

**OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION**

682 Prospect Street  
Berea, Ohio 44017

**ADDENDUM NO. 2**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES  
Project No. 71-09-01**

**RFP ISSUE DATE: APRIL 27, 2009**

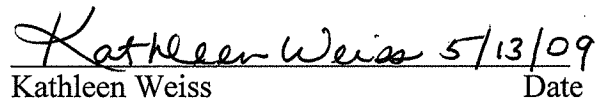
**INQUIRY END DATE: 5:00 P.M., EDT, MAY 18-13, 2009**

**PROPOSALS DUE: NO LATER THAN 2:00 P.M., EDT, MAY 27, 2009  
THE RFP IS BEING CANCELED AND WILL BE REISSUED BY THE COMMISSION AT  
A LATER DATE**

**ATTENTION OF RESPONDENTS IS ALSO DIRECTED TO:  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED THROUGH MAY 13, 2009**

Issued by the Ohio Turnpike Commission May 13, 2009. Authorized by L. George Distel, Executive Director, and Kathleen Weiss, Director, Contracts Administration.

  
L. George Distel      5/13/09  
Date

  
Kathleen Weiss      5/13/09  
Date

***PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE COMMISSION HAS MADE THE DECISION TO CANCEL THE RFP AS ISSUED. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ANY RESPONSES TO THE COMMISSION ON MAY 27, 2009. WE APOLOGIZE IF THIS DELAY HAS CREATED OR WILL CREATE ANY INCONVENIENCE TO POTENTIAL RESPONDING GIS CONSULTANTS, HOWEVER, SEVERAL OF THE QUESTIONS ASKED TO DATE HAVE CAUSED THE COMMISSION TO RECONSIDER THE SCOPE OF THE RFP AS ISSUED. THE SCOPE OF SERVICES WILL BE MODIFIED AND THE RFP WILL BE RE-ISSUED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.***

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED THROUGH MAY 13, 2009:**

**Q#6** It is mentioned in the RFP in Exhibit A that responding GIS consultants may view the existing components at the Ohio Turnpike Commission building. During what time period can we do that? And what do I need to do in order to set up a time to come in for a visit to view these components?

A#6 As the Scope of Services of the RFP is being modified and this modification will impact some of the tasks, the Commission does not plan to schedule any further visits until the RFP is re-issued.

**Q#7** Does the OTC have office space on site to house any of the GIS consultants from the winning company or is it expected that the winning company have office space available in Ohio?

A#7 See answer to Question #5 in Addendum No. 1.

**Q#8** What is the main reason that the OTC has decided to move the GIS Portal and Asset viewer in house as opposed to continuing with 3rd party hosting.

A#8 The main reason to move the GIS Portal and Asset Viewer in-house is to maintain control and reduce expenses, however, this aspect of the RFP is being revised and will likely no longer be in the Scope.

**Q#9** Exhibit A, page 10 - first sentence says "Portions of a GIS are in existence at the Commission" Strategic Plan, page 35, first sentence - says "OTC has to-date made investments in ESRI software..."

Strategic Plan, page 12, 4. Software Inventory - says "The OTC currently utilizes AutoCAD 2000 and has no GIS software that is in use."

Exhibit A, page 10, f. - says the storm water management system "is using ESRI shape files..."

**There seems to be some conflict here. It sounds like the OTC is using ESRI GIS to some capacity. Can you please verify that you are using it and elaborate on how extensive and what you are using it for?**

A#10 Since the creation of the Strategic Plan in April 2006 the environment has changed. Autodesk AutoCAD is in use and has been upgraded. Some ESRI products are in use:  
ArcInfo - 5  
ArcView - 12  
ArcEditor - 2  
ArcPad - 4  
ArcPad Application Builder - 1

ArcInfo, ArcEditor and ArcView are used to create mapping, manage GIS data, edit GIS data as well as to view a Monumentation Tool that was developed by a third party. ArcPad is used with Trimble GPS devices to collect field data and application builder is used to create forms for the GPS devices.

**Q#10 Exhibit A, page 10, f. - says the storm water management system "is using ESRI shape files in a MS Access database."  
Do you mean you are using feature classes in a geodatabase or that you have joined Access database tables to shape files?**

A#10 The current Maintenance Department system mainly utilizes Feature Classes to store information with geographic and non-geographic information (i.e., Asset ID, Date Installed, Size, etc.). This allows for the development of maps using GIS Desktop software to illustrate asset locations. The non-geographic information stored in the feature classes is managed by linking the Feature Class to a Microsoft Access database. However, for data that does not require geographic locations, Microsoft Access tables were created and linked to the associated feature class through a common field, such as an Asset ID.

**Q#11 Who is the 3rd party currently hosting your web portal?**

A#11 HNTB, however, this aspect of the RFP is likely being deleted.

**Q#12 Exhibit A, page 10, a - lists a "linear referencing system" - is this your coordinate system or is it tied to your milepost markers as described in the Strategic Plan, page 19 as proposed system infrastructure development projects?**

A#12 The linear referencing system is tied to the mileposts on the Ohio Turnpike.

**Q#13 What are you using for base mapping? In the Strategic Plan, page 19 it recommends OTC "acquire new aerial photography and surface feature mapping" - was this acquired?**

A#13 Yes.

**Q#14 As far as the project related work for Phase I a, b & c, does OTC have a detailed plan of what you want for these three items as there are many variables and a wide cost range for each item in the Strategic Plan? Or will this be determined once a consultant is selected to provide these services, then a detailed plan will be developed and a cost estimate at that time?**

A#14 Because the Scope of the RFP is being modified, this question will be answered later in the re-issued RFP.

**Q#15 I offer the following assumptions/questions for the relationship between the four (4) primary tasks of this RFP and the Phase 1 of the Implementation of the GIS Strategic Plan (Completion of Storm Water Management System; Sign Inventory; and Pavement Management System.) Please clarify these assumptions/questions: I am assuming that the "Completion of Storm Water Management System; Sign Inventory; and Pavement Management System... at a later time" are not included as part of any of the deliverables of the four (4) primary tasks of this RFP. Is this correct?**

A#15 You are incorrect. Implementation of Phase 1, Items a, b and c are to be performed under Task 3, however, this may be modified in the re-issued RFP.

**Q#16 I am assuming that you are mentioning "Completion of Storm Water Management System; Sign Inventory; and Pavement Management System... at a later time" because you want the eventual selected consultant to know that the Commission wishes these to be the first components of the GIS Strategic Plan to be enabled under a separate contract at a later date. Is this correct?**

A#16 See response to Question #15, and changes to the RFP contained in Addendum No. 1, which clarifies the possibility of utilizing the Selected GIS Consultant's services to implement other components of the Strategic Plan at a later date.

**Q#17 If the above two assumptions are correct, would experience in "Storm Water Management System; Sign Inventory; and Pavement Management Systems" still be considered a positive attribute for a would-be respondent for this RFP?**

A#17 The above two assumptions are not necessarily correct. Experience in all aspects of the Strategic Plan will be a positive attribute for any respondent to the RFP.

**Q#18 Can responding GIS Consultants view the web portal and asset viewer remotely via the web, or is an actual site visit to Commission's building required?**

A#18 As stated, this aspect of the RFP Scope is likely to be deleted. However, the GIS Web Portal and Asset Viewer cannot be viewed remotely. A visit would be required.

**Q#19 Do you expect the GIS Web Portal and Asset Viewer to simply be migrated to your office as-is, or do you expect the data in the GIS Web Portal and Asset Viewer to be imported into the software system that will be procured as part of this project?**

A#19 As stated, this aspect of the RFP is likely to be deleted.

**Q#20 What assets do you currently have in the GIS Web Portal and Asset Viewer? Are these asset layers static or dynamic? Complete or incomplete?**

A#20 The GIS Web Portal and Asset Viewer website provides access to basic Planimetrics data. This data includes all 241 miles of the Turnpike, including a width of 500 feet on each side of the Turnpike centerline. At toll plazas and service plazas, the width expands to 1,000 feet on each side of the Turnpike centerline. The Asset Viewer also provides compiled Storm Water System Mapping data. These asset layers are static. In some layers like in Monument and Storm Water layers, new assets may not show on the website map.

**Q#21 Regarding the moving of the off-site hosted portal - Is this primarily the physical moving of hardware and software to a new location, or is there a desire to acquire and develop a new portal application at the new location?**

A#21 As stated, this aspect of the RFP is likely to be deleted.

**Q#22 Will the selected consultant be required to develop a data model and migrate all existing GIS data to the Oracle database?**

A#22 This task is likely being deleted from the RFP. However, the existing Portal is using an Oracle 10g database. The Monumentation Tool and the Stormwater applications are using MS Access. If deemed necessary, further information and details concerning the existing Portal will be provided when the RFP is re-issued.

**Q#23 How much preference will be given to a local firm?**

A#23 See answer to the Question #5 in Addendum No. 1.

**Q#24 Our company is based out of state. Can we receive a waiver of the Ohio Drug Free Workplace program if we are in compliance with our own state's regulations?**

A#24 The Commission will review your firm's drug-free workplace program to determine whether the program is acceptable.

**Q#25 Are specific application software recommendations for Storm Water, Sign Inventory, and Pavement Management expected in Task 1 or are these applications identified in order to define the scope and scale of the GIS hardware and software?**

A#25 Phase 1 includes Completion of Storm Water Management System, Sign Inventory and Pavement Management System.

**Q#26 Is OTC open to a negligence based indemnification rather than a performance based indemnification?**

A#26 No.

**Q#27 In regard to existing Web Portal mentioned in this RFP, who is the vendor currently hosting this application?**

A#27 See answer to Question #11.

**Q#28 Where is this application being hosted?**

A#28 See answer to Question #11

**Q#29 Will the GIS Consultant selected for this project have full access to this application for migration purposes?**

A#29 As stated, the migration requirement will likely be removed from the reissued RFP.

**Q#30 Is the current application a commercial solution or a custom developed solution:**

A#30 All applications are custom developed utilizing ESRI software. The Web Portal was developed utilizing HTML/JavaScript.

Receipt of Addendum No. 2, Request for Proposals for Geographic Information System Implementation Services, Project No. 71-09-01:

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