

## Question & Answers:

(Answers are in **red text** as well as being labeled "Answer")

Q 1: To assist with the requested staff hour estimates, could you please provide the following:

- Inspection frequencies for the structures in the inventory
  - *Yearly inspections for segmental bridges. Yearly inspections for straddle piers. Six (6) month intervals for the segmental bridges walk-through. Bi-annual inspections for all other items.*
- Clarification if the staff hour estimates for the 36 month duration
  - *Yes*
- Clarification of what activities the hours should be for
  - *See Question 2*

Q 2: The scope references the following activities, can you clarify which of these activities should be included in the staff hour estimates:

- Bridge Inspections
- Overhead Sign Inspection
- Toll Gantry Inspection
- High Mast Light Pole Inspection
- Traffic Signal Mast Arm Inspection
- ~~Nondestructive Testing~~ *Do not include*
- ~~Bridge Load Rating Evaluation~~ *Do not include*
- ~~Bridge Hydrographic Survey Evaluation~~ *Do not include*
- Underwater Dive Inspection
- ~~Post Storm Assessment Inspection/inspection/Emergency Inspection services~~ *Do not include*

Q 3: For the three past similar projects requested on Form 6, are these required to be completed projects or can ongoing projects be provided?

Answer- *Either completed or on-going projects are acceptable*

Q 4: Note 3, on Page 86 of 114 states "Concrete post-tensioned superstructure bridges shall be fully inspected every year". Can THEA please define what elements of the structure will be included in this annual inspection?

Answer- *Concrete Segmental Box structures on the Reversible Express Lanes and the Selmon West Extension, and the Straddle Bents on the Reversible Express Lanes.*

Q 5: Page 87 states the following: "Every visible surface of all members of each structure must be examined by a hands-on inspection process. Provide all access, reach, etc. equipment necessary to complete the inspection. The use of ladders and standard safe climbing and tool handling procedures are required."

- For Traffic Signal Mast Arms and High Mast Light Poles, Can THEA please define the elements and limits of said elements that will require a hands-on inspections.

*Answer- For Traffic Signal Mast Arms all elements will require hands-on inspections (foundations, uprights, and arms). High Mast Light Poles will require hands-on inspections of foundation, anchor bolts, base plate, handhole elements, pole splices, luminaire apparatus, and lowering devices.*

Q 6: Regarding Attachment 3 – Scope of Services mentions a “THEA Ancillary Structure (Inspection) Policy.”

Can you please provide us with a copy of this document?

Please refer to work items 12.2.4 and 12.3.4; pages 87,88, 97, and 98 of 114

*Answer- Please find attached documents – “Ancillary Structure Inspection Field Guide Handbook 2010.pdf” and “THEA Ancillary Structures Policy 01-20-2022\_v01.xlsx”*

Q 7: Do we need to include proof of our insurance in the proposal?

*Answer- No, it only needs to be provided by the selected firm within 10 days of NTP*

Q 8: Are we allowed to include the THEA logo in the proposal?

*Answer- Yes*

Q 9: To provide the requested man-hour effort, could THEA provide a template or a format delineating the type and quantity of services required for bridge inspections, and load rating analysis?

*Answer- See attached staff hour spreadsheet*

Q 10: Can a consulting firm pursuing this contract as a Prime also be part of another team in a role as a subconsultant?

*Answer- Primes for one submittal are permitted to be listed as a sub-consultant under another submitting Prime.*

Q 11: Our firm is a State of Florida MBE and a City of Tampa MBE, will this qualify us for the 5 SBE points?

*Answer- Per our SBE Policy:*

*“An SBE means a business enterprise that has obtained the required registration or certification from any of the following governmental entities in any one of the categories listed below:*

*Hillsborough County as a WMBE or SBE*

*City of Tampa as a WMBE or SBE*

*Florida Department of Transportation as a DBE*

*State of Florida as an MBE as defined in section 288.703(2), Florida Statutes or as an*

*SBE as defined in section 288.703(1), Florida Statutes*

*Small Business Administration as an SBE or SBA 8(a)*

*Other governmental entities in the Greater Tampa Bay Area as an SBE, MBE, DBE, or WMBE. (Greater Tampa Bay Area means Hillsborough, Pinellas, Polk, Pasco, and Manatee Counties)”*

*You will need to submit registration/certification from the City and the State within the proposal.*