

#### ST. TAMMANY PARISH MICHAEL B. COOPER PARISH PRESIDENT

# NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH

St. Tammany Parish Government is seeking responses for the following project:

#### RFP# 24-20-3 - Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal

This RFP is available online at: LaPAC – Louisiana Procurement and Contract Network:<u>https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=1</u> <u>85</u>

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Responses will be received by the Department of Procurement, **until 2:00pm CST Tuesday**, **January 7, 2025.** RFP responses will be opened publicly at the physical location as stated in Section 1.4 of the RFP documents and only respondents who have submitted an RFP response shall be identified aloud. Prices shall not be read. Each response will be evaluated by designated Parish personnel after the submission deadline and public opening has passed.

Each Proposal must be sealed. The outside of the envelope, box or package should be marked with the Proposer's Name and Address, the Proposal Name, the RFP #, and the Proposal Opening Date. The successful Respondent must supply St. Tammany Parish Government with all required documentation as specified in the RFP documents. Said Respondent must also be in Good Standing and licensed to do business in the State of Louisiana.

Proposals will be received at the St. Tammany Parish Government Department of Procurement Office, 21454 Koop Dr., Suite 2F, Mandeville LA., 70471 from each Respondent or his agent, or by certified mail with return receipt requested.

Procurement Department

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

# **ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT**

# **Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal**



RFP Number: 24-20-3

Proposal Opening Date: January 7, 2025

Proposal Opening Time: 2:00 PM

December 2, 2024

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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR COORDINATION & MONITORING OF DEBRIS REMOVAL

# PART I: OVERVIEW

#### 1.1 Background/Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to obtain proposals from qualified Proposers who are interested in providing all labor, equipment and materials to perform post-emergency coordination and monitoring services of The Push and/or for the Emergency Debris Removal & Disposal (EDR&D) contracts and/or Waterway Debris Removal & Disposal (WWDR), when activated. Submittal of a proposal does not create any right or expectation to a contract with the Parish.

#### 1.2 Definitions

- A. <u>Shall</u> The term "shall" denotes mandatory requirements.
- B. <u>Must</u> The term "must" denotes mandatory requirements.
- C. <u>May</u> The term "may" denotes an advisory or permissible action.
- D. <u>Should</u> The term "should" denotes a desirable action.
- E. <u>Provider</u> A Proposer who contracts with the Parish.
- F. Parish St. Tammany Parish Government.

G. <u>Discussions-</u> For the purposes of this RFP, a formal, structured means of conducting written or oral communications/presentations with responsible Proposers who submit proposals in response to this RFP.

- H. <u>RFP</u> Request for Proposal.
- I. <u>Proposer</u> Person or entity responding to this RFP.
- J. <u>Agreement</u> A contract between the Provider and the Parish.

K. <u>Evaluation Committee</u> – Committee established for the purposes of evaluating proposals submitted in response to this RFP.

#### 1.3 Schedule of Events

	Date	<u>Time (CT)</u>
1. RFP Available	December 4, 2024	8:30 AM
2. Pre-Proposal Conference (if required):*	December 13, 2024	10:00 AM
3. Deadline to receive written inquiries	December 19, 2024	2:00 PM
4. Deadline to answer written inquiries	January 2, 2025	2:00 PM
5. Proposal Opening Date (deadline for submitting proposals)	January 7, 2025	2:00 PM
6. Oral discussions with proposers, if applicable	TBD	
7. Notice of Intent to Award to be mailed	TBD	
8. Contract Initiation	TBD	

# NOTE: The Parish reserves the right to revise this schedule. Any such revision will be formalized by the issuance of an addendum to the RFP.

#### 1.4 Proposal Submittal

This RFP is available online at: LaPAC – Louisiana Procurement and Contract

Network:https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=1 85

**NOTE:** LaPAC is the State's online electronic solicitation notification system on the Office of State Procurement website. LaPAC provides an immediate e-mail notification to subscribing vendors of a STPGOV solicitation and any addenda posted. To receive the e-mail notification, vendors must register in the LaGov portal. Registration is intuitive at the following link: https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest\_user=self\_reg

It is the Proposer's responsibility to check the LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that may be issued. The Parish is not responsible for a proposer's failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an RFP.

All proposals shall be received by the Procurement Department <u>no later than the date and time</u> <u>shown in the Schedule of Events.</u>

# Important - - Clearly mark outside of the sealed envelope, box or package with the following information and format:

- X Name and Address of Proposer
- X **Proposal Name: Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal**
- X **RFP #: 24-20-3**
- X Proposal Opening Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2025

Proposals may only be sent via certified mail, hand-delivery or courier service to our physical location at:

St. Tammany Parish Government Procurement Department 21454 Koop Drive, Suite 2F Mandeville, Louisiana 70471

Proposer is solely responsible for ensuring that its courier service provider makes inside deliveries to our physical location. The Parish is not responsible for any delays caused by the proposer's chosen means of proposal delivery.

Proposer is solely responsible for the timely delivery of its proposal. Failure to meet the proposal opening date and time shall result in rejection of the proposal.

If the Proposer <u>has not</u> done business with the Parish, the Proposer should submit a <u>W-9</u> with their response.

#### 1.5 **Proposal Response Format**

Proposals submitted for consideration should follow the format and order of presentation described below:

A. <u>**Cover Letter:**</u> The cover letter should exhibit the Proposer's understanding and approach to the project. It should contain a summary of Proposer's ability to perform the services described in the RFP and confirm that Proposer is willing to perform those services and enter into a contract with the Parish.

**ATTENTION:** Please indicate in the Cover Letter which of the following applies to the signer of this proposal. Evidence of signature authority shall be provided upon the Parish's request.

- 1. The signer of the proposal is either a corporate officer who is listed on the most current annual report on file with the secretary of state <u>or</u> a member of a partnership or partnership in commendam as reflected in the most current partnership records on file with the secretary of state. A copy of the annual report or partnership record must be submitted to the Parish before contract award.
- 2. The signer of the proposal is a representative of the Proposer authorized to submit this proposal as evidenced by documents such as, corporate resolution, certification as to corporate principal, etc. If this applies, a copy of the resolution, certification or other supportive documents must be submitted to the Parish before contract award.

The cover letter should also:

- 1. Identify the submitting Proposer and provide its federal tax identification number;
- 2. Identify the name, title, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of each person authorized by the Proposer to contractually obligate the Proposer; and
- 3. Identify the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address of the contact person for technical and contractual clarifications throughout the evaluation period.
- B. **Table of Contents:** Organized in the order cited in the format contained herein.
- C. **Proposer Qualifications and Experience:** History and background of Proposer, related services provided to government entities, existing customer satisfaction, volume of merchants, etc. Proposer should specifically provide a description of all relevant consulting assignments similar to the Project requested herein which have been completed by the Proposer within the last three (3) years ("Recent Projects").

The description of any such Recent Projects should include the following:

- 1. Name of the client;
- 2. Year of the assignment and length of time to complete the project;
- 3. Nature of the services rendered; and
- 4. Professionals assigned to the project who are also proposed to serve on this assignment.
- D. **Proposed Solution/Technical Response:** Illustrating and describing proposed technical solution and compliance with the RFP requirements.
- E. <u>Innovative Concepts</u>: Presentation of innovative concepts, if any, for consideration.
- F. **Project Schedule:** Detailed schedule of implementation plan. This schedule is to include implementation actions, timelines, responsible parties, etc.
- G. <u>Financial Proposal</u>: Proposer's fees and other costs, if any, shall be submitted on Attachment "A". Prices proposed shall be firm for the duration of the contract. This financial proposal shall include any and all costs the Proposer wishes to have considered in the contractual arrangement with the Parish.
- H. <u>**References:**</u> Proposer should provide names, addresses, telephone numbers and contact persons for five (5) other public jurisdictions for which comparable services have recently been rendered, including a description of the services provided.
- I. <u>**Customer Service:**</u> Each Proposer should submit a provision for customer service, including personnel assigned, toll-free number, and account inquiry, etc.

- J. <u>**Resumes:**</u> Each Proposer should submit resumes for account manager, designated customer service representative(s) and any other key personnel to be assigned to this Project, including those of sub Providers, if any.
- K. <u>Additional Information:</u> Each Proposer should submit any other information deemed pertinent by the Proposer including terms and conditions which the Proposer wishes the Parish to consider.
- L. <u>Acknowledgment and Waiver:</u> Proposer shall execute and have notarized an Acknowledgment and Waiver (Attachment "C" hereto).
- M. <u>Multiple Copies of Response:</u> Each Proposer shall submit one (1) signed original response. Four (4) additional copies of the proposal should be provided and one (1) electronic copy via USB or CD.

# PART II: SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES

#### 2.1 Scope of Work/Services

The Parish has pre-positioned contracts to push debris out of the Parish's roadway network (The Push) and Emergency Debris Removal and Disposal (EDR&D) from public ROWs in unincorporated St. Tammany Parish and or Waterway Debris Removal & Disposal (WWDR) in Parish waterways. If activated, the Parish, in coordination with the Monitoring & Coordination Contractor, will administer either one or all contracts for The Push; EDR&D or WWDR at the Parish's discretion. The Contractor shall monitor and manage the coordination of The Push, EDR&D, WWDR Contracts as the Parish Designated Agent (PDA). The Contractor will be responsible for insuring that all work performed and ticketed under The Push, EDR&D & WWDR contracts meets all FEMA Program requirements and any other applicable agencies, as well as requirements of specific FEMA Project Worksheets and any other applicable laws, regulations or policies. Detailed reporting and documentation will be required for FEMA and the Parish and is to include an online portal with a live map for the purpose of tracking tickets, areas of completion, etc. Successful bidder will provide a grid of area, invoices, tracking of personnel etc. Debris or work not conforming to FEMA requirements and NRCS requirements shall not be issued tickets for the ineligible work or debris. More than one event activation is possible during the contract period.

Additionally, the Contractor shall follow all requirements and responsibilities set forth in Attachment "I" Scope of Services and in all FEMA, GOHSEP or LDEQ or other agency issued regulations, policies, directives or other guidance applicable to debris removal and related monitoring.

Monitors for waterway debris removal should have verified experience (recent/1 to 2 year) with DNR, Corps of Engineers NOLA District, CPRA and LDWF Scenic River Permits.

Only positions and rates authorized by the agreement will be utilized to perform the work under the RFP. Any positions or rates billed to STPG for work other than those stated in contract will not be paid by STPG.

All work performed shall be subject to all requirements stated in:

LDEQ State of Louisiana Comprehensive Plan for Disaster Clean-up & Debris Management https://www.deq.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/Solid-Waste/DebrisManagementPlan040219.pdf

and

FEMA's Public Assistance Debris Management Guide, FEMA 325 https://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/grant/pa/demagde.pdf

This project is federally grant funded and therefore requires the Proposer to have a Unique Entity Identification number (UEI). The Proposer should submit with their response their UEI number. If the Proposer does not have a UEI already, then they must register at the below link before an award can be made.

https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration

#### 2.2 Period of Agreement

The term of any contract resulting from this solicitation shall begin on the date of the Parish President's signature or approval in writing by the Parish President or designee. This contract may be extended for four (4) additional periods of one (1) year each, beginning January 1, 2026, under the same terms and conditions if the Parish and Vendor agree. Notice of intent to renew will be issued in writing by the Parish. The contract shall terminate pursuant to the terms and conditions of section 5.31 herein, the terms and conditions of the contract, operation of law, as agreed between the parties, or upon satisfactory completion of all services and obligations described in the contract.

#### 2.3 Price Schedule

Prices proposed by the Proposers shall be firm for the term of the contract.

#### 2.4 Deliverables

The deliverables listed in this section are the minimum desired from the successful Proposer. Every Proposer should describe what deliverables will be provided per their proposal and how the proposed deliverables will be provided.

#### 2.5 Location

The Contractor shall coordinate and monitor removal of all storm or emergency related debris from public rights of way within un-incorporated St. Tammany Parish and, when declared, from private rights of ways.

Incorporated areas and/or state roadways or rights of way within St. Tammany Parish may be identified and included as eligible areas by FEMA and included within the scope of work **if approved by the Parish in writing**. Such work shall be performed by the Contractor and the same unit prices/rates will be used for work performed in these areas. The Contractor will conduct the work so as not to interfere with other disaster response and recovery activities of Federal, State and local governments or agencies or any public utilities.

Actual locations for work to be performed will be determined by the Parish Dept. of Public Works according to the magnitude and intensity of the disaster or emergency event with the potential for parish-wide mobilization. The Parish may elect to not activate this Contract. It may, at its discretion, elect to activate one, both or neither debris removal contracts (the Push and/or EDR&D contracts) depending on the magnitude and intensity of the emergency disaster event.

# PART III: EVALUATION

The Proposer must clearly designate that they meet each category of the scoring criteria stated below. The Proposer must briefly describe how their company satisfies the requirement and where in their response supports that requirement. Failure to comply with this requirement may negatively affect the overall score. Please refer to Attachment F-2.

The evaluation committee shall assign points to its evaluation of each Proposal as follows:

Evaluation Criteria	Possible Points
Compliance with the RFP	15
Understanding of the Project	10
Approach to the Project	15
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	20
Qualifications of the Proposer, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the Project	20
Overall costs and fees to be charged	10
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship	10
Total	100

The proposal will be evaluated in light of the material and the substantiating evidence presented to the Parish, not on the basis of what may be inferred.

The scores will be combined to determine the overall score. The Proposer with the highest overall score will be recommended for award.

# PART IV: PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

#### 4.1 **Performance Requirements**

The Contractor will be required to attend the "St. Tammany Parish Annual Emergency Kickoff Meeting" held at the Emergency Operations Center in Covington, LA annually prior to the start of the hurricane season. Other mandatory meetings are described in Attachment I to this RFP.

The Contractor is responsible for establishing, implementing and effectively maintaining processes and procedures designed to provide assurance regarding the achievement of objectives in the following categories:

- (a) Effectiveness and efficiency of operations;
- (b) Reliability of reporting for internal and external use; and
- (c) Compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

In addition, the Contractor is responsible for Internal control over compliance requirements for Federal funding provided to St. Tammany Parish Government for the purpose of debris removal, disposal and related recovery operations. Internal control over compliance requirements for Federal awards/funding means a process implemented by a non-Federal entity and/or Contractor designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of the following objectives:

(a) Transactions are properly recorded and accounted for, in order to:

(1) Permit the preparation of reliable financial reports, including but not limited to, contractor billing invoices, requests for change orders, cost estimates, etc.

(2) Demonstrate compliance with Federal, State and local statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal funding agency, this RFP and all terms and conditions of any contract issued thereunder;
 (b) Transactions are executed in compliance with:

(1) Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the contract that could have a direct and material effect on the Federal agency's program; and

(2) Any other Federal statutes and regulations which apply to the work.

#### 4.2 **Performance Measurement/Evaluation**

Performance measurement and evaluation will be based on the level of effort guidance in FEMA 327, *"Public Assistance Debris Monitoring Guide"* and the Contractor's ability to provide appropriate and accurate project documentation. The Contractor is expected to work efficiently and effectively, including billing labor rates which are commensurate with the task(s) performed. All time billed under the Contract must be supported by signed timesheets and signed Daily Activity Logs for all positions billed. Volume of work completed by debris removal contractors and number of crews working will also be used to evaluate performance of the monitoring Contractor.

# PART V: GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 5.1 Legibility/Clarity

Responses to the requirements of this RFP in the formats requested are desirable with all questions answered in as much detail as practicable. The Proposer's response is to demonstrate an understanding of the requirements. Proposals shall be prepared providing a straightforward, concise description of the Proposer's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP. Each Proposer is solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of its proposal.

#### 5.2 Confidential Information, Trade Secrets, and Proprietary Information

The designation of certain information as trade secrets and/or privileged or confidential proprietary information shall only apply to the technical portion of the proposal. The cost proposal will not be considered confidential under any circumstance. Any proposal copyrighted or marked as confidential or proprietary in its entirety may be rejected without further consideration or recourse.

For the purposes of this procurement, the provisions of the Louisiana Public Records Act (LSA-R.S. 44.1, *et. seq.*) will be in effect. Pursuant to this Act, all proceedings, records, contracts, and other public documents relating to this procurement shall be open to public inspection. Proposers are reminded that while trade secrets and other proprietary information they submit in conjunction with this procurement may not be subject to public disclosure, protections must be claimed by the Proposer at the time of submission of its Technical Proposal. Proposers should refer to the Louisiana Public Records Act for further clarification.

The Proposer must clearly designate the part of the proposal that contains a trade secret and/or privileged or confidential proprietary information as "confidential" in order to claim protection, if any, from disclosure. The Proposer shall mark the cover sheet of the proposal with the following legend, specifying the specific section(s) of his proposal sought to be restricted in accordance with the conditions of the legend:

"The data contained in pages \_\_\_\_\_\_of the proposal have been submitted in confidence and contain trade secrets and/or privileged or confidential information and such data shall only be disclosed for evaluation purposes, provided that if a contract is awarded to this Proposer as a result of or in connection with the submission of this proposal, the Parish of St. Tammany shall have the right to use or disclose the data therein to the extent provided in the contract. This restriction does not limit the Parish of St. Tammany's right to use or disclose data obtained from any source, including the Proposer, without restrictions."

Further, to protect such data, each page containing such data shall be specifically identified and marked "CONFIDENTIAL".

Proposers must be prepared to defend the reasons why the material should be held confidential. If a competing proposer or other person seeks review or copies of another proposer's confidential data, the Parish will notify the owner of the asserted data of the request. If the owner of the asserted data does not want the information disclosed, it must agree to indemnify the Parish and hold the Parish harmless against all actions or court proceedings that may ensue (including attorney's fees), which seek to order the Parish to disclose the information. If the owner of the asserted data refuses to indemnify and hold the state harmless, the Parish may disclose the information.

The Parish reserves the right to make any proposal, including proprietary information contained therein, available to Parish personnel, the Parish Council, or other Parish and state agencies or organizations for the sole purpose of assisting the Parish in its evaluation of the proposal. The Parish shall require said individuals to protect the confidentiality of any specifically identified proprietary information or privileged business information obtained as a result of their participation in these evaluations.

If your proposal contains confidential information, you should also submit a redacted copy along with your proposal. If you do not submit the redacted copy, you will be required to submit this copy within 48 hours of notification from the Procurement Department. When submitting your redacted copy, you should clearly mark the cover as such - "REDACTED COPY" - to avoid having this copy reviewed by an evaluation committee member. The redacted copy should also state which sections or information have been removed.

#### 5.3 **Proposal Clarifications Prior to Submittal**

#### 5.3.1 Pre-proposal Conference

# A Non-Mandatory Pre-proposal Conference shall be held at 10:00 AM CST/CDT on Friday, December 13, 2024, at 21454 Koop Drive, Mandeville, LA 70471, Building B, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Staff Conference Room.

Prospective Proposers may participate in the conference to obtain clarification of the requirements of the RFP and to receive answers to relevant questions. Any firm intending to submit a proposal should have at least one duly authorized representative attend the Pre-proposal Conference.

Although impromptu questions will be permitted and spontaneous answers will be provided during the conference, the only official answer or position of the Parish will be stated in writing in response to written questions.

#### 5.3.2 **Proposer Inquiry Periods**

The Parish shall not and cannot permit an open-ended inquiry period, as this creates an unwarranted delay in the procurement cycle and Parish operations. The Parish reasonably expects and requires *responsible and interested* proposers to conduct their in-depth proposal review and submit inquiries in a timely manner.

An inquiry period is hereby firmly set for all interested Proposers to perform a detailed review of the proposal documents and to submit any written inquiries relative thereto. *Without exception*, all inquiries MUST be submitted in writing by an authorized representative of the Proposer, clearly cross-referenced to the relevant solicitation section (even if an answer has already been given to an oral question during a Pre-proposal Conference). All inquiries must be received by the close of business on the Inquiry Deadline date set forth in Section 1.3 Schedule of Events of this RFP. Only those inquiries received by the established deadline shall be considered by the Parish. Inquiries received after the established deadline shall not be entertained.

Inquiries concerning this solicitation may be delivered by e-mail or hand-delivery to:

St. Tammany Parish Government Procurement Department Attn: Director of Procurement 21454 Koop Drive, Suite 2F Mandeville, Louisiana 70471 E-Mail: procurement@stpgov.org

An addendum will be issued and posted on LaPAC (Louisiana Procurement and Contract Network)<u>https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=1</u> <u>85</u> to address all inquiries received and any other changes or clarifications to the solicitation. Thereafter, all proposal documents, including but not limited to the specifications, terms, conditions, plans, etc., will stand as written and/or amended by any addendum. No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be executed by any Proposer as a result of any oral discussions with any Parish employee or Parish consultant. It is the Proposer's responsibility to check the LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that may be issued. The Parish is not responsible for a Proposer's failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an RFP.

#### 5.3.3 Blackout Period

The Blackout Period is a specified period of time during a competitive sealed procurement process in which any Proposer, Bidder, or its Agent or Representative is prohibited from communicating with any Parish employee or Provider of the Parish involved in any step in the procurement process about the affected procurement. The Blackout Period applies not only to Parish employees, but also to any Provider of the Parish. "Involvement" in the procurement process includes but may not be limited to project management, design, development, implementation, procurement management, development of specifications, and evaluation of proposals for a particular procurement. All solicitations for competitive sealed procurements will identify a designated contact person, as per Section 5.3.2 of this RFP. All communications to and from potential Proposers, Bidders, vendors and/or its representatives during the Blackout Period must be in accordance with this solicitation's defined method of communication with the designated contact person. The Blackout Period will begin upon posting of the solicitation. The Blackout Period will end when the Contract is awarded.

In those instances, in which a prospective Proposer is also an incumbent Provider, the Parish and the incumbent Provider may contact each other with respect to the existing contract only. Under no circumstances may the Parish and the incumbent Provider and/or its representative(s) discuss the blacked-out procurement.

Any Bidder, Proposer, or Parish Provider who violates the Blackout Period may be liable to the Parish in damages and/or subject to any other remedy allowed by law. Further, failure to comply with these requirements may result in the Proposal's disqualification.

Any costs associated with cancellation or termination will be the responsibility of the Proposer or Bidder.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Blackout Period shall not apply to:

- 1. Duly noticed site visits and/or conferences for Bidders or Proposers;
- 2. Oral presentations during the evaluation process; or
- 3. Communications regarding a particular solicitation between any person and staff of the procuring agency provided the communication is limited strictly to matters of procedure. Procedural matters include deadlines for decisions or submission of proposals and the proper means of communicating regarding the procurement, but shall not include any substantive matter related to the particular procurement or requirements of the RFP.

#### 5.4 Errors and Omissions in Proposal

The Parish will not be liable for any error in the proposal. Proposer will not be allowed to alter proposal documents after the deadline for proposal submission, except under the following condition: the Parish reserves the right to make corrections or clarifications due to patent errors identified in proposals by the Parish or the Proposer. The Parish, at its option, has the right to request clarification or additional information from the Proposer.

#### 5.5 Performance Bond

Omitted as not applicable to this RFP.

#### 5.6 Changes, Addenda, Withdrawals

The Parish reserves the right to change the Schedule of Events or issue Addenda to the RFP at any time. The Parish also reserves the right to cancel or reissue the RFP.

If the Proposer needs to submit changes or addenda, such shall be submitted in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer, cross-referenced clearly to the relevant proposal section, prior to the proposal opening, and should be submitted in a sealed envelope. Such shall meet all requirements for the proposal.

#### 5.7 Withdrawal of Proposal

A Proposer may withdraw a proposal that has been submitted at any time up to the proposal closing date and time. To accomplish this, a written request signed by the authorized representative of the Proposer must be submitted to the Procurement Department.

#### 5.8 Material in the RFP

Proposals shall be based only on the material contained in this RFP. The RFP includes official responses to questions, addenda, and other material, which may be provided by the Parish pursuant to the RFP.

#### 5.9 Waiver of Administrative Informalities

The Parish reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to waive administrative informalities contained in any proposal.

#### 5.10 Proposal Rejection

Issuance of this RFP in no way constitutes a commitment by the Parish to award a contract. The Parish reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted or to cancel this RFP if it is in the best interest of the Parish to do so.

#### 5.11 Ownership of Proposal

All materials (paper content only) submitted in response to this request become the property of the Parish. Selection or rejection of a response does not affect this right. All proposals submitted will be retained by the Parish and not returned to Proposers. Any copyrighted materials in the response are not transferred to the Parish.

#### 5.12 Cost of Offer Preparation

The Parish is not liable for any costs incurred by prospective Proposers or Providers prior to issuance of or entering into a Contract. Costs associated with developing the proposal, preparing

for oral presentations, and any other expenses incurred by the Proposer in responding to the RFP are entirely the responsibility of the Proposer, and shall not be reimbursed in any manner by the Parish.

#### 5.13 Non-negotiable Contract Terms

Non-negotiable contract terms include but are not limited to taxes, assignment of contract, audit of records, EEOC and ADA compliance, record retention, content of contract/order of precedence, contract changes, governing law, claims or controversies, and termination based on contingency of appropriation of funds.

#### 5.14 Taxes

Any taxes, other than state and local sales and use taxes from which the Parish is exempt, shall be assumed to be included within the Proposer's cost.

#### 5.15 Proposal Validity

All proposals shall be considered valid for acceptance until such time an award is made, unless the Proposer provides for a different time period within its proposal response. However, the Parish reserves the right to reject a proposal if the Proposer's acceptance period is unacceptable and the Proposer is unwilling to extend the validity of its proposal.

#### 5.16 Prime Provider Responsibilities

The selected Proposer shall be required to assume responsibility for all items and services offered in his proposal whether or not he produces or provides them. The Parish shall consider the selected Proposer to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including payment of any and all charges resulting from the contract.

#### 5.17 Use of Sub Providers

Each Provider shall serve as the single prime Provider for all work performed pursuant to its contract. That prime Provider shall be responsible for all deliverables referenced in this RFP. This general requirement notwithstanding, Proposers may enter into sub-Provider arrangements. Proposers may submit a proposal in response to this RFP, which identifies subcontract(s) with others, provided that the prime Provider acknowledges total responsibility for the entire contract.

If it becomes necessary for the prime Provider to use sub-Providers, the Parish urges the prime Provider to use Louisiana vendors, including small and emerging businesses, a small entrepreneurship or a veteran or service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurship, if practical. In all events, any sub-Provider used by the prime should be identified to the Parish.

Information required of the prime Provider under the terms of this RFP, is also required for each sub-Provider and the sub-Providers must agree to be bound by the terms of the contract. The prime Provider shall assume total responsibility for compliance.

#### 5.18 Written or Oral Discussions/Presentations

Written or oral discussions may be conducted with Proposers who submit proposals determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award; however, the Parish reserves the right to enter into an Agreement without further discussion of the proposal submitted based on the initial offers received. Any such written or oral discussion shall be initiated by the Parish.

Any commitments or representations made during these discussions, if conducted, may become formally recorded in the final contract.

Written or oral discussions/presentations for clarification may be conducted to enhance the Parish's understanding of any or all of the proposals submitted. Any such written or oral discussions/presentations shall be initiated by the Parish. Proposals may be accepted without such discussions.

#### 5.19 Acceptance of Proposal Content

The mandatory RFP requirements shall become contractual obligations if a contract ensues. Failure of the successful Proposer to accept these obligations shall result in the rejection of the proposal

#### 5.20 Evaluation and Selection

All responses received as a result of this RFP are subject to evaluation by the Evaluation Committee for the purpose of selecting the Proposer with whom the Parish shall contract.

To evaluate all proposals, a committee whose members have expertise in various areas has been selected. This committee will determine which proposals are reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. If required, written or oral discussions may be conducted with any or all of the Proposers to make this determination. Any such written or oral discussions shall be initiated by the Evaluation Committee.

Results of the evaluations will be provided by the Evaluation Committee to the Procurement Director. Written recommendation for award shall be made for the Proposer whose proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be the most advantageous to the Parish, price and other factors considered.

The committee may reject any or all proposals if none is considered in the best interest of the Parish.

#### 5.21 Contract Negotiations

If for any reason the Proposer whose proposal is most responsive to the Parish's needs, price and other evaluation factors set forth in the RFP considered, does not agree to a contract, that proposal shall be rejected and the Parish may negotiate with the next most responsive Proposer. Negotiation may include revision of non-mandatory terms, conditions, and requirements. The Procurement Department must approve the final contract form and issue a purchase order, if applicable, to complete the process.

#### 5.22 Contract Award and Execution

The Parish reserves the right to enter into a contract without further discussion of the proposal submitted based on the initial offers received.

The RFP, including any addenda, and the proposal of the selected Provider will become part of any contract initiated by the Parish.

Proposers are discouraged from submitting their own standard terms and conditions with their proposals. Proposers should address the specific language in the sample contract in Attachment "B" of this RFP and submit any exceptions or deviations the Proposer wishes to negotiate. The proposed terms will be negotiated before a final contract is entered. Mandatory terms and conditions are not negotiable.

If the contract negotiation period exceeds thirty (30) days or if the selected Proposer fails to sign the contract within **ten (10) calendar** days of delivery of it, the Parish may elect to cancel the award and award the contract to the next-highest-ranked Proposer.

Award shall be made to the Proposer with the highest points, whose proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be the most advantageous to the Parish, price and other factors considered.

The Parish intends to award to a single Proposer.

In accordance with Louisiana Law, all corporations (See LA R.S. 12:26.1) and Limited Liability Companies (See LA R.S. 12:1308.2) must be registered and in good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State in order to hold a contract.

#### 5.23 Acknowledgment and Waiver of Protest Rights

Proposer shall execute an Acknowledgment and Waiver (the "Waiver") (Attachment "C") and shall produce same to the Parish along with its proposal. Such Waiver shall state that Proposer has read this RFP and the Waiver, and understands that the Parish's obligations under this RFP are not dictated by Louisiana Public Bid Law or the Louisiana Procurement Code. As such, Proposer understands that it is provided no opportunity for protest and waives all such rights.

#### 5.24 Notice of Intent to Award

Upon review and approval of the evaluation committee's and agency's recommendation for award, the Procurement Department will issue a "Notice of Intent to Award" letter to the apparent successful Proposer. A contract shall be completed and signed by all parties concerned on or before the date indicated in the "Schedule of Events." If this date is not met, through no fault of the Parish, the Parish may elect to cancel the "Notice of Intent to Award" letter and make the award to the next most advantageous Proposer.

The Procurement Department will also notify all unsuccessful Proposers as to the outcome of the evaluation process. The evaluation factors, points, evaluation committee member names, and the completed evaluation summary and recommendation report will be made available to all interested parties after the "Notice of Intent to Award" letter has been issued.

#### 5.25 Insurance Requirements

The Provider shall comply with all insurance requirements of the Parish as contained in Attachment "D". All policies of insurance shall meet the requirements of the Parish prior to the commencing of any work. The Parish has the right, but not the duty, to approve all insurance policies prior to the commencing of any work. Provider shall furnish the Parish with certificates of insurance effecting coverage(s) required by the RFP (see Attachment "D"). The certificates for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The certificates are to be received and approved by the Parish before work commences. The Parish reserves the right to require complete certified copies of all required policies, at any time.

#### 5.26 Sub Provider Insurance

The Provider shall include all sub-Providers as insured's under its policies or shall insure that all sub Providers satisfy the same insurance requirements stated herein for the Provider.

#### 5.27 Indemnification and Limitation of Liability

#### 5.27.1 Duty to Defend

Upon notice of any claim, demand, suit, or cause of action against the Parish, alleged to arise out of or be related to this Contract, Provider shall investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend at its sole expense, even if the claim, demand, suit, or cause of action is groundless, false, or fraudulent. The Parish may, but is not required to, consult with or assist the Provider, but this assistance shall not affect the Provider's obligations, duties, and responsibilities under this section. Provider shall obtain the Parish's written consent before entering into any settlement or dismissal.

#### 5.27.2 Provider Liability

Provider shall be liable without limitation to the Parish for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Provider, its owners, agents, employees, partners or sub Providers.

#### 5.27.3 Force Majeure

It is understood and agreed that neither party can foresee the exigencies beyond the control of each party which arise by reason of an Act of God or force majeure; therefore, neither party shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance beyond its control resulting from an Act of God or force majeure. The Parish shall determine whether a delay or failure results from an Act of God or force majeure based on its review of all facts and circumstances. The parties shall use reasonable efforts, including but not limited to, use of continuation of operations plans (COOP), business continuity plans, and disaster recovery plans, to eliminate or minimize the effect of such events upon the performance of their respective duties under this Contract.

#### 5.27.4 Indemnification

Provider shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Provider, its owners, agents, employees, partners or sub Providers. The Provider shall not indemnify for the portion of any loss or damage arising from the Parish's act or failure to act.

#### 5.27.5 Intellectual Property Indemnification

Provider shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, from and against damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities in any action for infringement of any intellectual property right, including but not limited to, trademark, trade-secret, copyright, and patent rights.

When a dispute or claim arises relative to a real or anticipated infringement, the Provider, at its sole expense, shall submit information and documentation, including formal patent attorney opinions, as required by the Parish.

If the use of the product, material, service, or any component thereof is enjoined for any reason or if the Provider believes that it may be enjoined, Provider, while ensuring appropriate migration and implementation, data integrity, and minimal delays of performance, shall at its sole expense and in the following order of precedence: (i) obtain for the Parish the right to continue using such product, material, service, or component thereof; (ii) modify the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; (iii) replace the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; or, (iv) provide the Parish monetary compensation for all payments made under the Contract related to the infringing product, material, service, or component, plus for all costs incurred to procure and implement a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance. Until this obligation has been satisfied, the Provider remains in default.

The Provider shall not be obligated to indemnify that portion of a claim or dispute based upon the Parish's unauthorized: i) modification or alteration of the product, material or service; ii) use of the product, material or service in combination with other products not furnished by Provider; or, iii) use of the product, material or service in other than the specified operating conditions and environment.

#### 5.28 Fidelity Bond Requirements

Omitted as not applicable to this RFP.

#### 5.29 Payment

#### 5.29.1 Payment for Services

The Parish shall pay Provider in accordance with the Pricing Schedule set forth in Attachment "<u>A</u>". The Provider may invoice the Parish monthly at the billing address designated by the Parish. Payments will be made by the Parish within approximately thirty (30) days after receipt

of a properly executed invoice, and approval by the Parish. Invoices shall include the purchase order number. Invoices submitted without this information will not be approved for payment until the required information is provided/reflected on the invoice.

The Parish may specify weekly billing, or other billing periods. All time billed under the contract must be supported by signed Daily Activity Logs and signed timesheets for all positions billed.

#### 5.30 Termination

#### 5.30.1 Termination of the Contract for Cause

The Parish may terminate the contract for cause based upon the failure of the Provider to comply with the terms and/or conditions of the contract, or failure to fulfill its performance obligations pursuant to the contract, provided that the Parish shall give the Provider written notice specifying the Provider's failure. If within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the Provider shall not have corrected such failure or, in the case of failure which cannot be corrected in thirty (30) days, begun in good faith to correct such failure and thereafter proceeded diligently to complete such correction, then the Parish may, at its option, place the Provider in default and the contract shall terminate on the date specified in such notice.

The Provider may exercise any rights available to it under Louisiana law to terminate for cause upon the failure of the Parish to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract, provided that the Provider shall give the Parish written notice specifying the Parish's failure and a reasonable opportunity for the Parish to cure the defect.

#### 5.30.2 Termination of the Contract for Convenience

The Parish may terminate the contract at any time by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Provider of such termination or negotiating with the Provider an effective date.

The Provider shall be entitled to payment for deliverables in progress, to the extent work has been performed satisfactorily.

#### 5.30.3 Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds

The continuance of the contract is contingent upon the appropriation of funds to fulfill the requirements of the contract by the Parish Council. If the Parish Council fails to appropriate sufficient monies to provide for the continuation of the contract, or if such appropriation is reduced for any lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the contract, the contract shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated.

#### 5.30.4 Default of Provider

Failure to complete or deliver within the time specified or to provide the services as specified in the bid or response will constitute a default and may cause cancellation of the contract. Where the Parish has determined the Provider to be in default. The Parish reserves the right to purchase any or all products or services covered by the contract on the open market and to charge the

Provider with the cost in excess of the contract price. Until such assessed charges have been paid, no subsequent bid or response from the defaulting Provider will be considered.

#### 5.31 Assignment

The Provider shall not assign any interest in the contract by assignment, transfer, or novation, without prior written consent of the Parish. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit the Provider from assigning his bank, trust company, or other financial institution any money due or to become due from approved contracts without such prior written consent. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the Parish.

#### 5.32 No Guarantee of Quantities

The quantities referenced in the RFP are estimated to be the amount needed. In the event a greater or lesser quantity is needed, the right is reserved by the Parish to increase or decrease the amount, at the unit price stated in the proposal.

The Parish does not obligate itself to contract for or accept more than its actual requirements during the period of the contract, as determined by actual needs and availability of appropriated funds.

#### 5.33 Audit of Records

The Parish Auditor, state auditors, federal auditors or others so designated by the Parish, shall have the option to audit all accounts directly pertaining to the resulting contract for a period of five (5) years after Project acceptance or as required by applicable State and Federal law. Records shall be made available during normal working hours for this purpose.

#### 5.34 Civil Rights Compliance

The Provider agrees to abide by the requirements of the following as applicable: Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Opportunity Act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Act of 1975, and Provider agrees to abide by the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Provider agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will render services under the contract and any contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, or disabilities. Any act of discrimination committed by Provider, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of the contract.

#### 5.35 Record Retention

The Provider shall maintain all records in relation to the contract for a period of at least five (5) years after final payment.

#### 5.36 Record Ownership

All records, reports, documents, or other material related to any contract resulting from this RFP and/or obtained or prepared by Provider in connection with the performance of the services contracted for herein shall become the property of the Parish and shall, upon request, be returned by Provider to the Parish, at Provider's expense, at termination or expiration of the contract.

#### 5.37 Content of Contract/ Order of Precedence

In the event of an inconsistency between the contract, the RFP and/or the Provider's Proposal, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the final contract, then to the RFP and subsequent addenda (if any) and finally, the Provider's Proposal.

#### 5.38 Contract Changes

No additional changes, enhancements, or modifications to any contract resulting from this RFP shall be made without the prior approval of the Parish.

Changes to the contract include any change in: compensation; beginning/ ending date of the contract; scope of work; and/or Provider change through the Assignment of Contract process. Any such changes, once approved, will result in the issuance of an amendment to the contract.

#### 5.39 Substitution of Personnel

The Parish intends to include in any contract resulting from this RFP the following condition:

Substitution of Personnel: If, during the term of the contract, the Provider or sub-Provider cannot provide the personnel as proposed and requests a substitution, that substitution shall meet or exceed the requirements stated herein. A detailed resume of qualifications and justification is to be submitted to the Parish for approval prior to any personnel substitution. It shall be acknowledged by the Provider that every reasonable attempt shall be made to assign the personnel listed in the Provider's proposal.

#### 5.40 Governing Law

All activities associated with this RFP process shall be interpreted under Louisiana Law. All proposals and contracts submitted are subject to provisions of the laws of the State of Louisiana and specifications listed in this RFP. Jurisdiction and venue for any suit filed in connection with this RFP process and contract shall be exclusive to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

#### 5.41 Anti-Kickback Clause

The Provider hereby agrees to adhere to the mandate dictated by the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act which provides that each Provider or subgrantee shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the completion of work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he is otherwise entitled.

#### 5.42 Clean Air Act

The Provider hereby agrees to adhere to the provisions which require compliance with all applicable standards, orders or requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act which prohibits the use under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans of facilities included on the EPA list of Violating Facilities.

#### 5.43 Energy Policy and Conservation Act

The Provider hereby recognizes the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (P.L. 94-163).

#### 5.44 Clean Water Act

The Provider hereby agrees to adhere to the provisions which require compliance with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under Section 508 of the Clean Water Act which prohibits the use under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans of facilities included on the EPA List of Violating Facilities.

#### 5.45 Anti-Lobbying and Debarment Act

The Provider will be expected to comply with Federal statutes required in the Anti-Lobbying Act and the Debarment Act.

#### 5.46 Veteran Initiative and Hudson Initiative Programs

The State of Louisiana Veteran and Hudson Initiatives are designed to provide additional opportunities for Louisiana-based small entrepreneurships (sometimes referred to as LaVet's and SE's respectively) to participate in contracting and procurement with the State. A certified Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned small entrepreneurship (LaVet) and a Louisiana Initiative for Small Entrepreneurships (Hudson Initiative) small entrepreneurship are businesses that have been certified by the Louisiana Department of Economic Development. All eligible vendors are encouraged to become certified. Qualification requirements and online certification are available at:

https://smallbiz.louisianaeconomicdevelopment.com

If a Proposer is not a certified small entrepreneurship as described herein but plans to use certified small entrepreneurship(s), Proposer shall include in their proposal the names of their certified Veteran Initiative or Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship sub-Provider(s), a description of the work each will perform, and the dollar value of each subcontract.

During the term of the contract and at expiration, the Provider will also be required to report Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned and Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship sub-Provider or distributor participation and the dollar amount of each.

In RFP/RFQ's requiring the compliance of a good faith subcontracting plan, the Parish may require Proposers to submit information on their business relationships and arrangements with certified LaVet or Hudson Initiative sub-Providers at the time of proposal review. Agreements between a Proposer and a certified LaVet or Hudson Initiative sub-Provider in which the certified

LaVet or Hudson Initiative sub-Provider promises not to provide subcontracting quotations to other Proposers shall be prohibited.

In performing its evaluation of proposals, the Parish reserves the right to require a non-certified Proposer to provide documentation and information supporting a good faith subcontracting plan. Such proof may include contracts between proposer and certified Veteran Initiative and/or Hudson Initiative sub-Provider(s).

If a contract is awarded to a Proposer who proposed a good faith subcontracting plan, the Louisiana Department of Economic Development (LED), or the St. Tammany Parish Department of Procurement may audit Provider to determine whether Provider has complied in good faith with its subcontracting plan. The Provider must be able to provide supporting documentation (i.e., phone logs, fax transmittals, letter, e-mails) to demonstrate its good faith subcontracting plan was followed. If it is determined at any time by LED, or the Parish Procurement Director that the Provider did not in fact perform in good faith its subcontracting plan, the contract award or the existing contract may be terminated.

The statutes (La. R.S. 39:2171 et. seq.) concerning the Veteran Initiative may be viewed at: <u>http://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=671504</u>

The statutes (La. R.S. 39:2001 et. seq.) concerning the Hudson Initiative may be viewed at: <u>http://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=96265</u>

The rules for the Veteran Initiative (LAC 19:VII. Chapters 11 and 15) and for the Hudson Initiative (LAC 19:VIII Chapters 11 and 13) may be viewed at: http://www.doa.la.gov/pages/osp/se/secv.aspx

A current list of certified Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned and Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurships may be obtained from the Louisiana Economic Development Certification System at:

https://smallbiz.louisianaeconomicdevelopment.com

Additionally, a list of Hudson and Veteran Initiative small entrepreneurships, which have been certified by the Louisiana Department of Economic Development and who have opted to register in the State of Louisiana LaGov Supplier Portal:

https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest\_user=self\_reg\_

This may be accessed from the State of Louisiana Procurement and Contract (LaPAC) Network: <u>https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/OSP/LaPAC/vendor/VndPubMain.cfm</u>

When using this site, determine the search criteria (i.e. alphabetized list of all certified vendors, by commodities, etc.) and select SmallE, VSE, or DVSE.

Contract for services and construction in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 2 CFR 200.317 through 200.326, applicable State Regulations, and the Sponsor's Procurement regulations, as appropriate. (See general terms and conditions attached to this agreement for a link to the CFR) In accordance with 2 CFR 200.326, contracts must contain the applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200. Davis-Bacon Act would not apply under this Federal program legislation.

Ten percent (10%) of the total evaluation points in this RFP are reserved for Proposers who are certified small entrepreneurship or who will engage the participation of one or more certified small entrepreneurships as sub-Providers. Reserved points shall be added to the applicable Proposers' evaluation score as follows:

#### Proposer Status and Allotment of Reserved Points

- I. If the Proposer is a certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship, the Proposer shall receive points equal to ten percent (10%) of the total evaluation points in this RFP.
- II. If the Proposer is a certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship, the Proposer shall receive points equal to ten percent (10%) of the total evaluation points in this RFP.
- III. If the Proposer demonstrates its intent to use certified small entrepreneurship(s) in the performance of contract work resulting from this solicitation, the Proposer shall receive points equal to the net percentage extent of contract work which is projected to be performed by or through certified small entrepreneurship sub-Providers, multiplied by the appropriate number of evaluation points.
- IV. The total number of points awarded pursuant to this Section shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total number of evaluation points in this RFP.

#### Attachment A Pricing Sheet RFP # 24-20-3 Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal

POS#	POSITION DESCRIPTION	RATE PER HOUR
00001	Project Manager	\$
00002	Field Supervisor	\$
00003	Crew Leader	\$
00004a	Load Monitor	\$
00004b	Disposal Site/Dump Monitor	\$
00004c	Truck Certification Monitor	\$
00005	Database Manager	\$
00006	Data Processing	\$
00007	Clerical Technician	\$
80000	Special Inspector	\$
	TOTAL HOURLY RATE for ALL POSITIONS	\$
List any o	other positions desired below, (subject to Parish approval).	
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$

Rates above are inclusive of all equipment, supplies, travel, per diems, overhead and other indirect costs.

Proposer must include a flowchart of all positions proposed indicating number of subordinates each supervisor position oversees.

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Company Name		
Printed Name of Provider		
Signature of Provider		
Address		
State		
License Number		
Classification		
Telephone Number		
Date		

# CONTRACT FOR ESSENTIAL SERVICES

#### Contract No.: «txtMunisContractNum»

Be it known, that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_\_, the Parish of St. Tammany Government, through the Office of the Parish President (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Parish") and «txtREQCompanyName», an entity qualified to do and doing business in this State and Parish (hereinafter referred to as "Provider") do hereby enter into this Contract for non-professional services under the following terms and conditions.

#### **1. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Provider hereby agrees to furnish the following services (hereinto referred to as the "Contract"):

«txtScopeSummary»

#### 2. OPTION TO RENEW

The Parish has the right to renew the term of this Contract for two (2) additional one (1) year periods, based upon the same conditions of the initial term. Parish shall notify Provider in writing of its exercise of its option for an additional term not less than thirty (30) days prior to the end of the then current term.

#### **3. NOTICE TO PROCEED**

The Parish, through the Director, shall issue the Provider a Notice to Proceed in writing. This notice shall include the Work Order Number, Purchase Order Number, and instructions to undertake the services stated herein. The Provider shall commence the services within ten (10) days after receipt of such notification. The work necessary for the completion of each task shall be completed promptly following the Provider's receipt of the Notice to Proceed.

If the Parish desires to divide the Project into various parts, a Notice to Proceed shall be issued for each part, and the Parish and the Provider shall mutually agree upon the period of time within which services for each part of the Project shall be performed. The Provider will be given time extensions for delays beyond its control, or for those delays caused by tardy approvals of work in progress by various official agencies, but no additional compensation shall be allowed or due Provider for such delays.

#### 4. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Provider shall secure and maintain at its expense such insurance as may be required by the attached "Insurance Requirements". It is specifically understood that this Contract shall not be effective until such time as all insurance requirements are met by the Provider and approved by the Parish.

#### 5. LIABILITY AND INDEMINIFICATION

#### A. Duty to Defend

Upon notice of any claim, demand, suit, or cause of action against the Parish, alleged to arise out of or be related to this Contract, Contractor shall investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend at its sole expense, even if the claim, demand, suit, or cause of action is groundless, false, or fraudulent. The Parish may, but is not required to, consult with or assist the Contractor, but this assistance shall not affect the Contractor's obligations, duties, and responsibilities under this section. Contractor shall obtain the Parish's written consent before entering into any settlement or dismissal.

#### **B.** Contractor Liability

Contractor shall be liable without limitation to the Parish for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every

name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Contractor, its owners, agents, employees, partners or subcontractors.

#### C. Force Majeure

It is understood and agreed that neither party can foresee the exigencies beyond the control of each party which arise by reason of an Act of God or force majeure; therefore, neither party shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance beyond its control resulting from an Act of God or force majeure. The Parish shall determine whether a delay or failure results from an Act of God or force majeure based on its review of all facts and circumstances. The parties shall use reasonable efforts, including but not limited to, use of continuation of operations plans (COOP), business continuity plans, and disaster recovery plans, to eliminate or minimize the effect of such events upon the performance of their respective duties under this Contract.

#### **D.** Indemnification

Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, for any and all injury, death, damage, loss, destruction, damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities of every name and description, which may occur or in any way arise out of any act or omission of Contractor, its owners, agents, employees, partners or subcontractors. The Contractor shall not indemnify for the portion of any loss or damage arising from the Parish's act or failure to act.

#### E. Intellectual Property Indemnification

Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the Parish, without limitation, from and against damages, costs, fines, penalties, judgments, forfeitures, assessments, expenses (including attorney fees), obligations, and other liabilities in any action for infringement of any intellectual property right, including but not limited to, trademark, trade-secret, copyright, and patent rights.

When a dispute or claim arises relative to a real or anticipated infringement, the Contractor, at its sole expense, shall submit information and documentation, including formal patent attorney opinions, as required by the Parish.

If the use of the product, material, service, or any component thereof is enjoined for any reason or if the Contractor believes that it may be enjoined, Contractor, while ensuring appropriate migration and implementation, data integrity, and minimal delays of performance, shall at its sole expense and in the following order of precedence: (i) obtain for the Parish the right to continue using such product, material, service, or component thereof; (ii) modify the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; (iii) replace the product, material, service, or component thereof so that it becomes a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance; (iv) provide the Parish monetary compensation for all payments made under the Contract related to the infringing product, material, service, or component, plus for all costs incurred to procure and implement a non-infringing product, material, or service of at least equal quality and performance. Until this obligation has been satisfied, the Contractor remains in default.

The Contractor shall not be obligated to indemnify that portion of a claim or dispute based upon the Parish's unauthorized. i) modification or alteration of the product, material or service; ii) use of the product, material or service in combination with other products not furnished by Contractor; or, iii) use of the product, material or service in other than the specified operating conditions and environment.

#### 6. TAXES

Provider hereby agrees to be responsible for payment of taxes from the funds thus received under this Contract. Provider agrees to be responsible for and to pay all applicable federal income taxes, federal social security tax (or self-employment tax in lieu thereof) and any other applicable federal or state unemployment taxes. Provider agrees to indemnify and hold the Parish harmless for any and all federal and/or state income tax liability, including taxes, interest and penalties, resulting from the Parish's treatment of Provider as independent contractor.

#### 7. PARISHSHIP

All records, reports, documents, or other material related to this Contract and/or obtained or prepared by Provider in connection with the performance of the services contracted for herein, shall become the property of the Parish, and shall, upon request, be returned by Provider to Parish, at Provider's expense, at termination or expiration of this Contract.

#### 8. PAYMENT OF INVOICES

- A. Invoices for services shall be submitted by Provider to Parish for review and approval
- B. All invoices must indicate the Parish Purchase Order Number and Work Order Number and shall be submitted to the address below:

St. Tammany Parish Government ATTN. Accounts Payable P.O. Box 628 Covington, LA 70434

- C. All billings by Provider for services rendered shall be submitted in writing. Invoices shall not be submitted more frequently than monthly.
- D. The Parish agrees to make payment to Provider for services upon receipt and approval of each invoice. The Parish will pay Provider the amount due and payable within thirty (30) days or unless a conflict results in a delay of payment. Upon receipt of each invoice, the Parish shall have the right and opportunity to review, confirm or otherwise determine the accuracy of each invoice and performance of service. In the event that the Parish disputes or otherwise may question the accuracy of each invoice or quality of all work performed, the Parish may withhold payment of any invoice

until a successful and satisfactory resolution can be had between the Parties. Parish agrees to not unreasonably withhold payments of any invoice.

E. Other than the fee schedule herein, there will be absolutely no additional fees due Provider to cover its overhead costs, general expenses, capital expenses, expenses for principal/branch/ field offices, employee salaries, direct and indirect costs, additional costs or profit of any nature whatsoever in excess of the previously agreed hourly rate.

#### 9. JURISDICTION

This Contract is made under the laws of the State of Louisiana, and for all purposes shall be interpreted in its entirety in accordance with the laws of said State. The Provider hereby agrees and consents to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Louisiana over its person. The Parties hereto agree that the sole and exclusive venue for all lawsuits, claims, disputes, and other matters in question between the Parties to this Contract or any breach thereof shall be in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana. It is also understood and agreed that the laws and ordinances of St. Tammany shall apply.

#### 10. NON-ASSIGNABILITY

Provider shall not assign nor transfer any interest in this Contract (whether by assignment or novation) without prior written consent of the Parish. Failure to obtain the prior written consent of the Parish may be grounds for termination of this Contract. Claims for money due or to become due to the Provider from the Parish under this Contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such prior written consent. Notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the Parish.

#### **11. BUDGET LIMITATIONS**

The continuation of this Contract is contingent upon the appropriation of funds by the Parish to fulfill the requirements of the Contract. If the Parish fails to appropriate sufficient monies

to provide for the continuation of this or any other related Contract, or if such appropriation is reduced by the veto of Parish President by any means provided in the Budget Ordinance to prevent the total appropriation for the year from exceeding revenues for that year, or for any other lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the Contract, the Contract shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated.

#### **12. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision or item in this Contract is held invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect other provisions or items of this Contract. In such event, the remaining portions shall be given full force and effect without the invalid provision or item, and to this end the provisions or items of this Contract are hereby declared severable.

### 13. TERMINATION, CANCELLATION, AND SUSPENSION

#### A. Termination

The term of this Contract shall be binding upon the Parties hereto until the work has been completed by the Provider and accepted by the Parish, and all payments required to be made to the Provider have been made. But, this Contract may be terminated upon thirty (30) days written notice under any or all of the following conditions:

- 1) By mutual agreement and consent of the Parties hereto;
- 2) By the Parish as a consequence of the failure of the Provider to comply with the terms, progress, or quality of the work in a satisfactory manner, proper allowances being made for circumstances beyond the control of the Provider;

- 3) By either party upon failure of the other party to fulfill its obligations as set forth in this Contract;
- 4) By the Parish with less than thirty (30) days' notice due to budgetary reductions and changes in funding priorities by the Parish;
- 5) In the event of the abandonment of the project by the Parish.

Upon termination, the Provider shall be paid for actual work performed prior to the Notice of Termination, either based upon the established hourly rate for services actually performed, or on a pro-rata share of the basic fee based upon the phase or percentage of work actually completed, depending on the type of compensation previously established under this Contract.

Upon Termination, the Provider shall deliver to the Parish all original documents, notes, drawings, tracings, computer files, and other files pertaining to this Contract or the Work performed, except for the Provider's personal and administrative files.

B. Cancellation

The continuation of this Contract is contingent upon the appropriation of funds to fulfill the requirements of the Contract by the Parish. If the Parish fails to appropriate sufficient monies to provide for the continuation of this or any other Contract, or if such appropriation is reduced by the veto of Parish President by any means provided in the appropriations Ordinance to prevent the total appropriation for the year from exceeding revenues for that year, or for any other lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the Contract, the Contract shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated. It is understood and agreed that paragraph (9)(C) below may preempt this paragraph, all at the exclusive and unilateral option of the Parish.

# C. Suspension

Should the Parish desire to suspend the work, but not definitely terminate the Contract, the Parish shall supply the Provider with thirty (30) days' notice. The Parish will also supply Provider thirty (30) days' notice that the work is to be reinstated and resumed in full force. Provider shall receive no additional compensation during the suspension period. The Parties may revisit the terms of this Contract during the suspension period. The suspension shall not exceed six (6) months, unless mutually agreed upon between the Parties.

# **D.** Default of Contractor

Failure to complete or deliver within the time specified or to provide the services as specified in the bid or response will constitute a default and may cause cancellation of the contract. Where the Parish has determined the contractor to be in default. The Parish reserves the right to purchase any or all products or services covered by the contract on the open market and to charge the contractor with the cost in excess of the contract price. Until such assessed charges have been paid, no subsequent bid or response from the defaulting contractor will be considered.

- **E.** In the event of a default and/or breach of this agreement and this matter is forwarded to legal counsel, then the prevailing party may be entitled to collect a reasonable attorney fees and all costs associated therewith whether or not litigation is initiated. Attorney fees shall be based upon the current, reasonable prevailing rate for counsel in the private sector. The Parties agree to be responsible for such attorney fees, together for all with legal interest from date of agreement breach, plus all costs of collection.
- **F.** Termination or cancellation of this agreement will not affect any rights or duties arising under any term or condition herein.

As to the filing of voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy by Provider, Provider agrees that if any execution or legal process is levied upon its interest in this Contract, or if any liens or privileges are filed against its interest, or if a petition in bankruptcy is filed against it, or if it is adjudicated bankrupt in involuntary proceedings, or if it should breach this Contract in any material respect, the Parish shall have the right, at its unilateral option, to immediately cancel and terminate this Contract. In the event that Provider is placed in any chapter of bankruptcy, voluntarily or involuntarily, or otherwise triggers any provision of the preceding sentence herein, it is understood and agreed that all materials, goods and/or services provided shall be and remain the property of the Parish. All rights of Provider as to goods, wares, products, services, materials and the like supplied to Parish shall be deemed forfeited.

#### **14. AUDITORS**

Notwithstanding other Sections herein, Provider shall maintain all records for a period of three (3) years after the date of final payment under this Contract. It is hereby agreed that the Parish Department of Finance or its designated auditor shall have the sole, unilateral and exclusive option of auditing all accounts of Provider which relate to this Contract. Such audit may be commenced at any reasonable time. Provider agrees not to delay, retard, interrupt or unduly interfere with commencement and completion of such an audit. If in the exclusive and unilateral opinion of the Parish that Provider delays, retards, interferes with or otherwise interrupts such an audit, the Parish may seek such relief as per law. In such an event, Provider agrees to be liable for all reasonable attorney fees, costs of auditors, court costs, and any other reasonably related expenses with such litigation.

# **15. DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE**

Provider agrees to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and any current amendments thereto. All individuals shall have equal access to employment opportunities available to a similarly suited individual. Provider agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will render services under this Contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, or disabilities. Any

act of discrimination committed by Provider, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of this Contract. Provider agrees to abide by the requirements of all local, state, and/or federal law, including but not limited to the following: Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Opportunity Act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Act of 1975, and the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Provider warrants and guarantees that it is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer. In all hiring or employment made possible by or resulting from this Contract, there shall not be any discrimination against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age or veterans status; and where applicable, affirmative action will be taken to ensure that Provider's employees are treated equally during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, political affiliation, disabilities or veteran status. This requirement shall apply to but not be limited to the following: employment upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. All solicitations or advertisements for employees shall state that all applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age or veteran status.

# **16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

While in the performance of services or carrying out obligations herein, the Provider shall be acting in the capacity of an independent Contractor (as defined in LSA-R.S. 23:1021(7)), and not as an employee of the Parish. Nothing herein shall create a partnership between the Provider and the Parish. The Parish shall not be obliged to any person, firm or corporation for any obligations of the Provider arising from the performance of its services under this Contract. The Provider shall not be authorized to represent the Parish with respect to services being performed, dealings with other agencies, and administration of specifically related

contracts, unless done so in writing by the Parish. Provider acknowledges Exclusions of Workmen's Compensation and/or Unemployment Coverage.

# **17. RECORDATION OF CONTRACT**

Provider authorizes Parish to deduct from any payment due herein costs and service fees for recordation of this Contract in full or an excerpt hereof, or any revisions or modifications thereof as required by law.

# **18. AUTHORITY TO ENTER CONTRACT**

The undersigned representative of Provider warrants and personally guarantees that he/she has the requisite and necessary authority to enter and sign this Contract on behalf of the corporate entity, partnership, etc. The undersigned Parties warrant and represent that they each have the respective authority and permission to enter this Contract. In the event that Provider is a member of a corporation, partnership, LLC, LLP, or any other juridical entity, the Parish requires, as an additional provision, that Provider supplies a certified copy of a corporate resolution authorizing the undersigned to enter and sign this Contract. Another option to fulfill this additional provision he/she can supply Louisiana Secretary of State Business filings confirming that he/she is a managing member of a corporation, partnership, L.L.C., L.L.P., or any other juridical entity which authorizes the undersigned to enter and sign this Contract. This Contract is executed in  $\underline{One(1)}$  original. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, they have executed this agreement, the date(s) written below.

#### WITNESSES:

#### **PROVIDER:**

Signature	Signature
Print Name	Print Name
Signature	Thie Date
Print Name	

#### WITNESSES:

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT:

Michael B. Cooper
Parish President
Date
APPROVED BY:
Assistant District Attorney
Civil Division
Date
Date

# Attachment C

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER

("Proposer") hereby acknowledges that it has received Request for Proposal No. \_\_\_\_\_ ("RFP"), issued by the St. Tammany Parish Government, and has been advised that same is not subject to the Louisiana Public Bid Law or the Louisiana Procurement Code. As such, Proposer understands and acknowledges that it has not been granted and otherwise possesses no right to protest, contest, debate or otherwise call in question the processes, procedures, methodology or results of the RFP or the selection of a Provider in connection therewith.

To the extent that the Proposer may otherwise have any such rights, Proposer herein waives all such rights to protest, contest, debate or otherwise call in question the processes, procedures, methodology or results of the RFP or the selection of a Provider in connection therewith and agrees it will not file claims of any type or manner, in a court of law or otherwise, in any way related to same.

SIGNED, this day of	, 202
WITNESSES:	Proposer
Printed Name:	By: (Signature of Authorized Representative) Printed Name:
Printed Name:	Title:
STATE OF	-
PARISH/COUNTY OF	
SWORN TO and subscribed before me, Notary, or	n this day of, 202

NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Attachment D



# **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS\***

Essential Services Project: <u>Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal</u> Project/Quote/Bid#: <u>24-20-3</u>

# <u>\*\*\*IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ\*\*\*</u>

# Prior to submitting your quote or bid, it is recommended that you review these insurance requirements with your insurance broker/agent.

These requirements modify portions of the insurance language found in the General Conditions and/or Supplementary General Conditions; however, there is no intention to remove all sections pertaining to insurance requirements and limits set forth in the General Conditions and/or Supplementary General Conditions, only to amend and specify those items particular for this Project.

- A. The Provider shall secure and maintain at its expense such insurance that will protect it and St. Tammany Parish Government (the "Parish") from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage as well as from claims under the Workers' Compensation Acts that may arise from the performance of services under this agreement. All certificates of insurance shall be furnished to the Parish and provide thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the Parish, in writing, on all of the required coverage.
- B. All policies shall provide for and certificates of insurance shall indicate the following:
  - 1. <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>: The Provider's insurers will have no right of recovery or subrogation against the Parish of St. Tammany, it being the intention of the parties that all insurance policy(ies) so affected shall protect both parties and be the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the below described insurance.
  - 2. <u>Additional Insured</u>: St. Tammany Parish Government shall be named as Additional Insured with respect to general liability, automobile liability and excess liability coverages, as well as marine liability and pollution/environmental liability, when those coverages are required or necessary.
  - 3. <u>Payment of Premiums</u>: The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies will have no recourse against St. Tammany Parish Government for payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.
  - 4. <u>Project Reference</u>: The project(s) and location(s) shall be referenced in the Comment or Description of Operations section of the Certificate of Insurance (Project ##-###, or Bid # if applicable, Type of Work, Location).
- C. Coverage must be issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana. Companies must have an A.M. Best rating of no less than A-, Category VII. St. Tammany Parish Risk Management Department may waive this requirement only for Workers Compensation coverage at their discretion.

Provider shall secure and present proof of insurance on forms acceptable to St. Tammany Parish Government, Office of Risk Management no later than the time of submission of the Contract to the Parish. However, should any work performed under this Contract by or on behalf of Provider include exposures that are not covered by those insurance coverages, Provider is not relieved of its obligation to maintain appropriate levels and types of insurance necessary to protect itself, its agents and employees, its subcontractors, St. Tammany Parish Government (Owner), and all other interested third parties, from any and all claims for damage or injury in connection with the services performed or provided throughout the duration of this Project, as well as for any subsequent periods required under this Contract.

#### The insurance coverages checked ( $\checkmark$ ) below are those required for this Contract.



- <u>Commercial General Liability\*</u> insurance Occurrence Form with a Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage of at least \$1,000,000 per Occurrence / \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products-Completed Operations. Contracts over \$1,000,000 may require higher limits. The insurance shall provide for and the certificate(s) of insurance shall indicate the following coverages:
  - a) Premises operations;
  - b) Broad form contractual liability;
  - c) Products and completed operations;
  - d) Personal/Advertising Injury;
  - e) Broad form property damage (for Projects involving work on Parish property);
  - f) Explosion, Collapse and Damage to underground property.
  - g) Additional Insured forms CG 2010 and CG 2037 in most current edition are required.

2. <u>Business Automobile Liability\*</u> insurance with a Combined Single Limit of \$1,000,000 per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, and shall include coverage for the following:

- a) Any auto;
- or
- b) Owned autos; and
- c) Hired autos; **and**
- d) Non-owned autos.

Endorsement for Pollution coverage for all vehicles used to transport fuel.

- 3. Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability insurance\* Workers' Compensation coverage as required by State law. Employers' liability limits shall be a minimum of \$1,000,000 each accident, \$1,000,000 each disease, \$1,000,000 disease policy aggregate. When water activities are expected to be performed in connection with this project, coverage under the USL&H Act, Jones Act and/or Maritime Employers Liability (MEL) must be included. Coverage for owners, officers and/or partners in any way engaged in the Project shall be included in the policy. The names of any excluded individual must be shown in the Description of Operations/Comments section of the Certificate.
  - 4. <u>Pollution Liability and Environmental Liability\*</u> insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 aggregate including full contractual liability and third party claims for bodily injury and/or property damage, for all such hazardous waste, pollutants and/or environmental exposures that may be affected by this project stemming from pollution/environmental incidents as a result of Contractor's operations.

If coverage is provided on a claims-made basis, the following conditions apply:

- the retroactive date must be prior to or coinciding with the effective date of the Contract, or prior to the commencement of any services provided by the Contractor on behalf of the Parish, whichever is earlier; AND
- 2) continuous coverage must be provided to the Parish with the same retro date for 24 months following acceptance or termination of the Project by the Parish either by
  - a) continued renewal certificates OR
  - b) a 24 month Extended Reporting Period

\*The Certificate must indicate whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis and, if claims-made, the applicable retro date must be stated.

5. <u>Contractor's Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions\*</u> insurance in the sum of at least \$1,000,000 per claim / \$2,000,000 aggregate is required when work performed by Contractor or on behalf of Contractor includes professional or technical services including, but not limited to, construction administration and/or management, engineering services such as design, surveying, and/or inspection, technical services such as testing and laboratory analysis, and/or environmental assessments. An occurrence basis policy is preferred.

If coverage is provided on a claims-made basis, the following conditions apply:

- the retroactive date must be prior to or coinciding with the effective date of the Contract, or prior to the commencement of any services provided by the Contractor on behalf of the Parish, whichever is earlier; AND
- 2) continuous coverage must be provided to the Parish with the same retro date for 24 months following acceptance or termination of the Project by the Parish either by
  - a) continued renewal certificates OR
  - b) a 24 month Extended Reporting Period

\*The Certificate must indicate whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis and, if claims-made, the applicable retro date must be stated.

6. <u>Marine Liability/Protection and Indemnity\*</u> insurance is required for any and all vessel and/or marine operations in the minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 per project general aggregate. The coverage shall include, but is not limited to, the basic coverages found in the Commercial General Liability insurance and coverage for third party liability

**\*Excess/Umbrella Liability** insurance may be provided to meet the limit requirements for any Liability coverage. For example: if the General Liability requirement is \$3,000,000 per occurrence, but the policy is only \$1,000,000 per occurrence, then the excess policy should be at least \$2,000,000 per occurrence thereby providing a combined per occurrence limit of \$3,000,000.)

- D. All policies of insurance shall meet the requirements of the Parish prior to the commencing of any work. The Parish has the right, but not the duty, to approve all insurance coverages prior to commencement of work. If any of the required policies are or become unsatisfactory to the Parish as to form or substance; or if a company issuing any policy is or becomes unsatisfactory to the Parish, the Provider shall promptly obtain a new policy, timely submit same to the Parish for approval, and submit a certificate thereof as provided above. The Parish agrees not to unreasonably withhold approval of any insurance carrier selected by Provider. In the event that Parish cannot agree or otherwise authorize a carrier, Provider shall have the option of selecting and submitting a new insurance carrier within 30 days of said notice by the Parish. In the event that the second submission is insufficient or is not approved, then the Parish shall have the unilateral opportunity to thereafter select a responsive and responsible insurance carrier all at the cost of Provider and thereafter deduct from Provider's fee the cost of such insurance.
- E Upon failure of Provider to furnish, deliver and/or maintain such insurance as above provided, this contract, at the election of the Parish, may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated. Failure of the Provider to maintain insurance shall not relieve the Provider from any liability under the contract, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with the obligation of the Provider concerning indemnification.

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- F. The Provider shall secure and maintain at its expense such insurance that will protect it and St. Tammany Parish Government (the "Parish") from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage as well as from claims under the Workers' Compensation Acts that may arise from the performance of services under this agreement. All certificates of insurance shall be furnished to the Parish and provide thirty (30) days prior notice of cancellation to the Parish, in writing, on all of the required coverage.
- G. It shall be the responsibility of Provider to require that these insurance requirements are met by all contractors and sub-contractors performing work for and on behalf of Provider. Provider shall further ensure the Parish is named as an additional insured on all insurance policies provided by said contractor and/or sub-contractor throughout the duration of the project.
- H. Certificates of Insurance shall be issued as follows:

#### St. Tammany Parish Government Attn: Risk Management P O Box 628 Covington, LA 70434

To avoid contract processing delays, be certain the project name/number is included on all correspondence including Certificates of Insurance.

# \*<u>NOTICE</u>: St. Tammany Parish Government reserves the rights to remove, replace, make additions to and/or modify any and all of the insurance requirements at any time.

Any inquiry regarding these insurance requirements should be addressed to:

St. Tammany Parish Government Office of Risk Management P O Box 628 Covington, LA 70434 Telephone: 985-898-5226 Email: riskman@stpgov.org

# Attachment E

# AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO LA R.S. 38:2224 AND ETHICS PROVISIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL & ESSENTIAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, in and for the above stated State and Parish (or

County), personally came and appeared:

Print Name

who, after first being duly sworn, did depose and state:

- That affiant is appearing on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_, who is seeking a Professional or Essential Service Contract with St. Tammany Parish Government.
- 2. That affiant employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for affiant; and

- 3. That no part of the contract price received by affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for affiant.
- 4. If affiant is a sole proprietor, that neither affiant, nor his/her immediate family is a public servant of St. Tammany Parish Government or the Contract is not under the supervision or jurisdiction of the public servant's agency.
- 5. If affiant is executing this affidavit on behalf of a juridical entity such as a partnership, corporation, or LLC, etc., that no public servant of St. Tammany Parish Government, or his/her immediate family, either individually or collectively, has more than a 25% ownership interest in the entity seeking the Contract with St. Tammany Parish Government if the Contract will be under the supervision or jurisdiction of the public servant's agency.

Printed Name:	
Title:	

Entity name:
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THUS SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, THIS\_\_\_\_\_, DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_.

Notary Public

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Notary I.D./Bar No.: \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Affidavit Pursuant to LA R.S. 38:2224 and Ethics Provisions for Professional & Essential Service Contracts

# AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO LA R.S. 38:2212.10 CONFIRMING REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION IN A STATUS VERIFICATION SYSTEM

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, in and for the above stated State and Parish (or County), personally came and appeared:

Print Name

who, after first being duly sworn, did depose and state:

- 1. That affiant is appearing on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_, a private employer seeking a bid or a contract with St. Tammany Parish Government for the physical performance of services within the State of Louisiana.
- 2. That affiant is registered and participates in a status verification system to verify that all employees in the state of Louisiana are legal citizens of the United States or are legal aliens; and
- 3. That affiant shall continue, during the term of the contract, to utilize a status verification system to verify the legal status of all new employees in the state of Louisiana.
- 4. That affiant shall require all subcontractors to submit to the affiant a sworn affidavit verifying compliance with this law.

Printed Name:	
Title:	
Name of Entity:	

# THUS SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME,

THIS\_\_\_\_\_, DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_.

**Notary Public** 

# Attachment F-1 Sample Scoring Matrix RFP # 24-20-3 Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal

Vendor/Business Name			Evaluator's Name
CRITERIA	POSSIBLE POINTS	ASSIGNED POINTS	COMMENTS
Compliance with the RFP	15pts		
Understanding of the Project	10pts		
Approach to the Project	15pts		
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	20pts		
Qualifications of the Proposer, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the project	20pts		
Overall costs and fees to be charged	10pts		
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or certified Hudson Initiative small entrepreneurship	10pts		

Vendor Total

100pts

Signature of Evaluator:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Attachment F-2 Vendor Scoring Matrix RFP # 24-20-3 Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal

Vendor/Business Name

The Respondent must clearly designate that they meet each category of the scoring criteria stated below. The Respondent must briefly describe how their company satisfies the requirement and where in their response supports that requirement. Failure to comply with this requirement may negatively affect the overall score.

CRITERIA	Briefly describe how your proposal meets the requirement and where in your proposal supports your justification
Compliance with the RFP	
Understanding of the Project	
onderstanding of the Project	
Approach to the Project	
Ability to perform within the stated timeframe	
Qualifications of the Respondent, including, but not limited to, its experience and personnel assigned to the project	
Overall costs and fees to be charged	
Certified Veterans Initiative small entrepreneurship or certified Hudson Initiative small	
entrepreneurship	

# Attachment G

# CORPORATE RESOLUTION

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF INCORPORATED. AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT WAS: **RESOLVED THAT** . BE AND IS HEREBY APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGN ATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FU LL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS,

BONDS, SURETIES, CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTINGEACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

> I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE DATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID CORPORATION. AND THE SAME HAS NOT BEEN REVOKED OR RESCINDED.

> > SECRETARY-TREASURER

DATE

#### Attachment H

#### **Certificate of Insurance Instructions**

The below information is intended to guide Contractors on what information is needed to be listed on the Certificate of Insurance. All Insurance limit requirements can be found in Attachment D.

- Certificate Holder STPG must be listed as the certificate holder, and it must include our address of: P.O. Box 628, Covington, LA 70434
  - Reason: the certificate holder is where cancellations of coverage, or updated certificates are mailed. If a vendor terminates a policy, we will be notified.
- Additional Insured We must be named as an additional insured so that if there is a lawsuit against the vendor for a project, their coverage will cover STPG as well if we are named in the lawsuit.
  - We must be named in the Description of Operations box reason: there could be other additional insureds, and we want to have no doubt that we are one of the additional insureds.
  - We must be named as additional insured on the following coverages: General liability, Auto Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, Environmental/Pollution Liability.
  - Professional Liability policies do not allow for an additional insured by most carriers.
- **Project Name & Contract #** We need this listed in the Description of Operations, again so that if there is a lawsuit, we have proof that coverage was active for that project.
- **Waiver of Subrogation** This can either be listed in the Description of Operations or checked off in the appropriate columns.

From the Insurance Requirement form:

<u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>: The Provider's insurers will have no right of recovery or subrogation against the Parish of St. Tammany, it being the intention of the parties that all insurance policy(ies) so affected shall protect both parties and be the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the below described insurance.

- **Owners Protective Liability (OPL) or (OCP)** Certificate of Insurance for OCP names St. Tammany Parish Government as the Insured and the Certificate Holder.
- Sample of Certificate of Insurance (COI) can be found on page 2.



# **CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.			
IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an er certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).			
PRODUCER	CONTACT		
	NAME:         FAX           PHONE         FAX           (A/C, No, Ext);         (A/C, No):		
	(A/C, No, Ext): (A/C, No): E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #	
	INSURER A :		
INSURED	INSURER B :		
	INSURER C :		
	INSURER D :		
	INSURER E :		
	INSURER F :		
COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER:	REVISION NUMBER:		
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HA	VE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLI		
INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORD EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE	ED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL T BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.		
INSR ADDL SUBR LTR TYPE OF INSURANCE INSR WVD POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY) (MM/DD/YYYY) LIMITS		
GENERAL LIABILITY	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$		
	MED EXP (Any one person) \$		
	PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$		
	GENERAL AGGREGATE \$		
GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:	PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$		
POLICY PRO- JECT LOC	\$		
AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$		
ANY AUTO	BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$		
ALL OWNED SCHEDULED AUTOS	BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$		
AUTOS AUTOS NON-OWNED HIRED AUTOS AUTOS	PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$		
	\$		
UMBRELLA LIAB OCCUR	EACH OCCURRENCE \$		
EXCESS LIAB CLAIMS-MADE	AGGREGATE \$		
DED RETENTION \$	\$		
WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY	WC STATU- TORY LIMITS ER		
ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE N/A	E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$		
(Mandatory in NH)	E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$		
If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$		
DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks	Schedule if more snace is required)		
Project Name: Contract #:	Schedule, if more space is required)		
(Name St. Tammany Parish Government as an additional insured).			
CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION		
St. Tammany Parish Government P.O. Box 628	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELL THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DEL ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.		
Covington, LA 70434	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE		

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# Attachment I

#### Scope of Services

#### **Coordination & Monitoring of Debris Removal**

#### SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

- A. General Requirements
- B. Project Requirements
- C. Contractor Staffing Requirements
- D. Reporting Requirements
- E. Billing Requirements

#### A. <u>GENERAL REQUIREMENTS</u>

The Contractor shall meet all Contract requirements in the general Professional Service Contract including the prescribed insurance requirements and provide all labor, equipment and materials required to perform the Scope of Work outlined in <u>RFP-COORDINATION &</u> <u>MONITORING OF DEBRIS REMOVAL and Attachments.</u>

Contractor, or his representative, must attend the "St. Tammany Parish Annual Emergency Kickoff Meeting" held at the Emergency Operations Center in Covington, LA annually prior to the start of the hurricane season.

#### B. PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Contractor must be ready to commence work based on disaster declarations. Contractor must be prepared to commence work during emergency road network restoration work by others (the Push) immediately following an emergency event.
- 2. Commencing on the declaration of a disaster, at the discretion of STPG, Contractor must staff at least one field office to manage the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Programs. Contractor shall provide all equipment, supplies and security necessary to operate the field offices. Contractor shall be responsible for all costs associated with the establishment and operation of any field office needed.
- 3. Field Offices must be staffed at a sufficient level to handle the resulting phone calls and requests relating to the Push, and/or the EDR&D, and/or WWDR Programs in a timely manner and at all times will have a minimum of two (2) people on duty.

Field Offices shall be open as follows unless otherwise directed by STPG: Monday through Friday - 8:00 am - 8:00 pm Saturday - 8:00 am - 12:00 noon Sunday - To Be Determined

4. If necessary, Contractor shall be responsible to maintain and staff a "project main office" in STPG and same shall be operational within one month of the disaster declaration. Sufficient staff and phone lines shall be available so that timely responses and services can be provided to the people of STPG for the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Programs.

- 5. Contractor shall be responsible to handle all calls from the public, the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Contractors and any Subcontractors. Contractor shall provide logs with of all phone calls received, including caller name, location and contact info to STPG.
- Contractor shall be responsible to coordinate all aspects of the project with FEMA, and any other regulatory agency, and to ensure that only eligible work and projects are performed by the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Contractors. Contractor shall issue tickets for eligible work only.
- 7. Contractor shall be responsible to implement all items of the Push, EDR&D and the WWDR Programs.
- 8. Contractor will be required to work with the Parish on the development of a RFP or bid document for any additional requirements relating to the disaster.
- Contractor shall take all steps necessary to process the paperwork, secure approval from FEMA and any other agency and issue authorization to proceed as required by STPG.
- 10. Contractor shall insure that all work relating to the disaster is completed within the prescribed deadlines set by STPG.
- 11. Contractor shall monitor, supervise, coordinate and manage all aspects of the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Contracts and insure that only eligible work is performed. Contractor shall insure compliance of all Contractors, Subcontractors and personnel with FEMA 325, FEMA 327, FEMA 321, FEMA Public Assistance Policy Guides and any other agency, and all other policies & procedures and Project Worksheets (PWs) issued by FEMA or other federal or state agencies in response to a disaster or debris causing event. Contractor will also ensure compliance with any amendments or revisions to said regulations, policies, procedures and PWs which occur during the process of implementing the Push and EDR&D Contracts. Full accounting and reporting is required for successful completion of the project.
- 12. The Contractor is responsible for all additional tasks that may be added to the scope of work to meet FEMA and any other agency program requirements.
- 13. Contractor is responsible for documenting the debris contractor's compliance with debris site regulations, including site permitting and preparation, and site restoration after completion of removal activities. Before and after photos of all TDSRs and disposal sites shall be obtained.
- 14. Contractor is responsible for suppling to the Parish access to online "live" portal of access to monitor grid formatted locations of debris removal trucks and personnel as well as eligible tickets, areas of completion and information requested by Parish for purpose of tracking.

15. Monitors for waterway debris removal should have verified experience (recent/1 to 2 year) with DNR, Corps of Engineers NOLA District, CPRA and LDWF Scenic River Permits.

# C. CONTRACTOR STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

Only positions and rates authorized by the resulting contract of this Proposal will be utilized to perform the work. Any positions or rates billed STPG other than those listed and approved in the contract will not be paid. <u>See Final Contract "APPROVED POSITIONS & RATES".</u>

1. All staff shall be adequately trained and qualified to execute the project requirements and ready upon notification of activation.

NOTE: Work to be managed by this project may require different types of monitoring. Some work may be monitored on a completed lump sum basis and other work may be monitored and recorded under cubic yards. All debris items/piles should be photographed prior to removal. The cleared ROW or other facility should be photographed to document proper completion of the removal. All damages to public and private property caused during project operations should be immediately photographed and documented.

- 2. In the Proposal, the Contractor shall provide a flow chart showing the proposed positions, titles, and oversight structure of the workforce. Upon award and activation of the contract, the Contractor shall provide to STPG for approval a detailed flow chart showing the following:
  - a. Approved Position/title/duties;
  - b. Number of employees for each position;
  - c. The approved rate for each position;

d. Any other resources needed to implement the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Contracts and Plans.

During activation the flow chart shall be updated weekly by the Contractor based upon the tasks to be performed, the amount of activity and the volume of work.

- 3. The debris monitor's roles and responsibilities in the field include, but are not limited to:
  - Measure and certify truck capacities (recertify on a regular basis).
  - Legibly complete and physically control load tickets (in monitoring towers and the field). (Electronic tickets will be eligible based on their ability to meet all requirements of current paper forms & approval by STPG.). Electronic tickets must be accompanied by photographs of 1) the ROW loading process, and 2) the filled truck at the disposal site (from the Tower).
  - Validate hazardous trees, including hangers, leaners, and stumps (use appropriate documentation forms).
  - Ensure that trucks are accurately credited for their load. Photograph each filled truck at the disposal site Tower.
  - Ensure that debris is mechanically loaded into trucks and is reasonably compacted.
  - Ensure that trucks are not artificially loaded to maximize reimbursement (e.g., debris is wetted, debris is fluffed not compacted).
  - Ensure that hazardous waste is not mixed in with loads.
  - Ensure that all debris is removed from trucks at the TDSR/Debris Management Sites or other disposal sites.
  - Report cases where improper equipment is mobilized and used.
  - Report cases where personnel safety standards are not followed.
  - Report cases where general public safety standards are not followed.

- Report & photograph damages caused by contractors.
- Report if completion schedules are not on target.
- Ensure that only debris specified in the scope of work of the Push, EDR&D and/or
- WWDR is collected and identify work as potentially eligible or ineligible. Ineligible work should not be ticketed.
- Monitor site development and restoration of the Debris Management Sites & Temporary Debris Staging & Reduction Sites (TDSRs).
- Ensure daily loads entering the Debris Management Sites meet permit requirements for those sites.
- Ensure that work stops immediately in an area where human remains or potential archeological deposits are discovered.
- Report to project manager if debris removal work does not comply with all local ordinances as well as State and Federal regulations.

NOTE: ALL TIME UNDER THIS CONTRACT WILL BE PAID AT THE HOURLY RATE REGARDLESS OF THE AMOUNT OF HOURS WORKED. THE HOURLY RATE SHALL INCLUDE ALL ASSOCIATED COSTS FOR THE POSITION INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BENEFITS, INTERPARISH TRAVEL COSTS, OFFICE COSTS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, ETC. NO ADDITIONAL CHARGES WILL BE ALLOWED OUTSIDE OF THE HOURLY RATE.

5. Time for lunch, personal time, sick time, vacation time, stand-by time, idle time and travel are not billable time.

#### D. PROJECT MEETINGS & <u>REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</u>

- 1. MEETINGS
  - a. The Contractor will be required to attend the "St. Tammany Parish "Annual Emergency Kickoff Meeting" held at the Emergency Operations Center in Covington, LA annually prior to the start of the hurricane season.
  - b. The PDA shall schedule and administer a pre-deployment meeting, periodic progress meetings and specially called meetings throughout progress of the work. The Contractor or Contractor's representative(s) are required to attend all meetings. The format/agenda for meetings shall be agreed upon by the Parish.
  - c. Representatives of Contractors, Sub-Contractors and Suppliers attending meetings shall be qualified and authorized to act on behalf of the entity each represents. The Parish, at its discretion, may limit attendance of subcontractors.
  - d. Other meetings may be required in during the procurement or pre-award period.
  - e. Weekly progress meetings are required for the project's duration.
  - f. The debris Contractor's Project Manager and the PDA are to meet daily to discuss project schedule & progress, issues & obstacles, compliance matters, and other topics as required. Reports of these meetings and topics discussed shall be provided to the Parish daily.
- 2. PROJECT REPORTING
  - a. Contractor shall email copies of all daily load tickets issued, and Daily Project Summary Report, contractor meeting reports, etc. by the following morning.
  - b. All Contractor employees shall use STPG's Daily Activity Log to record daily activities and support billed amounts (Attachment H-1). Contractor shall provide detailed daily work plans and schedules for field personnel providing hours of work, lunch and breaks for review and approval of STPG prior to starting work.

- c. Contractor shall use the Parish's "Truck Certification Form" and transmit the original white copy to STPG by the following morning along with the corresponding truck photographs. The Contractor is expected to validate all field calculations for truck capacities and correct any errors the by the following day. After advising the Parish of calculation discrepancies, the PDA is responsible for notifying debris contractor of corrections to certified truck volumes.
- d. Contractor shall meet all reporting requirements for the completion of the Push, EDR&D and WWDR Programs, and any other assigned projects associated with a disaster. Photos of certified trucks, hazardous trees & stumps (prior to removal), debris piles and CY loads or as agency requires. Debris photographs should depict the threat to the public, and the need for removal of the hazard.
- e. Contractor shall submit daily reports as required by STPG. The substance of these reports shall be determined with the PDA based upon the debris activities performed.
- f. Electronic, detailed spreadsheets for the reconciliation of tickets and site-specific work are required. Other reports may be requested by STPG as the need arises based upon the activities performed.
- g. The reports must be adequate to demonstrate that sufficient measures were taken to ensure eligibility, accurate debris quantities and labor hours.
- h. The Contractor will be held financially responsible for incomplete reporting or incorrect calculation of certified truck capacities, debris loads or tickets.
- 3. PROJECT COMPLETION -

The Contractor shall provide STPG Finance Department with two (2) digital copies of all project documentation, reports, tickets, photos, etc. Compact discs preferred.

# E. BILLING REQUIREMENTS

1. Billing of Contract Services

Invoices shall be submitted weekly and shall include:

- a. Cover sheet with total hours billed by position.
- b. Timesheets and Daily Activity Logs to document total hours billed.
- c. STPG may require additional information to facilitate payment either at the time of submission or afterward.
- d. All invoices should contain the Purchase Order Number and all supporting documentation.
- 2. Approval of Debris Contractor Invoices
  - a. The Push, EDR&D and WWDR Contractors shall submit all requests for payment to the Coordination & Monitoring Contractor.
  - b. The Coordination & Monitoring Contractor shall be required to review, dispute, reconcile and approve (certify) all payments to be made by STPG to the Push, EDR&D & WWDR Contractor or any other assigned Contractor.

\*\*\* End \*\*\*

#### Attachment J

#### FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

#### REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS

### 1. Equal Employment Opportunity

The regulation at 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.4(b) requires, except as otherwise provided or exempted in 41 C.F.R. Part 60, the insertion of the following contract clause:

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

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

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

(2)The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

(3)The Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

(4)The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5)The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6)The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(7)In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(8)The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

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

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

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

The Applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions

and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the Applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

# 2. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

For the required contract provision, the language from 29 C.F.R. § 5.5(b)(1)-(5) is provided below for ease of reference. The language provided is current as of the date of publication of the Contract Provisions Guide. However, 29 C.F.R. § 5 may be updated periodically, such that recipients and subrecipients are encouraged to reference the regulations for the most current language.

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1)Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2)*Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.* In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages and interest from the date of the underpayment. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States(in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchpersons and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$32 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1).

# (3)Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages—

(i) *Withholding Process*. St. Tammany Parish Government may, upon its own action, or must, upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor, withhold or cause to be withheld from the contractor so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to satisfy the liabilities of the prime contractor or any subcontractor for any unpaid wages; monetary relief, including interest; and liquidated damages required by the clauses set forth in this paragraph (b) on this contract, any other federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours

and Safety Standards Act that is held by the same prime contractor (as defined in § 5.2). The necessary funds may be withheld from the contractor under this contract, any other federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally assisted contract that is subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and is held by the same prime contractor, regardless of whether the other contract was awarded or assisted by the same agency, and such funds may be used to satisfy the contractor liability for which the funds were withheld.

(ii)*Priority to withheld funds*. The Department has priority to funds withheld or to be withheld in accordance with paragraph (a)(2)(i) or (b)(3)(i) of this section, or both, over claims to those funds by:

(A)A contractor's surety(ies), including without limitation performance bond sureties and payment bond sureties;

(B)A contracting agency for its reprocurement costs;

(C)A trustee(s) (either a court-appointed trustee or a U.S. trustee, or both) in bankruptcy of a contractor, or a contractor's bankruptcy estate;

(D)A contractor's assignee(s);

(E)A contractor's successor(s); or

(F)A claim asserted under the Prompt Payment Act, 31 U.S.C. 3901-3907.

(4)*Subcontracts.* The contractor or subcontractor must insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5) of this section and a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor is responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5). In the event of any violations of these clauses, the prime contractor, and any subcontractor(s) responsible will be liable for any unpaid wages and monetary relief, including interest from the date of the underpayment or loss, due to any workers of lower-tier subcontractors, and associated liquidated damages and may be subject to debarment, as appropriate.

(5)*Anti-retaliation*. It is unlawful for any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, or to cause any person to discharge, demote, intimidate, threaten, restrain, coerce, blacklist, harass, or in any other manner discriminate against, any worker or job applicant for:

(i)Notifying any contractor of any conduct which the worker reasonably believes constitutes a violation of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (CWHSSA) or its implementing regulations in this part;

(ii)Filing any complaint, initiating, or causing to be initiated any proceeding, or otherwise asserting or seeking to assert on behalf of themselves or others any right or protection under CWHSSA or this part;

(iii)Cooperating in any investigation or other compliance action, or testifying in any proceeding under CWHSSA or this part; or

(iv)Informing any other person about their rights under CWHSSA or this part.

# 3. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act

#### Clean Air Act.

The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 *et seq.* 

The contractor agrees to report each violation to St. Tammany Parish Government and understands and agrees that the St. Tammany Parish Government will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal assistance provided by FEMA.

# Federal Water Pollution Control Act

The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.* The contractor agrees to report each violation to the St. Tammany Parish Government and understands and agrees that the St. Tammany Parish Government) will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the (name of the pass-through entity, if applicable), Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal assistance provided by FEMA.

# 4. Suspension and Debarment

#### Suspension and Debarment

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters.

This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by St. Tammany Parish Government. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to St. Tammany Parish Government, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. Part 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

# 5.Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

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

# 6. Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services

Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services. (a)*Definitions.* As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services, as used in this clause—

(b)*Prohibitions*.1)Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.

2)Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to: i. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;

ii. Enter, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;

iii. Enter, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or

iv. Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(c)*Exceptions*. 1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—i. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or ii. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

2)By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to: i. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that: a. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and b. Are not used as critical technology of any system. ii. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

3)*Reporting requirement*.1)In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.2)The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause: i. Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

ii. Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e)*Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

# 7. Domestic Preferences for Procurements

Domestic Preference for Procurements.

The Contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with law, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited to, iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products.

For purposes of this clause:

*Produced in the United States* means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

# 8. Access to Records

The Contractor agrees to provide St. Tammany Parish Government, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed. The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

# 9. DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags

St. Tammany Parish Government must obtain written permission from DHS prior to using the DHS seals, logos, crests, or reproductions of flags, or likenesses of DHS agency officials. This includes use of DHS component (e.g., FEMA, CISA, etc.) seals, logos, crests, or reproductions of flags, or likenesses of component officials.

# 10. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders and Acknowledgement of Federal Funding

FEMA funding will be used in this project. Contractors will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, and FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

# 11. No Obligation by Federal Government

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the recipient or subrecipient, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

# 12. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

# 13. Socioeconomic Contracting

The Contractor is encouraged to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5)to ensure small businesses, minority businesses, women's business enterprises, veteranowned businesses, and labor surplus area firms are considered when possible.

Contracting With Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area Firms.

a) Any party to this Contract, when expending any Federal funds received under this Agreement, must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. These steps are required for the hiring of any subcontractors under this Contract.

b) Affirmative steps must include:

1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;

3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and

5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

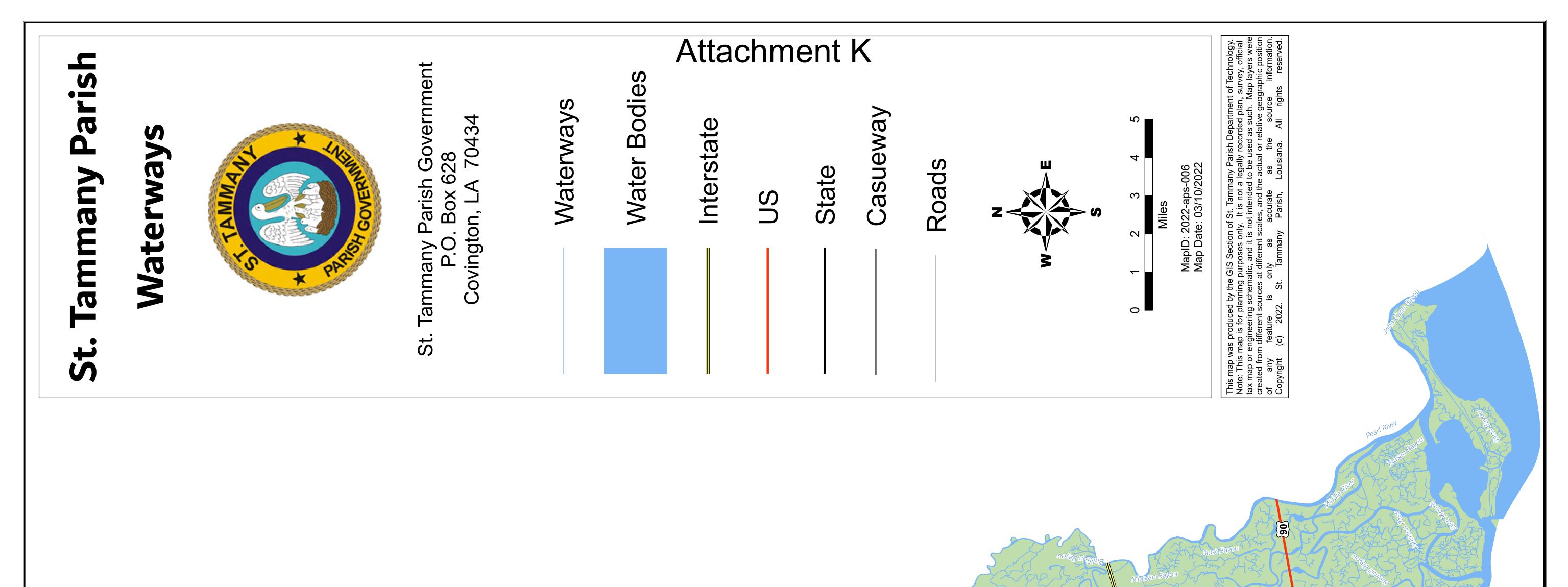
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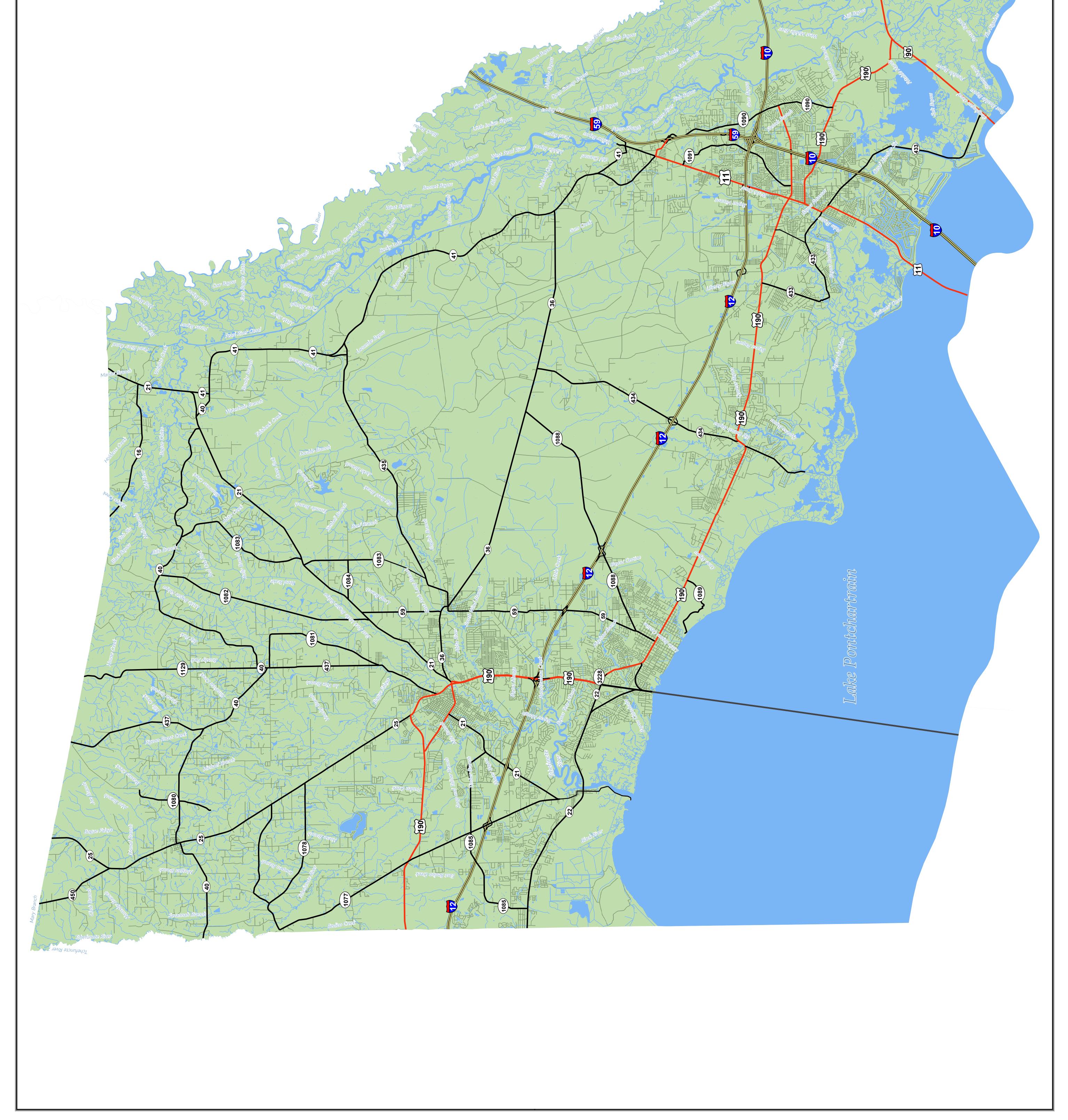
Creating Good Jobs.

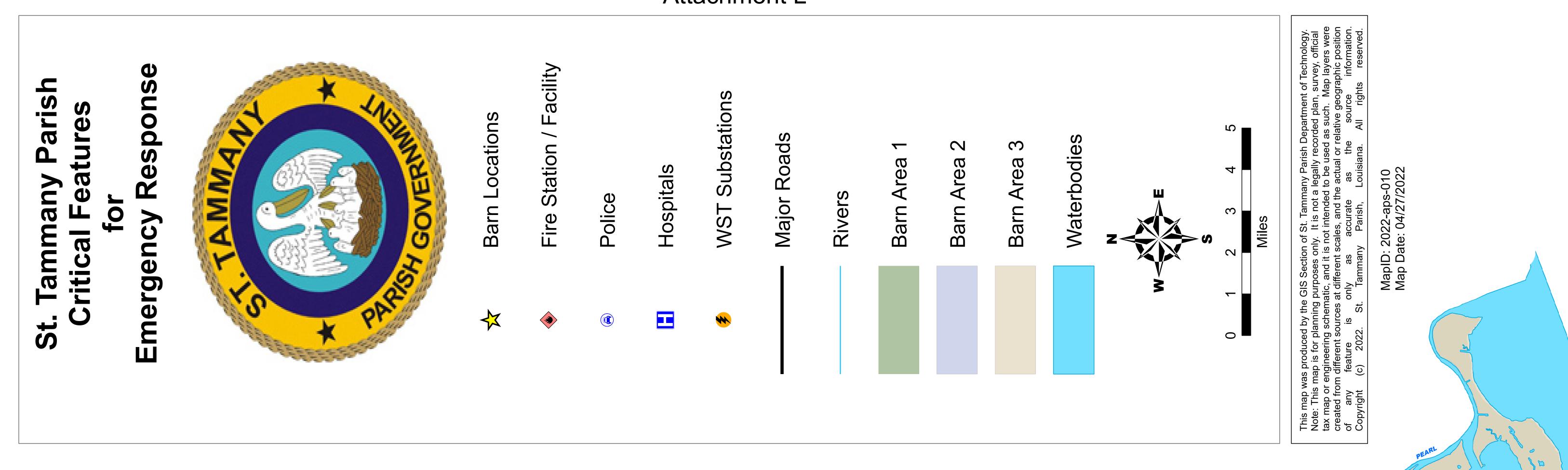
Pursuant to FEMA Information Bulletin No. 520, the contractor will comply with all applicable federal labor and employment laws. To maximize cost efficiency and quality of work, the contractor commits to strong labor standards and protections for the project workforce by creating an effective plan for ensuring high-quality jobs and complying with federal labor and employment laws. The contractor acknowledges applicable minimum wage, overtime, prevailing wage, and health and safety requirements, and will incorporate Good Jobs Principles wherever appropriate and to the greatest extent practicable.

#### 15. Buy Clean

St. Tammany Parish Government encourages the use of environmentally friendly construction practices in the performance of this Agreement. In particular, St. Tammany Parish Government encourages that the performance of this agreement include considering the use of low-carbon materials which have substantially lower levels of embodied greenhouse-gas emissions associated with all relevant stages of production, use, and disposal, as compared to estimated industry averages of similar materials or products as demonstrated by their environmental product declaration.







Attachment L

