

## OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

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To

LOI NO. 25-2025

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST (LOIs) FOR PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES PROJECT NO. 99-26-01(02)

**ISSUED: SEPTEMBER 29, 2025** 

LETTERS OF INTEREST DUE DATE: 5:00 P.M. (EASTERN) OCTOBER 27 NOVEMBER 19, 2025

### **ATTENTION OF RESPONDENTS IS DIRECTED TO:**

REVISED LOI DOCUMENT, APPENDIX A AND APPENDIX B REMOVING PROJECT NO. 99-26-02 (PROJECT NO. 39-26-02)

THERE WILL BE NO QUESTIONS.

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### **Project No. 99-26-01**

Project No. 39-26-01: Mainline Pavement Replacement, Milepost 127.90 to Milepost 133.20, Erie and Lorain Counties, Ohio

### Project No. 99-26-02

Project No. 39-26-02: Mainline Pavement Replacement, Milepost 202.78 to Milepost 208.12, Portage and Trumbull Counties, Ohio

ISSUE DATE: September 29, 2025

INQUIRY END DATE: 5:00 PM (Eastern) on October 13, 2025

LETTERS OF INTEREST DUE 5:00 PM (Eastern) on November 19, 2025

DATE:

December 15, 2025 (anticipated meeting **COMMISSION MEETING:** 

for contract award; subject to change)

The SBE goal for this project is 1525%

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COMPANY NAME	
CONTACT NAME	
STREET ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
TELEPHONE	E-MAIL

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# REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST (LOIs) FOR PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES PROJECT NOS. 99-26-01(02)

### PART I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission ("Commission"), a body corporate and politic constituting an instrumentality of the State of Ohio, is responsible for operating and maintaining the Ohio Turnpike, a toll road officially known as the James W. Shocknessy Ohio Turnpike. The Ohio Turnpike is a limited access highway extending 241 miles across northern Ohio. Additional information regarding the Commission and the Ohio Turnpike can be found at <a href="https://www.ohioturnpike.org/home">https://www.ohioturnpike.org/home</a>.

The Commission issues this Request for Letters of Interest seeking to select <u>a</u> qualified consultant(<u>s</u>) ("Consultant") to provide pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services, as further described in <u>Appendix A</u>, which include, but are not limited to, full depth pavement replacement and highway reconstruction, slope, drainage work for pavement replacement <u>Project No. 39-26-01</u> projects (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") or "Projects"). It is the Commission's intent to select two (<u>2</u>)one (<u>1</u>) Consultants and enter into <u>a</u> contracts to perform the services for the duration of <u>each the Project</u>, with an estimated contract completion of March 2028 for Construction Project No. 39-26-01 <u>and Construction Project No. 39-26-02.</u> The two (<u>2</u>) contracts will cover the 2026 Pavement Replacement Program work. Project No. 99-26-01 constitutes 127.90 to Milepost 133.20 in Erie and Lorain Counties and Project No. 99-26-02 constitutes Milepost 202.78 to Milepost 208.12 in Portage and Trumbull Counties.

Construction Plans and Rehabilitation Plans are available upon request to purchasing@ohioturnpike.org and will be sent by e-mail with a File Transfer Portal (FTP) link.

Letters of Interest shall serve to provide information for the Commission to evaluate the Respondent's qualifications to perform the services required for the Project\_s.

Those firms interested in responding to the Request for Letters of Interest must have a completed "Request for Qualifications" ("RFQ") package for calendar years 2025-2026 on file with the Commission to be considered as a potential Respondent. If a firm has not already responded to the RFQ, the RFQ package may be obtained through the inquiry process and its response submitted simultaneously with the LOI.

Any person responding (a "Respondent") must clearly demonstrate depth of experience in providing pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services including familiarity with the various methodologies and industry best practices for performing the required tasks. Demonstrated experience in providing the necessary services is required.

### PART II. ASSISTANCE FROM COMMISSION PERSONNEL

Commission personnel will be available to assist, as needed, with the coordination of the various aspects of any assignments issued by the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director. Commission personnel will also make available all documents in the Commission's possession to the Consultant required for

completion of its duties. Generally, the Commission's Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director will administer and manage the contract for the Consultant's services.

### PART III. LOI REQUIREMENTS

The general nature and scope of work for the Project are set forth in <u>Appendix A</u> ("Scope of Services"). The Commission expects that Respondents will have experience in providing the services of this nature and should understand the general scope of the services necessary to successfully fulfill the Commission's requirements. Respondents should prepare Letters of Interest that are concise and that include an explicit response to the items listed below:

- 1. Plainly identify the Consultant's legal name, contact person(s) and their email, phone number and physical address. Describe your organizational structure, staffing of the project, and specify the number of professional personnel by discipline based in the Ohio office(s) in which a bulk of the services will be performed.
- 2. List the types/categories of services for which the Consultant has a current Qualifications Statement on file with the Commission in response to the 2025-2026 RFQ and all ODOT Prequalifications, and all testing lab accreditations and certifications (if necessary).
- 3. List the Project Manager and other key staff members including key subconsultant staff. Address the experience of the key staff members on similar projects. Provide a one (1) page résumé of the proposed Project Manager. The proposed Project Manager must show demonstrated qualifications and experience for Ohio Turnpike Project Administration. Additionally, provide an organizational chart and no more than half-page resumes for each staff member assigned to the Project, which shall not exceed five (5) pages. The five (5) page limit applies to the resumes only. Resumes should include the qualifications of the key staff, descriptions of work performed on similar projects, which must include name of project Owner, a project number, the month/year timeframe duration of listed project work experience along with the name of listed work experience supervisor, relevant certifications and year they were obtained.
- 4. Describe your firm's approach to quality control and any programs for providing technical direction and administrative control to assure conformance with industry-accepted standards of quality for the Project.
- 5. List significant subconsultants, their categories of service, qualifications, and the percentage of work to be performed by each proposed subconsultant.
- 6. Provide a description of your Project approach, not to exceed two (2) pages. per project. Confirm the firm's understanding of the project, proposed technical approach, cost containment practices, innovative ideas for this type of project and any other relevant information concerning your firm's qualifications to perform the services contemplated under the project.
- 7. Describe the capacity of your firm's staff and its ability to perform the work in a timely manner relative to present workload and the availability of assigned staff.
- 8. Provide references from three (3) organizations other than the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission for similar projects and services completed in the past three (3) years. For each reference, provide a contact name and phone number.
- 9. List all services performed for the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission over the last five (5) years.

- 10. The Respondent's good faith efforts to commit to a significant economic presence in Ohio shown by:
  - a. A statement that Respondent is registered and licensed to do business in the State of Ohio with the offices of the Secretary of State and include with the proposal a copy of its certificate or other similar document(s) confirming Respondent is registered and licensed to do business in the State of Ohio;
  - b. A statement of whether Respondent pays taxes to the State of Ohio and if so, a statement that Respondent is not in arrears in the payment of required taxes;
  - c. A statement of whether Respondent has offices or facilities in Ohio (i.e., sales offices, divisions, sales outlets or manufacturing facilities) or identify facilities that demonstrate Respondent's capital investment to Ohio (including commitments to make such capital investment as part of its proposal, as applicable); and
  - d. A statement of Respondent's actions that would reasonably be expected to employ Ohio residents, increase tax revenues in the area, provide opportunities to support local businesses and/or support community and social initiatives (i.e., local government, health and wellness, education, diversity and inclusion, philanthropic or other).

Items 1 through 10 must be included in the LOI on single sided 8 1/2" x 11" sheets of paper and shall be in no smaller than size 11 font. The Letter of Interest shall not exceed fifteen (15) pages. seventeen (17) pages if submitting for both projects. A one (1) page cover letter and a Table of Contents may be included and will not be considered as part of the page limit. Items B, C, D and E listed in PART V below are also excluded from the page limit.

### PART IV. FORM CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

In submitting a Letter of Interest, the Respondent agrees to sign the Form of Contract for Pavement Replacement Construction Administration and Inspection Services attached as <u>Appendix B</u>, incorporating the Scope of Services, within ten (10) days of the Commission's delivery of a notice of award.

<u>Note</u>: The Commission's payment methods have changed. For this contract, fees will be paid under an Actual Cost-Plus Fixed Fee or Lump Sum payment method. See Section 2.2 of the Form of Contract for Pavement Replacement Construction Administration and Inspection Services for more information.

### PART V. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For Respondent's Letter of Interest to be responsive, Respondent must submit the following:

- A. A Letter of Interest addressing the items listed in PART III.
- B. An explanation of any concerns requested information or exceptions related to the Request for LOIs, Scope of Services or the Contract for Pavement Replacement Construction Administration and Inspection Services (attached as <u>Appendix B</u>).
- C. A completed, signed, and notarized Non-interest/Non-collusion Affidavit (see <u>Appendix C</u> attached hereto; see also, Ethics Policy attached as <u>Appendix D</u> which is referenced in the affidavit).
- D. Completed and Signed Combination Affirmation and Disclosure Form Executive Order 2019-12D and Executive Order 2022-02D (see Appendix E attached hereto).

E. Completed Small Business Enterprise ("SBE") Utilization Certification and Plan demonstrating the commitment and means for achieving SBE participation on the Respondent's team (see <u>Appendix F</u> attached hereto). If the Certification and Plan fails to meet or exceed the <u>1525</u>% Goal, the Respondent is required to demonstrate that it used Good Faith Efforts to attain SBE participation that meets or exceeds the Goal. Contact the Commission's Office of Opportunity and Inclusion with any questions concerning the SBE Program.

### PART VI. INQUIRY SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

All interested parties are welcome to submit specific questions or requests for clarifications of the LOI requirements. Respondents are expected to raise any questions, exceptions, or additions they have concerning the LOI prior to the end of the Inquiry Period indicated on the cover page. These questions shall be addressed in writing and emailed to purchasing@ohioturnpike.org. Do not contact the Commission by phone. Do not direct questions regarding the Request for LOIs to anyone other than through the email address provided. At the completion of the Inquiry Period, a summary of all questions answers will be compiled, posted on the Commission's (https://www.ohioturnpike.org/business/doing-business-with-us/rfps), and provided via email to the interested parties on file. In the event that it becomes necessary to provide additional clarifying data or information or to revise any part of this Request for Letters of Interest, addenda will be posted publicly (at the same link as answers) and provided directly to all recipients of this Request for Letters of Interest.

### PART VII. LOI SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Respondents must timely submit its Letters of Interest electronically to <u>purchasing@ohioturnpike.org</u> in pdf format by the deadline specified on the cover page of this Request for Letters of Interest. Paper copies received will be considered non-responsive.

Respondents shall indicate in their cover letter which project(s) they are requesting to be considered for and order of preference in project selection.

### PART VIII. EVALUATION OF LOIS

The Commission will form an Evaluation Team consisting of members of the Commission Engineering staff to review the Letters of Interest. Respondents may be required to make a presentation to the Evaluation Team. A contract will be awarded, if any award be made, to the Respondent determined to be the most qualified to perform the required services. In determining whether a Respondent is responsive, the Commission will consider the Respondent's experience, conduct and performance on previous contracts (if any) and ability to execute the Contract properly. Factors that may be considered by the Commission are:

A. Competence to perform the required professional design services as indicated by the technical training, education, and experience of the firm's personnel, especially the technical training, education, and experience of the employees within the firm who would be assigned to perform the services;

### 20 raw points (27.5 weighted points)

- Project Manager 5 points (given a 2.00 weighted factor)
- Key Staff Assignments 5 points (given a 1.50 weighted factor

- Qualifications of Subconsultants 5 points (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- Subcontracted Amount 5 points (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- B. Ability of the responding firm in terms of its workload and the availability of qualified personnel, equipment, and facilities to perform the required professional design services or design-build services competently and expeditiously;

### 15 raw points (20 weighted points)

- Organization 5 points (given a 2.00 weighted factor)
- Capacity/Proposed Schedule 5 points (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- Backlog with OTIC 5 points (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- C. Past performance of the responding firm as reflected by the evaluations of previous clients with respect to such factors as control of costs, quality of work, and meeting of deadlines;

### 15 raw points (15 weighted points)

- Past Performance with OTIC (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- Past Performance with other Public/Govt. (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- Quality Control (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- D. Any other relevant factors as determined by the Commission, including but not limited to completion and submission of all items required under this Request for Letters of Interest, and any exceptions or requested deviations;

### 20 raw points (37.5 weighted points)

- Understanding of Project 5 points (given a 2.50 weighted factor)
- Complete Tasks Defined in Scope of Services 5 points (given a 2.00 weighted factor)
- Innovative Approach 5 points (given a 2.00 weighted factor)
- Completion and Submission of All Items Required under the LOI 5 points (given a 1.00 weighted factor)
- E. Committing to a plan for meeting or exceeding the SBE Goal or satisfactorily demonstrating use of Good Faith Efforts to attain SBE certified firms' participation on the Project pass/fail.
- F. Disclosure of any conflict of interest [pass/fail]
- G. Fostering competition and economic development [pass/fail]
- H. Respondent's good faith efforts to commit to a significant economic presence in Ohio. The determination of good faith efforts, which is graded as a "pass/fail", is based on consideration of the quality, quantity and intensity of the actions taken. "Significant Ohio economic presence" means "business organizations that (1) have sales offices, divisions, sales outlets or manufacturing facilities in Ohio or which facilities demonstrate capital investment to Ohio; and (2) pay required taxes to the State of Ohio; and (3) for corporations, are registered and licenses to do business in the State of Ohio with the offices of the Secretary of State. [pass/fail]

Following the ranking of the Letters of Interest submitted, a "Scope of Services" meeting will be held with the top-ranked Respondent to ensure the Respondent's understanding of the contract requirements and fee negotiations may commence. Following this meeting, the Respondent shall submit to the Commission a fee proposal for all tasks defined at the Scope of Services meeting. The top-ranked Respondent's fee will be compared to the Commission's estimates. If necessary, the Commission will attempt to negotiate a mutually acceptable fee. If those negotiations are unsuccessful, the process will be repeated with the Respondent that submitted the next ranked Letter of Interest. Following successful negotiations, a contract will be entered into based on the Scope of Services.

Once the top-ranked Respondent is determined, the Commission will update the list of Respondents identifying the top-ranked firm and indicating that contract negotiations are pending. The list of Respondents is posted on the Commission's website <a href="https://www.ohioturnpike.org/business/doing-business-with-us/engineering-services">https://www.ohioturnpike.org/business/doing-business-with-us/engineering-services</a>.

### PART IX. OFFICE OF OPPORTUNITY AND INCLUSION

The Commission's Business Inclusion Program ensures that a business certified as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) has the fullest possible opportunity to participate in a contract involving the expenditure of Commission funds. The program is administered by the Commission's Office of Opportunity and Inclusion (OOI), which reviews each proposed contract and determines if opportunities exist and if so, applies a goal to the proposed contract. In some cases, no goal is applied to a proposed contract due to a lack of opportunity and availability of certified businesses.

When a goal is identified in a Request for LOIs, the respondent must submit the documentation provided by the Commission to show how the respondent will meet the goal. When the goal is waived, respondents are strongly encouraged to use "good faith efforts" or necessary and reasonable actions that would reasonably be expected to attain SBE participation in the respondent's performance of the scope of work.

Additionally, whether the Commission applies a goal to a proposed contract or not, the program standards provide that the Commission may apply an evaluation credit of five percent (5%) to the total points awarded for responses received from SBE consultants to perform the personal or professional services set forth in the Scope of Services. The Commission **will** apply this credit in the evaluation process for responses submitted in response to this Request for LOIs.

For questions about the Commission's Business Inclusion Program, please contact the Office of Opportunity and Inclusion at Opportunity.inclusion@ohioturnpike.org

### PART X. DEVIATIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND ADDENDA TO REQUEST FOR LOIS

Respondents should raise any questions, exceptions or requested changes they have concerning the Request for LOIs during the Inquiry Period. If a Respondent discovers any ambiguity, error, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other deficiency in this Request for LOIs, that Respondent should immediately notify the Commission of such error and request modification or clarification of the Request for LOIs in accordance with the procedures outlined in PART VI. In the event that it becomes necessary to provide additional clarifying data or information or to revise any part of this Request for LOIs, addenda will be issued and posted on the Commission's website (<a href="https://www.ohioturnpike.org/business/doing-business-with-us/rfps">https://www.ohioturnpike.org/business/doing-business-with-us/rfps</a>) to modify the necessary provisions of the Request for LOIs.

Respondents should specify in the Proposals whether they take exception to any of the Scope of Services or the Engineering Design Services Contract. If a Respondent fails to notify the Commission of a known error in the Request for LOIs, and an Engineering Design Services Contract is awarded to that

Respondent, that Consultant shall not be entitled to additional compensation or time by reason of the error or its later correction.

The Commission reserves the right to make changes to the scope of this Request for LOIs and to clarify any of the requirements, information and/or provisions of this Request for LOIs as it deems necessary. Any changes to the Request for LOIs will be made via addenda issued prior to the submission deadline. The Commission further reserves the right, if necessary, to extend the submission deadline.

### PART XI. LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Respondent is required to adhere to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission and the State of Ohio, and all terms and conditions set forth in this Request for LOIs. Additionally, the Respondent agrees to the following:

- A. A Respondent may withdraw or modify its proposal only if notice of such withdrawal or modification is prior to the Letter of Interest due date as identified on the front cover of this Request for LOIs.
- B. Once opened, the Respondent agrees that its Letter of Interest cannot be altered, modified, or withdrawn.
- C. By submitting a Letter of Interest, the Respondent acknowledges it has read this Request for LOIs, understands it, and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- D. The Commission is not responsible for the accuracy of any information regarding this Request for LOIs that was gathered through a source other than the Commission's website or the inquiry process described above.

The Commission reserves the right to:

- A. Reject any and all Letters of Interest in whole or in part;
- B. Require any Respondent to submit additional written or oral clarification of their Letter of Interest and to meet with any, but not necessarily all, of the Respondents to obtain additional information and/or clarification and/or to negotiate terms of any Letter of Interest submitted;
- C. May consider financial information other than any financial information required by this Request for Letters of Interest (if any) as part of the evaluation process, including but not limited to credit reports from third-party reporting agencies.
- D. Enter into a contract with the Consultant on the basis of the Letter of Interest submitted, without written or oral modifications thereto; and
- E. Waive minor irregularities noted in a Letter of Interest when in the best interest of the Commission.

Under no circumstances will the Commission be responsible for any costs incurred by any Respondent in submitting a Letter of Interest.

Executive Order 2019-12D - Governing the Expenditure of Public Funds for Offshore Services - PROHIBITION OF THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR OFFSHORE SERVICES. This Executive Order was signed on March 4, 2019, and will automatically expire ten (10) calendar days after Governor DeWine's last day as Governor of Ohio unless rescinded before then.

- A. The Commission shall not enter into any contract which uses any funds within its control to purchase services which will be provided outside the United States.
- B. Contractors and Consultants must complete the Affirmation and Disclosure Form, attached hereto as <u>Appendix E</u>, affirming the Contractor/Consultant understands and will meet the requirements of the above prohibition. During the performance of the Contract, if any award is made, if the Contractor/Consultant changes the location(s) disclosed on the Affirmation and Disclosure Form, the Contractor/Consultant must complete and submit a revised Affirmation and Disclosure Form reflecting such changes.

Executive Order 2022-02D - State of Ohio's Response to Russia's Unjust War on the Country of Ukraine - PROHIBITION OF THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR OFFSHORE SERVICES. This Executive Order was issued on March 3, 2022, and will remain in effect unless rescinded or modified by a future Executive Order of the Governor.

- A. The Commission will not enter into any contract to purchase services provided outside of the United States or that allows Commission data to be sent, taken, accessed, tested, maintained, backed-up, stored, or made available remotely outside (located) of the United States, unless a duly signed waiver from the State has been attained. Notwithstanding any other terms of a Contract, the Commission reserves the right to recover any funds paid for services the Contractor/Consultant performs outside of the United States for which it did not receive a waiver. The Commission will not waive any other rights and remedies provided to the Commission in a Contract.
- B. The Commission will not make any purchase from or investment in any Russian institution or company. Notwithstanding any other terms of a Contract, the Commission reserves the right to recover any funds paid to Contractor/Consultant for purchases or investments in a Russian institution or company. These provisions will expire when the applicable Executive Order is no longer effective.
- C. The Contractor/Consultant must complete the Contractor/Subcontractor Affirmation and Disclosure Form, attached hereto as <u>Appendix E</u>, affirming the Contractor/Consultant understands and will meet the requirements of the above prohibition. During the performance of the Contract, if any award is made, if the Contractor/Consultant changes the location(s) disclosed on the Affirmation and Disclosure Form, Contractor/Consultant must complete and submit a revised Affirmation and Disclosure Form reflecting such changes.

**Public Records.** The Commission constitutes a "public office" and materials submitted in response to this Request for LOIs are potentially "public records" subject to disclosure under the Ohio Public Records Act found at Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. Respondents that deem any materials submitted in response to this Request for LOIs as excluded from the definition of "public record" (i.e., trade secrets) or otherwise exempt from disclosure under the law, must clearly mark the material so designated as "confidential." If the Commission receives a public records request encompassing the documents that a Respondent characterized as exempt from disclosure, the Commission will make reasonable efforts to notify the Respondent of the request. If the Respondent affirms that the materials at issue are exempt from

disclosure, the Commission will cooperate with the Respondent to restrict or limit disclosure provided the Respondent agrees to defend the Commission or assume the costs and fees associated with the defense, including legal counsel acceptable to the Commission, necessary as a result of withholding the materials, and further agrees to indemnify and hold the Commission harmless from and against any claim, lawsuit or judgment arising from withholding the materials that the Respondent identified as exempt from disclosure.

### PART XII. APPEAL PROCESS

Any aggrieved Respondent desiring to challenge the award of a contract as a result of this Request for Letters of Interest must state its complaint in writing, through electronic submission in pdf format to <a href="mailto:purchasing@ohioturnpike.org">purchasing@ohioturnpike.org</a> within five (5) calendar days of notification of the contract award. Upon receipt of a timely challenge, one or more representative(s) of the Commission shall meet with the protesting party to hear its objections. ORC Chapter 119 shall not be applicable to such meeting. No final award shall be made until the Commission either affirms or reverses its earlier determination for such contract award.

### **APPENDIX A**

### DRAFT SCOPE OF SERVICES

### PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND <u>INSPECTION SERVICES</u>

PROJECT NOS. 99-26-01 and 99-26-02

The Commission anticipates the following projects to be serviced for 2026-2027. The Pavement Replacement Construction Projects listed below is are expected to be constructed beginning in 2026.

### **Project No. 99-26-01**

Project No. 39-26-01 Mainline Pavement Replacement

Milepost 127.90 to Milepost 133.20

Erie and Lorain Counties, Ohio

Anticipated contract duration January 2026 - March 2028

### Project No. 99-26-02

Project No. 39-26-02	Mainline Pavement Replacement
	Milepost 202.78 to Milepost 208.12
	Portage and Trumbull Counties, Ohio
	Anticipated contract duration January 2026 - March 2028

The complete scope of work will be further refined at a "Scope of Work" meeting with the Consultant. Submittal of a single Letter of Interest is permissible with identification of which contract(s) consideration is requested.

A partial or draft scope of work is as follows:

The Consultant is to provide services for administering and inspecting construction operations and for executing duties and responsibilities on <a href="mailto:the">the</a> Turnpike Pavement Replacement Projects, including, but not limited to, full depth pavement replacement and highway reconstruction, slope and drainage work.

The Commission has a firm providing *Program Management Services for the Pavement Replacement Program* currently assigned to Hill International for coordination of the Engineering of the long-term Pavement Replacement Program for OTIC. Construction Scheduling for all Pavement Replacement Projects shall be the sole responsibility of the Program Management Service team and not required in this Scope of Services. The Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission PR Program Management Organizational Chart is included in Exhibit 1.

The Pavement Replacement Construction Administration and Inspection Services are to include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. Providing a professionally qualified field organization satisfactory to the Commission to observe, inspect, report and assist in the coordination of the various phases of the construction. Field inspection staff shall have National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technologies ("NICET") Level II or higher, or equivalent training and or certifications. The Commission will also accept ODOT Prequalified Project Inspector with prequalification status maintained for duration of project. This shall include observing, coordinating, inspecting, and reporting on Project construction at all times when the construction contractor or subcontractors are on site.
- 2. Consulting with the Commission on all questions of engineering with regard to construction of the Project.
- 3. Serving as a liaison and coordinating agency between the Commission, the construction contractor(s) working on the Project, the Project Designer of Record Consultant, the material testing firm, interested public and private entities and utility owners.
- 4. Attend and participate in pre-construction and other project related meetings as requested by the Commission.
- 5. Managing the Construction Inspection Staff.
- 6. Administrating the construction contract for the project, providing a Resident Engineer and Project Inspectors as necessary for the project that performs continuous daily administration of the project Work observing, coordinating, inspecting, verifying, recommending and reporting of construction on the project at all times when the contractor is on site. In addition, providing support staff consisting of scheduling, materials documentation, quality control, document

management, and administrative personnel as necessary with Commission acceptance to properly administer the construction contract and the Work.

- 7. Preparing daily inspection reports on forms approved by the Commission. Each report should include a minimum of 6 photos of the daily inspected work product and signed by the inspector. Detailed Resident Engineer daily diary should include brief summary of all daily inspection reports and include a list of daily hours worked for each inspector and material testing personnel assigned to the construction project. Must be entered daily into AWP for consultant invoicing. All daily inspection reports shall be reviewed and signed by the Resident Engineer and posted to the Project SharePoint by the end of the work week and must be available for review upon request by the Commission at any time.
- 8. Maintain a daily log report of project maintenance of traffic compliance reviews, to be performed at the beginning and end of each shift, including all temporary traffic control devices and pavement marking compliance. Report deficiencies directly to the Contractor for remediation and notify OTIC field Project Management of the deficiency notice.
- 9. Understanding and utilizing the current OTIC Construction Management Software AASHTOWare Project- supported by ODOT, and processing all required documents through this system, with the exception of material management. Document management to be filed in OTIC managed SharePoint site .Obtain a myODOT log in for all staff billed to the Project.
- 10. Maintaining an electronic file available to the Commission anytime upon request of correspondence, telephone conversations, texts, verbal authorizations and any other communications concerning construction project activities and authorized design revisions. Clearly document Commission member's authorization directions.
- 11. Reviewing construction contractor payment requests and comparing quantities shown with the summation of quantities noted in the daily inspection reports and with unit prices as included in the contract and recommending Commission action on each payment request.
- 12. Preparing change orders and other similar items in accordance with Commission regulations to properly document changed conditions or modified construction activities. Actively assist to complete change order requests within sixty (60) days of the change order work completion.

- 13. Providing negotiation assistance on any construction contractor's claims and recommending action on the resolution of claims.
- 14. Creating and maintaining a Project Bill of Materials similar to ODOT OMM Local-Let Materials, reviewing materials, products, submittals and brochures for contract compliance, review the Designer of Record's approval of Contractor's fabrication Plans and shop drawing submittals, and advise the Commission on the acceptability of such submittals.
- 15. Coordinate with material testing firm to schedule field testing and shop inspection as required to maintain construction schedule.
- 16. Conducting and recording progress meetings as required in coordinating all parties involved in the construction project and maintaining scheduled progress.
- 17. Reviewing, commenting, and recommending approval of the Contractor's Construction Primavera P6 Schedule for conformance with the Commission's requirements. Providing comments or questions to Contractor for the purpose of clarifying and revising the Schedule. Reviewing and commenting on construction progress schedule updates included in the payment requests. Consultant or their subconsultant must have software and working knowledge to properly perform this item.
- 18. Certifying the accuracy of the final payment quantities and estimate. Organize documentation of final quantities for Commission Audit Process.
- 19. Prepare record plans of the completed construction from information provided by the contractor and field records and photos, of construction activity and submit to the Commission on a portable hard drive device at project completion.
- 20. Perform the duties described for the Resident Engineer in the Commission's Standard Conditions for Public Improvement Contracts to the extent not otherwise described in the foregoing. Perform other construction administration and inspection services as requested by the Chief Engineer.

The Commission's Sample Specifications, Standard Drawings, Standard Conditions for Public Improvement Contracts, and original Construction Plans are available for download through .ftp site system upon request from any interested firm.

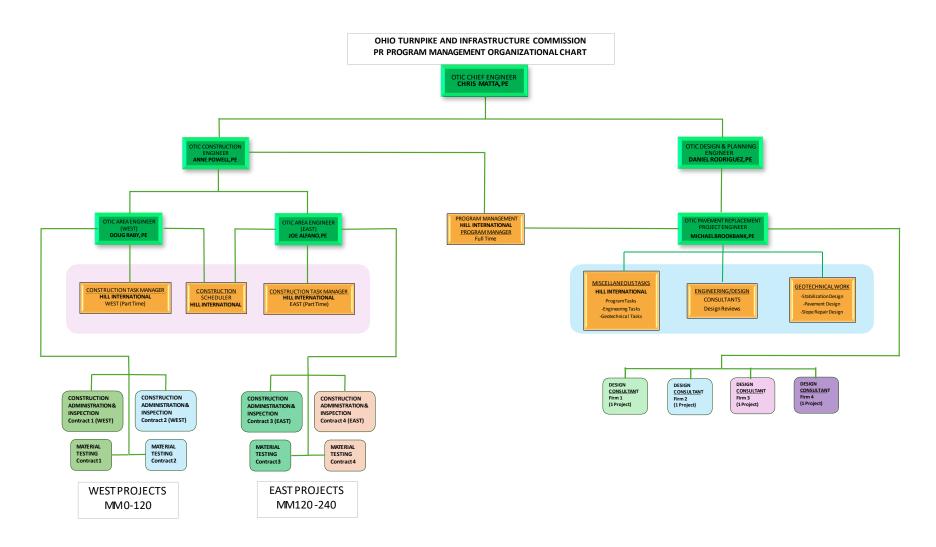
Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission Pavement Replacement Construction Administration and Inspection Services Draft Scope of Services

### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURES

- Engineering staff and the selected consultant(s) will develop a Final Scope of Services.
- The selected consultant(s) will develop a Fee Proposal within a timeframe specified in the OTIC transmittal and submit it to engineering staff for review and recommendation to the Commission.
- Upon Commission authorization, the Chief Engineer will authorize the Consultant(s) to perform the work by a standard authorization letter that incorporates the following into the terms and conditions of the Agreement:
  - The agreed upon Scope of Services and approved Fee Proposal.
  - The completion time from authorization.
  - The maximum compensation.
  - Applicable SBE goal.

### **TERM AND PAYMENT**

The Commission currently anticipates selecting two one Respondents, one for each Pavement Replacement CA&I contract (99-26-01, 99-26-02), based on their qualifications to perform these services. The consultant shall maintain a project cost accounting system that will segregate costs for the project. The term of theeach Consultant's(s) contract will be based upon the duration of Construction for each the project plus 4 months to close out the project.



**EXHIBIT 1 to Scope of Services** 

# CONTRACT FOR PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES

for

Project No. <u>99-26-01</u> [99-26-01 OR 99-26-02]

This Contract, entered into as of the last date of the signature below, is between the <b>Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission</b> , a body corporate and politic constituting an instrumentality of the State of Ohio, located at 682 Prospect Street, Berea, Ohio 44017 (the "Commission"), through its Executive Director under the authority of Section 5537.04(A)(12) of the Ohio Revised Code, Article V, Section 1.00 of its Code of Bylaws, and Resolution No, adopted, 2025, and [ <i>Consultant</i> ], an Ohio [ <i>corporation, limited liability company, etc.</i> ], located at [ <i>insert address</i> ] ("Consultant"), through its authorized representative.		
This Contract pertains to the following:		
Project No. 99-26-01  Mainline Pavement Replacement, Milepost 127.90 to Milepost 133.20, Erie and Lorain Counties, Ohio:  (Project No. 39-26-01)		
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Project No. 99-26-02  Mainline Pavement Replacement, Milepost 202.78 to Milepost 208.12, Portage and Trumbull  Counties, Ohio:  (Project No. 39-26-02)		
Hereinafter ("the Project")		
RECITALS		
WHEREAS, on, 2025, the Commission issued Request for Letters of Interest No. 25-2025 ("Request for LOIs") seeking a qualified firms to provide pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services needed for the Project; and		
WHEREAS, the Consultant submitted a Letter of Interest dated, 2025 to perform the pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services described in the Request for LOIs; and		
WHEREAS, the Commission's Engineering staff reviewed the Letters of Interest received to perform the pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services for the Project, and among those submitting letters of interest, determined that the Consultant was the most qualified firm to perform the pavement replacement construction administration and		

inspection services; and

pavement replacement construction administration and inspection services required for the Project (the "Fee Proposal"); and		
WHEREAS, the Commission's Engir reasonable and appropriate; and	neering staff reviewed the fee proposal and deemed it	
WHEREAS, the Executive Director aprecommendation to award this Contract	oproved the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director's to Consultant; and,	
WHEREAS, the Commission authorize No, adopted	d the award of the Contract to Consultant under Resolution_, 2025.	
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration	of the mutual promises set forth herein, the Commission	

# on the terms and conditions set forth below.

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# ARTICLE 1 GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

agrees to pay for, and the Consultant agrees to provide the professional services identified herein

- 1.1 Contract Documents. The documents that comprise this Contract include this Contract, the Request for Letters of Interest Draft Scope of Services (attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit A">Exhibit A</a>) and the Consultant's Fee Proposal, dated [insert date] which includes the Final Project Scope (attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>) (the "Contract Documents"). In the event of a conflict, the terms and conditions of this Contract control.
- **1.2 Designated Personnel.** Prior to performing any services, the Consultant shall provide to the Commission for approval a list of personnel designated to perform the services along with their resumes and certifications, as required. Only those designated personnel may perform those services unless Consultant obtains the Commission's approval of any substitutions or additions in advance of any change.

### 1.3 Specifications.

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- 1.3.1 Unless otherwise instructed in writing, any inspection, test or sampling to be performed by the Consultant, shall be in accordance with the Contract Documents of the Commission's Public Improvement Contract, as well as the Specifications for the inspection or testing as most recently published by the American Society for Testing Materials ("ASTM"), the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials ("AASHTO"), or the current edition of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") manual entitled, Construction and Material Specifications, whichever is applicable, unless other standards and requirements are applicable, in which case the current publications containing such standards or specifications shall be followed.
- **1.3.2** If assigned to perform inspection services, the Consultant shall inspect the work of each contractor for Defective Work in accordance with the duties and

responsibilities described in the Contract Documents of the Commission's Public Improvement Contract, which is incorporated by reference into any assignment issued to the Consultant for inspection services. If, through inspection or otherwise, the Consultant shall become aware of any Defective Work on the Project, the Consultant shall report all Defective Work to the Commission, together with recommendations for the correction thereof. Upon completion of any inspection services assigned to the Consultant, it shall provide certification, in writing, to the Commission that the inspections were completed in strict accordance with the specifications set forth in the Contract Documents for that particular project. Such certification shall be on behalf of both the Consultant as an entity and the individual inspector assigned to perform the inspection services.

# ARTICLE 2 TERM, CONTRACT FEES AND PAYMENT

- **2.1 Term.** This Contract shall become effective upon the last date written below and, subject to the termination provisions of this Contract, continue to be in full force and effect until the work required under the Contract is completed by the Consultant to the satisfaction of the Commission.
- **2.2 Payment Methods.** A single contract may contain more than one payment method as appropriate for compensation of different elements of work. The contract shall specify a maximum amount payable, which shall not be exceeded unless adjusted by a contract modification signed by both parties.
  - 2.2.1 Actual Cost Plus a Fixed Fee. This payment method is a combination of two factors: the Consultant's actual costs, and a fixed fee. The Commission's fixed fee shall be 10% of the Consultant's actual costs. This payment method is appropriate if the extent of the work cannot be well defined and other payment methods are not appropriate. This payment method is preferred for projects in the preliminary development phase and other projects where the work is indeterminate in nature (i.e., construction administration and inspection services). A maximum compensation amount is required to be included in the contract. This payment method shall be calculated as follows: (direct labor) x (current overhead rate) x (10% fixed fee) = not-to-exceed amount for specific scope or phase.
  - **2.2.2 Lump Sum**. This payment method provides for a specific total amount payable for the performance of the services. This payment method shall be used when the extent, scope, complexity, character, and duration of the work to be required can be determined to a degree that fair and reasonable compensation can be determined at the time of negotiation.
  - **2.2.3 Approved Overhead Rate.** The Consultant's overhead rate shall be reviewed by the Commission in accordance with the ODOT Specifications for Consulting Services. The Consultant must provide the Commission with an updated ODOT

Consultant Indirect Cost Rate Approval Certificate on an annual basis or when a new certificate is issued to the Consultant during the term of this Contract. The overhead rate for this Contract shall be approved by the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director and it shall be the Consultant's actual overhead rate, but in no case can the overhead rate exceed 160.00%. The rate may only be amended by mutual agreement of the parties in writing.

- 2.3 Contract Fee. The Commission shall pay the Consultant for its proper performance under this Contract an amount up to the not-to-exceed amount of \$ [insert], under the [Actual Cost Plus a Fixed Fee or Lump Sum] payment method, as set forth in Exhibit B, to perform the services. The Commission may amend the Contract in writing, prior to the performance of any modified or additional work, in order to incorporate additional Fee Proposals as sought by the Commission. Should the Commission authorize an amendment of this Contract for the performance of any additional services on this Project, any unexpended funds allocated for compensation to the Consultant for previously approved services may be reallocated or added to the not-to-exceed amount established for the performance of any other services.
- **2.4 Reimbursable Expenses.** No extra charges will be assessed for preparation of invoices, computer time, travel time to and from the job site, or for incidental material, services or equipment, except as hereinafter provided. The Commission agrees to pay the actual costs of telephone, printing, postage and other similar incidental expenses incurred by the Consultant in connection with any services performed pursuant to this Contract when such expenses are fully documented. In the event that specialized materials or equipment is required, they shall be provided by the Consultant at the expense of the Commission provided that the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director has given prior approval to such expenditure.
  - **2.4.1 Vehicles.** The Commission also agrees to reimburse the Consultant for the use of Consultant's vehicles (or vehicles of Consultant's employees) on the Project at the current flat daily rate set forth in the Commission's Professional Services method of Compensation. In order to be reimbursed, Consultant must provide documentation to substantiate the days on which travel using Consultant's vehicles or vehicles of Consultant's employees occurred for services performed under this Contract.
  - 2.4.2 Toll Free Access. The Consultant and its employees shall have toll-free passage on the Ohio Turnpike in performing work pursuant to this Contract. However, such toll-free passage shall be strictly prohibited for any personal use by the Consultant's employees. Non-Revenue transponders will be issued to the Consultant upon the submittal of a written request for the requested number of transponders. These transponders are for assigned project use only and it shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to manage and monitor the proper usage of these transponders. The Commission will audit these transponders on a regular basis and should unauthorized activity be detected, the authorization for non-revenue privilege may be revoked. These transponders shall be returned at the completion of the

- assignment. Should the Consultant return less than the number of transponders issued, there shall be a charge of \$100.00 per transponder for each one not returned.
- Meals and Lodging. During performance of said professional services, overnight 2.4.3 lodging will be provided for Consultant's employees only when it is deemed advantageous to the assignment, and prior approval in writing is granted by the Commission's Executive Director or Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director. In the event said overnight lodging has been approved by the Executive Director or the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director, the cost of meals and lodging shall be reimbursed at the Federal CONUS (Continental United States) per diem rates Government published established by the Federal and https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates. Consultant must provide documentation to verify the travel for which reimbursements are being requested. Travel reimbursement is based on the location of the work activities and not the accommodations. The location of the work activities shall be the city/county where a majority of the work is being performed for the Project
- 2.5 Reporting. The Consultant shall provide, and shall require all sub-consultants to provide, any requested data to determine compliance with the representations made in the approved SBE Participation Certification, Utilization Plan, Demonstration of Good Faith Efforts and Statements of Intent to Contract and Perform for each invoice through the Commission's online diversity compliance portal: https://ohioturnpike.diversitycompliance.com/Default.asp. The Consultant and all sub-consultants shall timely submit all required data prior to any reasonable due dates, and check the online diversity compliance portal on a regular basis to manage contact information and contract records. The Consultant shall require all sub-consultants to have completed all requested items and maintain contact information on record that is accurate and up to date. The Consultant shall include these disclosure and reporting requirements in all subcontracts under the Contract and further require that all subcontractors place the same obligation in each of their lower tier contracts. The Commission may require additional information related to compliance at any time before, during, or after contract award.
- **2.6 Taxes.** The Commission is a tax-exempt entity and will provide the Consultant with a copy of the Commission's tax exemption certificate.
- 2.7 Invoices and Payment. The Consultant shall submit invoices no more frequently than once a month in a form agreeable to the Commission. The Consultant shall render its invoices to the Commission on or about the 10th day of the month after any such services are performed. Invoices must reference the appropriate purchase order number. Undisputed invoices shall be due and payable by the Commission within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt thereof. Invoices for any other amounts will be submitted to the Commission as the amounts come due. For any services performed on a time and materials basis, the invoice will also state the total number of hours worked by each individual performing services during the preceding month. Invoices shall be accompanied by such supporting documentation as required by the Commission. The Commission may withhold payment for services that have not been properly performed or completed, and shall not be

responsible for cost overruns incurred by the Consultant due to errors and omissions by the Consultant made during the performance of its services on any Turnpike project. The Commission is in the process of implementing an automated invoicing system. Once that new system is fully implemented, Contractor will be required to submit all invoices using the new system.

2.8 Audit. The Consultant shall keep full and detailed records and accounts related to its rates, fee and reimbursable expenses and exercise such controls as may be necessary for proper financial management and to substantiate all costs incurred by implementing the accounting and control systems generally followed by consultants in the area or projects similar in nature. The accounting and control systems shall be satisfactory to the Commission. The Commission and the Commission's auditors shall, during regular business hours and upon reasonable notice, be afforded access to, and shall be permitted to audit and copy, the Consultant's records and accounts, including complete documentation supporting accounting entries, books, correspondence, instructions, drawings, receipts, subcontracts, Subcontractor's proposals, purchase orders, vouchers, memoranda and other data relating to this Contract. The Consultant shall preserve these records for a period of three years after final payment, or for such longer period as may be required by law.

# ARTICLE 3 TIME FOR COMPLETION

- 3.1 Time for Completion. Time is the essence of this Contract. The Consultant is to complete its work on or before March 31, 2028, unless the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director grants a request for an extension from the Consultant. Such extension request must be made in writing to the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director no later than seven (7) days following the date upon which any event occurs that gives rise to the need for additional time. The extension request must include a description of the event, the reasons why that event justifies an extension, the duration of the extension sought, and any other documentation requested by the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director.
- **3.2 Authorization to Proceed.** The Consultant is to proceed with the required services upon the execution of this Contract.

## ARTICLE 4 THIRD PARTIES

4.1 Assignment. Consultant may not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise transfer or dispose of its rights, title, interest in, or its duty to perform or supervise the performance of any of its obligations hereunder, to any other person, company, corporation or entity without the prior written approval of the Commission. Any purported assignment in violation of the preceding sentence will be void. Any approved assignment shall not relieve the Consultant from any of its responsibilities under the Contract or imply a willingness on the part of the Commission to give any subsequent or other consent, nor stop the Commission from

refusing same; nor shall any such consent confer upon any assignee or transferee any right to assign or transfer any rights conferred upon such transferee.

- sub-consultant commence performance of, any part of the work or services included in this Contract without the previous written approval of the Commission. Subcontracting, if permitted, shall not relieve the Consultant of any of its obligations under this Contract. The Consultant shall be and remain solely responsible to the Commission for the acts or faults of any sub-consultant and of such sub-consultant's officers, agents and employees, each of whom shall for this purpose, be considered an agent or employee of the Consultant to the extent of its subcontract. The Consultant shall file a conformed copy of the applicable subcontract with the Commission. The Consultant and any sub-consultant shall jointly and severally agree that the Commission is not obligated to pay or to be liable for the payment of any sums due to any sub-consultant. References to the Consultant in this Contract include authorized sub-consultants of the Consultant.
- 4.3 Waiver of Defense. The Consultant acknowledges and agrees it will not raise a third-party liability defense, and waives such defense, as to any claim, suit or action brought against the Consultant or Commission arising from Consultant's performance under the Contract, except where the claim, suit or action is based upon facts that occurred after an assignment or transfer of the entire Contract, which was consented to by the Commission in writing as required by Section 4.1 above.
- **4.4 Beneficiaries.** There are no intended third-party beneficiaries of any provision of this Contract.
- 4.5 Independent Contractor. The Consultant is an independent contractor for all purposes under this Contract. This is not an agreement of partnership or employment of the Consultant or any of the Consultant's employees by the Commission for the purpose of the Public Employees Retirement System ("PERS"), Workers' Compensation, or for any other purpose. The Consultant shall not pledge or attempt to pledge the credit of Commission or in any other way attempt to act on the Commission's behalf in an effort to bind the Commission to any additional agreements. The Consultant agrees to indemnify the Commission for any and all sums that are due and owing to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for withholding FICA and unemployment or other state and federal taxes. The Consultant further agrees to make such payments to the IRS and appropriate state authorities for withholding FICA and unemployment taxes.
- 4.6 Representations and Warranties. The Consultant represents and warrants that: (1) so far as the Consultant knows, no member, employee, or agent of the Commission has any interest, either direct or indirect, in the Contract; (2) the Consultant has not employed or procured the employment of anyone to solicit or secure the Contract with the Commission other than those disclosed in the Proposal; and (3) the Consultant will fulfill the representations in its Small Business Utilization Certification and Plan submitted with its Letter of Interest, which the Commission relied upon in selecting the Consultant for contract award; and (4) all materials, including their use by the Commission in unaltered

form, will not infringe any third party copyrights, patents or trade secrets that exist as of the date of this Contract and that arise or are enforceable under the laws of the United States of America. If the Commission shall hereafter determine that any of the foregoing representations is false, it may, upon written notice to the Consultant, immediately terminate the Contract and thereafter refuse to make payments thereunder, whether or not such payments are for Services already performed, and may also recover its damages, if any, for breach of warranty; or in the event such false representation was as to the existence of any agreement providing for a bonus, fee, commission, percentage, or other form of contingent compensation, the Commission may, in its discretion, elect to continue the Contract in force by deducting from the payments to be made thereunder to the Consultant the amount of such bonus, fee, commission, percentage, or other contingent payment.

## ARTICLE 5 INDEMNIFICATION

- **5.1 Generally.** The Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Commission, its Commission members, Executive Director, officers and employees ("Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all liability, including claims, demands, losses, damages, settlements, judgments, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees and any costs of defense) of every kind and description arising out of or in connection with, or occurring during the course of, performance of the Contract where such liability is:
  - **5.1.1** founded upon or grows out of the negligent acts, errors, omissions, undertakings, representations or warranties of the Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, independent consultants, or sub-consultants and only in the proportionate share of the tortious conduct of the Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, independent consultants, or sub-consultants;
  - 5.1.2 founded upon, or grows out of the death or injury of a third party that is proximately caused by the Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, independent consultants, or sub-consultants in its performance of the services under this Contract.
- **Application.** Nothing herein contained shall require the Consultant to reimburse the Commission for acts or omissions caused by the sole negligence of the Commission. The Consultant shall waive and shall not assert any claim against the Commission for any injury to persons, whether or not resulting in death, or any loss or damage to property occurring from any cause unless such injury, loss or damage is due solely to the negligence of the Commission, its agents or employees.
  - 5.2.1 If a regulatory body or court of competent jurisdiction finds that the Consultant is not an independent contractor or is not in compliance with applicable laws related to work as an independent contractor, based on the Consultant's own actions, the Consultant will assume full responsibility and liability for all taxes, assessments, and penalties imposed against the Consultant or the Commission resulting from that contrary interpretation, including taxes, assessments, and penalties that would have

- been deducted from the Consultant's earnings if the Consultant had been on the Commission's payroll and employed as a Commission employee.
- 5.2.2 If a third-party claim causes the Commission's quiet enjoyment or use of any product supplied by the Consultant to be seriously endangered or disrupted, or, should a court order be issued against the Commission restricting its use of any product and should the Consultant determine not to further appeal the claim issue, at the Commission's sole option, the Consultant shall provide at its sole expense, the following: Purchase for the Commission the rights to continue using the contested product(s); or Provide substitute products to the Commission which are, in the Commission's sole opinion, of equal or greater quality, or Refund all monies paid to the Consultant for the product(s) subject to the court action. The Consultant shall also pay to the Commission all reasonable related losses related to the product(s) and for all reasonable expenses related to the installation and conversion to the new product(s).
- **5.2.3** The indemnity obligations of the Consultant shall not be limited by the types, terms, conditions, or limits of liability of any insurance purchased and maintained by Consultant.
- **5.3** This agreement to hold harmless and indemnify shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

# ARTICLE 6 INSURANCE

- 6.1 Except for the Consultant's indemnification obligations with respect to infringement, the Consultant shall, at its expense, at all times during the performance of services hereunder, and for a period of ten (10) years thereafter, maintain liability insurance insuring themselves against the indemnification obligations throughout the term of the Contract and claims arising from wrongful acts, negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Consultant, its employees, agents, sub-consultants, or any other representatives of the Consultant involved in the work. The Consultant shall name the Commission as an additional insured as set forth in more detail below and shall be responsible for any retentions or deductibles due under the policies in the event of a claim. The Consultant shall require its sub-consultants to obtain insurance and shall be responsible for enforcement of its sub-consultants' obligation to obtain insurance, at limits appropriate to the exposures of the sub-consultant's work to satisfy the requirements hereunder. The policies the Consultant and its sub-consultants maintain shall be with companies authorized to do business in Ohio and rated "A" or above by A.M. Best Company or equivalent and carry the following coverages and limits:
  - **6.1.1** Comprehensive Commercial General Liability that includes the Commission as an additional insured for amount not less than \$1,000,000, including those resulting in death to any one person or persons and/or property damage arising from any one

- (1) accident and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, including coverage for: property damage, premises operations, liability for independent consultants, products liability, valuable papers, contractual liability and personal injury. The policy or policies shall be primary and non-contributory, provide coverage for on-going and completed operations, and shall not contain a provision that eliminates coverage for damages arising out of the negligence of the additional insured.
- 6.1.2 Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for bodily injury and property damage that includes the Commission as an additional insured for an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit. The policy or policies shall be primary and non-contributory and shall not contain a provision that eliminates coverage for damages arising out of the negligence of the additional insured.
- 6.1.3 Professional Liability Insurance for not less than \$2,000,000 for any one incident, and if not written on an occurrence basis, shall be maintained for a period of not less than two (2) years following the completion of the services under this Contract.
- **6.1.4** Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance Policy over primary general liability and automobile liability following the same terms as the underlying policies and in an amount not less than \$3,000,000.
- 6.2 Certificate of Insurance. Upon execution of this Contract, the Consultant shall submit to the Commission a certificate(s) of insurance and related additional insured endorsements with respect to the required policies. If the additional insured endorsements required above are not available at the execution date, the Consultant shall submit to the Commission a notation of the endorsement together with either a binder or an advice with respect to such endorsement. The endorsement shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the execution date hereof. The Consultant shall provide written notification to the Commission at least 30 days in advance of any cancellation or modification of the Consultant's insurance policy terms or coverage as set forth herein.
- **6.3 Copy of Insurance Policy.** Upon the execution of this Contract, the Consultant shall provide a copy of the insurance policy or policies required under this Contract after redacting proprietary or confidential information if applicable.
- **6.4 Workers' Compensation.** The Consultant shall also procure and maintain until the Contract has been fully and completely performed, Ohio Worker's Compensation Insurance covering all employees who engage in any work in connection with the performance of the Contract except employees hired in a state other than Ohio who will not engage in any work in the State of Ohio.
- 6.5 Notice. Within twenty-four (24) hours after the occurrence of any accident or other event that results in or might result in injury to the person or property of any person, which allegedly arises in any manner from the performance under the Contract or occurs in the area(s) for which the Consultant is responsible, the Consultant shall send written notice thereof to the Commission's General Counsel setting forth a full and precise statement of

the facts pertaining thereto, and send a copy of any summons, subpoena, notice or other documents served upon or received by the Consultant, or any agent, employee or representative of the Consultant, arising in any manner from the performance of the Contract or any part thereof.

# ARTICLE 7 PERFORMANCE AND SAFETY STANDARDS

- 7.1 The Consultant shall provide professional services as set forth in this Contract. The Consultant represents that it is properly licensed in the jurisdiction where the Project is located to provide the services required by this Contract or shall cause such services to be performed by appropriately licensed professionals.
- 7.2 The Consultant shall perform its services consistent with the professional skill and care ordinarily provided by consultants practicing in the same or similar locality under the same or similar circumstances. The Consultant shall perform its services as expeditiously as is consistent with such professional skill and care and the orderly progress of the Project.
- 7.3 The representative of the Commission that is authorized to act on behalf of the Commission with respect to the Project is the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director. The representative authorized to act on behalf of the Consultant with respect to the Project is:

[Name Address Address Telephone Fax Email]

- **7.4 Reasonable Behavior.** Each party will act in good faith in the performance of its respective responsibilities under the Contract and will not unreasonably delay, condition or withhold the giving of any consent, decision or approval that is either requested or reasonably required by the other party in order to perform its responsibilities under the Contract.
- **7.5 Public Records Act.** The Consultant acknowledges that the Commission is required to respond to all Public Record requests under Ohio law. The Consultant shall comply with the Public Record Act in all respects and shall not restrict or otherwise inhibit the Commission from complying.
- **7.6 Ownership of Materials.** Drawings, plans and other documents prepared by, or with the cooperation of, the Consultant pursuant to the Contract, including all copyrights, are works for hire under the United States Copyright Act and shall, upon payment therefore, become the property of the Commission, whether or not the project for which they are prepared is commenced or completed. If for any reason the product of the Consultant's services hereunder is determined at any time not to be a work made for hire, the Consultant

irrevocably transfers and assigns to the Commission all right, title and interest therein, including all copyrights, as well as all renewals and extensions thereto. Any materials prepared, created, produced by, or with the cooperation of, the Consultant pursuant to the Contract, including all copyrights, are the property of the Commission. The Consultant may retain copies, including reproducible copies of such drawings and other documents for information and reference. The Commission may use such drawings or other documents, or others employed by the Commission for reference in any completion, construction, correction, remodeling, renovation, reconstruction, alteration, modification of or addition to a project, without additional compensation to the Consultant.

**7.7 Non-Collusion.** The Consultant covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Contract. The Consultant further covenants that no person having any such interest shall be employed in the performance of this Contract.

### 7.8 Safety.

- 7.8.1 Consultant shall be responsible for the safety of its personnel related to and during the performance of Services required by this Contract and will take reasonable measures to ensure that it and its sub-consultants provide and maintain a safe working environment. Consultant shall ensure that its employees and the employees of its sub-consultants, before they begin and throughout their employment at any Project site, are made aware of the requirements of all applicable safety and health regulations including, but not limited to, Applicable Laws and are notified that compliance therewith is a condition of their continued employment. Consultant shall remove from the site any employees or sub-consultants that fail to abide by applicable health and safety regulations. Consultant shall not knowingly permit a hazardous, unsafe, unhealthy, or environmentally unsound condition or activity to be conducted at any Project site.
- 7.8.2 If Consultant becomes aware of any hazardous, unsafe, unhealthy or environmentally unsound condition at any Project site, it shall notify the Commission and take reasonable steps to eliminate, terminate, abate or rectify any condition over which Consultant has control. The Commission may, but is not obligated to, inspect at reasonable times, the Project site and Consultant's facilities and appropriate Project records to ascertain Consultant's and its sub-consultants' compliance with the requirements of this Contract; provided however, neither the existence nor exercise of such right will relieve Consultant of its responsibility for its own and its sub-consultants' compliance with this Contract, to always use due care in the performance of services and for fulfilling all of its other obligations hereunder with respect to health and safety.
- **7.8.3** Consultant shall promptly notify the Commission of any injury, death, loss or damage to persons, animals, or property, which is in any way related to Services performed under the Contract, even though such occurrence was not caused or consented to by Consultant, its employees, sub-consultants or agents. Smoking is

prohibited at the Project site. Consultant shall monitor the Commission's no smoking rule with respect to its employees and sub-consultants while they are working at the Project site.

# ARTICLE 8 SUSPENSION, DEFAULT, AND TERMINATION

- **8.1 Suspension.** The Commission may at any time prior to completion of the Contract temporarily suspend any Contract when it is determined to be in the Commission's interest. Such suspension shall be provided by written notice. If such Suspension is not lifted within 120 days from the notice of Suspension, the Consultant may request that the Contract be terminated.
- **8.2 Default.** Each of the following shall constitute an event of default by the Consultant:
  - **8.2.1** If the Consultant becomes insolvent, makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or consents to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or liquidator of all or substantially all of its property;
  - **8.2.2** If by order or decree of a court, the Consultant is adjudged bankrupt or an order is made approving a petition filed by any creditors or, if the Consultant is a corporation, by any of the stockholders of the Consultant, seeking its reorganization or the readjustment of its indebtedness under the federal bankruptcy laws or any law or statute of the United States or of any state thereof;
  - **8.2.3** If a petition under any part of the federal bankruptcy laws or an action under any present or future insolvency law or statute is filed against the Consultant and is not dismissed within ninety (90) days after the filing thereof;
  - **8.2.4** If any lien is filed against the Commission's property because of any act or omission of the Consultant and is not released or discharged by obtaining a bond at Consultant sole expense and cost within twenty (20) days;
  - **8.2.5** If the Consultant voluntarily abandons, deserts, vacates, or discontinues its operations;
  - **8.2.6** If the Consultant fails duly and punctually to pay any monies required hereunder within twenty (20) days after written notice;
  - **8.2.7** If the Consultant fails to keep, perform and observe any promise set forth herein on its part to be kept, performed or observed within five (5) days after receipt of notice of default from the Commission, except where fulfillment of its obligation requires activity over a period of time and Consultant has commenced whatever may be required to cure the failure to the satisfaction of the Commission within five (5) days after notice and continues such performance without interruption.

- **8.3** Remedies for Default. Upon occurrence of any Default or any time thereafter during the continuance thereof, the Commission may, at its option, exercise concurrently or successively any one or more of the following rights and remedies:
  - **8.3.1** Upon five (5) days' notice, terminate this Contract.
  - **8.3.2** Without waiving any default, pay any sum required to be paid by the Consultant to others than the Consultant and which the Consultant has failed to pay, and perform any obligation required to be performed by the Consultant hereunder, and any amounts to paid or expended by the Commission in fulfilling the obligations of Consultant hereunder, including all interest, costs, damages, attorneys' fees and penalties, shall be repaid by the Consultant to the Commission on demand with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of such payment or expenditure plus a twenty percent (20%) administrative fee.
  - **8.3.3** Invoke the dispute resolution provisions of this Contract.
- 8.4 Convenience Termination. In addition to the termination upon five (5) days' notice after an occurrence of default as provided above, the Commission may unilaterally terminate the Contract at any time for any reason by giving thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to the Consultant. If the Commission unilaterally terminates the Contract pursuant to this Section, the Consultant shall be paid all amounts due up to the termination date. The Commission and the Consultant may also mutually agree to terminate this Contract in writing.
- **8.5 Waiver.** No waiver by the Commission at any time of any of the terms or conditions of this Contract shall be deemed or taken as a waiver at any time thereafter of the same or any other term or condition herein or of the strict and prompt performance thereof. No delay, failure or omission of the Commission to exercise any right, power, privilege or option arising from any default, or subsequent payment then or thereafter accrued shall impair or be construed to impair any such right, power, privilege or option to waive any such default or relinquishment thereof, or acquiescence therein and no notice by the Commission shall be required to restore or revive any option, right, power, remedy or privilege after waiver by the Commission of default in one or more instances. No waiver shall be valid against the Commission unless reduced to writing and signed by an officer of the Commission duly empowered to execute same.
- **8.6 Force Majeure.** Neither party shall have liability to the other if it becomes unable to timely perform its obligations under this Contract due to labor disputes, fire, acts of God, tornados, flood, hurricane, earthquake, tidal wave, blizzard, or other natural disasters, acts of the state or federal government in their sovereign capacity, riots, civil commotion, quarantine restrictions, war, terrorism, incidence of disease or other illness that reaches outbreak, epidemic or pandemic proportions, unavoidable casualties, or other causes beyond their control.

### ARTICLE 9 NON-DISCRIMINATION

- **9.1 Non-discrimination**: The Consultant, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income status, or limited English proficiency in the selection and retention of sub-consultants, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Consultant will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- 9.2 Solicitations of Sub-consultants, including procurement of materials and equipment: In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation, made by the Consultant for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, the Consultant will notify each potential sub-consultant or supplier of the Consultant's obligations under this Contract The Consultant shall also include the provisions of this Article 9 in every sub-consulting agreement, subcontract, purchase order, lease or other such document.

### ARTICLE 10 LAW AND DISPUTES

- **10.1 Choice of Law.** The Contract shall be subject to the laws of the State of Ohio. All duties of either party shall be deemed performable and performed in the State of Ohio.
- **10.2 Informal Dispute Resolution.** At the written request of either party, the parties will attempt to resolve any dispute arising under, or relating to, the Contract through the informal means. Each party will appoint a senior management representative who does not devote substantially all of his or her time to performance under the Contract. The representatives will furnish to each other all non-privileged information with respect to the dispute that the parties believe to be appropriate and germane. The representatives will negotiate in an effort to resolve the dispute without the necessity of any formal proceeding.
- 10.3 Mediation. If the parties do not resolve their differences through Informal Dispute Resolution, the Commission may, at its sole discretion and election, choose to proceed with mediation governed by the most recently published Construction Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures of the American Arbitration Association, and the Consultant hereby agrees to engage in that process in accordance with those rules and procedures. The parties shall have 90 days from the date that a party serves notice of its claim on the other party to attempt to resolve their differences through mediation.
- **10.4 Formal Dispute Resolution Litigation.** If the parties do not resolve their differences through mediation, the dispute shall be resolved through litigation. Litigation may take place only in Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas or the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

### ARTICLE 11 GENERAL

- 11.1 Notices. All notices or communications required or permitted as a part of the Contract shall be in writing (unless another verifiable medium is expressly authorized) and shall be deemed delivered when:
  - 11.1.1 Actually received, or
  - 11.1.2 If not actually received, 3 days after transmittal through electronic mail receipt with a carbon copy sent through the United States Postal Service with proper postage affixed and addressed to the respective other party at the address set out below or such other address as the party may have designated by notice to the other party, or
  - **11.1.3** Upon delivery by the Commission of the notice to a representative of the Consultant while on the Commission property.

The addresses of the parties to this Contract are as follows:

In the case of the Commission:	with a copy to:
Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director Attn: Christopher A. Matta, P.E. 682 Prospect Street Berea, Ohio 44017 Chris.Matta@ohioturnpike.org In the case of the Consultant:	Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission General Counsel Attn: Jennifer Monty Rieker, Esq. 682 Prospect Street Berea, Ohio 44017 Jennifer.Rieker@ohioturnpike.org
[Jane Smith Address Address Telephone Email]	

- 11.2 Integration and Amendment. The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all other prior or contemporaneous communications between the parties (whether written or oral), and all other communications relating to the subject matter of the Contract. The Contract may be modified or extended by formal amendment of the Contract signed by the parties and made a permanent part of the Contract.
- 11.3 **Publicity.** Neither party may use the name or any data, pictures, or other representation of the other party in connection with any advertising or publicity materials or activities

without the prior written consent of the other party. However, the Consultant may include the Commission's name on its client list and may describe briefly, and in general terms, the nature of the work performed by the Consultant for the Commission. The parties further agree that, within a reasonable time following final acceptance, the parties may work toward developing a mutually agreeable statement for public use by the parties such as in marketing materials and in their reports to stockholders.

- 11.4 Video and Audio Recordings. The Commission has the right to video and/or audiotape any and all meetings, whether held at a Commission site, Consultant site, or via teleconference.
- designated as "confidential" or "business proprietary," the receiving party shall keep such information strictly confidential and shall not disclose it to any other person. The receiving party may disclose "confidential" or "business proprietary" information after seven (7) days' notice to the other party only when required by law, arbitrator's order, or court order, including a subpoena or other form of compulsory legal process issued by a court or governmental entity, or to the extent such information is reasonably necessary for the receiving party to defend itself in any dispute. The receiving party may also disclose such information to its employees, consultants, or contractors in order to perform services or work solely and exclusively for the Project, provided those employees, consultants and contractors are subject to the restrictions on the disclosure and use of such information as set forth in this paragraph.
- 11.6 Severability. The invalidity of any provision of the Contract shall not invalidate the Contract or its remaining provisions. If it is determined that any provision of the Contract violates any law, or is otherwise invalid or unenforceable, then that provision shall be revised to the extent necessary to make that provision legal and enforceable. In such case the Contract shall be construed, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to give effect to the parties' intentions and purposes in executing the Contract.
- 11.7 Construction of this Contract. All terms and words used in this Contract, regardless of the number and gender in which they are used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine, or neuter, as the context or sense of this Contract or any paragraph or clause in the Contract may require, the same as if such words have been fully and properly written in the number and gender. Any act to be performed under the Contract by the "Commission" may be performed by the Executive Director or by such of its employees or such other persons, corporations or firms as the Executive Director may designate. "Executive Director" when used herein, shall refer to the Executive Director of the Commission and include the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director and the CFO/Comptroller. The headings of Articles and Paragraphs, to the extent used herein, are for reference only, and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of any provision hereof.

- 11.8 Counterparts. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be deemed an original, but such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- **11.9 Authority.** The undersigned signatory for the Consultant hereby represents and warrants that he or she has full and complete authority to execute the Contract on behalf of the Consultant. This representation and warranty is made for the purpose of inducing the Commission to execute the Contract.
- **11.10 Electronic Signatures.** The parties agree that for purposes of facilitating the signing of this Contract, an electronic signature or an electronic or facsimile transmission of a signature shall be an original signature for all purposes.

### 11.11 Affirmations Regarding Expenditure of Public Funds Offshore.

- 11.11.1 Executive Order 2019-12D Governing the Expenditure of Public Funds for Offshore Services PROHIBITION OF THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR OFFSHORE SERVICES. This Executive Order was signed on March 4, 2019, and will automatically expire ten (10) calendar days after Governor DeWine's last day as Governor of Ohio unless rescinded before then. The Commission shall enter into any contract which uses any funds within its control to purchase services which will be provided outside the United States. The Consultant must complete the Contractor/Subcontractor Affirmation and Disclosure Form affirming the Consultant understands and will meet the requirements of the above prohibition. During the performance of the Contract, if any award is made, if the Consultant changes the location(s) disclosed on the Affirmation and Disclosure Form, the Consultant must complete and submit a revised Affirmation and Disclosure Form reflecting such changes.
- 11.11.2 Executive Order 2022-02D - State of Ohio's Response to Russia's Unjust War on the Country of Ukraine - PROHIBITION OF THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR OFFSHORE SERVICES. This Executive Order was issued on March 3, 2022, and will remain in effect unless rescinded or modified by a future Executive Order of the Governor. The Commission will not enter into any contract to purchase services provided outside of the United States or that allows Commission data to be sent, taken, accessed, tested, maintained, backed-up, stored, or made available remotely outside (located) of the United States, unless a duly signed waiver from the State has been attained. Notwithstanding any other terms of the Contract, the Commission reserves the right to recover any funds paid for services the Consultant performs outside of the United States for which it did not receive a waiver. The Commission will not waive any other rights and remedies provided to the State or Commission in a Contract. The Commission will not make any purchase from or investment in any Russian institution or company. Notwithstanding any other terms of the Contract, the Commission reserves the right to recover any funds paid to Consultant for

purchases or investments in a Russian institution or company in violation of this paragraph. The provisions of this paragraph will expire when the applicable Executive Order is no longer effective. The Consultant must complete the Contractor/Subcontractor Affirmation and Disclosure Form affirming the Consultant understands and will meet the requirements of the above prohibition. During the performance of the Contract, if any award is made, if the Consultant changes the location(s) disclosed on the Affirmation and Disclosure Form, Consultant must complete and submit a revised Affirmation and Disclosure Form reflecting such changes.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have caused this Contract to be executed as of the last date written below.

[CONSULTANT]	OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION
Ву:	By: Ferzan M. Ahmed, P.E. Executive Director
Date:	Date:
	APPROVED:  Jennifer Monty Rieker, Esq.  General Counsel
	Date: