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**INFORMAL
INVITATION TO BID
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IBID Number:	7178-20
IBID Title:	Tree Pruning and Tree Removal at the Lobo Trail at Peck Open Space and the Niwot Loop Trail – Boulder County
Pre-Bid Meeting:	N/A
IBID Questions Due:	October 13, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.
Submittal Due Date:	October 20, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.
Email Address:	purchasing@bouldercounty.org
Documents included in this package:	BID Instructions Terms and Conditions Specifications Insurance and W-9 Requirements Bid Tab Section Submittal Checklist Signature Page Attachment A: Lobo Map Location Attachment B: Niwot Map Location Attachment C: Sample Contract



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INFORMAL BID INSTRUCTIONS

BACKGROUND:

Boulder County Parks and Open Space (BCPOS) is seeking bids from qualified tree service Contractors for tree pruning and removals, located on two (2) County Open Space properties.

The project areas are:

- A: LOBO Trail at Peck
- B: Niwot Loop Trail

Property addresses are provided in the Specifications section and on the attached maps. These services are required in order to prune or remove trees on open space properties that pose safety/hazard issues to open space visitors or provide structural improvement. The selected Contractor will complete all work on or before Thursday, December 31, 2020. All work will be completed according to ANSI A300 standards.

CONTRACT LANGUAGE:

The successful bidder will be required to enter into a Contract for Services and meet all insurance requirements as required prior to any work beginning.

All bidders are instructed to thoroughly review all the stated insurance requirements for this Project, the insurance requirements stated are the minimum and standard for Boulder County Government, for this Project. All hired contractors are required to meet the insurance requirements, as stated, for contracted services as part of the Boulder County contracting process. Owner/Sole Proprietors/Officer are not Exempt from the county's insurance requirements and coverage limits. Please refer to the Insurance Requirements in this BID.

In the event the selected contractor is unable to commence work as agreed to, the Boulder County Parks and Open Space Department may rescind the bid award and proceed to award the contract to another bidder based on this BID, re-bid the work, or proceed in any lawful manner the County deems necessary.

PRE-BID MEETING:

A Pre-bid meeting will NOT be held for this Project.

ATTACHMENTS:

The following documents are part of this BID:

1. Attachment A: Lobo Trail Project Site Map Location
2. Attachment B: Niwot Trail Project Site Map Location
3. Attachment C: Sample Contract

WRITTEN INQUIRIES:

All inquiries regarding this INFORMAL BID will be submitted via email to the Boulder County Purchasing Office at purchasing@bouldercounty.org on or before 2:00 p.m. **OCTOBER 13, 2020**. A response from the county to all inquiries will be posted and sent via email no later than **OCTOBER 15, 2020**.

Please do not contact any other county department or personnel with questions or for information regarding this solicitation.

SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS:

INFORMAL BIDs are due at the email box only, listed below, for time and date recording on or before **2:00 p.m. Mountain Time on OCTOBER 20, 2020**. A bid opening will be conducted at 3:00 p.m. via email to all who have submitted a bid.

Please note that email responses to this solicitation are limited to a maximum of 50MB capacity. NO ZIP FILES OR LINKS TO EXTERNAL SITES WILL BE ACCEPTED. Electronic submittals must be received in the email box listed below. Submittals sent to any other box will NOT be forwarded or accepted. This email box is only accessed on the due date of your questions or proposals. Please use the Delivery Receipt option to verify receipt of your email. It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to ensure their documents are received before the deadline specified above. Boulder County does not accept responsibility under any circumstance for delayed or failed email or mailed submittals.

Email purchasing@bouldercounty.org; identified as **INFORMAL BID # 7178-20** in the subject line.

All INFORMAL BIDs must be received and time and date recorded by authorized county staff by the above due date and time. Sole responsibility rests with the bidder to see that their BID response is received on time at the stated location(s). Any BIDs received after due date and time will be returned to the bidder.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all BIDs, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, and to accept the proposal that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the Board and of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):

If you need special services provided for under the Americans with Disabilities Act, contact the ADA Coordinator or the Human Resources office at (303) 441-3525 at least 48 hours before the scheduled event.



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INFORMAL BID
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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1. Bidders are expected to examine the drawing, specifications, schedule of delivery, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk.
 2. Each bidder will furnish the information required in the Informal Invitation to Bid.
 3. The Contract/Purchase Order will be awarded to that responsible bidder whose submittal, conforming to the Informal Invitation to Bid, will be most advantageous to the County of Boulder, based on best value not only price.
 4. The County of Boulder reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in bids received, and to accept any portion of or all items proposed if deemed in the best interest of the County of Boulder to do so.
 5. No submittal will be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the County Purchasing Agent or delegated representative.
 6. A signed purchase order or contract furnished to the successful bidder results in a binding contract without further action by either party.
 7. Late or unsigned bids will not be accepted or considered. It is the responsibility of bidders to ensure that the bid arrives at the Purchasing email address prior to the time indicated in the "Informal Invitation to Bid."
 8. The proposed price will be exclusive of any Federal or State taxes from which the County of Boulder is exempt by law.
 9. Any interpretation, correction or change of the bid documents will be made by Addendum. Interpretations, corrections and changes of the bid documents made in any other manner will not be binding, and bidder will not rely upon such interpretations, corrections and changes. The County's Representative will not be responsible for oral clarification.

10. Confidential/Proprietary Information: Bids submitted in response to this “Informal Invitation to Bid” and any resulting contract are subject to the provisions of the Colorado Public (Open) Records Act, 24-72-201 et.seq., C.R.S., as amended. Any restrictions on the use or inspection of material contained within the bid and any resulting contract will be clearly stated in the bid itself. Confidential/proprietary information must be readily identified, marked and separated/packaged from the rest of the bid. **Co-mingling of confidential/proprietary and other information is NOT acceptable. Neither a bid, in its entirety, nor bid price information will be considered confidential/proprietary. Any information that will be included in any resulting contract cannot be considered confidential.**

The Boulder County Attorney’s Office retains sole authority for determining whether the Colorado Open Records Act requires or permits Boulder County to disclose proposal or bid documents, or any information contained therein, pursuant to an open records request.

11. Boulder County promotes the purchase/leasing of energy efficient, materials efficient and reduced toxic level products where availability, quality and budget constraints allow. Bidders are expected whenever possible to provide products that earn the ENERGY STAR and meet the ENERGY STAR specifications for energy efficiency with power management features enabled. Bidders are encouraged to offer products and equipment with post-consumer recycled-content materials. Products should be packaged and delivered with a minimum amount of recycled packaging that adequately protects the product, but is not excessive.
12. Pursuant to Colorado law (House Bill 1292), in any bidding process for public works in which a bid is received from a non-resident bidder who is from a state that provides a percentage bidding preference, a comparable percentage disadvantage will be applied to the bid of that bidder. Bidders may obtain additional information from the Department of Personnel’s website: <http://www.colorado.gov/dpa/>.



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SPECIFICATIONS**

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The Contractor will provide all equipment and personnel necessary for work to be completed safely. Contractor will be responsible for providing traffic control as necessary in each project area. The county will facilitate removal of livestock and other targets/impediments as well as trail closures, if necessary.

Work may begin after a contract for services is executed and the selected contractor has received a Notice to Proceed from BCPOS. All work must be completed prior to Thursday, December 31, 2020. Work may take place during the hours of operation of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and POS staff must be notified at least seven (7) days prior to the start of operations to provide adequate time to prep each site for work (i.e. removal of livestock, notification of trail closures, etc.)

PROJECT AREA A: Lobo Trail at Peck Open Space, Longmont

Ollin Farms, 8751 N. 95 Street, is the closest physical address. Trees are located to the north of this address, where the Lefthand Creek pass under the Hover Street bridge. Trees are located on the west side of Hover Road (95th Street). See map A for marked locations.

The contractor will prune deadwood from three (3) cottonwood trees adjacent to the LOBO Trail system in Longmont. Trees are marked with pink paint on the trail side of trunk. Tree 1 is a 63" DBH Cottonwood located in raised island area, between two concrete trails. Trees 2 and 3 are located on the south side of the LOBO trail.

The objective is to reduce risk potential of branches and deadwood falling onto trail. All broken branches and deadwood 2" and greater shall be removed. All debris shall be removed from site, including existing downed wood immediately adjacent to trail. Gates may be closed to allow contractor unimpeded access to the job site. All debris shall be removed, and contractor is responsible for site cleanup.

A Level Two basic tree risk assessment is requested for tree 1.

PROJECT AREA B: Niwot Loop Trail at 6380 N. 79th Street, Niwot

Selected contractor will remove one (1) cottonwood tree trunk from a multi-stem tree and perform deadwood pruning to adjacent trees to mitigate potential risk to the trail. All trees are

located on the southeast side of the trail and are denoted on attached map. The trees are being removed and pruned to prevent potential failures that could impact the trail. The tree to be removed is marked with a pink dot on the trailside of the tree and the trees to be pruned are marked with a blue dot on the trailside of the tree.

Tree number 1 is a 26" DBH Cottonwood tree. This tree is a complete removal. The final trunk stump shall be cut as close to grade as possible. All tree debris will be removed, and contractor is responsible for site cleanup.

Deadwood pruning of adjacent trees is to reduce risk potential of branches and deadwood falling onto trail. All broken branches and deadwood 2" and greater shall be removed. All debris shall be removed from site, including existing downed wood immediately adjacent to trail.

Trees may be accessed on foot and small equipment via the Niwot Loop trailhead. Equipment access is from the Open Space property located on the northeast corner of 79th Street and State Highway 52. Please see map. Due to the presence of two bridges on either side of the trail leading to the site, no equipment more than 10 feet wide will be able to access trees via the trailhead.

Site is located approximately 200 feet Northeast of the Niwot Loop Trailhead. BCPOS will facilitate a trail closure for this section of the Niwot Loop trail if the contractor requires it. This requirement should be stated in the bid proposal. If the trail is not closed, contractor is responsible for providing traffic control of pedestrian foot traffic.

PERMITS, LICENSES, LOCATES AND CODES:

The selected Contractor shall have full responsibility for identifying and obtaining, prior to the start of work, and for maintaining throughout the term of the Project, any permits and licenses which may be required in order to carry out the work. The Contractor shall also be responsible for following all State and County codes, which may be required in order to carry out the Project. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all "locates" of all public utilities related to performing work under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor shall also be responsible for insuring that any of its subcontractors performing work on the Project satisfy the provisions of this paragraph.

Contractor is responsible to contact and coordinate with utility companies regarding protection of existing utilities and special requirements at utility crossing locations, as well as, other conditions where work is nearby existing utilities. Contractor shall be responsible for all costs of coordination with utilities including, but not limited to: outages, protection or support and any fees for costs from the utility.

CONTRACTOR LICENSING:

General contractors, HVAC contractors, and roofing contractors require licensing through the Boulder County Community Planning and Permitting Department. Electricians and plumbers are required to be licensed through the State of Colorado and registered with the Boulder County Community Planning and Permitting Department. Furthermore, it is required for all Architects, Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors to be fully-licensed through the State of Colorado. It is the responsibility of the selected Contractor to apply for and ensure the appropriate Contractor's license is obtained.

PROJECT COMPLETION SCHEDULE:

The date of completion will be on or by **DECEMBER 31, 2020**.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Any party that has developed, designed or drafted specifications, requirements, statements of work and/or has participated in planning activities for this Project may be excluded from consideration for the award of this Project.

CHANGE ORDERS:

Any unplanned, change orders, modifications or additional services to this Project, shall be submitted by the Contractor, in a separate, written document, including a fee schedule and completion schedule and presented to the County for review. Approval from the County, in writing, must accompany all change order requests.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING:

Boulder County prohibits any overnight camping; all operational staff, including designated security staff, are not authorized to be present at Project site from sunset to sunrise, the open space property will remain closed during these hours to the contractor and its subcontractors and/or designated representatives and/or agents, unless specifically authorized by a BCPOS representative.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Contractor work hours shall be designated as **Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Work on Saturdays and Sundays, nights, and designated Federal Holidays shall not be allowed unless approved, in writing, by the County.

PAYMENT FOR SERVICES:

Payment will be made upon completion of both project sites in one-lump sum. Contractor shall submit, in writing, to Boulder County, a request for payment. Invoice shall be submitted on company letterhead and include, but not limited to, depending on the activity completed, designated project name, date(s), type of work performed. Additionally, all invoices should contain the current date, invoice number, amount due and current return address.



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INSURANCE AND W-9 REQUIREMENTS

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

General Liability \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
 \$2,000,000 General Aggregate
 \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate
 3 years Products/Completed Operations

Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 Each Accident
 *Including Hired & Non-Owned Auto

Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability
 Statutory limits

Umbrella / Excess \$1,000,000; following form

***In regards to General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, and Pollution Liability:**
If any or all of these coverages are required above, additional insured status will be required at the time a contract is executed.

Note that the above insurance amounts are the minimum required for this project. Proof of current insurance must be provided with your proposal in the form of a sample certificate. You are NOT required to include additional insured status until the time a contract is executed.

If you require a waiver of insurance requirements you may request one in your response with an explanation.

W-9 REQUIREMENT

Provide a copy of your business's W-9 with your proposal.



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**INFORMAL BID
TAB SECTION**

<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Tree #</u>	<u>Cost</u>
1.	Project Area A		
	LOBO Trail at Peck	1	\$ _____
		2 and 3	\$ _____
2.	Project Area B		
	Niwot Loop Trail	All Trees	\$ _____
BID TOTAL			\$ _____

Company Name

Name of person and title submitting BID (PLEASE PRINT)

Signature of Bidder Date



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SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

The bidder’s attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the INFORMAL BID. Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your BID, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your BID, or submitting a bid on any condition, limitation or provision not officially invited in this Informal Invitation to Bid (BID) may be cause for rejection of the BID.

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR BID PACKAGE: Bidder will check each box indicating compliance:

INCLUDED	ITEM
	Name and Address of the Partners and Subcontractors if applicable
	A detailed project schedule with an all-inclusive total cost
	Information on the relevant experience of key personnel
	State your compliance with the Terms and Conditions in the Sample Contract contained in this BID. Specifically list any deviations and provide justification for each deviation.
	Submit three references for similar projects your company has completed within the last three years and contact information
	Insurance Certificate -Sample
	Professional certifications and/or license
	W-9
	Signature Page
	Addendum Acknowledgement(s) (If Applicable)



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SIGNATURE PAGE

Contact Information	Response
Company Name including DBA	
List Type of Organization (Corporation, Partnership, etc.)	
Name, Title, and Email Address of Person Authorized to Contract with Boulder County	
Company Address	
Company Phone Number	
Company Website	

By signing below I certify that:

I am authorized to bid on my company's behalf.

I am not currently an employee of Boulder County.

None of my employees or agents is currently an employee of Boulder County.

I am not related to any Boulder County employee or Elected Official.

(Sole Proprietorships Only) I am not a Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) retiree.

**Signature of Person Authorized to Bid on
 Company's Behalf**

Date

Note: If you cannot certify the above statements, please explain in a statement of explanation.

Project Area A:
LOBO Trail
at Peck
8751 N. 95th St



Parks &
Open Space

2020

● Tree



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The user agrees to all Terms of Use set forth by Boulder County
For Terms of Use, please visit:
www.bouldercounty.org/maps/claimr





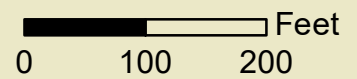
Project Area B:
Niwot Loop
6830 N. 79th St.



Parks &
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2020

-  Tree to be removed
-  Trees to be pruned



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ATTACHMENT - C SAMPLE Contract

DETAILS SUMMARY	
Document Type	Choose an item.
OFS Number-Version	000000
County Contact Information	
Boulder County Legal Entity	Boulder County
Department	Parks & Open Space
Division/Program	Recreation & Facilities / Grounds
Mailing Address	Boulder County Parks and Open Space Department Attn: ADMIN-Contracts 5201 St. Vrain Road Longmont, CO 80503
Contract Contact – <i>Name, email</i>	Renee Bookless rbookless@bouldercounty.org NAME PM EMAIL Main Office Telephone Number 303-678-6200
Invoice Contact – <i>Name, email</i>	pospayables@bouldercounty.org
Contractor Contact Information	
Contractor Name	COMPLETE BUSINESS NAME
Contractor Mailing Address	
Contact 1- <i>Name, title, email</i>	Include telephone number
Contact 2- <i>Name, title, email</i>	If, applicable or N/A
Contract Term	
Start Date	The Start Date shall be the date of last party signature as set forth on the Signature Page of this Contract. NOTE: Work shall not commence until a Notice to Proceed is provided by County to Contractor in accordance with paragraph 3.
Expiration Date	12/31/2020 NOTE: Work must be performed during the time period set forth in paragraph 3.
Final End Date	12/31/2020
Contract Amount	
Contract Amount	
Fixed Price or Not-to-Exceed?	Choose an item.
Brief Description of Work	
The Contractor will be expected to complete Project on or by December 31, 2020 from the date of the Notice to Proceed.	

Contract Documents	
a. Formal Procurement (RFP/Bid/SOQ) No. Bid Variable (the "Bid Documents")	
b. Contractor's proposal in response to the Bid Documents (the "Proposal")	
c. Project Details, including project-specific terms and a Scope of Work, attached as Exhibit A (the "Scope of Work")	
d. Fee Schedule, attached as Exhibit B (the "Fee Schedule")	
Purchasing Details – County Internal Use Only	
Grant funded?	Yes or No
Bid Number	
Award Date	
If no Bid No., bid process used	Choose an item.
COVID-19	NO
Project #	N/A
Purchasing Notes (optional)	List Quotes received for Informal bids
Contract Notes	
<i>Additional information not included above</i>	
ACCOUNT CODE: INTERNAL INFORMATION	

THIS CONTRACT ("Contract") is entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners on behalf of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic, for the benefit of the Parks and Open Space Department ("County") and [Supplier] ("Contractor"). County and Contractor are each a "Party," and collectively the "Parties."

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained in this Contract, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation into Contract: The **Details Summary** is incorporated into this Contract. The **Contract Documents** are incorporated into this Contract by reference, except to the extent that the Proposal, if any is incorporated, contains any obligations placed upon County and not otherwise contained in this Contract.
2. Work to be Performed: Contractor will provide all labor and equipment and do all tasks necessary and incidental to performing the work as described in the **Details Summary** and **Contract Documents** (the "Work"). Contractor will perform the Work (a) in a good and workmanlike manner, (b) at its own cost and expense, (c) in accordance with recognized industry standards of care, skill and diligence for the type of work being performed, and (d) in strict accordance with the Contract.
3. Term of Contract: The **Contract Term** begins on the **Start Date** and expires on the Expiration Date. Notwithstanding, Work shall not commence until the County has provided a NOTICE TO PROCEED to Contractor, which shall set forth the date that Contractor may begin the Work, unless this Contract is terminated earlier or the County grants Contractor a written extension in accordance with paragraph 6 or 7. In no event shall Work be performed outside the **Contract Term**.
4. Payment for Work Performed: In consideration of the Work performed by Contractor, and subject to conditions contained in this Contract, County will pay an amount not to exceed the **Contract Amount** to Contractor in accordance with the **Contract Documents**.
5. Invoicing: Contractor will promptly provide a copy of its Form W-9 and invoice template to County upon request. Contractor must submit an invoice to the County by the fifteenth (15th) day of the month for completion of any Work performed in the prior calendar month. All invoices submitted require the following components: Contractor's name and address (submitted W-9 address must match remit address), detailed description of services, dates of services, itemization of labor and materials costs, "Bill to: Boulder County" language, payment remittance address, payer, name and address, date of invoice, unique invoice number, and total amount due. Contractor must send all completed invoices to the **Invoice Contact** in the **Details Summary**. County may require delivery of invoices by email. Failure to submit invoices in a timely manner and in accordance with the terms of this Contract may cause a delay in payment. County may recoup any damages incurred because of Contractor's failure to submit invoices pursuant to the terms of this paragraph. County's acceptance or payment of an invoice will not constitute acceptance of any Work performed under this Contract.
6. Extra Time to Complete the Work (Additional Time only): If Contractor cannot complete the Work by the **Expiration Date**, Contractor may request extra time to complete the Work. County, in its sole discretion, may grant Contractor additional time to complete the Work by sending a written notice of extension to Contractor. An extension of time to complete the Work does not entitle Contractor to additional compensation from County.

7. Extension of Contract Term (Additional Time and Work): Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, this Contract may be extended until the **Final End Date**. During any extended **Contract Term**, the terms of this Contract will remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise amended in writing by the Parties. Where the Contractor will provide additional services for additional compensation beyond the initial **Contract Amount**, the Parties must execute a written amendment before the then-current **Expiration Date**. If necessary, the written amendment will incorporate an updated Scope of Work and updated Fee Schedule as exhibits. Contractor must provide a current Certificate of Insurance to the County that complies with the **Insurance Requirements** of this Contract, if any, prior to any extended **Contract Term**.

8. Schedule of Work: County may designate the hours (on a daily or weekly basis) during which Contractor may perform the Work, strictly for the purposes of minimizing inconvenience to the County and interference with County operations. Contractor will otherwise set its own work schedule.

9. Indemnity: Contractor will be liable for any damages to persons or property caused by or arising out of the actions, obligations, or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents, representatives or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control in performing or failing to perform the Work under this Contract. Contractor will indemnify and hold harmless County, its elected officials and appointed department heads, and its employees, agents and representatives (the "indemnified parties"), from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, damages, losses, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, which may be made or brought or which may result against any of the indemnified parties as a result or on account of the actions or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents or representatives, or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control. This indemnification obligation will extend to claims based on Contractor's unauthorized use or disclosure of confidential information and intellectual property infringement. County will not be obligated to indemnify or defend Contractor under any circumstances. Contractor's obligations under this provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract or the **Contract Documents** is intended to limit or restrict the indemnification rights or obligations of any Party under this provision, or damages available for breaches of the obligations herein.

10. Nondiscrimination: Contractor will comply with the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act, C.R.S. § 24-34-401, et seq., as amended, and all applicable local, State and Federal laws concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices. County prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, national origin, age 40 and over, disability, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or any other status protected by applicable Federal, State or local law. Contractor must require that its subcontractors, if any, similarly comply with all applicable laws concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices.

11. Information and Reports: Contractor will provide to authorized County, State, and Federal government representatives all information and reports that may be required for any purpose authorized by law. Contractor will permit access to such representatives to Contractor's facilities, books, records, accounts, and any other relevant sources of information. Where information required by a representative is in the exclusive possession of a person or entity other than Contractor, Contractor must so certify to the County and explain what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

12. Independent Contractor: Contractor is an independent contractor for all purposes in performing the Work. None of Contractor, its agents, personnel or subcontractors are employees

of the County for any purpose, including the Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the Colorado Workers' Compensation Act, the Colorado Unemployment Insurance Act, and the Public Employees Retirement Association. Accordingly, County will not withhold or pay any income tax, payroll tax, or retirement contribution of any kind on behalf of Contractor or Contractor's employees. As an independent contractor, Contractor is responsible for employing and directing such personnel and agents as it requires to perform the Work. Contractor will exercise complete authority over its personnel and agents and will be fully responsible for their actions.

13. Termination

a. Breach: Either Party's failure to perform any of its material obligations under this Contract, in whole or in part or in a timely or satisfactory manner, will be a breach. The institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) days after the institution of such proceeding, will also constitute a breach. In the event of a breach, the non-breaching Party may provide written notice of the breach to the other Party. If the breaching Party does not cure the breach, at its sole expense, as reasonably determined by the non-breaching Party in its sole discretion, within thirty (30) days after delivery of notice, the non-breaching Party may exercise any of its remedies provided under this Contract or at law, including immediate termination of this Contract.

b. Non-Appropriation: The other provisions of this Contract notwithstanding, County is prohibited by law from making commitments beyond the current fiscal year. Payment to Contractor beyond the current fiscal year is contingent on the appropriation and continuing availability of funding in any subsequent year. County has reason to believe that sufficient funds will be available for the full **Contract Term**. Where, however, funds are not allocated for any fiscal period beyond the current fiscal year, County may terminate this Contract without penalty by providing seven (7) days' written notice to Contractor.

c. Convenience: In addition to any other right to terminate under this Section 13, County may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, for any or no reason, upon seven (7) days' advance written notice to Contractor.

14. Contractor Obligations upon Termination or Expiration: By the **Expiration Date** or effective date of termination, if earlier, Contractor must (1) remove from County property all of its personnel, equipment, supplies, trash and any hazards created by Contractor, (2) protect any serviceable materials belonging to the County, and (3) take any other action necessary to leave a safe and healthful worksite. Any items remaining on County property after the Expiration Date or the effective date of termination, if earlier, will be deemed abandoned by Contractor.

15. Payable Costs in Event of Early Termination: If County terminates this Contract before the **Expiration Date**, Contractor's payments (and any damages associated with any lawsuit brought by Contractor) are limited to only (1) payment for Work satisfactorily executed and fully and finally completed, as determined by County in its sole discretion, prior to delivery of the notice to terminate, and (2) the reasonable and actual costs Contractor incurred in connection with performing the Work prior to delivery of the notice to terminate. Contractor explicitly waives all claims it may have against the County for any other compensation, such as anticipatory profits or any other consequential, special, incidental, punitive or indirect damages.

16. Remedies for Non-Performance: If Contractor fails to perform any of its obligations under this Contract, County may, at its sole discretion, exercise one or more of the following remedies (in addition to any other remedies provided by law or in this Contract), which shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract:

a. Suspend Performance: County may require that Contractor suspend performance of all or any portion of the Work pending necessary corrective action specified by the County and without entitling Contractor to an increase in compensation or extension of the performance schedule. Contractor must promptly stop performance and incurring costs upon delivery of a notice of suspension by the County.

b. Withhold Payment Pending Corrections: County may permit Contractor to correct any rejected Work at the County's discretion. Upon County's request, Contractor must correct rejected work at Contractor's sole expense within the time frame established by the County. Upon full and final completion of the corrections satisfactory to the County, County will remit payment to Contractor.

c. Deny Payment: County may deny payment for any Work that does not comply with the requirements of the Contract or that Contractor otherwise fails to provide or fully and finally complete, as determined by the County in its sole discretion. Upon County request, Contractor will promptly refund any amounts prepaid by the County with respect to such non-compliant Work.

d. Removal: Upon County's request, Contractor will remove any of its employees or agents from performance of the Work, if County, in its sole discretion, deems any such person to be incompetent, careless, unsuitable, or otherwise unacceptable.

17. Binding Arbitration Prohibited: County does not agree to binding arbitration by any extra-judicial body or person.

18. Conflicts of Interest: Contractor may not engage in any business or personal activities or practices or maintain any relationships that conflict in any way with the full performance of Contractor's obligations.

19. Notices: All notices provided under this Contract must be in writing and sent by Certified U.S. Mail (Return Receipt Requested), electronic mail, or hand-delivery to the other Party's **Contact** at the address specified in the **Details Summary**. For certified mailings, notice periods will begin to run on the day after the postmarked date of mailing. For electronic mail or hand-delivery, notice periods will begin to run on the date of delivery.

20. Statutory Requirements: This Contract is subject to all statutory requirements that are or may become applicable to counties or political subdivisions of the State of Colorado generally, including but not limited to: C.R.S. § 38-26-107, which requires withholding funds where the County receives a claim for payment from a supplier or subcontractor of Contractor upon notice of final settlement (required for public works contracts that exceed \$150,000); C.R.S. § 8-17-101 et seq.; C.R.S. § 18-8-301, et seq.; and C.R.S. § 18-8-401, et seq.

21. Public Contracts for Services (C.R.S. §§ 8-17.5-101, et seq.): *The phrase "unauthorized worker" as used in this provision shall have the same and intended meaning as "illegal alien" as such phrase is used in C.R.S. §§ 8-17.5-101, et seq.* Contractor hereby certifies, warrants, and agrees that it does not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker who will perform

work under this Contract and further certifies that it will confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under this Contract by participating in the E-Verify Program established under Pub. L. 104-28 or the department verification program established under C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5)(c). Contractor (i) shall not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker to perform work under this Contract; (ii) shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor that fails to certify to the contractor that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker to perform work under this Contract; (iii) has confirmed the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under this Contract through participation in the E-Verify program or department program; (iv) is prohibited from using either the E-Verify program or department program procedures to undertake preemployment screening of job applicants while this Contract is being performed; and (v) shall comply with any reasonable request by the department made in the course of an investigation that the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment is undertaking pursuant to the authority established in C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5). If Contractor obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing work under this Contract knowingly employs or contracts with an unauthorized worker, Contractor shall (a) notify the subcontractor and County within three (3) days that Contractor has actual knowledge that subcontractor is employing or contracting with an unauthorized worker; and (b) terminate the subcontract if, within three (3) days of receiving notice hereunder, subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the unauthorized worker; except that Contractor shall not terminate the contract with the subcontractor if during such three (3) days the subcontractor provides information to establish that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an unauthorized worker. Contractor's violation of this provision will constitute a material breach of this Contract, entitling the County to terminate the contract for breach. If this Contract is so terminated, Contractor shall be liable for actual and consequential damages to the County.

22. Entire Agreement/Binding Effect/Amendments: This Contract represents the complete agreement between the Parties and is fully binding upon them and their successors, heirs, and assigns, if any. This Contract terminates any prior agreements, whether written or oral in whole or in part, between the Parties relating to the Work. This Contract may be amended only by a written agreement signed by both Parties.

23. Assignment/Subcontractors: This Contract may not be assigned or subcontracted by Contractor without the prior written consent of the County. If Contractor subcontracts any of its obligations under this Contract, Contractor will remain liable to the County for those obligations and will also be responsible for subcontractor's performance under, and compliance with, this Contract.

24. Governing Law/Venue: The laws of the State of Colorado govern the construction, interpretation, performance, and enforcement of this Contract. Any claim relating to this Contract or breach thereof may only be brought exclusively in the Courts of the 20th Judicial District of the State of Colorado and the applicable Colorado Appellate Courts.

25. Breach: The failure of either Party to exercise any of its rights under this Contract will not be deemed to be a waiver of such rights or a waiver of any breach of the Contract. All remedies available to a Party in this Contract are cumulative and in addition to every other remedy provided by law.

26. Severability: If any provision of this Contract becomes inoperable for any reason but the fundamental terms and conditions continue to be legal and enforceable, then the remainder of the Contract will continue to be operative and binding on the Parties.

27. Third-Party Beneficiary: Enforcement of the terms and conditions and all rights and obligations of this Contract are reserved to the Parties. Any other person receiving services or benefits under this Contract is an incidental beneficiary only and has no rights under this Contract. Notwithstanding, where the beneficiary **Department** is led by an Elected Official, such Elected Official shall be considered a third-party beneficiary.
28. Colorado Open Records Act: County may disclose any records that are subject to public release under the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-200.1, et seq.
29. Conflict of Provisions: If there is any conflict between the terms of the main body of this Contract and the terms of any of the **Contract Documents**, the terms of the main body of the Contract will control.
30. Governmental Immunity: Nothing in this Contract shall be construed in any way to be a waiver of the County's immunity protection under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, et seq., as amended.
31. Representations and Warranties: Contractor represents and warrants the following:
- a. Execution of this Contract and performance thereof is within Contractor's duly authorized powers;
 - b. The individual executing this Contract is authorized to do so by Contractor;
 - c. Contractor is authorized to do business in the State of Colorado and is properly licensed by all necessary governmental and public and quasi-public authorities having jurisdiction over the Work and the Contractor; and
 - d. Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, are financially solvent, able to pay all debts as they mature, and have sufficient working capital to complete the Work and perform all obligations under the Contract.
32. Legal Compliance: Contractor assumes full responsibility for obtaining and maintaining any permits and licenses required to perform the Work. Contractor is solely responsible for ensuring that its performance under this Contract and the Work itself will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, ordinances and codes. County approval of the Work or any aspect of Contractor's performance, such as plans, designs, or other Contractor-drafted documents, shall not be interpreted to mean that Contractor has satisfied its obligations under this Section.
33. Litigation Reporting: Contractor is not currently involved in any action before a court or other administrative decision-making body that could affect Contractor's ability to perform the Work. Contractor will promptly notify the County if Contractor is served with a pleading or other document in connection with any such action.
34. Tax Exemption: County is exempt from payment of Federal, State, and local government taxes. Contractor shall collect no tax from the County, and the County shall not be liable to pay any taxes imposed on Contractor. County shall provide its tax exemption status information to Contractor upon request.
35. Delegation of Authority: The Parties acknowledge that the Board of County Commissioners has delegated authority to the Department Head or Elected Official that leads the beneficiary **Department** and their designees to act on behalf of the County under the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to the authority to terminate this Contract.

36. Ownership of Work Product: All work product, property, data, documentation, information or materials conceived, discovered, developed or created by Contractor pursuant to this Contract ("Work Product") will be owned exclusively by the County. To the extent possible, any Work Product will be deemed to be a work made for hire. Contractor unconditionally and irrevocably transfers and assigns to the County all right, title and interest in and to any Work Product.

37. Publicity Releases: Contractor will not refer to this Contract or the County in commercial advertising without prior written consent of the County. This provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

38. Execution by Counterparts; Electronic Signatures: This Contract may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which will constitute one agreement. The Parties approve the use of electronic signatures, governed by the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, C.R.S. §§ 24 71.3 101 to 121. The Parties will not deny the legal effect or enforceability of this Contract solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its creation. The Parties will not object to the admissibility of this Contract in the form of electronic record, or paper copy of an electronic document, or paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, because it is not in its original form or is not an original.

39. Limitation on Public Statements and Lobbying Activity. During the term of this Contract, Contractor may receive from the County its confidential data, work product, or other privileged or confidential information that is protected by law. To maintain the fact and appearance of absolute objectivity, Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, do any of the following: (a) disclose information obtained because of this contractual relationship to any third party; (b) lobby any State or Federal agency on any pending matter while this Contract is effective; or (c) make any public statements or appear at any time to give testimony at any public meeting on the subject matters regarding which Contractor is or was retained by the County. County may set reasonable conditions on any disclosure authorized by the County under this provision. Notwithstanding, Contractor may make disclosures as required by law, and to law enforcement officials in connection with any criminal justice investigation.

40. Sustainability: County encourages Contractor to consider the procurement and use of environmentally preferable products and services while performing services under this Contract. "Environmentally preferable purchasing" means making purchasing choices for products and services that have a lesser or reduced adverse effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products and services that serve the same purpose. Environmentally preferable purchasing is consistent with the County's commitment to protecting our air, water, soil, and climate for current and future generations. County encourages Contractor to incorporate the following actions into Contractor's performance of the Work: environmentally preferable supplies and services; conservation of water; efficient energy use; waste prevention; reuse and recycle construction and de-construction materials in a manner that maximizes reuse of materials; sustainable transportation choices, including consideration to business communication software such as Skype alternative to air travel and public transit or carpooling for in-person meetings; pollution prevention; low toxicity for public health & safety; and reduced emissions to address climate change.

41. Limitation of Liability: COUNTY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO CONTRACTOR FOR ANY SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, OR INDIRECT DAMAGES ARISING

FROM OR RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, REGARDLESS OF ANY NOTICE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. COUNTY'S AGGREGATE LIABILITY, IF ANY, ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO THIS CONTRACT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, OR IN TORT, OR OTHERWISE, IS LIMITED TO, AND SHALL NOT EXCEED, THE AMOUNTS PAID OR PAYABLE HEREUNDER BY COUNTY TO CONTRACTOR. ANY CONTRACTUAL LANGUAGE LIMITING CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE VOID.

42. Legal Interpretation. Each Party recognizes that this Contract is legally binding and acknowledges that it has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of its choice about this Contract. The rule of construction providing that any ambiguities are resolved against the drafting Party will not apply in interpreting the terms of this Contract.

43. No Suspension or Debarment: Contractor certifies, and warrants for the Contract Term, that neither it nor its principals nor any of its subcontractors are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this Contract by any Federal or State department or agency. Contractor shall comply, and shall require its subcontractors to comply, with subpart C of 2 C.F.R. § 180.

44. Insurance: Prior to commencing the Work, Contractor will provide a Certificate of Insurance to the County demonstrating adequate insurance coverage as required by this Section. All policies evidencing coverage required by the Contract will be issued by insurance companies satisfactory to the County. Contractor will forward Certificates of Insurance directly to the **County Department** and **Contact** listed in the **Details Summary**.

a. Boulder County as Additional Insured: Boulder County shall be named as an additional insured for General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, and Pollution Liability, as designated in this Contract. Additional insured shall be endorsed to the policy.

THE ADDITIONAL INSURED WORDING SHOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: *County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic, is named as Additional Insured.*

b. Notice of Cancellation: Each insurance policy required by this Contract shall provide the required coverage and shall not be suspended, voided or canceled except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to the County except when cancellation is for non-payment of premium, then ten (10) days' prior notice may be given. If any insurance company refuses to provide the required notice, Contractor or its insurance broker shall notify the County any cancellation, suspension, or nonrenewal of any insurance policy within seven (7) days of receipt of insurers' notification to that effect.

c. Insurance Obligations of County: County is not required to maintain or procure any insurance coverage beyond the coverage maintained by the County in its standard course of business. Any insurance obligations placed on the County in any of the **Contract Documents** shall be null and void.

d. Deductible: Any and all deductibles contained in any insurance policy shall be assumed by and at the sole risk of Contractor.

e. Primacy of Coverage: Coverage required of Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall be primary over any insurance or self-insurance program carried by the County.

f. Subrogation Waiver: All insurance policies in any way related to this Contract secured or maintained by Contractor as required herein shall include clauses stating that each carrier shall waive all rights of recovery, under subrogation or otherwise, against County, its organizations, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers.

g. Requirements: For the entire duration of this Contract including any extended or renewed terms, and longer as may be required by this Contract, Contractor shall procure and maintain at its own expense, and without cost to the County, the following kinds and minimum amounts of insurance to insure the liability risks that Contractor has assumed under this Contract:

i. **Commercial General Liability**

This coverage should be provided on an Occurrence Form, ISO CG001 or equivalent, with Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate.

ii. **Automobile Liability**

Bodily Injury and Property Damage for any owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles used in the performance of the Contract. Minimum limits \$1,000,000 Each Accident.

iii. **Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability**

Workers' Compensation must be maintained with the statutory limits. Employer's Liability is required for minimum limits of \$100,000 Each Accident/\$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit/\$100,000 Disease-Each Employee.

iv. **Umbrella / Excess Liability**

Umbrella/Excess Liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, following form.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed and entered into this Contract as of the latter day and year indicated below.

SIGNED for and on behalf of Boulder County	SIGNED for and on behalf of Contractor
Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

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