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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL COVER PAGE

RFP Number: **7327-22**

RFP Title: Disaster Recovery Staff Augmentation

RFP Questions Due: March 3, 2022 – 2:00 pm

Submittal Due Date: March 11, 2022 – 2:00 pm

Email Address: purchasing@bouldercounty.org

Documents included in this package: Proposal Instructions

Terms and Conditions

Specifications

Insurance and W-9 Requirements

Submittal Checklist Evaluation Criteria Signature Page Sample Contract FEMA Addendum



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PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Purpose/Background

Specifications and a sample contract with a FEMA specific addendum are attached. The successful proposer shall execute the attached addendum as part of any contract with the county, and comply with all FEMA requirements set forth in that addendum.

Boulder County seeks a temporary staffing agency with diverse pools of candidates, to provide temporary staffing services during our disaster recovery efforts, including but not limited to ongoing COVID-19 and the Marshall Fire and Windstorm. Temporary hires for recovery efforts may be needed throughout county departments and offices. We anticipate the need for many specific positions over the next several years, the full list of our anticipated needs can be found under specifications. This staffing agency will work with department leads to hire for the specific needs of their respective departments. The selected firm will be expected to provide multiple candidates for each requested position and coordinate/set-up the interview process.

2. Written Inquiries

All inquiries regarding this RFP will be submitted via email to the Boulder County Purchasing Office at purchasing@bouldercounty.org on or before 2:00 p.m. March 3, 2022. A response from the county to all inquiries will be posted and sent via email no later than March 7, 2022.

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

3. Submittal Instructions

Submittals are due at the email box <u>only</u>, listed below, for time and date recording on or before **2:00 p.m. Mountain Time on March 11, 2022**.

<u>Please note that email responses to this solicitation are limited to a maximum of 50MB capacity.</u>

NO ZIP FILES OR LINKS TO EXTERNAL SITES WILL BE ACCEPTED. THIS INCLUDES GOOGLE DOCS AND SIMILAR SITES. ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE RECEIVED AS AN ATTACHMENT (E.G. PDF, WORD, EXCEL).

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 <u>purchasing@bouldercounty.org</u>; identified as **RFP** # **7327-22** in the subject line.

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

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all responses, 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.

Contractors and their employees, subcontractors, and agents must comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, orders, and codes, as well as Boulder County policies, guidelines, and protocols.

Please be advised of the following contract term required for all Boulder County contracts effective 12/1/21:

COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement for Certain Contractors of County

On September 28, 2021, the Boulder County Board of Commissioners adopted a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy that applies to, as relevant here, all employees of independent contractors of the County that perform county work in a county facility. For purposes of this policy, "perform work in a county facility" means any employee of an independent contractor

that routinely performs more than fifteen (15) hours per month of county work that takes place in or on a county facility/property. Under the County's COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy, these individuals are required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine unless a reasonable accommodation based on medical reasons or due to a sincerely held religious belief is requested and approved. The policy requires that, by December 1, 2021, all individuals to which the policy applies must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination or have an approved reasonable accommodation in place. Therefore, beginning December 1, 2021, any employees of Contractor that perform county work in a county facility must be in compliance with the County's vaccine requirement policy unless Contractor can show proof that it is in compliance with its own COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy or is required by local, state, or federal law or regulation to be compliant with a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy.

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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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Proposers are expected to examine the drawing, specifications, schedule of delivery, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the proposer's risk.
- 2. Each proposer will furnish the information required in the Request for Proposals.
- 3. The Contract/Purchase Order will be awarded to that responsible proposer whose submittal, conforming to the Request for Proposals, will be most advantageous to the County of Boulder, price and other factors considered.
- 4. The County of Boulder reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals 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 proposals without the consent of the County Purchasing Agent or delegated representative.
- 6. A signed purchase order or contract furnished to the successful proposer results in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- 7. Late or unsigned proposals will not be accepted or considered. It is the responsibility of proposers to ensure that the proposal arrives at the purchasing email address prior to the time indicated in the "Request for Proposals."
- 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 RFP documents will be made by Addendum. Interpretations, corrections and changes of the RFP documents made in any other manner will not be binding, and proposer will not rely upon such interpretations, corrections and changes. The County's Representative will not be responsible for oral clarification.

10. Confidential/Proprietary Information: Proposals submitted in response to this "Request for Proposals" and any resulting contract are subject to the provisions of the Colorado 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 proposal or resulting contract will be clearly stated in the proposal and contract itself. Confidential/proprietary information must be readily identified, marked and separated/packaged from the rest of the proposal. Co-mingling of confidential/proprietary and other information is NOT acceptable. Proposals that do not properly identify confidential/proprietary information may be released in their entirety. Pricing totals contained in a proposal are not 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 and products with low toxicity levels when availability, quality and budget constraints allow. Proposers 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. Proposers 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.



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SPECIFICATIONS

Temporary Staffing Services for Disaster Recovery for Boulder County

Boulder County is seeking a firm to provide professional and technical staff for assignments that may be short-term (several weeks) to longer-term (months to years). As a result of the numerous disasters that Boulder County has faced over the past several years, we anticipate needing temporary staffing assignments to help with various recovery efforts in the years to come.

Vendor must pre-screen all proposed candidates and perform reference checks in advance. (Please provide candidate pre-screening process).

Vendor must perform a technical assessment for all proposed candidates in advance. (Please provide what the technical assessment consists of).

Vendor will coordinate and set-up the logistics for any necessary interviews.

Proposed vendor candidates will be required to participate in the county's security clearance process as applicable to the position responsibilities.

Boulder County has determined a potential need for the following positions in our disaster recovery framework:

- Accounting Clerks
- Community Engagement Specialists
 - Community engagement specialists will be needed to help perform needs assessments and help connect community members to various specific resources.
- Communications Specialists
 - Potentially bilingual
- Disaster Recovery Program Specialists
 - Have a broad understanding of federal disaster recovery programs.
 - Understand program statutes, regulations, policies, and guidelines.
 - Interface with county program managers, the State of Colorado, and other partner agencies.

- The ability to coordinate the development and execution of complex federally funded programs such as FEMA Public Assistance, HMGP, CDBG-DR, or similar programs and projects.
- Energy Advisors/Specialists/Navigators
 - Part of this recovery process will include resources to help residents build highefficiency homes. Boulder County will need staffing resources to help advise and navigate these resources and potential incentives.
- Grant Accountants
- Land Use Planners
- Land Use Plans Examiners/Reviewers
- Public Information Officers
 - Potentially Bilingual
- Project Managers
 - Experienced project managers will be needed across a variety of topic areas, to help streamline timelines, communications, and other issues that arise in our various recovery areas.
- Project Specialists
 - Topic area project specialists will be needed to help across project tasks to make sure goals, deadlines, deliverables, and other necessities are met.
- Social Media Experts
- Zoom Webinar Experts
 - Boulder County is conducting regular community meetings through the zoom webinar platform, with up to 1,200 people at a time. If these meetings continue, we may need an individual skilled in this platform to run and set up the logistics for these meetings.



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INSURANCE AND W-9 REQUIREMENTS

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

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. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

v. Privacy / Cyber Liability Insurance

As a provider of a service which *may* require the knowledge and retention of personal identifiable information <u>including but not limited to, names, dates of birth, social security numbers, usernames, and passwords, and/or HIPAA sensitive personal information of clients served, the following minimum insurance limits are required:</u>

Contractors with 10 or fewer County clients: \$50,000 Contractors with 11 – 15 County clients: \$500,000

Contractors with more than 25 County clients: \$1,000,000

<u>Boulder County as Additional Insured</u>: 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 Insureds.

In regards to General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability

*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 or your proposal will be deemed non-responsive. You are NOT required to include additional insured status until the time a contract is executed.

If you require a waiver of insurance requirements (e.g. Workers' Compensation and sole proprietorships) 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.

SAM.gov REGISTRATION

Please provide a copy of your business' registration in sam.gov with your proposal.

DUNS NUMBER

Please provide your business' DUNS number with your proposal.



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SUBMITTAL SECTION

The proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the PROPOSAL. Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your PROPOSAL, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your PROPOSAL, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be cause for rejection of the PROPOSAL.

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR PROPOSAL PACKAGE: Proposer 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 RFP. 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	
	SAM.gov Business Registration	
	DUNS Number	
	W-9	
	Signature Page	
	Addendum Acknowledgement(s) (If Applicable)	



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EVALUATION CRITERIA

The proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee. The committee may request additional information from vendors or request interviews with one or more vendors. Final evaluation and selection may be based on, but not limited to, any or all of the following:

- Information presented in proposal
- Proposed approach to the candidate search to fulfill all the potential needs during the anticipated timeline
- Qualifications and experience of the vendor
- Interview
- Total cost –or- Proposed pricing
- Any other relevant and appropriate factors as determined by the county

A scoring matrix with the order and priority of criteria to be used by the county in its evaluation and selection process is shown below:

Description	Points
Information presented in proposal	20
Proposed approach to the candidate search to fulfill all the potential needs during the anticipated timeline	20
Qualifications and experience of the vendor	15
Interview	15
Total cost –or- Proposed pricing	15
Any other relevant and appropriate factors as determined by the county	15
Total Possible	100



Contact Information

Boulder County Purchasing 1325 Pearl Street Boulder, CO 80302

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SIGNATURE PAGE

Response

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

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

BOULDER COUNTY SAMPLE CONTRACT

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 [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. <u>Incorporation into Contract</u>: 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. <u>Work to be Performed</u>: Contractor agrees to perform the services as required by this Contract (the "Work"). County will assign Work on an as-needed basis. County may enter into contracts with other contractors to provide services the same as or similar to the Work. Individual scopes of work, costs, start dates, and any other relevant project details must be agreed to in writing by both Parties prior to start of such Work and such project-specific documents shall be incorporated into this Contract upon acceptance. Contractor acknowledges that this contract does not guarantee Contractor any amount of Work. Upon receipt of an assignment, Contractor will provide all labor and equipment and do all tasks necessary and incidental to performing the Work as described in the Details Summary, Contract Documents, and the project-specific documents mutually agreed upon in writing. 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.
 - a. **Time is of the essence with respect to Contractor's obligations in performing the Work**. By signing this Contract, Contractor certifies that it has sufficient resources capable of swift deployment to expediently complete the Work.
 - b. Contractor shall ensure that it has received all required approvals from the County and property owners before performing any Work on their property. Contractor shall not perform any Work on properties for which Contractor lacks sufficient consent and approvals.
- 3. <u>Term of Contract</u>: The **Contract Term** begins on the **Start Date** and expires on the **Expiration Date**, unless terminated sooner. All the Work must be performed during the **Contract Term**.
- 4. <u>Payment for Work Performed:</u> 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**. The **Contract Amount** is a not-to-exceed amount for the **Contract Term**. The cost of services shall be established on an as-needed, as-requested basis consistent with the terms of this Contract.
- 5. <u>Invoicing</u>: 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. <u>Extra Time to Complete the Work (Additional Time only)</u>: 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. <u>Schedule of Work:</u> 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, the City of Louisville, the Town of Superior, the State of Colorado, the U.S. Government, and their agencies, elected and appointed officials, 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. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: Contractor will comply with the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act, C.R.S. § 24-34-401, <u>et seq.</u>, 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. Contractor shall retain all records related to the Work for a period of three (3) years following completion of the Work.

12. <u>Independent Contractor</u>: 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. <u>Breach</u>: 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. <u>Non-Appropriation</u>: 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. <u>Convenience</u>: 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. The County may terminate this Contract, without penalty or financial obligation, within eleven (11) days of the date of last signature as indicated on the signature page.
- 14. <u>Contractor Obligations upon Termination or Expiration</u>: 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. <u>Remedies for Non-Performance</u>: 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. <u>Suspend Performance</u>: 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. <u>Withhold Payment Pending Corrections</u>: 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. <u>Deny Payment</u>: 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. <u>Removal</u>: 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. <u>Binding Arbitration Prohibited</u>: County does not agree to binding arbitration by any extra-judicial body or person.
- 18. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>: 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. <u>Notices</u>: 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. <u>Statutory Requirements</u>: 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 <u>et seq.</u>; C.R.S. § 18-8-301, <u>et seq.</u>; and C.R.S. § 18-401, <u>et seq.</u>;

- 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. <u>Entire Agreement/Binding Effect/Amendments</u>: 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. <u>Assignment/Subcontractors</u>: 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. Contractor is responsible to ensure that its subcontractors comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, orders, and codes, as well as Boulder County policies, guidelines, and protocols and this Contract.
- 24. <u>Governing Law/Venue</u>: 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. <u>Breach</u>: 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. <u>Severability</u>: 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. <u>Third-Party Beneficiary</u>: 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. <u>Colorado Open Records Act</u>: County may disclose any records that are subject to public release under the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-200.1, <u>et seq</u>.
- 29. <u>Conflict of Provisions</u>: 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. <u>Governmental Immunity</u>: 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, <u>et</u> 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. <u>Legal Compliance</u>: 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. <u>Litigation Reporting</u>: 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. <u>Tax Exemption</u>: 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. <u>Delegation of Authority</u>: 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. <u>Ownership of Work Product</u>: 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. <u>Publicity Releases</u>: 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. <u>Execution by Counterparts; Electronic Signatures</u>: 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. <u>Limitation on Public Statements and Lobbying Activity</u>. 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. <u>Sustainability</u>: 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. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>: 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. <u>Legal Interpretation</u>. 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. <u>No Suspension or Debarment</u>: 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. [For Contracts that require employees of Contractor to routinely perform more than fifteen (15) hours per month of county work in a county building.] COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement for Certain Contractors of the County: On September 28, 2021, the Boulder County Board of Commissioners adopted a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy that applies to, as relevant here, all employees of independent contractors of the county that perform county work in a county facility. For purposes of this policy, "perform county work in a county facility" means any employee of an independent contractor that routinely performs more than fifteen (15) hours per month of county work that takes place in a county building. Under the county's COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy, these individuals are required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine unless a reasonable accommodation based on medical reasons or due to a sincerely held religious belief is requested and approved. The policy requires that, by December 1, 2021, all individuals to which the policy applies must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination or have an approved reasonable accommodation in place. Therefore, beginning December 1, 2021, any employees of Contractor that perform county work in a county facility must be in compliance with the County's vaccine requirement policy unless Contractor can show proof that it is in compliance with its own COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy or is required by local, state, or federal law or regulation to be compliant with a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy. By its execution of this Contract, Contractor hereby acknowledges and attests compliance with this provision. Contractor shall provide proof of compliance with this provision upon County's request.
- 45. <u>Insurance:</u> 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. <u>Boulder County as Additional Insured</u>: 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.

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

b. <u>Notice of Cancellation</u>: 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. <u>Insurance Obligations of County</u>: 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. <u>Deductible</u>: Any and all deductibles contained in any insurance policy shall be assumed by and at the sole risk of Contractor.
- e. <u>Primacy of Coverage</u>: Coverage required of Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall be primary over any insurance or self-insurance program carried by the County.
- f. <u>Subrogation Waiver</u>: 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. <u>Requirements</u>: 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. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

v. Privacy / Cyber Liability Insurance

As a provider of a service which *may* require the knowledge and retention of personal identifiable information including but not limited to, names, dates of birth, social security numbers, usernames,

and passwords, and/or HIPAA sensitive personal information of clients served, the following minimum insurance limits are required:

Contractors with 10 or fewer County clients: \$50,000 Contractors with 11 – 15 County clients: \$500,000

Contractors with more than 25 County clients: \$1,000,000

<u>Boulder County as Additional Insured</u>: 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 Insureds.

In regards to General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability

[Signature Page to Follow]

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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FEMA ADDENDUM

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

POST FEDERAL AWARD REQUIREMENTS FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

This is an addendum to the **Contract, RFP 7327-22**, Contract (the "Contract") between **[contractor]** ("Contractor"), and Boulder County, (the "County").

A Federal award, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, is being used to fund the Contract. Accordingly, the parties acknowledge that the above-referenced contract is subject to applicable provisions of 2 C.F.R. § 200 et seq., Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and all other federal requirements identified in the award terms, assistance listing, and any other related federal guidance as any of these requirements may be amended. To the extent federal requirements are not included below or in the event of a conflict between federal guidance and the below, the terms of the federal requirements shall control.

This Addendum is hereby expressly incorporated into the contract between Boulder County and the Contractor. Regardless of any conflict of provisions language contained in the Contract, to the extent that the terms of the Contract and this Addendum conflict, the terms of this Addendum shall control.

The applicability of the following contract provisions are described in brackets, below. As applicable, the following provisions are added and incorporated into the Contract:

ADDITIONAL FEMA REQUIREMENTS

[All contracts]

- **i. Changes:** To be effective, any change to the Contract, including the alteration of any method, price, or schedule of work must be authorized pursuant to a written amendment executed by the parties.
- **ii. DHS Deal, Logo, and Flags:** Contractor shall not use the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.
- **iii.** Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders: This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. Contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
- **iv. No Obligation by Federal Government:** The United States Federal Government is not a party to the Contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to County, Contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- v. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts: Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to Contractor's actions pertaining to the Contract.

- vi. Access to Records: The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:
- (1) Contractor agrees to provide County, the State of Colorado, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (2) Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (3) Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- (4) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, County and Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this Contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

vii. Unexpected Discoveries, Previously Unidentified Historic Properties, or Unexpected Effects on Historic Properties:

Upon notification by a Subrecipient of an unexpected discovery, or if it appears that a Undertaking has affected a previously unidentified property or affected a known historic property in an unanticipated manner, in accordance with Programmatic Agreement: National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 compliance) Stipulation I.B.3(e), Recipient(s) Roles and Responsibilities, the Recipient(s) shall immediately notify FEMA and require the Subrecipient to:

- a. Stop construction activities in the vicinity of the discovery.
- b. Take all reasonable measures to avoid or minimize harm to the property until FEMA has completed consultation with the SHPO, participating Tribe(s), and any other consulting parties. Upon notification by the Recipient of a discovery, FEMA shall immediately notify the SHPO, participating Tribe(s), and other consulting parties that may have an interest in the discovery, previously unidentified property or unexpected effects, and consult to evaluate the discovery for National Register eligibility and/or the effects of the undertaking on historic properties.
- c. If human remains are discovered, notify the local law enforcement office and coroner/medical examiner in accordance with applicable State statute(s), such as SDCL 34-27, and protect the remains from any harm.
 - d. Assist FEMA in completing the following actions, as required:
 - i. FEMA shall consult with the SHPO, participating Tribe(s), and other consulting parties in accordance with the consultation process outlined in Stipulation II, Project Review (Programmatic Agreement: National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 compliance), to develop a mutually agreeable action plan with timeframes to identify the discovery or previously unidentified property, take into account the effects of the Undertaking, resolve adverse effects if necessary, and ensure compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local statutes.

- ii. FEMA shall coordinate with the Recipient(s) and the Subrecipient regarding any needed modification to the scope of work for the Undertaking necessary to implement recommendations of the consultation and facilitate proceeding with the Undertaking.
- iii. In cases where discovered human remains are determined to be Native American, FEMA shall consult with the appropriate Tribal representatives and SHPO. In addition, FEMA shall follow the guidelines outlined in the ACHP's Policy Statement Regarding the Treatment of Burial Sites, Human Remains, and Funerary Objects (2007) and any state-specific policies that may be in force.

Appendix II: Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards

(A) [For contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908]

<u>Breach</u>. Any breach of the Contract by Contractor shall be governed by the termination and remedies provisions of the Contract. Additionally, in the event that the County incurs damages as a result of Contractor's breach, the County may pursue recovery of such damages from Contractor. The County further retains the right to seek specific performance of the Contract at any time as authorized by law. The County further retains the right to otherwise pursue any remedies available to the County as a result of the Contractor's breach, including but not limited to administrative, contractual, or legal remedies, as well as any applicable sanctions and penalties. Termination for cause and convenience are governed by the provisions of the Contract.

(B) [All contracts in excess of \$10,000]

<u>Termination</u>. Termination for cause and convenience are governed by the <u>Termination and Related</u> Remedies provision of the Contract.

(C) [Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3]

Equal Employment Opportunity. Contractor agrees to comply with the Equal Opportunity Clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(a) (Government Contracts) and 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) (Federal Assisted Construction Contracts), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor." Contractor further agrees to include this provision, including the Equal Opportunity Clause or a reference thereto, in any subcontracts it enters into pursuant to the Contract.

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

(D) [When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities]

<u>Davis-Bacon Act</u>, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). Contractor must fully comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable. In accordance therewith, Contractor must pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week.

Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145). Contractor must fully comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). Pursuant to the Act, Contractor is prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The County shall report all suspected or reported violations of the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act to the Federal awarding agency.

(E) [Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers]

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Contractor must fully comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708), including 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(E). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, Contractor is required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchase of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in this paragraph, Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. The County can withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with this paragraph.

(F) [If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a)]

Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Contract. For contracts entered into by the Contractor or the County with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the parties must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Contracts," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

(G) [Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000]

Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended. All parties agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). All parties shall report violations to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(H) [For contract awards (see 2 CFR 180.220)]

Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689). This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935). The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into. Contractor attests that it is not listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders

12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the County. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to County, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

(I) [For contracts exceeding \$100,000]

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

a. Required Certification. If applicable, contractors must sign and submit to the non-federal entity the following certification.

APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 - CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

The Contractor,, certifies or affile each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. C False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and		n addition, the Contractor hap. 38, Administrative Remedies for
Signature of Contractor's Au	thorized Official	
Name and Title of Contracto	r's Authorized Official	
Date		

(J) [All contracts]

Procurement of recovered materials (2 CFR §200.322). All parties agree to comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule; 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or 3. At a reasonable price. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensiveprocurement-guideline-cpg-program. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

(K) [All contracts]

Prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment (2 CFR §200.216). Contractor is prohibited from using equipment, services, or systems that uses covered

telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

- (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
- (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

(L) [All contracts]

2 C.F.R. Part 25 Universal Identifier and System for Award Management.

Subrecipient must obtain and provide to County a unique entity identifier pursuant to 2 CFR Part 25.

(M) [All contracts]

2 C.F.R. § 200.322 Domestic preferences for procurements. As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, Contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable, prefer the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award.

(N) [All contracts]

Civil Rights Requirements

Subrecipient shall comply with all statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award, which include, without limitation, the following:

- i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance;
- ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability;
- iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity

receiving federal financial assistance;

iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and

v. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.

Assurances of Compliance with Civil Rights Requirements

- 1. Subrecipient ensures its current and future compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits exclusion from participation, denial of the benefits of, or subjection to discrimination under programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance, of any person in the United States on the ground of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury Title VI regulations at 31 CFR Part 22 and other pertinent executive orders such as Executive Order 13166, directives, circulars, policies, memoranda, and/or guidance documents.
- 2. Subrecipient acknowledges that Executive Order 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," seeks to improve access to federally assisted programs and activities for individuals who, because of national origin, have Limited English proficiency (LEP). Subrecipient understands that denying a person access to its programs, services, and activities because of LEP is a form of national origin discrimination prohibited under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Department of the Treasury's implementing regulations. Accordingly, Subrecipient shall initiate reasonable steps, or comply with the Department of the Treasury's directives, to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to its programs, services, and activities. Subrecipient understands and agrees that meaningful access may entail providing language assistance services, including oral interpretation and written translation where necessary, to ensure effective communication in the Subrecipient's programs, services, and activities.
- 3. Subrecipient agrees to consider the need for language services for LEP persons when Subrecipient develops applicable budgets and conducts programs, services, and activities. As a resource, the Department of the Treasury has published its LEP guidance at 70 FR 6067. For more information on taking reasonable steps to provide meaningful access for LEP persons, please visit http://www.lep.gov.
- 4. Subrecipient acknowledges and agrees that compliance with the assurances constitutes a condition of continued receipt of federal financial assistance and is binding upon Subrecipient and Subrecipient's successors, transferees, and assignees for the period in which such assistance is provided.
- 5. Subrecipient shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract (or agreement). Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, and herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract or agreement.

(O) [All contracts]

Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 C.F.R. Part 20

As a Subrecipient, you agree to comply with the requirements of the portion of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. 701 et seq., as amended) that applies to grants. Specifically, Subrecipient agrees to:

- (a) First, make a good faith effort, on a continuing basis, to maintain a drug-free workplace. You must agree to do so as a condition for receiving any award covered by this part. The specific measures that you must take in this regard are described in more detail in subsequent sections of this subpart. Briefly, those measures are to -
 - (1) Publish a drug-free workplace statement and establish a drug-free awareness program for your employees (see §§ 20.205 through 20.220); and
 - (2) Take actions concerning employees who are convicted of violating drug statutes in the workplace (see § 20.225).
- (b) Second, identify all known workplaces under your Federal awards (see § 20.230).

(P) [All contracts]

New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21

Subrecipient certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Subrecipient, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Subrecipient shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

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

(Q) [All contracts]

Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States. Pursuant to Executive Order 13043, 62 FR

19217 (Apr. 18, 1997), the County encourages its contractors to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating company-owned, rented or personally owned vehicles.

(R) [All contracts]

Reducing Text Messaging While Driving. Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225

(Oct. 6, 2009), the County encourages its employees, subrecipients, and contractors to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving.

(S) [All contracts]

Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms (2 C.F.R. § 200.321).

If subcontracts are to be let, Contractor must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. As set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5), such affirmative steps must include:

- 1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- 2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- 3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- 4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and
- 5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.