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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

CITY OF BENNET TRANSPORTATION SAFETY ACTION PLAN (TSAP)

BENNET

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**PROPOSAL DEADLINE:** 

1 November 2024

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# 1. Project Overview

#### **Overview**

The City of Bennet, Nebraska, is a growing community located approximately 10 miles southeast of Lincoln, in the farmlands of Lancaster County. With a population of 1,082 recorded in the 2020 Census, Bennet was officially proclaimed a City of the Second Class in 2022. The city's proximity to jobs, medical services, airports, and retail shops in nearby Lincoln has made it an attractive location for both young families and retirees. This demographic growth has led to new housing developments, increasing the city's tax base and valuation, which in turn supports community services and infrastructure.

Bennet's geographic and infrastructural setup presents both opportunities and challenges as it seeks to maintain a safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation system for its residents. Located just south of Nebraska Highway 2 on Highway 43, the city serves as an important connector to nearby regions, while also grappling with internal transportation issues, such as substandard sidewalks and the lack of a formal trail system.

The City of Bennet collaborates closely with local and regional partners, including Lancaster County, the Nebraska Department of Transportation, and local school districts. These partnerships are critical in ensuring that the transportation infrastructure not only meets the growing demands of the community but also prioritizes the safety of all road users. Through these efforts, Bennet is committed to developing transportation plans that enhance safety, mobility, and access for all, while supporting the community's sustainable growth and quality of life.

# **Background**

This Request for Proposals (RFP) seeks to engage a qualified consulting firm to assist in the creation of City of Bennet, NE Transportation Safety Action Plan (TSAP). The plan will focus on identifying and addressing the critical transportation safety needs in the community, particularly the need for safe pedestrian access to Bennet Elementary School and the city park. The TSAP will lay the groundwork for future transportation projects aimed at enhancing safety across all transportation networks, reducing the risk of traffic-related fatalities and injuries, and improving the overall quality of life in Bennet.

#### Context

The USDOT recently published a notice of funding opportunity for the <u>Safe Streets</u> and <u>Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant</u>. This program provides funding for both planning and implementation of infrastructure and initiatives to support planning, infrastructure, behavioral, and operational initiatives to prevent death and



serious injury on roads and streets involving all roadway users. There are two types of grants available under the SS4A program: Action Plan Grant and Implementation Grant. Bennet has received an Action Plan Grant and is now seeking a consultant to develop a TSAP that meets the eligibility requirements of an Action Plan set forth in the SS4A Grant program. Importantly, the resulting Action Plan will need to meet the specified program criteria required to pursue the Implementation Grant.

# **Objectives**

The primary deliverable is a Transportation Safety Action Plan. However, the process used to create the plan is equally important: The process will help build consensus and momentum within the community to implement the actions developed. The TSAP should be guided by an inclusive definition of safe mobility. The plan should be creative but also achievable and based on an understanding of Bennet's challenges and potential.

The Consultant will apply the Federal Highway Administration's <u>Safe System Approach</u> through this planning process and the resulting TSAP will address:

- The four equity considerations identified by the USDOT:
  - Wealth Creation
  - Power of Community
  - Interventions
  - Expanding Access
- Addressing the above equity considerations may be accomplished through thorough examination of questions such as:
  - How can planned roadway and pedestrian improvements enhance the efficiency of traffic flow, boosting local businesses and supporting community growth in Bennet's commercial areas?
  - In what ways can improving pedestrian and vehicular accessibility foster new business ventures and further expand the city's tax base, supporting additional city services?
  - What role do these transportation improvements play in making the city more attractive to investors, families, and retirees?
  - O How can the planning process incorporate feedback from a diverse array of community stakeholders, including underrepresented groups, to ensure that transportation improvements reflect the needs of all residents in Bennet?
  - What strategies can be employed to gather meaningful feedback from residents, local businesses, schools, and other key constituencies, and how will that input be incorporated into the TSAP?
  - How can this project foster collaboration between city management,
    local schools, and the Bennet Community Economic Development



- Board to develop a plan that is sustainable and reflects Bennet's long-term community goals?
- What safety interventions can be prioritized to protect the most vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and individuals with mobility challenges, particularly near schools and community areas?
- How can Bennet address the need for improved non-vehicular pathways, and what role can a potential sidewalk cost-share program play in ensuring safer pedestrian access for all residents?
- What measures can be taken to manage traffic around key intersections and roads like Highway 43 to reduce hazards and improve safety for pedestrians and vehicles?
- How can pedestrian and bicyclist access be improved to key areas such as Bennet Elementary School, the city park, and other critical community locations?
- What innovative solutions can be implemented to overcome physical barriers, such as the lack of pedestrian infrastructure, to create safer, more direct routes for all users?
- Other goals for what the TSAP may address are:
  - O What are the safety trends for the City?
  - O Who is most at risk when traveling on the City's streets and roads?
  - How does the relationship between safety and health improve quality of life?
  - What aspects or road, vehicle, and community design and human behavior or psychology lead to unsafe outcomes/conditions?
  - What effective technologies and tools minimize risk, improve roadway safety, and help track/monitor performance?
  - How to create a culture, for the City and partnering agencies, of safety and shared responsibilities through Engineering, Enforcement, and Education?



# **Tentative Schedule**

The following table outlines the tentative schedule for the development of the TSAP. (This schedule is subject to change).

Activity	Date
Issue RFP	September 30, 2024
Proposal Deadline by 4:00 p.m. (CT)	November 1, 2024
Proposal Review by Consultant Selection Group	November 4-8, 2024
Consultant Interviews	November 11-15,
	2024
Approval from Bennet City Council	December 9, 2024
Award Contract	December 2024
Bennet City Council Adopts TSAP	June 9, 2025
Apply for SS4A Implementation Grant	2025



# 2. Scope of Services

The City of Bennet is requesting proposals from qualified Consultants to develop a Transportation Safety Action Plan (TSAP). The City intends to award a contract and start the project in December 2024 with an expected completion date of June 1, 2025. Available funds for this project will be \$125,000.

# **Proposed Tasks**

The Consultant is encouraged to be creative in developing a sound analytical approach to achieve the project goals. The Consultant is urged to be as specific as possible when describing the activities that will be performed to support each task. The Consultant may propose additional, optional tasks to be incorporated as part of the scope of work.

# Task 1: Stakeholder and Public Engagement

The Consultant will prepare a plan for implementing an equitable and authentic public engagement strategy to gather community input on pedestrian connectivity, preferences for improvements, and enhancing pedestrian safety near Bennet Elementary School, the city park, and other key areas within the community. The Consultant will be expected to hold at least 2-3 public meetings in accessible locations within Bennet. These meetings should ensure broad participation from residents, local businesses, school officials, and other key stakeholders.

The consultant should consider the following for their public engagement strategy:

- 1. Elicit information from stakeholders and town citizenry regarding:
  - a. Identifying specific locations within the town that are in need of traffic safety upgrades projects.
  - b. Prioritizing those projects.
  - c. Seeking input from entities for professional and technical expertise.
  - d. Analyzing budgetary inputs requisite for undertaking and completing each project.
  - e. Establishing goals for timelines for completion of each project.
  - f. Coordination initiation of the various projects on a timeline that will cause the least danger and disruptions to traffic flow and the citizenry.
- Incorporation of the USDOT identified equity considerations in the engagement practices, such as identifying populations that are disproportionately impacted by traffic risks and ensure that they are providing representation and feedback in the process.



- 3. Prepare a memo outlining the feedback received, emphasizing community suggestions for improving walkability and safety around Highway 6, the railroad, city schools, and city parks, including the activity and participants engaged, and how the feedback will be incorporated in the TSAP.
- 4. The City will identify an Action Plan Task Force (APTF) representing transportation safety authorities and other concerned stakeholders in the City. The consultant will coordinate with the APTF to identify safety concerns, locations of interest, and to get feedback on recommendations (2-3 meetings).

#### Deliverables:

• Memo outlining the public input received and how it will be incorporated into the planning process and final TSAP.

# Task 2: Comprehensive Safety, Data, and Infrastructure Analysis

The consultant will undertake a comprehensive analysis combining aspects of safety, data review, and infrastructure assessment to form a detailed understanding of Bennet's current traffic safety and infrastructure conditions, with a particular focus on areas surrounding Bennet Elementary School, the city park, and key pedestrian routes. The analysis will assess pedestrian-vehicle interactions and the state of pedestrian infrastructure, identifying critical gaps, especially where sidewalks are substandard and there is a lack of trail systems. This task merges the review of practices, policies, crash data analysis, sidewalk safety, and existing infrastructure conditions to identify safety improvements and develop data-driven strategies for enhancing pedestrian and vehicular mobility throughout the community.

#### The Consultant will:

- 1. Examine local and statewide transportation safety plans, studies, and initiatives. Develop recommendations for improved collaboration across different levels of government and sectors to enhance safety analysis, project development, and implementation effectiveness.
- Assess the quality and completeness of existing data, including crash statistics, transportation networks, land use, and demographic information. Identify gaps and recommend additional data collection if necessary.
- 3. Analyze crash, traffic, and roadway data from at least the past five years to understand safety issues, trends, and patterns.
- 4. Conduct an existing conditions review focused on pedestrian and bicyclist mobility. This includes pedestrian counts, identification of origin-destination patterns, and an inventory of trails, ADA-compliant ramps, and sidewalks to pinpoint deficiencies and areas lacking connectivity.



#### Deliverables:

- Integrated Safety and Data Analysis Report
- Pedestrian and Mobility Infrastructure Review
- Strategic Improvement Plan and Cost Analysis

## Task 3: Countermeasures/Alternatives Analysis

The consultant will develop a comprehensive plan that combines the identification of countermeasures for emphasis areas and high-risk corridors with the analysis of potential corridors to improve pedestrian connectivity. This task integrates the principles of the 3-E's of traffic safety (Engineering, Enforcement, and Education) within a Safe System Approach, focusing on both vehicular and pedestrian mobility enhancements. The plan will involve extensive public engagement to understand community needs and preferences, ensuring a participatory approach to safety and connectivity improvements.

#### The Consultant will:

- 1. Identify and evaluate countermeasures for enhancing safety in emphasis areas, high-risk corridors, and intersections, aligning with the 3-E's of traffic safety and Safe System Approach.
- Conduct an alternatives analysis to identify potential corridors for improving pedestrian connectivity, considering key origins and destinations within Bennet.
- Engage with the public to gather input on safety improvements and pedestrian accessibility, ensuring the plan reflects community perspectives and needs.
- Develop strategies and performance measures for tracking progress on safety and connectivity enhancements, ensuring alignment with federal performance measures.
- Establish a transparent process for monitoring and reporting on the effectiveness of implemented countermeasures and connectivity improvements.

#### Deliverables:

- Transportation Safety and Connectivity Enhancement Plan: A detailed plan that includes:
  - Systemic countermeasure strategies for emphasis areas, high-risk corridors, and intersections, with draft and final versions.



- An analysis of identified corridors for pedestrian connectivity improvements, incorporating public feedback.
- Evaluation metrics, goals, lead agency partners, and cost estimates for each proposed safety and connectivity enhancement.

# Task 4: Comprehensive Infrastructure Improvement and Policy Enhancement Design

To amalgamate the design, engineering, policy review, and cost estimation for prioritized safety and infrastructure projects into a cohesive plan. This integrated task encompasses developing engineering solutions, formulating a detailed implementation strategy, recommending policy adjustments, and providing cost estimations to support sustainable improvements in traffic safety and infrastructure within Bennet. The focus areas include pedestrian crossings, traffic signal upgrades, sidewalk installations, traffic flow improvements, and the development of pedestrian infrastructure such as trails and bridges.

#### The consultant will:

- 1. Design and engineer solutions for prioritized safety and infrastructure projects identified through community engagement and needs assessment.
- Develop a detailed implementation plan covering all prioritized projects, segmented into short-term, mid-term, and long-term phases.
- 3. Review and recommend changes to policies and processes to enhance the sustainability of traffic safety and infrastructure improvements, aligning with best practices and community needs.
- 4. Conduct concept design and provide detailed cost estimates for significant infrastructure improvements, including identifying potential funding sources for project construction.

#### Deliverables:

- Integrated Design and Engineering Report
- Comprehensive Implementation Strategy
- Policy and Process Enhancement Report
- Budget



# **Task 5: Transportation Safety Action Plan**

The Consultant will develop a final TSAP (which includes all required components for the Safe Streets and Roads for All – SS4A – grant application) documenting the outcomes from stakeholder and public engagement and information and findings gathered in the previous tasks. The TSAP will guide the City and partnering agencies' efforts for improving transportation safety the regional transportation system.

The TSAP will include strategies for implementation as well as the methodology to measure progress over and review and update the plan every five years (after Council approval). The TSAP will discuss implementation through the adoption of revised or new policies, guidelines, and/or standards, as appropriate.

The final deliverables for Tasks 2, 3, and 4 will be incorporated as part of the final TSAP. The final plan shall be organized and constructed around the Safe System Approach and the 3-Es of traffic safety: Engineering, Enforcement, and Education.

#### Deliverables:

Transportation Safety Action Plan (draft and final)

## **Task 6: SS4A Implementation Grant**

After completion of the Transportation Safety Action Plan, the Consultant will, with the support of City staff, prepare the required submission material for the SS4A Implementation Grant for FY 2024. Note - A determination of whether this activity will use federal funding has not been made, but this is an activity requested to be performed

#### The Consultant will:

- 1. Utilize all resources provided by the DOT to ensure that the City's Implementation Grant application meets eligibility requirements;
- 2. Review all forms required for submission to ensure completeness and identify areas to improve the likelihood of the City being awarded the Implementation Grant;
- 3. Draft all required forms and documents required for Implementation Grant submission.

#### Deliverables:

- Application Narrative (prepared responses to selection criteria and specific project locations)
- Completed SF Forms (424, 424C, 424D, LLL)



- Completed Action Plan Application Template
- Completed Self-Certification Eligibility Worksheet



# 3. Proposals

#### Content

A complete and eligible proposal must contain the following information and be submitted in the order shown below. Please address each section in your proposal submission and divide each section of your proposal by the identifying section headers. Specified page numbers represent the maximum number of pages (front and back are considered one page, section header pages and appendices are not included in count) allowed for each section. Proposals that do not follow the specified requirements will be considered incomplete and ineligible.

# Section 1: Consultant and Key Personnel's Qualifications & Experience (1 page per key personnel)

Consultant shall demonstrate its knowledge and experience in safety and transportation planning, providing relevant and pertinent experience in areas such as Vision Zero, Safe Systems Approach, and Safety Action Plans. Describe relevant individual experience for key personnel proposed for the project. Do not include experience 10 years prior to the issuance of this RFP. Provide the project title, year, and reference name, title, agency, email, and phone number of principal person for whom the prior projects were accomplished. Include an organizational chart displaying the experience/area of expertise of key personnel.

Consultant shall demonstrate why it believes it is especially qualified to undertake this project. Information provided should include, but not be limited to, such data as: specialized equipment available for this work, any awards or recognition received by the Consultant or individuals for similar work, special approaches or concepts developed by the Consultant relevant to this project, etc.

# Section 2: Project Understanding & Approach (up to 10 pages)

Consultant shall provide a detailed approach to undertaking the tasks proposed in the Scope of Services including a recommended methodology for each task. Consultant shall highlight perceived unique opportunities, challenges, and priorities of this project. Consultants are invited and encouraged to submit and describe additional ideas and strategies to the Scope of Services to enhance the outcomes.

# Section 3: Schedule & Availability (up to 2 pages)

The schedule should demonstrate how the Consultant intends to complete the work within the timeframe specified in this RFP. At a minimum, the schedule should include a breakdown by tasks, milestones, major deliverables, and critical events. The Consultant will indicate the availability (including percentage of involvement



and specific role) of the project manager and other key personnel to complete the work described in this RFP.

# Section 4: References (up to 3 pages)

Consultant shall provide three (3) references that have contracted with the submitting Consultant for which similar services and technical analysis have been performed. Reference information should include a short description of the services and technical analysis performed along with the reference contact name, title, agency, email, and phone number.

# Section 5: Cost Structure (up to 3 pages)

Consultant shall include a cost structure for services including:

- 1. Actual cost
- 2. Man hours, itemized to include worker categories (project manager, public engagement specialist, engineer, analyst, etc.)
- 3. Supplies and materials
- 4. Travel
- 5. Subconsultant(s), if necessary. Please note that the same detailed cost information must be shown for each subconsultant
- 6. Overhead



# **Submission**

Submit five (5) bound hard copies of the proposal and one electronic copy in PDF format. The PDF copy should be emailed to Michele Lincoln at cityclerk@cityofbennet.com. The electronic copy must be received on or before the deadline listed below. The hard copies much be postmarked on or before the deadline. All copies of the proposal must include all required attachments. It is the Consultants responsibility to ensure the proposal materials are mailed or delivered and received by the due date and time above. Submit proposal to:

Email PDF to:

cityclerk@cityofbennet.com

Mail to/Deliver:

City of Bennet

RE: Transportation Safety Action Plan RFP

PO Box 255

685 Monroe Street

Bennet, NE 68462

Proposal Deadline: November 1, 2024

Proprietary business information included in the response to this RFP should be marked clearly as such. If the proposal includes information that is strictly proprietary and not subject to release as a component of an open record request, it should be marked as such on each page on which the information occurs. The City of Bennet reserves the right to refuse proposals not providing the information requested or not submitted by the time requested within this RFP.

The City of Bennet shall not be held liable for any expenses incurred by the respondent in preparing and submitting its proposal and/or attendance at any presentations, requested supplemental material, final contract negotiations or applicable site visits. The City reserves the right to award this project, to cancel the solicitation, or to reject any and all proposals; whichever is in the best interest of the City. All proposals, including supporting documentation, shall become the property of the City.



# **Evaluation and Selection Process**

After the proposal submission deadline, members of review committee composed of local stakeholders will review the completeness of each submitted proposal to verify it meets the specification and requirements listed in the Proposal Content section of this RFP. After a completeness check, eligible proposals will be evaluated by a selection committee.

The evaluation and selection process will involve reviewing proposals and conducting in-person or virtual interviews. The selection committee will be responsible for evaluating all eligible written proposals and consultant interviews. The selection committee will consist of local stakeholders, such as city residents, school board members, etc. During the evaluation and selection process, the City and the selection committee reserve the right to request additional information or clarification from proposers or allow corrections on omissions.

The written proposal is the only measurement that will be used to identify Consultants that will be invited for an interview. The selection committee will interview a maximum of three (3) of the top-rated written proposals. All proposers will be notified in writing whether they have been selected for an interview. Interviews will be scored based on their own merit aside from the written proposal scores.

The scores from the written proposals and interviews will be combined to identify the top-rated Consultant. APTF members will present the selection committee's recommendations regarding which Consultant they would like to enter negotiations with first, based on the rating of the Consultants, to the Bennet City Council and request authorization to enter into a contract with the approved Consultant.

The APTF will notify each interviewed Consultant of the outcome. The APTF will schedule a meeting with the top-rated Consultant firm for the purpose of finalizing the scope and negotiating a contract.

If negotiations with the top-rated Consultant are successful then the City will produce a contract for the Consultant to review, sign, and return; a Notice to Award will be issued; and the Consultant will be notified to start work on this project. If negotiations are unsuccessful, the APTF will terminate negotiation efforts with the top-rated Consultant and open negotiation with the 2nd rated Consultant. This process will continue until negotiations are successful.

The selection committee and the Bennet City Council reserve the right to make a determination based on what is in the best interest of the agency.



# **Proposal Evaluation Criteria**

The proposals will be evaluated based on the following rating scale and criteria (Max score of 100):

Criteria	Weight
Project Understanding & Approach	X6
Experience & Technical Competency	X5
Availability & Schedule	X4
Proposal Quality	X3
Past Performance	X2

Rating Scale		
1	Poor	
2	Fair	
3	Good	
4	Excellent	
5	Superior	

**Project Understanding & Approach:** Proposal shows an understanding of the project objectives. Includes the Consultant's proposed methodology, desired results, and expected outcomes/outputs. Demonstrates innovative ideas and efficient approach that accomplish objectives set forth in this RFP.

**Experience & Technical Competency:** Proposal reflects the Consultant's relevant experience and technical capabilities in safety and transportation planning necessary to successfully execute the work set forth in this RFP. The Consultant and/or individuals who will be assigned to this project have applicable and relevant experience.

**Availability & Schedule:** Proposal includes a detailed schedule and include tasks, deliverables, and milestones. The proposal demonstrates the Consultant's ability to meet the project schedule and indicate all other projects being worked on by key personnel, percentage of involvement and role in those projects.

**Proposal Quality:** Proposal is a well-written, straightforward, and concise document with high-quality graphics/images.

**Past Performance:** Consultant demonstrates a track record of timely performance, quality, and integrity, as evidenced by the list of references.



# **Interview Evaluation Criteria**

The Consultant interviews will consist of a 30-minute presentation given by the Consultant to the selection committee followed by a 20-minute questions and answer session. Interviews will be evaluated based on the following rating scale and criteria (Max score of 45):

Criteria	Weight
Familiarity with Project Type	X4
Opportunities, Challenges, & Priorities	Х3
Innovative	X2

Rating Scale		
1	Poor	
2	Fair	
3	Good	
4	Excellent	
5	Superior	

**Familiarity with Project Type:** Demonstrates a level of familiarity with the proposed tasks and experience and capabilities in development of similar safety plans.

**Opportunities, Challenges, & Priorities:** Demonstrates an understanding of the opportunities, challenges, and priorities for the City.

**Innovative:** Identifies any ideas, resources, concepts, tools, methodologies, and strategies that would help accomplish the objectives set forth in this RFP and strengthens the outputs of this project.

# **Communications & Questions**

All questions, clarifications and communication concerning this solicitation shall be submitted in writing via e-mail to the designated point of contact below. The deadline to submit questions or request clarification is by **4:00 PM (CT) on October 25, 2024.** 

Should the City receive any relevant and/or important questions, questions and answers will be included as an amendment to the RFP and posted on City's website:

## https://www.cityofbennet.com/

The City is not bound by any oral representations, clarifications, or changes made to the written specifications by City staff, unless such clarification or change is



provided in a written amendment to the RFP. Responses to relevant and/or important questions will be posted as an amendment to this RFP on the City's website by **October 30, 2024.** 

**Designated Point of Contact:** 

City of Bennet, City Clerk

Email: cityclerk@cityofbennet.com

Subject Line: Transportation Safety Action Plan RFP



# 4. General Information

#### Disclaimer

The City reserves the right to retain all proposals, or any ideas submitted in a proposal. Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the Consultant of the conditions contained in this RFP and an agreement to enter into a contract. Receipt of the RFP by a Consultant or submission of a proposal by a Consultant confers no rights upon the Consultant nor obligates the City in any manner. The City reserves the right to make an award based on the greatest benefit to the City and not necessarily the lowest price. The City will not be liable for any costs incurred by consultants in the preparation and delivery of their responses to the RFP, nor for any subsequent discussions and/or product demonstrations. The City will not be liable for any costs incurred by consultants while becoming familiar with the particulars stated in this RFP. All proposals, including supporting documentation, shall become the property of the City. The City reserves the right to negotiate separately with any proposer after the opening of the RFP when the City considers such an action to be in its best interest. Subsequent negotiations may be conducted, but such negotiations will not constitute acceptance, rejection, or a counteroffer on the part of the City.

#### **Notification of Award**

It is expected that a decision selecting the successful Consultant will be made in November 2024. Upon conclusion of final negotiations with the successful Consultant, all agencies that submitted a proposal in response to this RFP will be informed in writing of the name of the successful firm.

#### Terms of the Contract

Services will be procured through a not-to-exceed contract between the City and the selected Consultant if and when the desired services become necessary. The estimated date for entering into the contract is December 2024. Contract negotiations will be expedited. During the contract-negotiation process, the consultant may be required to provide the following:

- A detailed break-out of its payroll charges and general overhead-rate items;
  and
- Documentation that the proposed rates have been approved by a federal government agency or a cognizant state agency for use in a federally-funded project.

The contract will be subject to cancellation by the City upon thirty (30) days written notice.



# **Payments**

The selected Consultant will submit to the City invoices for work completed. Payments shall be made to the Consultant on a monthly basis by the City after all required services have been completed to the satisfaction of the City. Unless otherwise indicated, payments for services are net 30 from the date of receipt.

#### Federal & State Funds

The services requested within this RFP will be partially funded with funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). As such, the services requested by this RFP will be subject to federal and state requirements and regulations. The services performed under any resulting agreement shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

