REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS & PROPOSALS

FOR
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-AT-RISK

FOR
SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

GIBBS RANCH EQUESTRIAN
FACILITY & AGRICULTURE LABS

(Phase 1)

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SECTION 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION: The Texas State University System ("Owner") on behalf of Sam Houston State University, is soliciting Statements of Qualifications ("Qualifications") and Pricing and Delivery Proposals ("Proposals") for the selection of a Construction Manager-at-Risk firm for the Gibbs Ranch Equestrian Facility & Agriculture Labs (Phase 1) project ("Project"), on the Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas campus. This solicitation sets forth the terms, conditions, and requirements for prospective Construction Manager-at-Risk entities ("CMR" or "CMRs") to be considered for this work. (Prospective CMRs submitting their Qualifications and Proposals in response to this solicitation are hereinafter referred to as “Respondents”). The Owner is requiring that the Qualifications, Proposals and HUB Commitment Letter (HCL) be submitted at the same time, but in separate, sealed packages.

1.1.1 The evaluation of Qualifications is the first step the Owner will take in a two-step process for selecting a CMR for the Project as provided by Texas Education Code §51.782(e). This Request for Qualifications/Proposals ("RFQ/P") solicitation package provides the information necessary to prepare and submit Qualifications for consideration and initial ranking by the Owner. During this first step in the selection process, Owner will evaluate and rank Respondents according to fixed evaluation criteria, considering only their qualifications and independent of any cost and compensation considerations.

1.1.2 In the second step of the process, Owner will open and evaluate the Proposals submitted in accordance with Section 4 of this RFQ/P. The results of the Qualifications and the Proposals evaluations will then be combined to determine the “most qualified” Respondent providing the “best value” proposition for the Owner. The Owner may select up to five (5) of the most qualified Respondents to participate in an interview with the Owner to confirm their Qualifications and Proposal and answer additional questions. The Owner will then rank the interviewed Respondents in order to determine a single most qualified Respondent providing the best value proposition to the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to conclude the evaluations and make a best value selection without conducting interviews.

1.2 PUBLIC INFORMATION: All information, documentation, and other materials submitted in response to this solicitation are considered non-confidential and/or non-proprietary and are subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 552.001, et seq.) after the solicitation is completed. The Owner complies with all statutes, court decisions, and opinions of the Texas Attorney General with respect to disclosure of RFQ/P information. Additionally, pursuant to the provisions of Texas Government Code Section 2261.253, the contract resulting from this solicitation will be posted on the Owner’s website.
1.3 **TYPE OF CONTRACT:** Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be in the form of the Owner’s Standard Construction Management-at-Risk Agreement (“Agreement”), a copy of which is posted on Owner’s website at: http://www.tsus.edu/offices/finance/capital-projects.html

1.3.1 The Agreement should be viewed as a draft and is subject to change. The Uniform General Conditions for Construction Contracts referenced in the Agreement may be viewed on the Owner’s website at: http://www.tsus.edu/offices/finance/capital-projects.html

1.4 **CLARIFICATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS:** Discrepancies, omissions or doubts as to the meaning of RFQ/P documents shall be communicated in writing to the Owner for interpretation. Any responses to inquiries, clarifications or interpretations of this RFQ/P that materially affect or change its requirements will be issued formally by the Owner as a written addendum. All such addenda issued by the Owner before the Qualifications are due become part of the RFQ/P. Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of and incorporate each addendum in its Qualifications submittal. Respondents shall be required to consider only those clarifications and interpretations that the Owner issues by addenda. Interpretations or clarifications obtained in any other form, including oral statements, will not be binding on the Owner and should not be relied on in preparing Qualifications. It is the responsibility of all Respondents to check the status of formal addenda regularly and five (5) days before the submission deadline.

1.4.1 The deadline for the receipt of written questions is stated in Section 2.5.

1.4.2 **ADDENDA AND AWARD INFORMATION, WILL BE ISSUED BY THE OWNER FOR THIS RFQ VIA THE ELECTRONIC STATE BUSINESS DAILY WEBSITE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:** http://www.txsmartbuy.com/sp REFERENCE “BOARD OF REGENTS/TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEMS – 758” AND THE RFQ NUMBER PROVIDED IN THIS RFQ.

1.5 **SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATIONS, PROPOSAL, AND HUB COMMITMENT LETTER:**

1.5.1 The Qualifications, Proposal, and HCL must be received at the address specified prior to the deadline; please note that overnight deliveries such as FedEx and UPS arrive at a central campus location but are not usually delivered to the specified location until after the time deadline. Respondents are advised to use other methods of delivery or, if using an overnight delivery service, to send the responses a day earlier than usual. The Owner will not consider any response to this solicitation that is not received at the address specified by the deadline, regardless of whether it has been received by the University.

1.5.2 **DEADLINE AND LOCATION:** The Owner will receive Qualifications, Proposals, and HCL at the time and location described below.

**October 5, 2021 – 2:00 p.m. (C.D.T.)**

Chuck Jones, Director for Facilities Planning and Construction
Sam Houston State University
2424 S. Sam Houston Ave.
Huntsville, Texas 77340

1.5.3 Submit two (2) electronic versions of the Qualifications, Proposal and HCL documents on separate and individual disc or thumb drives in Adobe Acrobat PDF format. The individual
disc or thumb drives containing the Qualifications, Proposal, and HCL must be submitted in separate, sealed packages. **Do not include the Proposal information on the electronic Qualifications files.**

1.5.4 Submit **seven (7)** identical copies of the Qualifications. This is the response to Section 3 of the RFQ/P and include the Execution of Offer (see 3.10). Provide **two (2)** copies of the Proposal as identified in 4.3.2. An original signature must be included on the “Execution of Offer” document submitted with each copy and on the Pricing and Delivery Proposal. **The Proposal must be submitted in a separate, sealed package different from the Qualifications package and from the HCL.**

1.5.5 Submit **one (1)** original and **one (1)** copy of the HCL as a separate package to both the Qualifications and the Proposal packages as described in Section 1.13.

1.5.6 Qualifications and/or Proposals received after the stated official submittal deadline will be returned to the Respondent unopened. The Point-of-Contact identified in Section 1.5 will identify the official time clock at the RFQ/P submittal location identified above.

1.5.7 The Owner will not acknowledge or receive Qualifications, Proposals or HCL that are delivered by telephone, facsimile (fax), or electronic mail (e-mail).

1.5.8 Properly submitted Qualifications, Proposals, HCL and electronic media **will not** be returned to Respondents.

1.5.9 Respondent materials must be enclosed in a sealed envelope (box or container) addressed to the Point of Contact person and include the Qualifications, Proposal, and HCL. The packages must clearly identify the contents, the submittal deadline, the RFQ/P title and number, and include the name and email address of the Respondent’s contact person. The Qualifications, Proposal, and HCL materials and electronic media must be packaged in separate, sealed envelopes within the sealed envelope (box or container).

1.5.10 The names of the submitting Respondent(s) will be read aloud immediately following the date and time published in Article 1.5.2.

1.5.11 Submitting Respondents’ HCLs will be reviewed for completeness prior to evaluations of Qualifications. Disqualified HCLs will be returned to the submitting Respondent after the selection and negotiation of the successful Respondent.

1.5.12 After the evaluation and ranking of the Qualifications, Proposals will be opened and read aloud at the time, date and location noted below:

**October 15, 2021 – 2:00 p.m. (C.D.T.)**

The Texas State University System
O. Henry Hall
601 Colorado Street- 1st Floor Conference Room
Austin, Texas 78701
https://en.parkopedia.com/parking/locations/503%20Colorado%20St_9v6kpy0g6p/?arriving=201807121300&leaving=201807121500
1.6 **POINT-OF-CONTACT:** The Owner designates the following person as its representative and Point-of-Contact for this RFQ/P. Respondents shall restrict all contact with the Owner and direct all questions regarding this RFQ/P, including questions regarding terms and conditions, in writing, to the Point-of-Contact person, **via email only.**

Charlene Heath, Project Manager
Facilities Planning and Construction
Sam Houston State University
Email: cheath@shsu.edu

1.7 **EVALUATION OF QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL:** The evaluation of the Qualifications and Proposals shall be based on the requirements described in this RFQ/P. All properly submitted Qualifications and Proposals will be reviewed, evaluated, and ranked by a Selection Committee approved by the Owner. The top five (5) or fewer ranked Respondents may be selected by the Owner to participate in an interview process.

1.7.1 Qualifications packages shall not include any information regarding Respondent’s fees, pricing, or other compensation. Such information should be kept separate from the Qualifications and should be submitted as a separate Proposal package according to this RFQ/P.

1.8 **OWNER’S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:** The Owner may evaluate the Qualifications based on the anticipated completion of all or any portion of the Project. The Owner reserves the right to divide the Project into multiple parts, to reject any and all responses to the current solicitation and reissue a completely new solicitation involving the same Project, or to simply reject any and all responses and temporarily or permanently abandon the Project. Owner makes no representations, written or oral, that it will enter into any form of agreement for any project with any Respondent to this RFQ/P and no such representation is intended or should be construed by the issuance of this RFQ/P.

1.9 **ACCEPTANCE OF EVALUATION METHODOLOGY:** By submitting its Qualifications, Proposal, and HCL in response to this RFQ/P, Respondent accepts the evaluation process and acknowledges and accepts that determination of the “most qualified” firm(s) will require subjective judgments by the Owner. The results of this most qualified determination will be combined with the Proposal evaluation results to determine the best value proposition for the Owner. Determinations by the Selection Committee will be subjected to routine administrative review by the Owner’s executive officers but, once a selection is announced, it will not be subjected to further review.

1.10 **NO REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS:** Respondent acknowledges and accepts that any costs incurred from the Respondent’s participation in this RFQ/P process shall be at the sole risk and responsibility of the Respondent. Respondents submit Qualifications, Proposals, and HCL at their own risk and expense.
1.11 MANDATORY PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE: A mandatory pre-submittal conference will be held at the time and location described below.

**September 15, 2021 - 2:00 p.m. (C.D.T)**

Sam Houston State University
Gibbs Ranch Conference Center
104 Fraser Road
Huntsville, Texas 77320

Due to COVID-19, ATTENDEES ARE LIMITED TO ONE (1) INDIVIDUAL PER RESPONDING FIRM to facilitate social distancing.

Questions regarding the Pre-Submittal conference may contact Ms. Charlene Heath at: cheath@shsu.edu.

1.11.1 A guided tour of the Project site will be included as a part of the conference agenda. This may be the only opportunity for potential Respondents to view the Project site(s) before the submittal of Qualifications.

1.12 ELIGIBLE RESPONDENTS: Only individual firms or lawfully formed business organizations may apply. (This does not preclude a Respondent from using consultants.) The Owner will contract only with the individual firm or formal organization that submits a Qualification, Proposal and HCL.

1.13 HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS: The HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) is not required by respondents as part of the RFQ/P submission. The HSP will be required by the selected team only. Submit a Letter of HUB Commitment to describe how your firm will participate and demonstrate a good faith effort in achieving the University’s HUB goals.

1.13.1 STATEMENT OF PROBABILITY. The Texas State University System has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable in connection with this procurement solicitation. Therefore, a HUB Commitment Letter is required as a part of the Respondent's Qualifications.

1.13.2 A sample HUB Commitment Letter is attached to this solicitation.

1.13.3 Submit one (1) original and one (1) copy of the HUB Commitment Letter in a separate attachment apart from the submittal of qualifications and apart from the proposal, and disc or thumb drive as stated in Article 1.5.5 of this RFQ/P.

1.14 CERTAIN PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS PROHIBITED: Under Section 2155.004, Texas Government Code, a state agency may not accept a proposal or award a contract that includes proposed financial participation by a person who received compensation from the agency to participate in preparing the specifications or request for proposals on which the proposal or contract is based. All vendors must certify their eligibility by acknowledging the following statement, “Under Section 2155.004, Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.” If a state agency determines that an individual or business entity holding a state
contract was ineligible to have the contract accepted or awarded as described above, the state agency may immediately terminate the contract without further obligation to the vendor. This section does not create a cause of action to contest a proposal or award of a state contract.

1.15  **SALES AND USE TAXES:** Section 151.311, *Texas Tax Code*, permits the purchase free of state sales and use taxes of tangible personal property to be incorporated into realty in the performance of a contract for an improvement to realty for certain exempt entities that include the Owner. The section further permits the purchase tax-free of tangible personal property (other than machinery or equipment and its accessories and repair and replacement parts) for use in the performance of such a contract if the property is "necessary and essential for the performance of the contract" and "completely consumed at the job site." In addition, the section permits the purchase tax-free of a tangible service for use in the performance of such a contract if the service is performed at the job site and if "the contract expressly requires the specific service to be provided or purchased by the person performing the contract" or "the service is integral to the performance of the contract."

1.16  **CERTIFICATION OF FRANCHISE TAX STATUS:** Respondents are advised that the successful Respondent will be required to submit certification of franchise tax status as required by State Law (*Texas Tax Code* Chapter 171). The contractor agrees that each subcontractor and supplier under contract will also provide a certification of franchise tax status.

1.17  **REQUIRED NOTICES OF WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE:** The Texas Workers’ Compensation Commission has adopted a rule, Texas Administrative Code Title 28, Part 2, Chapter 110, Subchapter B, Rule 110.110, relating to REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING OR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES. The rule implements sec. 406.096, *Texas Labor Code*, which requires workers’ compensation insurance coverage for all persons providing services on a building or construction project for a governmental entity. The requirements of the rule are set forth in the Uniform General and Supplementary General Conditions for The Texas State University System Building Construction Contracts.

1.18  **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Bonds and insurance requirements are provided in Article 5 of the Uniform General Conditions and in the Owner’s Standard Contractor Agreement as denoted in Article 1.3 of this RFQ/P.

1.19  **PREVAILING MINIMUM WAGE RATE DETERMINATION:** Respondents are advised that the Texas Prevailing Wage Law will be administered. The penalty for violation of prevailing wage rates has been increased from $10.00 per underpaid worker per day or portion thereof to $60.00. The Prevailing Wage Rate for Walker County, Texas, can be found on the following website: https://beta.sam.gov/

1.20  **DELINQUENCY IN PAYING CHILD SUPPORT:** Under Section 231.006, *Texas Family Code*, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated, and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

1.21  **NONDISCRIMINATION:** In their execution of this agreement, Respondent, consultants, their respective employees, and others acting by or through them shall comply with all federal and state policies and laws prohibiting discrimination, harassment, and sexual misconduct. Any breach of this covenant may result in termination of this agreement.
1.22 **NON-BOYCOTT ISRAEL VERIFICATION:** Pursuant to Section 2270.002 of the Texas Government Code, Respondent certifies that either (i) it meets an exemption criteria under Section 2270.002; or (ii) it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract resulting from this solicitation. Respondent shall state any facts that make it exempt from the boycott certification in its Response.

1.23 **CYBERSECURITY TRAINING PROGRAM:** Pursuant to Section 2054.5192, *Texas Government Code*, Contractor and its subcontractors, officers, and employees who are provided credentials granting access to Component’s computer system also known as Component’s information system, must complete a cybersecurity training program certified under Section 2054.519, *Texas Government Code* as selected by the Component. The cybersecurity training program must be completed during the term and any renewal period of this Agreement. Contractor shall verify in writing completion of the program to the Component within the first thirty (30) calendar days of the term and any renewal period of the Agreement. Failure to comply with the requirements of this section are grounds for termination for cause of the Agreement.

1.24 **FIREARM ENTITIES AND TRADE ASSOCIATIONS DISCRIMINATION:** Pursuant to Chapter 2274, *Texas Government Code*, Respondent verifies that (i) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (ii) will not discriminate during the term of the Agreement against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

1.25 **ENERGY COMPANY BOYCOTTS:** Pursuant to Chapter 2274, *Texas Government Code*, Respondent certifies that (i) does not boycott energy companies as defined in Section 809.001 (1)(a) *Texas Government Code* (i.e., fossil fuel companies); and (ii) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the Agreement.

1.26 **VACCINE PASSPORT PROHIBITION:** Respondent certifies that it does not require its customers to provide any documentation certifying the customer’s COVID-19 vaccination or post-transmission recovery on entry to, to gain access to, or to receive service from, the Respondent's business. Respondent acknowledges that such a vaccine or recovery requirement would make Respondent ineligible for a state-funded contract.

1.27 **CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AFFIRMATION:** Pursuant to Section 2274.0102, *Texas Government Code*, Respondent certifies that neither it nor its parent company, nor any affiliate of Respondent or its parent company, is (i) majority owned or controlled by citizens or governmental entities of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or any other country designated by the Governor under Section 2274.0103, *Texas Government Code*, or headquartered in any of those countries.

**SECTION 2 – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2.1 **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:** Founded in 1879, Sam Houston State University is the third oldest public university in Texas. During its 142 years of service, the University has touched the lives of generations of Texans while helping shape the educational, social, economic, and cultural development of the state. Sam Houston State University is a doctoral-granting university located in the rapidly growing 1-45 corridor north of Houston. Currently, Sam Houston State has approximately 21,500 students enrolled in one of 90 undergraduate or 70 graduate programs offered by 8 colleges. This year it has 10 doctoral programs.
2.2 **MISSION STATEMENT:** Sam Houston State University provides high quality education, scholarship, and service to qualified students for the benefit of regional, state, national, and international constituencies.

2.3 **PROJECT DESCRIPTION, SCOPE AND BUDGET:** The new Gibbs Ranch Equestrian Facility and Agricultural Labs (Phase 1) project will be constructed at the Sam Houston State University (the “University”) Gibbs Ranch property which fronts Texas Highway 75 North, approximately four miles northwest of the Main Campus in Huntsville, Texas. The Project will house several programs in the University’s Department of Agricultural Sciences and be home to the University’s rodeo team. The facility master plan, produced in March 2021, envisions a total site development of 2.6 million square feet (“SF”) that will ultimately encompass ten (10) new structures, one (1) relocated structure and significant exterior improvements through two phases of construction.

This Project is the initial phase and includes all primary sitework and site utilities to support both phases of vertical construction. Phase 1 includes a 15,000 SF Learning Center; the Plant Sciences facility with 15,000 SF Head House, plus three 4,000 SF Greenhouses; a 75,000 SF Multi-purpose Agricultural Center (arena) with attached 30,000 SF Rodeo Team Stall Barn; a 5,000 SF Equipment Shed; parking areas, landscaping, and support facilities. The structures are planned to be pre-engineered metal buildings, finished in accordance with the University’s campus standards. Sitework will require mass excavation and grading, new water, sanitary and storm sewers, gas, and primary electrical. The Phase 1 work must be coordinated with the ongoing use of Gibbs Ranch for academic purposes.

Phase 2, which has an undetermined start date, will include a meat sciences and food technology building, an equine science facility, and an equipment shed. To maintain consistency between the development’s two phases, the Owner may elect to forego the CMR RFQ/P selection process for Phase 2 and award those future CMR services to the successful Respondent to this RFQ.

The prospect of the University constructing a state-of-the-art agricultural facility has generated excitement amongst valued supporters of the University’s agricultural programs. Some of these supporters (“Donors”) are construction professionals wishing to make donations-in-kind to the Project consisting of materials and construction services. The University Advancement office has indicated the owner of a large Texas-based sitework contractor has committed to donating a significant portion of the sitework package for the Project. Additional Donors offering their services in support of the Project may pursue various elements of the work. It is anticipated that Donors will bid on the packages issued by the CMR. To facilitate these donations, the University contemplates there may be multiple bid packages with distinct notices to proceed and substantial completion dates. The CMR must ensure that all Donor supplied work is coordinated and overseen effectively. The CMR must also plan on the potential for multiple material substitution requests since various materials may be donated. The Donors are valuable members of the Project team and may offer their input during design phases of the Project, but work will be managed by the CMR.

The Respondent’s proposed fees, entered in the Respondent’s Pricing and Delivery form under Article 4.3.2. shall be based on the total Construction Cost Limitation value for the Project, irrespective of the potential value of donated materials or in-kind services provided by Donors. The Owner is prepared to negotiate the terms and conditions of the Agreement referenced under Article 1.3 with the successful Respondent to address potential adjustments to risk assignments, schedules, insurance coverages, and other standard requirements, as a result of potential Donor involvement in the Project.
The total Construction Cost Limitation for the project is Twelve Million Eight Hundred-Seventy Thousand Dollars ($12,870,000).

2.4 FACILITY PROGRAM: A Conceptual Master Plan for the Project is complete and will be provided to the firms selected to interview, if interviews are held. Refer to Attachment 3 - Illustrative Site Plan.

2.5 PROJECT PLANNING SCHEDULE: Key Project planning schedule milestones are:

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The schedule of events presented above represent a basic timeline for the project. A final project timeline will be developed with the Owner at a later time. The Owner can be expected to work with the A/E and the CMR to validate and improve on this initial schedule.

2.6 OWNER’S SPECIAL CONDITIONS: The Owner requires full compliance with specification Division 0: Contract Requirements and Division 1: General Requirements, which will be integrated into the specifications for the project and become a part of the contract. These specifications sections shall be a part of the CMR Contract that will be signed. They are available for review at: https://www.tsus.edu/offices/finance/capital-projects.html

SECTION 3 – REQUIREMENTS FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Respondents shall carefully read the information contained in the following criteria and submit a complete statement of Qualifications responding to all questions in Section 3 formatted as directed in Section 5. Incomplete Qualifications will be considered non-responsive and subject to rejection. Qualifications shall constitute up to Fifty Percent (50%) of the total Respondent evaluation score.

3.1 CRITERION ONE: RESPONDENT’S ABILITY TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES: (Criterion Weight: 5%)

3.1.1 Provide a brief history of Respondent’s firm.

3.1.2 Provide the following information on your firm for the past **five (5)** fiscal years:
3.1.2.1 Volume:
   3.1.2.1.1 Annual number, value, and percent change of contracts in Texas per year
   3.1.2.1.2 Annual number, value, and percent change of contracts nationally per year

3.1.2.2 Revenues: Annual revenue totals and percent change per year

3.1.2.3 Bonding:
   3.1.2.3.1 Total bonding capacity
   3.1.2.3.2 Available bonding capacity and current backlog

3.1.3 Attach a letter of intent from a surety company indicating ability to bond Respondent for the entire construction cost of the Project. The surety shall acknowledge that the Respondent may be bonded for each stage/phase of the Project (if applicable), with a potential maximum construction cost of Twelve Million Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars ($12,870,000). Bonding requirements are set forth in Article 17 of the Agreement and the Uniform General Conditions for Construction Contracts.

3.1.4 State whether Respondent is currently for sale or involved in any transaction to expand or to become acquired by another business entity. If so, explain the impact both in organization and company direction.

3.1.5 Provide details of any past or pending litigation, or claims filed, against Respondent that may affect its performance under an Agreement with the Owner.

3.1.6 State whether Respondent is currently in default on any loan agreement or financing agreement with any bank, financial institution, or other entity. If so, specify date(s), details, circumstances, and prospects for resolution.

3.1.7 State whether Respondent has ever failed to complete any work which it was awarded.

3.2 CRITERION TWO: QUALIFICATIONS OF THE RESPONDENT AND THE EXECUTION OF SERVICES: (Criterion Weight: 20%)

3.2.1 Provide resumes of all Respondent’s team members that will be directly involved in the Project, including their experience with similar projects, definition of that person’s specific role in the Pre-Construction and Construction phases for the Project, the number of years with the Respondent, and their city of residence.

3.2.2 For each of the proposed CMR team members identified in 3.2.1, describe their responsibilities in each of the representative projects presented in 3.3 and compare them with their anticipated responsibilities in this Project.

3.2.3 Identify any consultants that are included as part of the proposed team, their role related experience for this Project. List projects for which the consultant(s) have previously worked with the Respondent.

3.2.4 Describe, in graphic and written form, the proposed Project organizational chart indicating assignments and lines of authority and communication for each team member to be directly involved in the Project. Indicate the estimated percent of time these team members will be involved in the Project for Pre-Construction, Construction, Close-Out, and Warranty services.
3.2.5 Describe Respondent’s construction management and execution plan for providing Pre-
Construction Phase Services required for this Project. Explain how Donors could be
integrated into the Pre-Construction Phase.

3.2.6 Describe what Respondent perceives as the critical issues for this Project, whether in the
pre-construction or construction phase.

3.2.7 Describe Respondent’s procedures, objectives, and personnel responsible for reviewing
design and Construction Documents and for providing feedback regarding cost, schedule
and constructability to the A/E and the Owner on this Project.

3.2.8 Describe Respondent’s Bid/Proposal Package Strategy for completion of the Construction
Documents and for procuring the work from subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, etc.

3.2.9 Describe Respondent’s constructability program for this Project and how it will be
implemented.

3.2.10 Describe Respondent’s philosophy for maximizing Project scope for the Owner during Pre-
Construction services, minimizing risk, and identifying when savings can be returned to
the Owner during construction.

3.2.11 For Pre-Construction and Construction services, provide examples of records, reports,
monitoring systems, and information management systems Respondent will use on this
Project.

3.2.12 Declare if Respondent, or any other company within the same holding group of companies,
desires to self-perform work on this Project, and describe the method for determining itself
as the “best value” through a competitive proposal process.

3.2.13 Describe Respondent’s approach to coordinating inspections and approvals with the Texas
Department of Licensing and Regulation regarding Texas Accessibility Standards, the
State Fire Marshal and other authorities having jurisdiction over the Project.

3.3 CRITERION THREE: RESPONDENT’S PAST PERFORMANCE ON REPRESENTATIVE
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-AT-RISK PROJECTS: (Criterion Weight: 20%)

3.3.1 Identify and describe the proposed team’s past experience for providing CMR services that are
MOST RELATED TO THIS PROJECT within the last five (5) years. Provide not
less than three (3) but not more than five (5) examples. List the projects in order of priority,
with the most relevant project listed first. Provide the following information for each
project listed:
3.3.1.1 Project name, location, and description
3.3.1.2 Photographic color images of exterior, interior, and floor plans and site plans if applicable
3.3.1.3 Construction cost estimates at Design Development, final GMP amount and final
construction cost. Explain the reasons for any deviations.
3.3.1.4 Final project size in gross square feet
3.3.1.5 Type of construction (new, renovation, or expansion)
3.3.1.6 Notice to Proceed date for Pre-Construction Services
3.3.1.7 Originally planned and actual Notice to Proceed, Substantial Completion, and Final Payment dates for Construction Services. Explain reasons for any deviation.
3.3.1.8 Name of project manager (individual responsible to the owner for the overall success of the project)
3.3.1.9 Name of project superintendent(s) (individual responsible for coordinating the day-to-day work)
3.3.1.10 Names of mechanical, plumbing, and electrical subcontractors
3.3.1.11 Indicate if any donors were involved in the project.

3.3.2 References (for each project listed above, identify the following):
3.3.2.1 The owner’s name and representative who served as the day-to-day liaison during the design and construction phases of the project, including telephone number and email address
3.3.2.2 The A/E’s name and representative who served as the day-to-day liaison during the construction phase of the project, including telephone number and email address
3.3.2.3 Length of business relationship with the owner

References shall be considered relevant based on specific project participation and experience with the Respondent. The Owner reserves the right to contact any other references at any time during the RFQ/P process.

3.4 CRITERION FOUR: RESPONDENT’S ABILITY TO ESTABLISH BUDGETS AND CONTROL COSTS: (Criterion Weight: 15%)

3.4.1 Describe Respondent’s methodology for working with the the Owner, its Donors, Project A/E and their consultants to deliver a GMP and to maintain the GMP throughout the design and construction phases including any processes for establishing, tracking, and reporting during the course of the Project.

3.4.2 Describe Respondent’s cost control methods during construction and how Respondent procures subcontracts, confirms scope, amounts, and ensures proper payment.

3.4.3 If the Owner intends to accept a GMP prior to completion of Construction Documents; describe: 1) Respondent’s process for ensuring that the design documents provide the information necessary to arrive at a complete GMP, including all Owner requirements with reasonable contingencies, and 2) Respondent’s process for subsequently ensuring that the one hundred percent (100%) Construction Documents align with the project scope in the previously accepted GMP proposal documents.

3.4.4 Describe the percentage for construction contingency desired at GMP, and how these contingencies will be managed through the completion of Construction Phase services.

3.4.5 Describe the bonds Respondent requires of subcontractors including if Subguard will be used.
3.4.6 Identify a maximum of three (3) projects from Section 3.3 of this RFQ/P, with GMP contracts, and the amount of savings (if any) returned to the owner.

3.5 CRITERION FIVE: RESPONDENT’S ABILITY TO MEET SCHEDULES:  
(Criterion Weight: 15%)

3.5.1 Describe how Respondent will develop, maintain, and update the project schedule during design and construction. Identify the specific resources (i.e., personnel, hardware, software, etc.) to be used on this Project.

3.5.2 Describe Respondent’s approach to assuring timely completion of this Project, including methods for schedule recovery, if necessary. From any three (3) of the projects listed in response to Section 3.3 of this RFQ/P, provide examples of how these techniques were used, including specific scheduling challenges/requirements and actual solutions.

3.5.3 Describe Respondent’s experience with Critical Path Method (“CPM”) scheduling. From any of three (3) of the projects listed in response to Section 3.3 of this RFQ/P, provide one (1) sample of the monthly schedule reports, including identified milestones, and any schedule recovery plans.

3.5.4 Provide a simple CPM Milestone schedule on how Respondent perceives this Project could be built. Identify specific critical process, phases, milestones, approvals, and procurements anticipated. Include the ten percent (10%) total project float that will be required in the critical path during the Construction Phase. If Respondent proposes to improve the schedule, describe the impact on quality of services, materials or workmanship that may occur.

3.6 CRITERION SIX: RESPONDENT’S KNOWLEDGE OF CURRENT CONSTRUCTION METHODOLOGIES, TECHNOLOGIES, QUALITY AND BEST PRACTICES:  (Criterion Weight: 10%)

3.6.1 Describe Respondent’s quality assurance program. Explain the methods used to ensure quality control during the Construction phase of a project. Provide a specific example from one (1) of the representative projects, listed in response to Section 3.3 of this RFQ/P, of how Respondent’s quality control program overcame a difficult constructability issue and/or resulted in higher quality workmanship.

3.6.2 Describe Respondent’s procedures for implementing industry’s “best practices” as defined by the Construction Industry Institute or similar organizations for:

3.6.2.1 Establishing and tracking project objectives.

3.6.2.2 Using project scope definition resources (i.e., Project Definitions Rating Index (PDRI)) in order to obtain complete and accurate design and construction documents from the A/E.

3.6.2.3 Partnering.

3.6.2.4 Cost tracking.

3.6.2.5 Change (order) management systems.

3.6.2.6 Building systems commissioning including coordination with the A/E and the Owner’s commissioning agent.
3.6.2.7 Total quality management for each phase of the Project, including coordinating with the Owner’s project inspectors, testing, training, close-out, and warranty service.

3.6.3 Describe Respondent’s implementation of a quality control process for this Project during the Design Development stage through completion of Construction Documents stage.

3.6.4 Describe how Respondent’s quality control team will measure the quality of construction and commissioning performed by all trades, but in particular, by mechanical and electrical subcontractors and how Respondent will address non-conforming work.

3.6.5 As the CMR, describe Respondent’s relationship with the local subcontracting community.

3.6.6 Provide any other details regarding special services, products, advantages, or other benefits offered to the Owner by the Respondent in reference to in-kind donations such as material and/or services provided by Donors.

3.7 CRITERION SEVEN: RESPONDENT’S ABILITY TO IDENTIFY AND RESOLVE PROBLEMS: (Criterion Weight: 5%)

3.7.1 Describe Respondent’s understanding of the administrative challenges and opportunities associated with providing Pre-Construction and Construction services for Owner on this Project, and Respondent’s strategy for addressing these issues. Describe any experience working with donors and ensuring their interests are addressed.

3.7.2 Understanding the schedule limitations, provide an analysis of the Owner’s project planning schedule in Section 2.5 of this RFQ/P, describe Respondent’s plan for communicating constructability, phasing, value engineering and other budget options in a form that will quickly facilitate the Owner’s decision making.

3.7.3 For any combination of three (3) projects listed in response to Section 3.3 of this RFQ/P, describe any conflicts with the Owner, consultants, A/E, or subcontractors and describe the methods used by the Respondent to resolve those conflicts.

4.7.4 Provide examples of services provided that creatively incorporated mechanical, electrical, and plumbing, irrigation, agriculture, and animal handling solutions in similar projects.

4.7.5 Describe the Respondent’s experience with renovation/expansion projects in occupied facilities.

3.8 CRITERION EIGHT: RESPONDENT’S ABILITY TO MANAGE CONSTRUCTION SAFETY RISKS: (Criterion Weight: 5%)

3.8.1 Briefly describe Respondent’s approach for anticipating, recognizing, and controlling safety risks and note the safety resources that Respondent provides for each project’s safety program.

3.8.2 Describe the level of importance for enforcement and support of project safety that Respondent includes in performance evaluations for superintendents and project managers.
3.8.3 Identify the proposed safety management team members for construction services. Include their previous titles, duties, city(s) of residence, experience, and expertise; also, their intended percent of monthly involvement and duration for this Project. Include all details necessary to demonstrate the credentials required by project safety specifications.

3.8.4 Describe the methodology, including any technology or other assets that Respondent intends to use for prevention and/or control of incidents and insurance claims on this Project.

3.8.5 Describe the safety and insurance claims history information and weighting that Respondent includes in the submission and award process for “best value” subcontracts.

3.8.6 For all projects that Respondent has managed (or co-managed) in the past five (5) years, list and describe all events or incidents that have reached any of the following levels of severity:

3.8.6.1 Any occupational illness or injury that resulted in death or total and permanent disability.

3.8.6.2 Three (3) occupational illnesses or injuries that resulted in hospital admittances.

3.8.6.3 Explosion, fire, or water damage that claimed five percent (5%) or more of the project’s construction value.

3.8.6.4 Failure, collapse, or overturning of a scaffold, excavation, crane, or motorized mobile equipment when workers were present at the project.

3.8.7 Identify the Respondent’s Experience Modification Rate (“EMR”) for the three (3) most recent annual insurance-year ratings.

3.8.8 Identify Respondent’s annual OSHA Recordable Incident Rates (“RIR”) for all work performed during the past three (3) calendar years.

3.8.9 Identify Respondent’s annual OSHA Lost Workday Case Incident Rates (“LWCIR”) for all work performed during the past three (3) calendar years.

3.9 CRITERION NINE: RESPONDENT’S WARRANTY AND SERVICE SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR THIS PROJECT: (Criterion Weight: 5%)

3.9.1 Describe Respondent’s warranty service support philosophy and warranty service implementation plan for this Project.

3.9.2 Describe how Respondent will measure the quality of warranty service provided to the Owner for this Project.

3.9.3 Provide reference letters from three (3) owners identified in Sections 3.3 of this RFQ/P, that describe Respondent’s response to, and performance on, warranty services AFTER substantial completion.

3.10 EXECUTION OF OFFER:

NOTE TO RESPONDENTS: SUBMIT ENTIRE SECTION WITH RESPONSE.

THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED WITH THE RESPONDENT’S QUALIFICATIONS. FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND
RETURN THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER WITH THE QUALIFICATIONS MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS.

SIGNING A FALSE STATEMENT MAY VOID THE SUBMITTED QUALIFICATIONS OR ANY AGREEMENTS OR OTHER CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH MAY RESULT FROM THE SUBMISSION OF RESPONDENT'S QUALIFICATIONS, AND THE RESPONDENT MAY BE REMOVED FROM ALL PROPOSER LISTS. A FALSE CERTIFICATION SHALL BE DEEMED A MATERIAL BREACH OF CONTRACT AND, AT OWNER'S OPTION, MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF ANY RESULTING CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER.

3.10.1 By signature hereon, Respondent acknowledges and agrees that (1) this RFQ/P is a solicitation for Qualifications and Proposal and is not a contract or an offer to contract; (2) the submission of Qualifications and Proposal by Respondent in response to this RFQ/P will not create a contract between the Owner and Respondent; (3) the Owner has made no representation or warranty, written or oral, that one or more contracts with the Owner will be awarded under this RFQ/P; and (4) Respondent shall bear, as its sole risk and responsibility, any cost which arises from Respondent’s preparation of a response to this RFQ/P.

3.10.2 By signature hereon, Respondent offers and agrees to furnish to the Owner products and/or services more particularly described in its Qualifications and to comply with all terms and conditions and requirements set forth in the RFQ/P documents and contained herein.

3.10.3 By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that it has neither given, nor intend to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip favor or service to a public servant in connection with the submitted Qualifications and Proposal.

3.10.4 By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that it is a “taxable entity” under Section 171.0002 of the Texas Tax Code and certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any Franchise Taxes due under Chapter 171, Texas Tax Code.

3.10.5 By signature hereon, Respondent hereby certifies that neither the Respondent nor anyone acting on behalf of Respondent has violated the antitrust laws of this state, codified in Section 15.01, et. seq., Texas Business and Commerce Code, or the Federal antitrust laws. Respondent further certifies that it has not communicated directly or indirectly the Qualifications and Proposal submitted to any competitor or any other person engaged in a similar line of business.

3.10.6 By signature hereon, Respondent represents and warrants that:

3.10.6.1 Respondent is a reputable company regularly engaged in providing products and/or services necessary to meet the terms, conditions and requirements of the RFQ/P;

3.10.6.2 Respondent has the necessary experience, knowledge, abilities, skills, and resources to satisfactorily perform the terms, conditions and requirements of the RFQ/P;
3.10.6.3 Respondent is aware of, is fully informed about, and is in full compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances;

3.10.6.4 Respondent understands the requirements and specifications set forth in this RFQ/P and the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract under which Respondent will be required to operate;

3.10.6.5 Respondent, if selected by the Owner, will maintain insurance as required by the Contract; and

3.10.6.6 All statements, information and representations prepared and submitted in response to this RFQ/P are current, complete, true and accurate. Respondent acknowledges that the Owner will rely on such statements, information and representations in selecting the successful Respondent. If selected by the Owner as the successful Respondent, Respondent will notify the Owner immediately of any material change in any matters with regard to which Respondent has made a statement or representation or provided information.

3.10.7 By signature hereon, Respondent certifies that the individual signing this document and the documents made part of the RFQ/P is authorized to sign such documents on behalf of the company and to bind the company under any agreements or other contractual arrangements, which may result from the submission of Respondent’s Qualifications.

3.10.8 By signature hereon, Respondent certifies that if a Texas address is shown as the address of the Respondent, Respondent qualifies as a Texas Resident bidder as defined in Texas Government Code Section 2252.001(4).

3.10.9 By signature hereon, Respondent certifies as follows:

3.10.9.1 “Under Section 231.006, Texas Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.”

3.10.9.2 “Under Section 2155.004, Texas Government Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.”

3.10.9.3 Under Section 2254.004, Texas Government Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that each individual or business entity which is an engineer or architect proposed by Respondent as a member of its team was selected based on “demonstrated competence and qualifications” only.

3.10.10 By signature hereon, Respondent certifies that no relationship, whether by relative, business associate, capital funding agreement or by any other such kinship exist between Respondent and an employee of Owner or any component, or Respondent has not been an employee of Owner or any component within the immediate twelve (12) months prior to Respondent’s RFQ/P response. All such disclosures will be subject to administrative review and approval prior to the Owner entering into any contract with Respondent.
3.10.11 By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that no compensation has been received for participation in the preparation of the specifications for this RFQ/P. (ref. Section 2155.004 Texas Government Code).

3.10.12 Respondent represents and warrants that all articles and services quoted in response to this RFQ/P meet or exceed the safety standards established and promulgated under the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Law (Public Law 91-596) and its regulations in effect or proposed as of the date of this solicitation.

3.10.13 By signature hereon, Respondent signifies his compliance with all federal laws and regulations pertaining to Equal Employment Opportunities and Affirmative Action.

3.10.14 By signature hereon, Respondent agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Texas, all of its officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, actions, suits, demands, proceedings, costs, damages, and liabilities, arising out of, connected with, or resulting from any acts or omissions of Respondent or any agent, employee, subcontractor, or supplier of Respondent in the execution or performance of any agreements or other contractual arrangements which may result from the submission of Respondent’s Qualifications.

3.10.15 By signature hereon, Respondent agrees to complete a Cybersecurity Training Program. Pursuant to Section 2054.5192, Texas Government Code, Respondent and its subcontractors, officers, and employees who are provided credentials granting access to Component’s computer system also known as Component’s information system, must complete a cybersecurity training program certified under Section 2054.519, Texas Government Code as selected by the Component. The cybersecurity training program must be completed during the term and any renewal period of this Agreement. Contractor shall verify in writing completion of the program to the Owner within the first thirty (30) calendar days of the term and any renewal period of this Agreement. Failure to comply with the requirements of this section are grounds for termination for cause of the Agreement.

3.10.16 By signature hereon, Respondent agrees that any payments that may become due under any agreements or other contractual arrangements, which may result from the submission of Respondent’s Qualifications, will be applied towards any debt including, but not limited to, delinquent taxes and child support that is owed to the State of Texas.

3.10.17 By signature hereon, Respondent certifies that no member of the Board of Regents of the Texas State University System, or the Executive Officers of the Owner or its component institutions, has a financial interest, directly or indirectly, in the transaction that is the subject of the contract, and that no member of the Board of Regents has a “substantial interest” (as that term is defined in Section 51.923 of the Texas Education Code) in the Respondent.

3.10.18 Pursuant to Chapter 2274, Texas Government Code, Respondent certifies that it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity of firearm trade association; and will not discriminate during the term of the Agreement against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.
3.10.19 Pursuant to Chapter 2274, *Texas Government Code*, Respondent certifies that it does not boycott energy companies as defined in Section 809.001(1)(a), *Texas Government Code*, (i.e., fossil fuel companies); and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the Agreement.

3.10.20 Respondent certifies that it does not require its customers to provide any documentation certifying the customer’s COVID-19 vaccination or post-transmission recovery, on entry to, to gain access to, or to receive service from the Respondent's business. Respondent acknowledges that such a vaccine or recovery requirement would make Respondent ineligible for a state-funded contract.

3.10.21 Pursuant to Section 2274.0102, *Texas Government Code*, Respondent certifies that neither it nor its parent company, nor any affiliate of Respondent is majority owned or controlled by citizens or governmental entities of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or any other country designated by the Governor under Section 2274.0103, *Texas Government Code*, or headquartered in any of those countries.

[Execution of Offer continues next page]
3.10.22 **Execution of Offer: RFQ/P No. 758-22-06072 – RFQ/P for Construction Manager-At-Risk for Gibbs Ranch Equestrian Facility & Agriculture Labs (Phase 1) at Sam Houston State University.**

The Respondent must complete, sign, and return this Execution of Offer as part of their Qualifications submittal response. The Respondent’s company official(s) who are authorized to commit to such a submittal must sign submittals. Failure to sign and return this form will disqualify the submittal.

Respondent’s Company Name: ________________________________

Respondent’s State of Texas Tax Account No.: ________________________________
*(This 11-digit number is mandatory)*

If a Corporation:

Respondent’s State of Incorporation: ________________________________

Respondent’s Charter No: ________________________________

Identify each person who owns at least 10% of the Respondent’s business entity by name:

(Name) ________________________________ (Name) ________________________________

(Name) ________________________________ (Name) ________________________________

Submitted and Certified By:

(Respondent’s Name) ________________________________ (Title) ________________________________

(Street Address) ________________________________ (Telephone Number) ________________________________

(City, State, Zip Code) ________________________________ (Fax Number) ________________________________

(Authorized Signature) ________________________________ (Date) ________________________________

(Email address for RFQ/P Notification)

**END OF QUALIFICATIONS PACKAGE.**
**SUBMIT THE ABOVE SEPARATELY FROM THE HUB COMMITMENT LETTER, ELECTRONIC MEDIA AND THE PRICING AND DELIVERY PROPOSAL IN A SEALED PACKAGE**
SECTION 4 – PRICING AND DELIVERY PROPOSAL

4.1 **GENERAL INFORMATION**: This Proposal is the second step in a two-step process for selecting a CMR for the Project as provided by Texas Education Code §51.782(e). Unlike other solicitations of this type, in this solicitation Owner is requiring that the Proposal package accompany the Qualifications package, and HUB Commitment Letter (HCL) but the three documents shall be submitted in separate, sealed packaging and delivered at the same time. Include the name and email address of the Respondent’s contact person on all envelopes. Mark the exterior of all envelopes to identify whether the Proposal, Qualifications, or HCL are contained therein. The Owner may conduct interviews with up to five (5) of the most qualified Respondents in order to finalize the best value rankings; however, Owner also reserves the right to select the best value Respondent without interviews. Observe the following guidelines:

4.1.1 Submit **two (2)** identical copies of the Respondent’s Pricing and Delivery Proposal. See 4.3.2.

4.1.2 Proposals received after the deadline will be returned to the Respondent unopened.

4.1.3 The Owner will not acknowledge or receive Proposals that are delivered by telephone, facsimile (fax), or electronic mail (e-mail).

4.1.4 Properly submitted Proposals will not be returned to Respondents.

4.1.5 Properly submitted Proposals will be opened publicly and the names of the Respondents and pricing information will be read aloud at the time, date and location identified in Section 1.5.12 of this RFQ/P.

4.1.6 Proposal materials must be enclosed in a sealed envelope (box or container) addressed to the Point-of-Contact person; the package must clearly identify the submittal deadline, the RFQ/P number, and the name and return address of the Respondent.

4.2 **EVALUATION OF PROPOSAL**: The evaluation of the Proposal shall be based on the Respondent’s actual Pre-Construction Phase Fee, Construction Phase Fee, General Conditions Costs and other requirements as described in this RFQ/P.

4.3 **REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSAL**: Respondents shall carefully read the information contained in the following criteria and submit a complete response. Incomplete responses will be considered non-responsive. The Proposal shall constitute up to Fifty Percent (50%) of the total Respondent evaluation score.

4.3.1 **CRITERION ONE: RESPONDENT’S SAFETY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THIS PROJECT**:

4.3.1.1 Identify (in separate figures) the percentage of the Construction Cost that is to be included in the Project General Conditions for each of the following pieces of the project safety program:

- on-site safety education & training
- personal protective equipment, signage, and hardware
- first aid and emergency response equipment
- safety incentives and recognition
- contingency for post incident drug testing and incident management costs
- miscellaneous other safety-related expenses (NOTE: DO NOT LIST items that will appear elsewhere in the Project’s General Conditions; office equipment, salaries, etc.)
4.3.2 **CRITERION TWO: RESPONDENT’S PRICING AND DELIVERY PROPOSAL:**
Complete the attached “Pricing and Delivery Proposal” form.

(Continued on the next page).
RESPONDENT’S PRICING AND DELIVERY PROPOSAL

Proposal of: ____________________________________________________________
(Respondent’s Company Name)

To: Brian McCall, Ph.D.
    Chancellor
    The Texas State University System
    Austin, Texas

Project Name: RFQ/P for Construction Manager-At-Risk for Gibbs Ranch Equestrian
Facility & Agriculture Lab (Phase 1) at Sam Houston State University

RFQ/P No.: 758-22-06072

Having carefully examined all the requirements of this RFQ/P, the proposed form of Contract,
and any attachments to them, the undersigned proposes to furnish Construction Manager-At-Risk
services as required for this Project on the following terms:

4.3.2.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER’S BUDGET
LIMITATION: The Owner has established a Construction Cost Limitation (CCL) amount
for the project of $12,870,000 which includes a construction manager contingency
commensurate with the current stage of project development (project programmed, but
design not started). This is the Owner’s current target for the Guaranteed Maximum Price
(“GMP”) for the project.

4.3.2.2 RESPONDENT’S PRE-CONSTRUCTION PHASE FEE: The Respondent shall identify
a Pre-Construction Phase Fee, pursuant to Article 5 of the Contract.

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4.3.2.3 RESPONDENT’S CONSTRUCTION PHASE FEE: Using the Anticipated GMP
identified above, the Respondent shall identify a Construction Phase Fee percentage,
pursuant to Article 14 of the Agreement:

Respondent’s Proposed Construction Phase
Fee **Percentage**: ______________________%

Respondent’s Equivalent Estimated Construction
Phase Fee **Amount (percentage times the
anticipated GMP above)**:

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4.3.2.4 RESPONDENT’S NOT-TO-EXCEED GENERAL CONDITIONS COSTS: Using the
Project Planning Schedule, the Respondent shall identify a General Conditions not-to-
exceed percentage amount as defined by Article 13 and Exhibit C of the Agreement and
the Owner’s Uniform General Conditions for Construction Contracts.
Respondent’s Proposed General Conditions **Percentage:** ____________________%  

Respondent’s Equivalent Estimated General Conditions **Amount** *(percentage times the anticipated GMP above)*: $_______________  

Additional fees or services required by any business policies adopted by a Respondent that are not specifically identified in Attachment 1 (attached) shall be included in the fee proposed in Article 4.3.2.3.  


4.3.2.5 **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** Liquidated Damages as defined by the Contract are set at: Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars ($750) per calendar day.  

4.3.2.6 Using the not-to-exceed General Conditions costs identified above, the Respondent shall identify all project management, bonds, insurance, field office and office supply costs for the Project as listed below:  

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*WHEN THE DESIGNATED POSITION IS UTILIZED LESS THAN FULL TIME FOR THE PROJECT, THE QUANTITY SHALL BE REFLECTED AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE POSITION’S TIME ON THE PROJECT (I.E., 50% TIME UTILIZATION ON THE PROJECT WOULD REFLECT A QUANTITY OF ONE HALF).*
4.3.7 ADDENDA: Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the following addenda to this RFQ/P (initial if applicable).

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4.3.8 AWARD OF CONTRACT AND COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES: The undersigned agrees to execute the Agreement after notification that the Respondent has been identified by the Owner as the Respondent with the “best value” Proposal, and to commence services on or before the commencement date stated by the Owner in a Notice to Proceed. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Proposals and to waive Proposal irregularities. Proposals shall be valid and not withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of opening thereof.

Respectfully Submitted and Certified By:

(Respondent’s Printed Name) .................................................................

(Title)  .................................................................................................

(Authorized Signature) .................................................................

(Date) .................................................................................................

State of Texas Tax Account No. ________________________________

SUBMIT THE ABOVE SEPARATELY FROM THE HUB COMMITMENT LETTER AND THE QUALIFICATIONS SUBMITTAL IN A SEALED PACKAGE
SECTION 5 – FORMAT FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL

5.1 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

5.1.1 Qualifications and Proposal shall be prepared SIMPLY AND ECONOMICALLY, providing a straightforward, CONCISE description of the Respondent's ability to meet the requirements of this RFQ/P. Emphasis shall be on the QUALITY, completeness, clarity of content, responsiveness to the requirements, and an understanding of Owner's needs.

5.1.2 Qualifications shall be a MAXIMUM OF FIFTY (50) PRINTED PAGES (25 sheets printed double-sided or 50 sheets single-sided). The cover, table of contents, divider sheets, and Execution of Offer do not count as printed pages. The Proposal and HCL (Section 1.13) are submitted separately and do not contribute to the page count.

5.1.3 Respondents shall carefully read the information contained in this RFQ/P and submit a complete response to all requirements and questions as directed. Incomplete Qualifications, Proposal and/or HCL will be considered non-responsive and subject to rejection.

5.1.4 Qualifications, Proposal and/or HCL and any other information submitted by Respondents in response to this RFQ/P shall become the property of the Owner.

5.1.5 Qualifications, Proposal and/or HCL that are qualified with conditional clauses, alterations, and/or items not called for in the RFQ/P documents, or irregularities of any kind are subject to rejection by the Owner, at its option.

5.1.6 The Owner makes no representations of any kind that an award will be made as a result of this RFQ/P. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Qualifications, Proposals, and/or HCLs, waive any formalities or minor technical inconsistencies, or delete any item/requirements from this RFQ/P when deemed to be in Owner's best interest.

5.1.7 Qualifications shall consist of responses to questions identified in Section 3 of the RFQ/P. The Proposal shall consist of responses to questions identified in Section 4 of the RFQ/P. It is not necessary to repeat the question in Sections 3 and 4; however, it is essential to reference the question numbers with the corresponding response.

5.1.8 Failure to comply with all requirements contained in this RFQ/P may result in the rejection of the Qualifications, Proposal, and/or HCL.

5.2 PAGE SIZE, BINDING, DIVIDERS AND TABS:

5.2.1 Qualifications, Proposal and HCL shall be printed on letter-size (8-1/2” x 11”) paper and assembled with spiral-type bindings or staples. DO NOT USE METAL-RING HARD COVER BINDERS.

5.2.2 Additional attachments shall NOT be included with the Qualifications, Proposal or HCL. Only the responses provided by the Respondent to the questions identified in Sections 3 and 4 of this RFQ/P will be used by the Owner for evaluation.

5.2.3 Separate and identify each criterion response to Sections 3 and 4 of this RFQ/P by use of a divider sheet with an integral tab for ready reference.
5.3 **TABLE OF CONTENTS:** Submittals shall include a “Table of Contents” with page numbers for each page of each submittal (Qualifications and Proposal).

5.4 **PAGINATION:** Number all pages of the submittal sequentially using Arabic numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.)

5.5 **SUBMISSION PACKAGING:** The Owner is requiring that the Qualifications, Proposal and HUB Commitment Letter (HCL) be submitted at the same time, but in separate, sealed packages.

- END OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS / PROPOSALS -
ATTACHMENT 1

ALLOWABLE GENERAL CONDITION LINE ITEMS

On-Site Project Management Staff
- Safety Coordinator/Assistant(s)
- Project Executive
- Office Engineer(s)
- Project Expeditor(s)
- Assistant Superintendent(s)
- CPM Scheduler
- Superintendent(s)
- Project Manager(s)
- Project Support Staff
- Out-of-State Project Specific Travel*

Bonds and Insurance
- Builder’s Risk Insurance
- General Liability Insurance
- Payment and Performance Bonds
- Other Project Insurance as Required by Contract

Temporary Project Utilities
- Non-LEED Recycling Dumpsters
- Project Water, Ice and Supplements to prevent dehydration
- Project Electricity
- Temporary Toilets
- Monthly Telephone / Internet Service
- Temporary Fire Protection
- Street Rental and Barricades
- Telephone / Internet System Installation
- Fencing and Covered Walkways
- Temporary Water Distribution and Meters
- Temporary Electrical Distribution and Meters
- Site Erosion Control (BMP) and Project Entrance(s)

Field Offices & Office Supplies
- Partnering Costs
- First Aid Supplies
- Job Photos/Videos
- Reproduction Services
- Project Specific Signage
- Monthly Office Supplies
- Postage/Special Shipping
- Remote Parking Expenses
- Project/As-Built (Record) Drawings
- Project Reference Manuals
- Project Milestone Event(s)*
- Security System/Watchman
- Move-In/Out and Office Setup
- Safety Material and Equipment
- Employee Identification System
- Drinking Water and Accessories(including Ice)
- Small Tools and Storage Trailers
- Office Clean-Up/Janitorial Services
- Monthly Office Trailer Rental Costs
- Field Engineering
- Mobilization and Demobilization (Equipment Only)

* Specific justification and all estimated costs shall be submitted and approved by the Owner prior to any travel or event.

END OF ATTACHMENT 1
EXHIBIT F
CM’S PERSONNEL AND MONTHLY SALARY RATES

The following Monthly Salary Rate (MSR) shall identify the estimated billable rate prior to execution of the Agreement, and shall be confirmed during the Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal phase for use throughout Construction Phase Services on the Owner’s approved Schedule of Values Format for all salaried General Conditions type personnel pursuant to the Agreement. The MSR shall include the employee’s estimated monthly direct salary expense (including possible future salary increases), plus any employer payroll taxes and/or fringe benefit contributions as identified below. CMR shall define the monthly salary rate by dividing the fifty-two (52) weeks of a year into twelve (12) months of a year. Any additional employer contributions not identified below shall be included in the Construction Phase Fee pursuant to Articles 13 and 14 of the Agreement. These rates do not apply to Pre-Construction Services.

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CM shall certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the above referenced salary information is accurate.

CM signature: _________________________ (same individual who signs agreement)

END OF ATTACHMENT 2
LEGEND

1. MAIN ACCESS
2. POSSIBLE SECONDARY ACCESS LOCATION
3. POTENTIAL GATEWAY ENTRY FEATURE
4. TEACHING / RESEARCH DEMONSTRATION PLOTS
5. HEAD HOUSE
6. GREENHOUSES (X3 - 40'X100')
7. LEARNING CENTER
8. OUTDOOR GATHERING
9. PANEL WALKER
10. HAY STORAGE
11. EQUIPMENT SHED
12. EQUINE SCIENCE BUILDING
13. MEAT SCIENCE AND FOOD TECHNOLOGY BUILDING
14. FUTURE FORESTRY BUILDING
15. AQUAPONICS BUILDING - RELOCATE
16. POSSIBLE COMMUNITY GARDEN LOCATION
17. HORSE PADDocks
18. MULTI-PURPOSE AGRICULTURAL CENTER
19. OUTDOOR ARENA
20. EXISTING GATE

Indicates Phase I Scope
Indicates Phase II Scope
With your response submit, a Letter of HUB Commitment, see sample letter below, on how Respondent will participate and demonstrate a good faith effort in achieving the University’s HUB goals. Provide recent examples where Respondent has met or exceeded HUB goals on previous projects.

(BUSINESS LETTERHEAD)

SAMPLE
Letter of HUB Commitment for RFQ for Construction Manager @Risk

Date:

Mr. Juan Nunez, Vice President for Facilities Management
Facilities Planning, Design and Construction
Sam Houston State University
2424 S. Sam Houston Avenue
Huntsville, Texas 77341

Re: Historically Underutilized Business Plan for Gibbs Ranch Equestrian Facility & Agriculture Lab for Sam Houston State University / Project Number 758-22-06072

Dear Mr. Nunez:

In accordance with the requirements outlined in the specification section 1.13 “HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS” I am pleased to forward this HUB Commitment letter as an integral part of our proposal in connection with your invitation for request for this proposal.

I have read and understand Sam Houston State University’s policy on Utilization of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs).

If awarded this agreement, we understand that we will be required to attend a meeting with the University’s HUB coordinator to discuss HSP requirements in soliciting for subsequent subcontractors for this project. Good Faith Effort will be documented and will contain a completed HUB Subcontracting Plan for each subcontracting opportunity.

Documentation of subcontracted work will be provided with each pay request on the Monthly Progress Assessment Report.

Sincerely,

Respondent’s Name

NOTE: In addition to the above, and distinct from any HUB Good Faith Effort required by Texas law, the Respondent is requested to submit a statement, in the Letter of HUB Commitment, describing in detail how the Respondent will commit to attract and use certified HUBs to meet or exceed the Sam Houston State University’s HUB Goals for all goods and services needed throughout the term of the agreement. Please also provide a statement as to what percentage of HUB participation you intend to achieve and what Respondent has done in the past to demonstrate its efforts in contracting with minority or women owned contractors.