



JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2  
Ada and Canyon Counties  
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## **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspections**

**RFQ 017404**

**Return Completed Qualifications To:**

**Joint School District No. 2 dba West Ada School District  
Purchasing Department  
1303 E. Central Drive  
Meridian, Idaho 83642**

**TO BE CONSIDERED, QUALIFICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE DISTRICT  
SERVICE CENTER BY 10:00 A.M. (MST), June 22, 2020**

## **West Ada School District**

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Joint School District #2, Meridian, Idaho, doing business as the West Ada School District (“WASD”), in accordance with Idaho Code §67-2320, is requesting “Statements of Qualifications” (SOQ) from qualified companies to provide construction materials testing and special inspection services to the WASD for a period of two (2) years.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this RFQ is to create a list of no more than three (3) preapproved construction materials testing and special inspections firms for a period of two (2) years with whom WASD may contract for a variety of projects. Construction materials testing and special inspection service firms selected by this RFQ process will be utilized for projects where the individual project fee is anticipated to be less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).

WASD reserves the right to negotiate with any of the three (3) selected firms, regardless of ranking order. WASD shall endeavor to: 1) Select the firms that are the most advantageous in accomplishing the goals of the WASD, 2) Select the firms most qualified to meet specific project requirements, 3) Evaluate each firm’s ability to deliver services within the time required by the WASD, 4) Not place an unreasonable workload on any individual firm.

The WASD reserves the right at any time to issue an individual project RFQ that falls within the parameters of this Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspection RFQ without prejudice to the provider selected under this RFQ.

Construction materials testing and special inspection companies interested in larger projects with fees over \$25,000.00 need not respond to this RFQ as such larger projects will be announced by individual project RFQ pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2320. All applicants, whether having submitted a response to this RFQ or not, will have the same opportunity to respond to individual project RFQs.

#### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

The selected firms will provide construction materials testing and special inspections services, including environmental services, asbestos testing, geotechnical engineering, and professional engineering, for a variety of ongoing maintenance and capital improvement projects across WASD. Typical projects may include, but are not necessarily limited to, new facility construction, remodels, additions, roofing, paving, and site improvements. Testing and inspections will include, but are not limited to, compaction, soils, masonry, concrete, steel, asphalt, and asbestos.

Per Idaho Code Sections 44-1001 and 44-1002, selected firms must employ ninety-five (95%) bona fide Idaho residents as employees on any job under contract with Joint School District No. 2 dba West Ada School District except where under such contracts fifty (50) or less persons are employed the selected firm may employ ten percent (10%) nonresidents, provided, however, in all cases employers must give preference to the employment of bona fide residents in the performance of said work. The above-mentioned provision will be included in all contracts.

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**PURPOSE OF PROCEDURE**

The WASD’s “Qualification Based Selection” (QBS) is to comply with Idaho Code 67-2320. This procedure provides for an orderly process of: (1) Solicitation of professional qualifications, (2) Evaluation and ranking of qualifications, (3) Establishment of a ranked list of service providers, (4) Negotiation of scope of services and fees.

**TIMELINE**

RFQ availability and Response Period	June 5, 2020 – June 22, 2020
RFQ Response due	June 22, 2020
Evaluation and Ranking	June 22, 2020 – June 26, 2020
Recommendation to Board of Trustees	July 14, 2020

**SOLICITATION CYCLE**

Solicitations by RFQ for ‘Statements of Qualifications’ (SOQ) from firms who desire to provide construction materials testing and special inspections services will be every two (2) years in **JUNE**. This solicitation cycle (RFQ) shall be in force until July 1, 2022.

**PROPOSAL FORMAT CONTENT**

As a minimum, proposals must include the following information in the sequence as listed. Proposing firm to submit technical information to meet the requirements stated below. **Proposals need not be exhaustive in the information presented**; rather, the proposing firm is encouraged to present only concise information relevant to your pertinent qualifications. **All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope.**

**1.0 General Information**

Cover Letter (respondent content discretion), one page maximum  
Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspections Qualification Statement (included in RFQ 801602 packet)

**2.0 Signed Sex Offender Registry (SOR) Form**

**3.0 Signed/Notarized Alcohol and Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit**

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**4.0 Sealed Envelope – Fees/Rates**

Submit in a separate, sealed envelope within the sealed Statement of Qualifications the following:

1. A schedule of hourly rates for all related services that your firm may provide and charges for reimbursable expenses
2. Provide information relative to how your company develops fees for Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspection services

Per Idaho Code, submitted fees/rates will not be used in the selection process.

**5.0 Company Profile**

Describe your firm’s history, size, resources, philosophy of service, volume of work, financial stability and management techniques and methods along with any other information that would be helpful to characterize the firm.

**6.0 Project Approach/Certifications**

Describe your approach to providing the required services. Discuss how you provide leadership to facilitate teamwork and communication among all parties. Include a list of employees from your firm who will be doing the testing and inspections for various projects. Include the certifications these employees have that qualify them for the inspections and testing they will be performing. The firm shall provide documentation of the following:

- Meet the requirements of ASTM E-329
- A Quality Management System that is accredited either to the AASHTO R-18 or ISO 17025 Standards
- Accredited structural steel program, with an ASNT certified Level III
- AWS/CWI inspectors for structural steel inspections, and ICC and/or ACI certified personnel for concrete and masonry inspections
- A laboratory within close proximity of the project site
- Ability to test soils, masonry, concrete, steel, asphalt, groundwater, and for asbestos
- Current accreditation by the Idaho Transportation Department

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**7.0 Past Performance**

Briefly describe other projects executed by your firm that demonstrate relevant experience. Extensive descriptions of vaguely related projects are discouraged. List at least three (3) public agencies for which you have performed similar work in the past five years. For each project listed, include the name, address and phone number of a person to contact regarding your firm’s performance on the project. Projects listed for which your firm worked in an auxiliary capacity or in a joint venture/partnership should include the name, address, phone number, and a contact person of the lead firm.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Submittals will be rated by the following point evaluation method; the total of all evaluators points will be used to determine rankings.

1.0	General Information	Mandatory
2.0	Signed SOR Form	Mandatory
3.0	Signed/Notarized alcohol and Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit	Mandatory
4.0	Sealed Envelope – fees/rates	Mandatory
5.0	Company Profile	15 Points
6.0	Project Approach	40 Points
7.0	Past Performance	30 Points
8.0	Evaluator’s Discretionary Rating (project specificity, clarity and completeness of proposal, level of interest and professionalism, etc.)	15 Points

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#### **ADDENDUMS**

If any addenda are issued to this RFQ, a good faith attempt will be made to deliver a copy to all prospective bidders who were provided with the RFQ. However, prior to submitting the proposal, it shall be the sole responsibility of each firm to contact Mike Carrithers, Purchasing Agent, (208) 350-5003, to determine if addenda were issued and, if so, to obtain such addenda for attachment to the statement of qualifications. All addenda will be posted to the WASD purchasing page – [www.westada.org](http://www.westada.org)

#### **SELECTION PROCEDURE**

Selection is based on demonstrated competence and qualifications - preference will be given to those firms having local construction knowledge and experience. A five-(5) member WASD selection committee will review and score all statements of qualifications. After the review of all submittals, the selection committee will meet to tabulate the ratings – the three (3) highest ranked firms will be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. Upon approval, the three (3) highest ranked firms will be required to provide proof of liability insurance in coverage amounts acceptable to WASD and name WASD as additional insured. At a minimum, professional liability (errors and omissions) insurance must be at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate. General liability insurance shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate, with a \$3,000,000 umbrella. Workers Compensation insurance shall be at least \$1,000,000.

#### **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION PROCEDURES**

1. Written proposals in response to this RFQ will be accepted at the West Ada School District, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho 83642 until **10:00 A.M. (MST), June 22, 2020.**
2. Submittals shall include one (1) original and five (5) copies of the proposal. The original must be marked **“ORIGINAL”** and be dated and signed by a duly authorized partner or corporate officer.
3. Proposals must be sealed in an opaque package and clearly marked ***Request for Qualifications, Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspections, RFQ 017404.***
4. Standard company brochures and literature may be submitted as separate documents but must not be bound as part of the proposal.

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5. Questions regarding this RFQ may be directed to Mike Carrithers, Purchasing Agent, via e-mail at [purchasing@westada.org](mailto:purchasing@westada.org). Submitting firms are requested not to contact District Trustees, administration or staff.

**PROPOSAL GUIDELINES**

1. WASD will not be liable for any costs incurred in the preparation and production of a proposal, or any work performed prior to the execution of a contract.
2. All proposals and other materials will become the property of WASD.
3. All information contained in this RFQ and acceptable provisions of the selected firm's response will be made a part of the executed agreement for services.
4. Upon request, the submitting firm shall submit additional information as requested by WASD.
5. WASD reserves the right to:  
  
Waive any informalities or irregularities and reject any or all proposals received as a result of this RFQ; select all or part of the respondent's proposal; negotiate changes in the scope of work or services to be provided; conduct investigations required to determine the submitting firm's performance record and ability to perform the assignments specified as a part of this RFQ; negotiate separately with any source in a manner deemed to be in the best interests of WASD.
6. If, through any cause, the contracted firm shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this agreement, or if the firm shall violate any covenants, terms, or conditions of the agreement, then WASD can cancel the contract without prejudice by giving at least five (5) days prior written notice to the firm of such termination.

**CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING AND SPECIAL INSPECTIONS  
QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENT**

**General Information:**

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Principal-In-Charge \_\_\_\_\_ Idaho PW License \_\_\_\_\_

Legal status of your Company:  Corporation  Partnership  Individual  Joint Venture

**QUESTIONS:**

What types of licenses in accordance with Idaho Code 67-2320 exist within your firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Does your firm carry errors and omissions insurance?  Yes  No

What is the amount of your errors and omissions insurance liability limits? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the amount of your errors and omissions insurance deductible? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes to any of the following questions, please attach a separate sheet of explanation.

Does your firm have any conflict of interests regarding any WASD Work?  Yes  No

Has your firm failed to complete a professional service contract?  Yes  No

Has your firm been involved in bankruptcy, litigation or arbitration proceedings?  Yes  No

Contact Regarding this Submittal:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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**IDAHO/NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY**

Idaho Code §18-8329 prohibits any person who is registered or required to register under the Idaho Sex Offender Registration Act from being on school property if the person has reason to believe children under the age of 18 are present. West Ada School District Policy 504.81 reads, in part:

*State law prohibits a person who is currently registered or is required to register under the sex offender registration act to be on or remain on the premises of a school building or school grounds, or upon other properties posted with a notice that they are used by a school, when the person believes children under the age of 18 years are present and are involved in a school activity or when children are present within 30 minutes before or after a school activity.*

As a provider of goods and/or services to West Ada School District, your company and those in your employment are subject to this law and district policy.

Please sign and return this letter confirming to the District that your company will prohibit any persons in your employ who are registered or required to register under the Idaho Sex Offender Registration Act from participation in company business with the District if such participation would require them to be present on school property. Further, by signing, you confirm that you have cross checked such employees against the Idaho Sex Offender Registry and the National Sex Offender Registry found at the following web links:

[www.isp.idaho.gov/sor\\_id/](http://www.isp.idaho.gov/sor_id/)

<http://www.nsopr.gov/>

In addition, by signing, you agree to provide WASD with a list of all employees (first, middle, last name and birthdate) assigned to work on WASD property if your company is awarded the project and will provide updated lists if/when new employees are assigned to the project. Further, you agree to provide lists of all subcontractor employees to WASD and will provide updated lists if/when new subcontractor employees are assigned to the project. Please send the list of employees via email to [purchasing@westada.org](mailto:purchasing@westada.org) or submit in person to Kim Harp at the District Service Center.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company/Contractor Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Company/Contractor Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**SIGNED DOCUMENT MUST BE INCLUDED IN  
PROPOSAL FOR RFQ 017404**

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**CONTRACTORS AFFIDAVIT**

**CONCERNING ALCOHOL AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to the Idaho Code, Section 72-1717, I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is in compliance with the provisions of Idaho Code section 72-1717; that \_\_\_\_\_ provides a drug-free workplace program that complies with the provisions of Idaho Code, title 72, chapter 17 and will maintain such program throughout the life of a state construction contract and that \_\_\_\_\_ shall subcontract work only to subcontractors meeting the requirements of Idaho Code, section 72-1717(1)(a).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City and State

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

Commission expires:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC, residing at  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNED AND NOTARIZED DOCUMENT MUST BE INCLUDED IN PROPOSAL FOR RFQ 017404**