soliciting Bids from qualified Construction Contractors for various debris removal and management for storm related weather events as presented on the bid schedule on the previous page. This RFQ was created in accordance with FEMA Recovery Fact Sheet RP9580.201, Debris Contracting Guidance.

BID SUBMITTALS

Bid documents must include a signed Bid Package, itemized bid and fee schedule, references, contractor's license and insurance certificates. Any major sub-contractor that will be hired by the contractor for this project must also submit references, contractor's license and insurance certificates. Contractors must submit (4) four total copies of the Bid package, and (1) one electronic copy (PDF).

BIDDER INFORMATION

All Contractors must contact the CIP Construction Manager, via e-mail, with their intention to submit, along with their company name and contact information. The City is not responsible for any Addendums or other supplementary information that is not received due to non-submittal of the aforementioned information. Please refer back to the website (www.stpetebeach.org) for additional project information as it becomes available.

PRE-BID MEETING

There will be no pre-bid meeting for this solicitation. Please submit all questions to the City's Project Manager by no later than November 18th, 2016.

BID PACKAGES

Sealed Bids will be received until 10:00 AM on December 1st, 2016, in the Office of the City Clerk, 155 Corey Avenue, St. Pete Beach Florida at which time they will be publicly opened and read. All bidders are invited to attend this Bid opening, which will be held immediately following the closing time specified. Bids received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Bids should be addressed to: City of St. Pete Beach
City Clerk's Office
155 Corey Ave.
St. Pete Beach, FL 33706

Plainly marked as: ***"DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL"***

CONTACT INFORMATION

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155 Corey Avenue
St. Pete Beach, Florida 33706
Office - (727) 363-9254 Fax - (727) 367-2736
E-mail (iwade@stpetebeach.org)

SCOPE OF WORK

It is the intent of the City of St. Pete Beach to obtain Bids for storm debris removal contractors for the purpose of removal of all eligible debris on City of St. Pete Beach Rights-of-Way and public properties in accordance with FEMA regulations and FDOT Debris Removal Coordination efforts pertinent to a specific weather event.

Bids will be considered only from firms normally engaged in the services specified herein for a period of at least three (3) years. Proposers must have adequate organization, facilities, equipment, and personnel to ensure prompt and efficient service to the City of St. Pete Beach. The City reserves the right, before recommending any award, to inspect the facilities and organization, or to take any other action necessary to determine ability to perform in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all submittals, or any part of any submittal, to waive any irregularities or informalities in any submittal, and to accept that submittal which is deemed to be in the best interest of the City. The City of St. Pete Beach reserves the right to establish additional contracts that may be similar in nature to any contract resulting for this Request for Bids as best serves the needs of the City.

The City will provide, upon request to the winning bidder, a copy of the Public Works Emergency Operations plan, which includes identification of main and secondary roadway priorities and temporary debris drop sites.

DETAILED QUALIFICATION FORMAT

Instructions to proposers: Bids must contain each of the below enumerated documents. Bids submitted which do not include the following items may be deemed non-responsive and may not be considered for contract award.

1. **Price Proposal (Bid)**
The Bid Package is a presentation of the proposer's unit costs as identified in the bid schedule.
2. **Qualifications**
Include a description of the experience, qualifications, evidence of bonding capacity, recent references of the proposer's performance on contracts of similar scope and size required. Experience may be included as the number of years, level of technical knowledge, educational degrees and certifications required.
3. **Insurance**
The contractor must provide proof of insurance as per City insurance requirements.

EVALUATION

The City will evaluate each firm's submission based upon the criteria stated in this Request for Bids and the ability to execute the services. Following the evaluation process, the team will then select the firm that the City considers most qualified. The successful Firm(s) will be requested to enter into negotiations to produce a contract for this assignment. The City reserves the right to negotiate modifications to Bids that it deems acceptable. The City reserves the right to terminate negotiations in the event it deems the progress towards a contract to be insufficient.

ADDITIONAL WORK DETAILS

Firms or persons wishing to submit on this project must be licensed, bondable and insured in accordance to the requirements of this Bid package. Contractors and sub-contractors must be certified, registered and/or licensed by the proper construction licensing boards for the work being performed. The contractor will furnish all necessary labor, materials, tools, equipment and supplies to complete the scope of work. Bid Package must also include all costs for licenses, permits and any material disposal fees.

Bidders shall bring questions, discrepancies, omissions, conflicts or doubt as to meaning of any part of Contract Documents to attention of the City of St Pete Beach Public Services Department at least ten (10) days before due date for Bids. Clarification of intent of Contract Documents if necessary shall be made

available to bidders in form of Addendum. Failure to request clarification of interpretation of Contract Documents shall not relieve bidders of their responsibilities to perform the work.

The City of St. Pete Beach reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or parts of Bids or accept any Bid Package or part thereof deemed to be in the best interests to the City of St. Pete Beach. The City of St. Pete Beach also retains the right of selecting separate contractors for any particular item. The City shall have option of termination of this contract for unsatisfactory performance or any other reason with sixty (60) days written notice.

The City reserves the right to add or delete room areas and/or complete facilities from this contract as deemed necessary with adjustments in accordance with the bid quantities and specifications. New additions to the contract will be negotiated between both parties.

STATEMENT OF WORK

The Contractor shall furnish and pay the cost, including sales tax and all other applicable taxes, licenses, permits and fees, of all the necessary materials not furnished by the City and shall furnish and pay for all the superintendence, labor, tools, equipment and transportation and perform all the work required for the execution of all services listed in the Bid Package and Schedule attached hereto and in strict accordance with the Plans, Specifications, and requirements of the City of St. Pete Beach which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, and any amendments thereto and such supplemental Plans and Specifications which may hereafter be approved.

BEGINNING DATE

The Contractor shall within ten (10) days after receipt of the Notice of Award and before commencement of any operations hereunder execute the Contract. The Contractor must provide a work schedule and/or commence work within ten (10) days of the Contract signing at the discretion of the City. Any change to the start date or the work schedule must be submitted in writing to and approved by the City Manager or designee. The Contractor shall furnish a dated work schedule (what work completed on what date) with each invoice to aid the City. The work shall be discontinued on Saturdays, Sundays and all legal or City designated holidays, except for special operations that may be necessary in order to maintain, check or protect work already performed. Work may be permitted on weekends or holidays with approval from the City Manager or designee. No work shall be done at night without prior approval of the City Manager or designee.

COMPLETION DATE

As Scheduled – Base contract shall be for 3 Years from date of execution, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years if mutually agreed upon by both parties.

EXAMINATION OF SITE

Bidder shall carefully examine project site and be familiar with the work required for the project. Investigate all site conditions that may affect execution of work as detailed in the construction documents. Contact the City's Public Services Department or their designee in writing for changes or alterations before proceeding.

ASSURANCES

The responding firm shall provide a statement of assurance that the firm is not presently in violations of any statutes or regulatory rules that might have an impact on the firms operations. All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Florida and ordinances and regulations of the City of St. Pete Beach will apply.

TRAFFIC CONTROL AND STAGING AREA

Contractor shall include all costs associated with traffic control and maintenance during the project. Contractor shall be provided with a staging area but will be required to control the area with fencing or barricades.

ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF CONTRACT

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer this Contract or any part thereof or any interest therein without consent in writing of the City and the contractor's Surety, and any such assignment or transfer without such written consent shall be null and void.

SUBCONTRACTS

The Contractor shall not subcontract this Contract or any part thereof or any interest therein without consent in writing of the City and the contractor's Surety. Any Subcontractor approved by the City will be subject to the same standards and qualifications as stated in this Contract.

PERFORMANCE PAYMENT BOND

There will be no bid bond required for this contract. Upon activation following a disaster event, however, the Contractor shall furnish the City with a performance and payment bond in a penal sum equal to \$10,000, conditioned upon the performance by the Contractor of all undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of this Contract, and upon the prompt payment by the Contractor to all persons supplying labor and materials in the prosecution of the work provided by this Contract. The Contractor shall execute such bond and a corporate bonding company licensed to transact such business in the State of Florida and acceptable to the City.

The expense of this bond shall be borne by the Contractor. If at any time a Surety on such bond becomes irresponsible or loses its right to do business in the State of Florida, the City may require another Surety that the Contractor shall furnish within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of written notice to do so. Evidence of authority of an attorney in fact acting for the corporate Surety must be provided in the form of a certificate as to his power of attorney and to the effect that it is not terminated and remains in full force and effect on the date of the bond. The form of the bond shall be subject to approval by the City.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

If the work embraced by this Contract is not completed on or before the date set for completion or any extension thereof, the actual damages for the delay will be impossible to determine and in lieu thereof, the Contractor shall pay to the City fixed, agreed and liquidated damages in the amount of Five-Hundred Dollars (\$500) per day for each calendar day of delay until the work is satisfactorily completed.

PAYMENT

Payment shall be made to the Contractor for work performed under this Contract for the quantities of work as determined in accordance with Payments for Work Completed and Payments Withheld of this Contract. Payment for extra work will be made in accordance with Extra Work and Charges and Payments for Work Completed of this Contract. Payment will be made only for debris that FEMA determines eligible. Contractors must submit invoices regularly and for no more than 30-day period.

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

A twelve month time limit shall apply to the period of performance.

EXTRA WORK AND CHARGES

Extra work shall be work for which no Bid Package was received in the Bid Package and which was not included in the bid schedule and will not be construed to mean work for which unit bids were received but which is in excess of the quantity mentioned in the Bid Package. The City, without invalidating the Contract, may order extra work or make changes in the work, the Contract sum being adjusted accordingly. All such work shall be executed under the conditions of the original Contract except that any claim for extension of time caused thereby shall be adjusted at the time of ordering such change. All such changes shall be agreed to and recorded as a "Contract Change Order." In giving instructions the City Manager or designee shall have authority to make minor changes in work not involving extra cost and not inconsistent with the purpose of the work but otherwise, except in an emergency endangering life or property, no extra work or change shall be made unless covered by a "Contract Change Order." No claim for an addition to the Contract sum shall be valid unless so covered. Before becoming effective, all Change Orders must be signed by all parties indicated.

The value of such extra work or change shall be determined in one or more of the following ways:

- (a). By estimate and acceptance in a lump sum;
- (b). By unit prices named in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;

Equipment rental shall be by the hour on an hourly rate that shall include the price of equipment operator, fuel and supervision of equipment. The method of determining the value of extra work shall be agreed upon prior to commencing such extra work. The cost of additional materials shall be negotiated to a price that would be both fair and equitable to both parties. The Contractor shall keep and present in such form as the City Manager or designee may direct, a correct account of the several items of cost together with vouchers. This definition and requirement applies equally to all work performed by Subcontractors. The above accounts shall be understood to include all other costs and compensation such as insurance, small tools, superintendence, office, and overhead costs and profits. Rental on equipment shall be charged against the extra or changed work only of the actual time the equipment is used specifically therefore.

Changed work shall be adjusted, considering separately the work added and the parts omitted. Amount of adjustment for parts omitted shall be estimated at the time omission of work is authorized and the agreed adjustment will be deducted from the subsequent monthly estimates.

The City reserves the right to contract with any person or firm other than the Contractor for any or all-extra work. The Contractor's attention is especially called to the fact that he/she shall be entitled to no claim for damages for anticipated profits on any portion of work that may be omitted.

CLAIMS FOR EXTRA COST

If the Contractor claims that any changes in the work or any instructions by means of drawings or otherwise involve extra cost, he/she shall give the City Manager or designee written notice thereof within a reasonable time after receipt of such instructions or of notice of such changes and, in any event, before proceeding to carry out such instructions or to put such changes into effect, except in case of emergency endangering life or property. In all cases the Contractor shall keep a correct account of the extra cost in such form as the City Manager or designee may direct and shall present such account supported by receipts to the City Manager or designee. The City shall be entitled to reject any claim for extra cost concerning which the foregoing procedure is not followed.

PAYMENTS FOR WORK COMPLETED

Partial payments will be made as the work progresses at the end of each calendar month, or as soon thereafter as practicable on estimates made by the City Manager or designee and as approved by the City, provided that the Contractor is performing the overall job in a diligent manner. In making partial payments, there shall be retained ten percent (10%) on the amount of each estimate until final completion and acceptance of all work covered by the Contract. Upon completion and acceptance of the work, the City Manager or designee shall issue a certificate that the work has been completed and accepted by him under the conditions of this Contract, and shall make and approve the final estimate of the work. The entire balance found to be due the Contractor, including that retained by the City, should be paid to the Contractor. Such payment shall be conditioned, however, upon the submission by the Contractor of evidence satisfactory to the City that all claims for labor, material, and any other outstanding indebtedness in connection with this Contract have been paid. Such payment shall also be conditioned upon approval and acceptance of the construction and improvements by the City.

If after the work has been substantially completed, full completion thereof is materially delayed through no fault of the Contractor and the City Manager or designee so certifies, the City shall upon the Certificate of the City Manager or designee, and without terminating the Contract make payment for the balance due for that portion of the work fully completed and accepted. Such payment shall be made under the terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of claim. If such delay occurs and payment is made under this clause, the Contractor shall nevertheless be prepared to complete the work in a timely manner upon the remedy or removal of such delay, and shall be bound under this Contract for the completion of such work unless this Contract is otherwise terminated.

PAYMENTS WITHHELD

The City Manager or designee may withhold, or, on account of subsequently discovered evidence, nullify the whole or part of any estimate to such extent as may be necessary to protect the City from loss on account of:

- (a). Defective work not remedied
- (b). Claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of claims
- (c). Failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors or for material or labor.
- (d). A reasonable doubt that the Contract can be completed for the balance then unpaid.
- (e). Damage to another Contractor.
- (f). Failure of the Contractor to keep his/her work progressing in accordance with his/her time schedule.

FINAL ESTIMATES

Upon the completion and acceptance of the work, the City Manager or designee shall issue a certificate that the whole work provided for in this Contract has been completed and accepted by him under the conditions and the terms thereof and shall make the final estimate of the work. After issuance of the certificate, the entire balance found to be due the Contractor including said retained percentage but the City in accordance with existing state laws as may be retained lawfully by said City, shall pay excepting such sums to the Contractor. Before the approval of the final estimate, the Contractor shall submit evidence satisfactory to the City that all payrolls, materials, bills and outstanding indebtedness in connection with this Contract have been paid.

LIENS

If at any time there shall be evidence of any lien or claim for which the City might become liable and which is chargeable to the Contractor, the City shall have the right to retain out of any payment then due or thereafter to become due, an amount sufficient for complete indemnification against such lien or claim. In the event the City has already paid to the Contractor all sums due under this contract or the balance remaining unpaid is insufficient to protect the City, the Contractor and his Surety shall be liable to the City for any loss so sustained.

RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE

The term "City Manager or designee" wherever used in this Contract shall be the City of St. Pete Beach or its duly authorized representative. Notices of any change in the City Manager or designee shall be given in writing by the City to the Contractor. The City Manager or designee shall have full authority to interpret the Plans and Specifications and shall determine the amount, quality, and acceptance of the work and supplies to be paid for under this Contract and every question relative to the fulfillment of the terms and provisions therein. It shall be the duty of the City Manager or designee to enforce the Plans and Specifications in a fair and unbiased manner.

If a variation from any requirements is allowed the City Manager or designee shall grant the same in writing with the reasons for his action outlined, and such action will not invalidate or change the Contract in any other manner.

INTENT OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Contractor shall keep on the job a copy of the Plans and Specifications and shall at all times give the City Manager or designee access thereto. Anything mentioned in the Specifications and not shown on the Plans or shown on the Plans and not mentioned in the Specifications, shall be of like effect as if shown or mentioned in both. The Contractor shall not take advantage of any errors, discrepancies or omissions that may exist in the Plans and Specifications, but shall immediately call them to the attention of the City Manager or designee whose interpretation or correction thereof shall be conclusive. Should a conflict occur between the General Specifications and any Supplemental Specifications and/or Plans, the latter shall govern. Detailed Specifications inserted elsewhere in these specifications govern the construction of the work to be done on this project only.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all necessary City licenses and work permits and shall faithfully comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations, (Federal, State or local) which may be applicable to the operations to be conducted hereunder. Chapter II, Section II-4, "Registration of Licenses Obtained From

Other Municipalities: “..Persons, partnerships, corporations, or other business entities doing business with the City who are not required to obtain a City occupational license, but who must have either a State or County or Municipal occupational license from another municipality, shall register such occupational license with St. Pete Beach, Planning & Development Department. The City shall charge the sum of fifteen dollars (\$15) for such registration.” The Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining all City, County, State and Federal permits required by those government agencies. This shall include a notice to commence work letter and the applicable fee, if required. Any sub-contractor hired by the contractor awarded the project, MUST also register their license with the City.

SUPERINTENDENCE

The Contractor shall constantly superintend all the work embraced in this Contract in person or by a responsible agent who shall have in writing, full authority to act for him/her and to carry out all the instructions given by the City Manager or designee.

LABOR PROVISIONS

The Contractor and his Subcontractors shall discharge, whenever ordered to do so by the City Manager or designee, any employee who is disorderly or whose conduct in the opinion of the City Manager or designee is detrimental to the prosecution of the work. No person whose age or physical condition is such as to make this employment dangerous to his/her health and safety or to the health and safety of others shall be employed on the work, and in no event shall any persons under the age of sixteen (16) years be employed. The State of Florida prevailing wage law requires that the Contractor shall fully comply with all provisions contained in Section 215.19, “Schedule of Prevailing Wage Rates for Specified Public Construction.” The wage rates set forth by such determination shall apply to this project.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Contractor shall procure and maintain at his/her own expense, during the life of this Contract, liability insurance as hereinafter specified. All such insurance shall be subject to the approval of the City for adequacy of protection, and shall include a provision preventing cancellation without twenty (20) days prior notice to the City in writing. The City shall be included as an additional insured on all liability insurance. The liability insurance required is as follows: Contractor’s General Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance issued to the Contractor and protecting the Contractor from all claims for personal injury, including death, and all claims for destruction of or damage to property, arising out of or in connection with any operations under this Contract, whether such operations be by the Contractor or by any Subcontractor hired by the Contractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor or by a Subcontractor or hired by the Contractor.

The successful Contractor supply and maintain insurance which defends, indemnifies and holds harmless the City of St. Pete Beach, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all liability, damage claims, demands, costs, judgments, fees, attorney’s fees or loss arising directly out of acts or omissions hereunder by the contractor or third party under the direction or control of the contractor. Such general and excess liability coverage shall be primary to any other coverage carried by the City of St Pete Beach. Contractor must furnish the City with Certificate of Insurance prior to commencement of work. An approved Certificate of Insurance furnished by the contractor’s carrier to guarantee the contractor being insured with the City of St Pete Beach must be named as a certificate holder for this contract. The following minimum coverage:

Commercial Liability Insurance \$1,000,000.00.

Comprehensive General Liability Insurance of \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Personal Injury for \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Automobile Liability \$1,000,000.00.

Marine General Liability Insurance including Longshore Harbor Worker’s Compensation

General Workers Compensation Insurance as required by Florida law.

PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY

The Contractor shall continuously maintain adequate protection of all his/her work and materials from damage or theft and shall protect the City’s property and all adjacent property from injury or loss arising in connection with activities under his/her Contract. The Contractor shall make good any such damage, injury, or loss, except such as may be caused by agents or employees of the City.

The Contractor shall take, use, provide, and maintain all necessary precautions, safeguards, and protection to prevent accidents, or injury to persons or property on, about, or adjacent to the site of the work. Should the situation arise that physical security is needed the Contractor will provide security on off days and holidays. The Contractor shall be responsible for all charges incurred with such action.

The Contractor shall post danger signs warning against any hazards created by the work being done under his/her Contract. He/She shall designate a responsible member of his/her organization on the work, whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents, and the name of the person so designated shall be reported to the City Manager or designee and City in writing. In an emergency affecting the safety of life, or of the work or adjoining property, the Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the City Manager or designee or City, is hereby permitted to act, at his/her own discretion, to prevent such threatened loss or injury, and he/she must take such action if so instructed or authorized by the City Manager or designee. The Contractor shall also protect adjacent property as required by law.

PARKING

Arrange with owner for temporary parking areas to accommodate construction personnel and construction equipment.

TRANSPORTATION, HANDLING and STORAGE

Transport, handle, protect and store products in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and all environmental regulatory agencies.

VEHICLES

Business vehicles shall be identified on both sides with the name of the company or firm operating the vehicle.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to implement construction methods that avoid water pollution in excess of what is acceptable to the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, City of St. Pete Beach and Pinellas County. Any Contractors in violation of the City of St. Pete Beach Regulations, Pinellas County Regulations, Florida Department of Environmental Protection Regulations or any other regulatory agency regulations shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor. The Contractor shall hold harmless the City of St. Pete Beach and the City Manager or designee from any fines and litigation resulting from the Contractor's actions. The Contractor shall pay all attorney's fees, fines, penalties and any other such expenses resulting from the Contractor's actions. The Contractor shall provide all necessary measures to prevent any materials whatsoever from entering the waterway except for those materials, which are shown, on the plans as completed structures. The Contractor shall provide MSDS sheets to the City Manager or Designee on all applicable materials before applying those materials.

TIMELY DEMAND FOR STAKES AND INSTRUCTIONS

The Contractor shall provide reasonable and necessary materials, opportunities and assistance for setting stakes and making measurements, including the furnishing of a rodman, or a chainman at intermittent times during the construction period. He /she shall not proceed until he/she has made timely demand upon the City Manager or designee for, and has received from him, such stakes and instructions as may be necessary as the work progresses. The work shall be done in strict conformity with such stakes and instructions. The Contractor shall carefully preserve bench marks, reference points and stakes, and in case of willful or careless destruction, he /she will be charged with the resulting expense and shall be responsible for any mistakes that may be caused by their unnecessary loss or disturbance.

WORKMANSHIP

The Contractor acknowledges that he/she has satisfied himself/herself as to the nature and location of the work; the general and local conditions including but not restricted to those bearing upon transportation, disposal, handling and storage of materials; availability of labor, water, electric power, roads; and uncertainties of weather, surface conditions, subsurface conditions, tides or similar physical conditions at the site, the character of equipment and facilities required to prosecute the work. Any failure by the Contractor to acquaint himself/herself with any aspect of the work or with any of the applicable conditions shall not relieve the Contractor from the responsibility to successfully perform the work under the Contract Documents, nor shall it be considered the basis for any claim for additional time or compensation.

UTILITIES

The Contractor shall anticipate all underground obstructions such as water lines, gas lines, sewer lines, utility lines, or any other public or private facility concrete and debris. In all cases where existing utility lines may be interfered with by the work, the Contractor shall give a minimum of thirty six (36) hours notice to the owners of such utilities, to permit them to relocate the lines prior to construction. No extra payment shall be allowed for the removal, replacement, repair or possible increased cost caused by underground obstructions. The location of existing structures and utilities provided in the plans are approximate only. Any damage to existing structures to remain or work of any kind, shall be repaired or restored promptly by, and at the expense of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall at all times protect all desirable trees, plants, curbs, sidewalks, irrigation components, and structures not requiring removal to accomplish the work, whether or not they are shown on the plans. The Contractor must contact the City to obtain tree removal permits for the removal of any tree.

In matters of restoration all materials, construction and workmanship shall be acceptable to the City of St. Pete Beach and the City Manager or designee. No changes in size, shape, configuration, location, materials or construction shall be made without prior written authorization from the City Manager or designee. Any demolition debris and other debris shall be hauled offsite and properly disposed of by the Contractor and shall be inclusive to the prices as stated in the BID SCHEDULE, unless otherwise stipulated as part of the project to remain.

No interruption of ingress and egress to private property shall be made unless the Contractor has made prior arrangements acceptable to the owner of the affected property. At the direction of the City Manager or his designee the Contractor shall be required to notify affected residents/property owners of impending activity or inconvenience via door hanger.

The Contractor shall provide all traffic control devices utilized during construction and meet the requirements set forth in the Florida State Department of Transportation "Manual on Traffic Control and Safe Practices for Street and Highway Construction, Maintenance, and Utility Operations."

CLEANING UP

Upon completion or termination of the work the Contractor shall, as directed by the City Manager or designee, remove from the vicinity of the work all equipment and temporary structures, waste materials and rubbish resulting from his/her operations, leaving the premises in a neat and presentable condition. All debris generated by the Contractor will be removed before leaving the area. All areas will be raked to remove smaller debris. All surrounding sidewalks, parking lots and roadways will be cleared of any dust or debris generated by the Contractor. In the event of his/her failure to do so, the City at the expense of the Contractor may do the same, and his/her Surety shall be responsible therefore.

CONTRACTOR'S RIGHT TO STOP WORK OR TERMINATE CONTRACT

If the work shall be stopped under an order of any court or other public authority for a period of three (3) months through no act or fault of the Contractor or of anyone employed by him/her, then the Contractor may on seven (7) days written notice to the City and the City Manager or designee stop work or terminate this Contract and recover from the City payment for completed bid items and any losses sustained, and a reasonable profit. If the City Manager or designee shall fail to issue any certificate for payment within ten (10) days after it is due, or if the City shall fail to pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days after its maturity and presentation any sum certified by the City Manager or designee, then the Contractor may on seven (7) days written notice to the City and the City Manager or designee stop work and give written notice of intention to terminate this Contract. If the City shall thereafter fail to pay the Contractor within seven (7) days after receipt of such notice, then the Contractor may terminate the Contract and recover from the City payment for completed bid items and any losses sustained, and a reasonable profit.

Termination for Convenience: The Contractor may terminate this contract at any time for any reason by giving at least thirty (30) day notice in writing to the City. If the contract is terminated by the Contractor as provided herein, the contractor will be paid for completed bid items.

DEFECTIVE WORK OR MATERIAL

The Contractor shall promptly remove from the premises all work and materials condemned by the City Manager or designee as failing to conform to the Contract, whether incorporated or not, and the Contractor shall promptly replace and re-execute his own work in accordance with the Contract and without expense to the City and shall bear the expense of making good all work of other Contractors destroyed or damaged by such removal or replacement.

If the Contractor does not remove such condemned work or materials within a reasonable time after notice, the City may remove them and store the materials at the expense of the Contractor. If the Contractor does not pay the expense of such removal within ten (10) days time thereafter, the City may, upon thirty (30) days written notice sell such materials at auction or at private sale and shall account for the net proceeds thereof after deducting all the costs and expenses that should have been borne by the Contractor.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

This Contract shall be construed under Florida law. The parties agree that all controversies, claims and other matters in question between the parties arising out of or relating to this Contract or its breach shall be resolved through mediation. Upon notice of any party to the Contract of a dispute, question or controversy, the parties shall agree to the appointment of a qualified mediator. A qualified mediator is a person who has received at least forty (40) hours of mediation training and has actual experience as a mediator in resolving contract disputes. If the dispute, question or controversy is not resolved through mediation within sixty (60) days of a notice of the dispute between the parties, in that event, the controversy shall be submitted to arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

INDEMNITY

The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the City, and the City's agents and employees, from and against all losses and all claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, recoveries, and judgments of every nature and description brought or recovered against them by reason of any action or omission of the said Contractor, his agents, or employees, in the execution of the work or in guarding the same.

GENERAL WARRANTY

Neither the final certificate nor any provision in the Contract Documents nor partial or entire occupancy of the premises by the City shall constitute an acceptance of work not done in accordance with the Contract Documents or relieve the Contractor of liability in respect to any express warranties or responsibility for faulty materials or workmanship. The Contractor shall remedy any defects in the work and pay for any damage to other work resulting there from that shall appear within a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of final acceptance of the work, unless a longer period is specified. The City shall give notice of observed defects with reasonable promptness.

LAND OF CITY, USE OF, BY CONTRACTOR

The City shall provide the land upon which the work under this Contract is to be done, and will, so far as is convenient, permit the Contractor to use as much of the land as is required for the erection of temporary construction facilities and storage of materials, together with the right of access to same, but beyond this, the Contractor shall provide, at his/her cost and expense, any additional land required. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to repair or restore to the satisfaction of the City, at their own expense, any damage to land used for the above stated activities or any other activities approved by the City.

OTHER WORK

Wherever work being done by the City or by other Contractors is contiguous to work covered by this Contract, the respective rights of the various interests involved shall be established by the City Manager or designee to secure the completion of the various portions of the work in general harmony.

OTHER CONTRACTS

The City may award other Contracts. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with such other Contractors and carefully fit his/her own work to that provided under other Contracts, as may be with the performance of work by any other Contractor or City.

DELAYS AND EXTENSION OF TIME

If the Contractor should be delayed at any time in the progress of the work by an act or neglect of the city or the City Manager or designee, or of any employee of either, or by any separate Contractor employed by the City, or by changes ordered in the work, or by strike, lockouts, fire, unusual delay in transportation, unavoidable casualties, or any cases beyond the Contractor's control, or by delay authorized by the City Manager or designee, or by any cause which the City Manager or designee shall decide to justify the delay, then the time of completion shall be extended for such reasonable time as the City Manager or designee may decide. No such extension shall be made for a delay that occurs more than seven (7) days before a claim is made in writing to the City Manager or designee. In the case of a continued cause of delay, only one (1) claim is necessary. This section does not exclude the recovery of damages for delay by either party under other provisions in the Contract Documents.

CITY'S RIGHT TO TAKE OVER THE WORK

If the Contractor shall be adjudged bankrupt, or if he/she should make a general assignment for the benefit of his/her creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed to take over his/her affairs, or if he /she should fail to prosecute his/her work with due diligence and carry the work forward in accordance with his/her work schedule and the time limits set forth in the Contract Documents, or if he/she should fail to substantially perform one or more of the provisions of the Contact Documents to be performed by him, the City may serve written notice on the Contractor and the Surety on his/her performance bond, stating its intention to exercise one of the remedies hereinafter set forth and the grounds upon which the City bases its right to exercise such remedy. In any event, unless the matter complained of is satisfactorily cleared within ten (10) days after the service of such notice, the City may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy exercise one of such remedies at once, having first obtained a certificate from the City Manager or designee that such sufficient cause exists to justify such action.

- (a) The City may terminate the services of the Contractor, which termination shall take effect immediately upon service of notice thereof on the Contractor and his Surety, whereupon the Surety shall have the right to take over and perform the Contract. If the Surety does not commence performance of the Contract within ten (10) ten days after service of the notice of termination, the City may itself take over the work, take possession of and use all materials, tools, equipment, and appliances on the premises and prosecute the work to completion by such means as it shall deem best. In the event of such termination of his service, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any further payment under his Contract until the work is completed and accepted. If the City takes over the work and if the unpaid balance of the Contract price when the City takes over the work exceeds the cost of completing the work, including compensation for damages or expenses incurred by the City through the default of the contractor, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. In such event, if such cost, expenses, and damages shall exceed such unpaid balance of the Contract price, the Contract and his Surety shall pay the difference to the City. The City Manager or designee shall certify such cost, expenses, and damages.
- (b) The City may take control of the work and either make good the deficiencies of the Contractor itself or direct the activities of the Contractor in doing so, employing such additional help as the City deems advisable. In such event, the City shall be entitled to collect from the Contractor and his Surety, or to deduct from any payment then or thereafter due the Contractor, the costs incurred by it through the default of the Contractor, provided the City Manager or designee approves the amount thus charged to the Contractor.
- (c) The City may require the Surety on the Contractor's bond to take control of the work at once and see to it that all deficiencies of the Contractor are made good with due diligence. As between the City and the Surety, the cost of making good such deficiencies shall all be borne by the Surety. If the Surety takes over the work, either upon termination of the services of the Contractor or upon instructions from the City to do so, the provisions of the Contract Documents shall govern in respect to the work done by the Surety, the Surety being substituted for the Contractor as to such provisions, including

provisions as to the payment for the work and provisions of this section as to the right of the City to do the work itself or to take control of the work.

RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY

The City shall have the right, if necessary, to take possession of and to use any completed or partially completed portions of the work, if such use be approved by the City Manager or designee even if the time for completing the entire work or such portions of the work has not expired and even if the work has not been finally accepted. Such possession and use shall not constitute an acceptance of such possession and use if it materially interferes with the Contractor's operations. The City shall also have the right to enter the premises with the Contractor for the purpose of doing work not covered by its Contract.

ACCEPTANCE

Final inspection and acceptance of the work shall be made for the City by the City Manager or designee. Such inspection shall be made as soon as practical after the Contractor has notified the City in writing that the work is ready for such inspection.

WAIVER

It is expressly understood and agreed that any waiver granted by the City Manager or designee or the City of any term, provision or covenants of this Contract shall not constitute a precedent nor breach of the same or any other terms, provisions, or covenants of this Contract. Neither the acceptance of the work by the City nor the payment of all or any part of the sum due the Contractor hereunder shall constitute a waiver by the City of any claim which the City may have against the Contractor or Surety under this Contract or otherwise.

INSPECTION

The City Manager or designee and his representative shall, at all times, have access to the work during its construction and shall be furnished with every reasonable facility for ascertaining that the stock and materials used and employed, and the workmanship, are in accordance with the requirements and intentions of the Plans. All work done and all materials furnished shall be subject to their inspection and approval by the City Manager or his designee. If any work should be covered up without approval or consent of City Manager or designee, it must, if required by the City Manager or designee, be uncovered for examination at the Contractor's expense.

The City Manager or designee may order re-examination of questioned work and if so ordered, the Contractor must uncover the work. If such work were found in accordance with the Contract Documents, the City shall pay the cost of re-examination and replacement. If such work be found not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall pay such cost unless he /she shall show that the defect in the work was caused by another Contractor, and in that event, the City shall pay such cost.

The inspection of the work shall not relieve the Contractor of any of his/her obligations to fulfill his/her Contract as prescribed, and defective work shall be made good and unsuitable materials shall be rejected, notwithstanding that such defective work and materials have been previously overlooked and accepted on estimates for payment. All work shall be tested to the satisfaction of the City Manager or designee before acceptance.

SEEKING OUT SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES & LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS

In compliance with 2 C.F.R. §200.321 the City shall take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

III REFERENCES & QUALIFICATIONS

Provide at least three or more professional, business references with which you have contracted to provide similar services in the past five years. Include the name of the person, their organization and telephone number. Include any governmental agencies, with the same contact and descriptive information for which you have provided similar service within the past five years.

This section may contain information regarding your firm's ability to complete the project. Demonstrate that the firm's personnel have experience in projects of the same scope.

City shall be the sole final judge of qualifications of bidder to perform service and reserves the exclusive right to accept or reject any Bid Package as it deems to be in the best interests of the city.

**IV
CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

INSURANCE

Include in Bid Package an approved Certificate of Insurance furnished by the contractor's carrier to guarantee the contractor is insured.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

The Contactor must file with the City of St Pete Beach certificates of insurance prior to commencement of work evidencing the City as a certificate holder with the following minimum coverage:

- Commercial Liability Insurance \$1,000,000.00.
- Comprehensive General Liability Insurance of \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
- Personal Injury for \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
- Automobile Liability \$1,000,000.00.
- Marine General Liability Insurance including Longshore Harbor Worker's Compensation
- General Workers Compensation Insurance as required by Florida law.

V
List of Equipment and Personnel

List of all personnel and equipment to be used to provide the services necessary. The proposer must indicate whether equipment is owned, leased, or sub-contracted.

The undersigned expressly agrees that:

If awarded a contract as a result of this Bid Package, the equipment and a list of personnel used in the prosecution of the work will be those listed below.

Loading Equipment	Owned/Leased	Hauling Equipment	Owned/Leased

Attach any additional sheets if necessary specifying type of equipment.

Personnel	Business Address	Office Phone	Cell Phone	Fax

VI Technical Specifications

A. SCOPE

Collection and hauling/removal of event debris

1. General

The purpose of this contract is to manage the removal and disposal of all eligible debris on City of St. Pete Beach Rights-of-Way and public properties in accordance with FEMA regulations pertinent to the specific event. The overall objective is to rely less on FDOT to clear City Roads, City Right-Of-Ways, and City Property. FDOT has made the following statements regarding jurisdiction:

State Roads are the FDOT's responsibility and will be cleared by the FDOT. We anticipate having crews pre-staged prior to the event. We are not assigning that task to the City. However, there may still be situations that arise where the City/County need to perform clearance operations to restore emergency access before we arrive. FEMA requires that the work performed must be the legal responsibility of the applicant. If an agency (or it's representative) conducts emergency work activities outside its jurisdiction, it must demonstrate its legal basis and responsibility to conduct those activities.

Therefore, if your agency performs emergency clearance on a state road, they must document that the work was necessary for access to remain passable to an essential community service or to a community with survivors. This may be done through the county's WebEOC system. Reimbursement eligibility lies solely with FEMA and we cannot guarantee that they will reimburse work performed by your agency on our roads. Therefore it is imperative that there is close coordination through the County EOC if this type of work is performed. Also, ensure those costs are clearly separated out. Our agency is currently in discussion with FEMA and FDEM on the matter.

(Some roads on the map presented in this RFB) are labeled as FHWA-Off to identify FHWA as the federal agency we would seek reimbursement from if disaster related repairs are performed on these roads. Any repairs on the local roads labeled "FHWA Off (FHWA-ER eligible) must go through FHWA for reimbursement. Debris removal on these roads are contingent on whether or not there is a presidential declaration that includes debris. If there is, debris cost reimbursement would be sought from FEMA.

Note: FEMA will typically only reimburse applicants for a time and materials contract for eligible debris clearance during the first 70 hours following a declared disaster. After 70 hours of work, the applicant should have sufficient information on the scope of work necessary to complete debris collection and disposal, and a basis for estimating a reasonable cost for the contract work to effectively solicit a lump sum or unit price contract.

Based on this, the City reserves the right to solicit an lump sum contract for work outstanding after the first 70 hours.

2. Responsibility of the Contractor

2.1. Performance Schedule

2.1.1. The Contractor shall commence debris removal operations within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of notice to proceed.

2.1.2. Prior to commencing debris removal operations, the Contractor shall, with the City's Representative's (CR) direction, provide a work plan showing where operations will begin and which streets/roads will be cleared on a 7 and 14 day projection. The plan will be updated every Monday. The Contractor shall also provide full details regarding any subcontractors to be used; and will be limited to subcontract less than 50 % of the total project.

- 2.1.3. All activity associated with debris operations shall be performed during visible daylight hours only. The Contractor may work daylight hours Monday through Saturday if debris is being delivered to the landfill; if debris is being delivered to a staging area, the Contractor may work seven (7) days a week.
- 2.1.4. Contractor shall dispose of eligible debris at the City's designated Debris Storage Reduction Sites (TDSRS).
- 2.1.5. Contractor shall work with the City's Disaster Debris Monitoring Management Consultant to obtain all necessary permits for the TDSRS.
- 2.1.6. The Contractor will provide a safe working environment for all workers involved.
- 2.2. DEBRIS CLASSIFICATION
 - 2.2.1. Eligible Debris. Debris that is within the scope of this contract includes, but is not limited to, damaged and disturbed trees, bushes and shrubs, and broken, partially broken, and severed tree limbs and brush.
- 2.3. Failure to respond penalty (performance bond- use contractor bill for last event as a guideline)
- 2.4. DEBRIS DEFINITION
 - 2.4.1. Eligible Emergency Debris.
 - 2.4.1.1. Eligible Emergency Debris as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency hereinafter referred to as FEMA.
 - 2.4.1.2. Emergency clearing means that which is determined to eliminate immediate threats to life, public health, and safety; which have been determined to eliminate immediate threats of significant damage to improved public or private property; and which is considered essential to ensure the economic recovery of the affected community to the benefit of the community at large.
 - 2.4.1.3. Event debris includes, but is not limited to, damaged and disturbed trees, bushes and shrubs, and broken, partially broken, and severed tree limbs and brush, construction & demolition debris, and any other debris defined by the authorized CR, pertinent to the current event.
- 2.5. EQUIPMENT
 - 2.5.1. CONTRACTOR must be able to provide at least 30 trucks. Actual number needed will vary with the size of the event, as determined by the CITY. All trucks and other equipment must be in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local rules and regulations. Any truck used to haul debris must be mechanically loaded by an appropriately sized front-end loader, backhoe, knuckleboom or other approved and appropriate equipment. Preferably, the truck or trailer should compact and dump hydraulically and be capable of rapidly dumping its load without the assistance of other equipment. All contractors and subcontractors are responsible for unloading their own vehicles. All vehicles must be road-worthy and meet FDOT requirements. All vehicles must have metal frames. All loads must be secured. All extensions are subject to acceptance or rejection by the CR. All truck and trailers used to haul debris must have a metal-framed exterior and a minimum of 5/8" plywood (not wafer board) interior walls. All trucks and trailers must be equipped with a tailgate that will effectively cover a minimum of 75% of total trailer height, contain the debris during transport, and permit the truck to be filled to capacity. All hauling equipment must be measured and marked for its load capacity. All equipment will be inspected by the Contractor prior to use.
 - 2.5.2. Prior to commencing debris removal operations, the Contractor shall present to the CR all trucks or trailers that will be used for hauling debris. Each truck or trailer will be measured to determine the load capacity. Each truck or trailer will be numbered and clearly display the load capacity for identification with a permanent marking. The CR may, at any time, request that the trucks be re-measured. The Contractor shall notify the CR before a new truck or trailer is to be used under this contract. No capacity can exceed 100% of the measured volume.
 - 2.5.3. Trucks or equipment, which are designated for use under this contract, shall not be used for any other work while performing work under this contract. The Contractor shall not solicit work from private citizens or others to be performed in the designated work area during the period of this contract. Under no circumstances will the Contractor mix debris hauled for others with debris hauled under this contract.

- 2.5.4. Loading equipment used under this contract shall be rubber tired and sized properly to fit loading conditions. Excessive size loading equipment (6 CY and up) and non-rubber tired equipment must be approved by the CR.
- 2.5.5. The use of mechanical equipment to load and reasonably compact debris into trucks and trailers is a requirement under this contract.
- 2.6. All debris must be hauled to facilities, designated by the City, designed for the material being hauled.
- 2.7. Disposal of debris
 - 2.7.1. Construction and Demolition Debris must be hauled to an FDEP permitted facility.
 - 2.7.2. Yard trash
 - 2.7.2.1. Defined: damaged and disturbed trees, bushes and shrubs, and broken, partially broken, and severed tree limbs and brush firewood for residential use
 - 2.7.2.2. Grind remainder and remove off site
 - 2.7.2.2.1. Alternative to grinding: Air-curtain incineration
 - 2.7.3. Class I garbage will be handled by the contracted residential hauler or resident via normal operating channels
 - 2.7.4. Class III garbage will be handled by the contracted residential hauler or resident via normal operating channels
 - 2.7.5. Hazardous waste removal to be coordinated with Pinellas County officials and FDEP.
 - 2.7.6. White goods should be recycled where practicable.
 - 2.7.7. All sand that has eroded away from the coast will be considered contaminated and should be separated, contained, and transported to a Hazmat Disposal site.

VII
FDOT LETTER, MAP, PINELLAS COUNTY MEMO, FHWA FORM 1273



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March 14, 2016

Steve Hallock
155 Corey Ave
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RE: FDOT District Seven - Debris Removal Roles Coordination - Memo of Understanding (MOU)

Dear Mr. Hallock:

This letter is to inform you, that as the date of this letter, we will no longer be honoring the Debris Removal Roles Coordination – Memo of Understanding (MOU). Please accept this letter as the official written notification as specified in our MOU that the agreement is no longer in effect.

We are terminating the MOU at the direction of Central Office due to a change in process. Debris removal and any other recovery work requiring FDOT assistance will be handled on a case by case basis through a mission request. A mission request must be submitted to the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) via your County's EOC to receive the District's assistance.

It still stands that your jurisdiction may perform a first push on the state roads if it is required for emergency vehicles. We require that you inform us immediately of any work performed on State Roads in order to avoid duplication of effort.

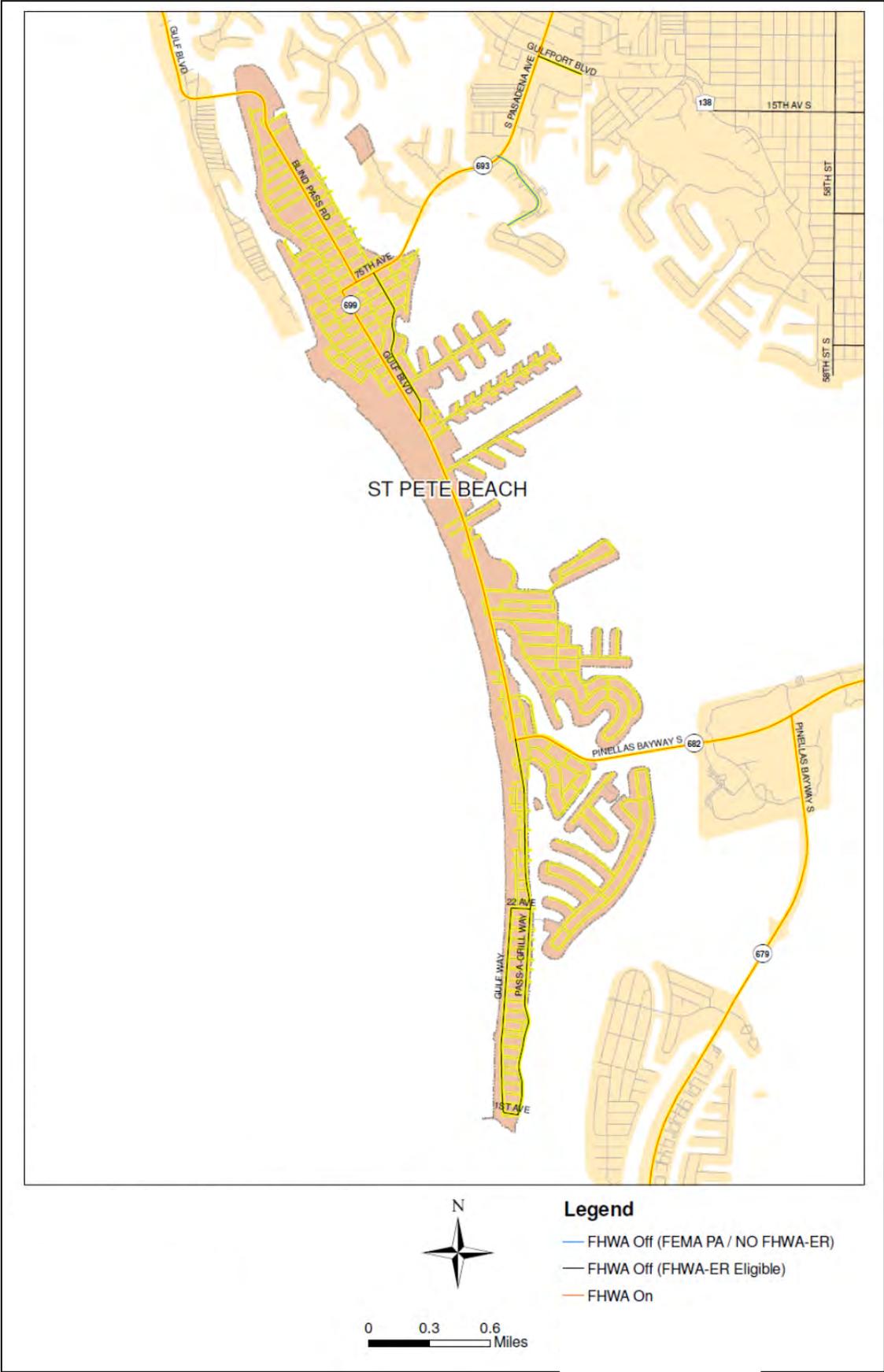
Although we will no longer have a written agreement, continued planning and coordination is encouraged. We will continue to maintain the points of contact and request your plans and list of contractors on an annual basis to ensure we as a District are prepared to respond in a quick and efficient manner should the need arise.

Thank you for the understanding. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss cancellation of the agreement, please feel free to contact me at (813) 615-8630.

Sincerely,

Angela Allen, FPDM
District Emergency Coordination Officer

www.dot.state.fl.us





TO: Coastal Municipalities from Clearwater to St. Pete Beach

FROM: Nicole A. Elko, Ph. D., Coastal Coordinator

SUBJECT: **PINELLAS COUNTY RECOMMENDATIONS RE:
RETURN OF PUBLIC SAND TO BEACHES FOLLOWING MAJOR STORM**

CC: Sally Bishop, Director of Emergency Management
Robert Hauser, Director Solid Waste, Utilities

DATE: April 1, 2008

This memo is in response to a request from the City of St. Pete Beach for guidelines on how to handle the return of sand to the beaches following a major storm. Understandably, the beaches will not be your main concern following a major storm; rather, immediate access to the coastline's infrastructure will be a priority. Access will be an issue due to the amount of sand that will likely have filled the road system on the barrier islands. As the roads are cleared of sand, the municipalities are encouraged to stockpile beach sand on public land. Pinellas County Coastal Management recommends the following guidelines when clearing the roads of sand, and subsequently, once recovery is well on its way and the sand is eventually returned to the beach.

Following a major storm, Pinellas County will most likely be under an emergency executive order of the governor, and a subsequent emergency order will have been issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Both provide regulatory relief for coastal construction activities such as debris removal and dune restoration landward of the mean high water (MHW) line. When the time is appropriate, municipalities are encouraged to return beach-quality sand by loading, hauling, sifting, replacing, and spreading the sand above MHW on the beach from which it eroded.

Beach sand should be sifted to remove foreign materials, and returned to the beach, or on recommendation from the County's Coastal Coordinator, returned to the beach and sifted in place. Municipalities are encouraged to utilize sand sifters equipped with ¼" screens as the final screening device to avoid placing small foreign objects on the beach. Beach-quality material up to ¾" may be approved for beach placement. Using the sifted sand, the beach should be restored above MHW and a sand dune should be constructed to no higher than +9 MLW with a trapezoidal template and 1:3 side slopes. It is suggested that the beach be raked following sand placement. Sand contaminated with chemicals, gasoline, oils, or other solvents should be separated, contained, and transported to a Hazmat Disposal Site. In addition, please submit the approximate total volume of sifted sand that was returned to the beach.

Finally, municipalities are encouraged to include a statement in their post-storm debris management plans stating that beach-quality sand should be returned to the beaches free of debris and that selling or donating beach sand to any person or company is prohibited.

**REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS
FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

- I. General
- II. Nondiscrimination
- III. Nonsegregated Facilities
- IV. Davis-Bacon and Related Act Provisions
- V. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act Provisions
- VI. Subletting or Assigning the Contract
- VII. Safety: Accident Prevention
- VIII. False Statements Concerning Highway Projects
- IX. Implementation of Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- X. Compliance with Governmentwide Suspension and Debarment Requirements
- XI. Certification Regarding Use of Contract Funds for Lobbying

ATTACHMENTS

A. Employment and Materials Preference for Appalachian Development Highway System or Appalachian Local Access Road Contracts (included in Appalachian contracts only)

I. GENERAL

1. Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated in each construction contract funded under Title 23 (excluding emergency contracts solely intended for debris removal). The contractor (or subcontractor) must insert this form in each subcontract and further require its inclusion in all lower tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services).

The applicable requirements of Form FHWA-1273 are incorporated by reference for work done under any purchase order, rental agreement or agreement for other services. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Form FHWA-1273 must be included in all Federal-aid design-build contracts, in all subcontracts and in lower tier subcontracts (excluding subcontracts for design services, purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services). The design-builder shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

Contracting agencies may reference Form FHWA-1273 in bid proposal or request for proposal documents, however, the Form FHWA-1273 must be physically incorporated (not referenced) in all contracts, subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (excluding purchase orders, rental agreements and other agreements for supplies or services related to a construction contract).

2. Subject to the applicability criteria noted in the following sections, these contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions may be sufficient grounds for withholding of progress payments, withholding of final payment, termination of the contract, suspension / debarment or any other action determined to be appropriate by the contracting agency and FHWA.

4. Selection of Labor: During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not use convict labor for any purpose within the limits of a construction project on a Federal-aid highway unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation. The term Federal-aid highway does not include roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors.

II. NONDISCRIMINATION

The provisions of this section related to 23 CFR Part 230 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more. The provisions of 23 CFR Part 230 are not applicable to material supply, engineering, or architectural service contracts.

In addition, the contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the following policies: Executive Order 11246, 41 CFR 60, 29 CFR 1625-1627, Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with: the requirements of the Equal Opportunity Clause in 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) and, for all construction contracts exceeding \$10,000, the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications in 41 CFR 60-4.3.

Note: The U.S. Department of Labor has exclusive authority to determine compliance with Executive Order 11246 and the policies of the Secretary of Labor including 41 CFR 60, and 29 CFR 1625-1627. The contracting agency and the FHWA have the authority and the responsibility to ensure compliance with Title 23 USC Section 140, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and related regulations including 49 CFR Parts 21, 26 and 27; and 23 CFR Parts 200, 230, and 633.

The following provision is adopted from 23 CFR 230, Appendix A, with appropriate revisions to conform to the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) and FHWA requirements.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630, 29 CFR 1625-1627, 41 CFR 60 and 49 CFR 27) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the contracting agency and the Federal Government to ensure that it has made every good faith effort to provide equal opportunity with respect to all of its terms and conditions of employment and in their review of activities under the contract.

b. The contractor will accept as its operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. EEO Officer: The contractor will designate and make known to the contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active EEO program and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. Dissemination of Policy: All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minorities and women.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

4. Recruitment: When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minorities and women in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minorities and women. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority and women applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the contractor is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system meets the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. Where implementation of such an agreement has the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Federal nondiscrimination provisions.

c. The contractor will encourage its present employees to refer minorities and women as applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring such applicants will be discussed with employees.

5. Personnel Actions: Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with its obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

6. Training and Promotion:

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minorities and women who are applicants for employment or current employees. Such efforts should be aimed at developing full journey level status employees in the type of trade or job classification involved.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision. The contracting agency may reserve training positions for persons who receive welfare assistance in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 140(a).

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of employees who are minorities and women and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use good faith efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minorities and women. Actions by the contractor, either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent, will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use good faith efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minorities and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minorities and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the contracting agency and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minorities and women. The failure of a union to provide sufficient referrals (even though it is obligated to provide exclusive referrals under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement) does not relieve the contractor from the requirements of this paragraph. In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the contracting agency.

8. Reasonable Accommodation for Applicants / Employees with Disabilities: The contractor must be familiar with the requirements for and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all rules and regulations established there under. Employers must provide reasonable accommodation in all employment activities unless to do so would cause an undue hardship.

9. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure nondiscrimination in the administration of this contract.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers and lessors of their EEO obligations under this contract.

b. The contractor will use good faith efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

10. Assurance Required by 49 CFR 26.13(b):

a. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and the State DOT's U.S. DOT-approved DBE program are incorporated by reference.

b. The contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the contracting agency deems appropriate.

11. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following the date of the final payment to the contractor for all contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the contracting agency and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number and work hours of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women; and

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minorities and women;

b. The contractors and subcontractors will submit an annual report to the contracting agency each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on [Form FHWA-1391](#). The staffing data should represent the project work force on board in all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July. If on-the-job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data. The employment data should reflect the work force on board during all or any part of the last payroll period preceding the end of July.

III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related construction subcontracts of \$10,000 or more.

The contractor must ensure that facilities provided for employees are provided in such a manner that segregation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin cannot result. The contractor may neither require such segregated use by written or oral policies nor tolerate such use by employee custom. The contractor's obligation extends further to ensure that its employees are not assigned to perform their services at any location, under the contractor's control, where the facilities are segregated. The term "facilities" includes waiting rooms, work areas, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, restrooms, washrooms, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing provided for employees. The contractor shall provide separate or single-user restrooms and necessary dressing or sleeping areas to assure privacy between sexes.

IV. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT PROVISIONS

This section is applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts (regardless of subcontract size). The requirements apply to all projects located within the right-of-way of a roadway that is functionally classified as Federal-aid highway. This excludes roadways functionally classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt. Contracting agencies may elect to apply these requirements to other projects.

The following provisions are from the U.S. Department of Labor regulations in 29 CFR 5.5 "Contract provisions and related matters" with minor revisions to conform to the FHWA-1273 format and FHWA program requirements.

1. Minimum wages

a. All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work, will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.d. of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the

wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination (including any additional classification and wage rates conformed under paragraph 1.b. of this section) and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

b. (1) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:

(i) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and

(ii) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and

(iii) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.

(2) If the contractor and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(3) In the event the contractor, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Wage and Hour Administrator for determination. The Wage and Hour Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

(4) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs 1.b.(2) or 1.b.(3) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

c. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.

d. If the contractor does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the contractor may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

2. Withholding

The contracting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor under this contract, or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the contracting agency may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

3. Payrolls and basic records

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work. Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid

(including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

b. (1) The contractor shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the contracting agency. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3)(i), except that full social security numbers and home addresses shall not be included on weekly transmittals. Instead the payrolls shall only need to include an individually identifying number for each employee (e.g., the last four digits of the employee's social security number). The required weekly payroll information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose from the Wage and Hour Division Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/forms/wh347instr.htm> or its successor site. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors. Contractors and subcontractors shall maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered worker, and shall provide them upon request to the contracting agency for transmission to the State DOT, the FHWA or the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for purposes of an investigation or audit of compliance with prevailing wage requirements. It is not a violation of this section for a prime contractor to require a subcontractor to provide addresses and social security numbers to the prime contractor for its own records, without weekly submission to the contracting agency..

(2) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(i) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under §5.5 (a)(3)(ii) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, the appropriate information is being maintained under §5.5 (a)(3)(i) of Regulations, 29 CFR part 5, and that such information is correct and complete;

(ii) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;

(iii) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

(3) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 3.b.(2) of this section.

(4) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor or subcontractor to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.

c. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3.a. of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the contracting agency, the State DOT, the FHWA, or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the FHWA may, after written notice to the contractor, the contracting agency or the State DOT, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

4. Apprentices and trainees

a. Apprentices (programs of the USDOL).

Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

In the event the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Office, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

b. Trainees (programs of the USDOL).

Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

The ratio of trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration.

Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Equal employment opportunity. The utilization of apprentices, trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.

d. Apprentices and Trainees (programs of the U.S. DOT).

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

5. Compliance with Copeland Act requirements. The contractor shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.

6. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert Form FHWA-1273 in any subcontracts and also require the subcontractors to include Form FHWA-1273 in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.

7. Contract termination: debarment. A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.

8. Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

9. Disputes concerning labor standards. Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

10. Certification of eligibility.

a. By entering into this contract, the contractor certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

b. No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).

c. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

V. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

The following clauses apply to any Federal-aid construction contract in an amount in excess of \$100,000 and subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. These clauses shall be inserted in addition to the clauses required by 29 CFR 5.5(a) or 29 CFR 4.6. As used in this paragraph, the terms laborers and mechanics include watchmen and guards.

1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1.) of this section.

3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The FHWA or the contacting agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2.) of this section.

4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1.) through (4.) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1.) through (4.) of this section.

VI. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts on the National Highway System.

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the contracting agency. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635.116).

a. The term "perform work with its own organization" refers to workers employed or leased by the prime contractor, and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor, agents of the prime contractor, or any other assignees. The term may include

payments for the costs of hiring leased employees from an employee leasing firm meeting all relevant Federal and State regulatory requirements. Leased employees may only be included in this term if the prime contractor meets all of the following conditions:

- (1) the prime contractor maintains control over the supervision of the day-to-day activities of the leased employees;
 - (2) the prime contractor remains responsible for the quality of the work of the leased employees;
 - (3) the prime contractor retains all power to accept or exclude individual employees from work on the project;
- and
- (4) the prime contractor remains ultimately responsible for the payment of predetermined minimum wages, the submission of payrolls, statements of compliance and all other Federal regulatory requirements.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid or propose on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.

2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of Section VI is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the contracting agency has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

5. The 30% self-performance requirement of paragraph (1) is not applicable to design-build contracts; however, contracting agencies may establish their own self-performance requirements.

VII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3704).

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C.3704).

VIII. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, Form FHWA-1022 shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or

the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

IX. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts.

By submission of this bid/proposal or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, proposer, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

1. That any person who is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract is not prohibited from receiving an award due to a violation of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act or Section 306 of the Clean Air Act.
2. That the contractor agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph (1) of this Section X in every subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

X. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts, design-build contracts, subcontracts, lower-tier subcontracts, purchase orders, lease agreements, consultant contracts or any other covered transaction requiring FHWA approval or that is estimated to cost \$25,000 or more – as defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200.

1. Instructions for Certification – First Tier Participants:

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective first tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective first tier participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective first tier participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.
- c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the contracting agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the contracting agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default.
- d. The prospective first tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the contracting agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective first tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).
- f. The prospective first tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
- g. The prospective first tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or contracting agency, entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require the establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the prospective participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (f) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – First Tier Participants:

a. The prospective first tier participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and

(4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

b. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Participants:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders and other lower tier transactions requiring prior FHWA approval or estimated to cost \$25,000 or more - 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200)

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "participant," "person," "principal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, are defined in 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations. "First Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction between a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds and a participant (such as the prime or general contract). "Lower Tier Covered Transactions" refers to any covered transaction under a First Tier Covered Transaction (such as subcontracts). "First Tier Participant" refers to the participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a grantee or subgrantee of Federal funds (such as the prime or general contractor). "Lower Tier Participant" refers any participant who has entered into a covered transaction with a First Tier Participant or other Lower Tier Participants (such as subcontractors and suppliers).

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions exceeding the \$25,000 threshold.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant is responsible for ensuring that its principals are not suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible to participate in covered transactions. To verify the eligibility of its principals, as well as the eligibility of any lower tier prospective participants, each participant may, but is not required to, check the Excluded Parties List System website (<https://www.epls.gov/>), which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Participants:

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

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XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000 (49 CFR 20).

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting its bid or proposal that the participant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT AND MATERIALS PREFERENCE FOR APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM OR APPALACHIAN LOCAL ACCESS ROAD CONTRACTS

This provision is applicable to all Federal-aid projects funded under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor undertaking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph (1c) shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph (4) below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification, (c) the date on which the participant estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, the participant shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within one week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (1c) above.

5. The provisions of 23 CFR 633.207(e) allow the contracting agency to provide a contractual preference for the use of mineral resource materials native to the Appalachian region.

6. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.