

## **Request for Information (RFI)**

### **Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD)**

#### **Road Maintenance Activity Outsourcing**

- Mowing
- Cleaning and Reshaping Ditches & Slope Repairs
- Reshaping Non-Paved Shoulders
- Traffic Control Services
- Herbicide Application
- Pavement Striping and Application of Raised Reflective Markers
- Full-Depth Concrete Pavement Patching
- Vegetation Management (Tree/Brush Trimming & Tree Removal)
- Cleaning and Maintaining Drainage Structures
- Asphalt Pavement Repairs

**Issue Date:** February 2, 2026

**Deadline for Receipt of Questions/Inquires:** February 12, 2026

**Agency Response to Written Inquiries:** No later than February 23, 2026

**Deadline for RFI Response:** March 5, 2026

**Questions / Inquiries:** Should be submitted via email to [Julie.Kennison@la.gov](mailto:Julie.Kennison@la.gov) no later than February 12, 2026. Inquiries received after this deadline may not be entertained.

**RFI Response:** Email Responses should be submitted by March 5, 2026, to [Julie.Kennison@la.gov](mailto:Julie.Kennison@la.gov). Please include the following:

- 1. Company Profile:** History, ownership, and relevant maintenance or construction experience, including size of company and/or number of employees
- 2. Geographic Capacity:** Areas of Louisiana or other states where services are currently provided
- 3. Certifications:** Applicable safety, environmental, and licensing credentials
- 4. Contracting Experience:** Prior work with DOTD or other public transportation agencies
- 5. Pricing Models:** Typical unit-based or time-based pricing approaches and general pricing terms (non-binding)
- 6. Performance Management:** Methods for monitoring quality, safety, and service-level adherence

## **7. Answers to the “RFI Questions” in Attachment A – Attachment J**

- Vendors may submit responses to all Attachments, or only the Attachments that pertain to Road Maintenance Activities relevant to their expertise.
- Please number responses according to the format in each Attachment
- Responses are not required for all questions

## **8. Any additional comments or recommendations for DOTD**

## **9. Optional attachments (photos, case studies, maps, etc.)**

**Confidentiality:** This RFI is for information gathering purposes only and does not constitute a solicitation or commitment to issue an RFP or award any contracts. Responses will be treated as confidential to the extent permitted by law.

### **Introduction and Purpose**

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) is seeking information and insights from qualified contractors, service providers, and industry experts to inform its future plans for expanding the outsourcing of roadway and roadside maintenance activities.

While DOTD currently engages in limited outsourcing for certain maintenance functions, the department is actively exploring the feasibility and benefits of implementing these practices on a significantly broader, district-wide or statewide scale. Through this Request for Information (RFI), DOTD aims to better understand market capabilities, innovative service delivery models, contracting options, and potential operational efficiencies that could enhance the effectiveness and sustainability of its maintenance program. Please find a map of DOTD districts in Appendix A.

The responses received will be instrumental in shaping DOTD’s long-term strategy for maintenance operations, including the development of scalable procurement frameworks, technical standards, and partnership models to support future solicitations and contracting initiatives. Ultimately, DOTD anticipates that future outsourcing efforts informed by this RFI will lead to the establishment of multi-year, performance-driven contracts creating consistency and value over time rather than one-off engagements.

### **Scope of Inquiry**

DOTD is evaluating the potential for outsourcing the following maintenance activities:

Attachment A: Mowing

Attachment B: Cleaning and Reshaping Ditches & Slope Repairs

Attachment C: Reshaping Non-Paved Shoulders  
Attachment D: Traffic Control Services  
Attachment E: Herbicide Application  
Attachment F: Pavement Striping and Application of Raised Reflective Markers  
Attachment G: Full-Depth Concrete Pavement Patching  
Attachment H: Vegetation Management (Tree/Brush Trimming & Tree Removal)  
Attachment I: Cleaning and Maintaining Drainage Structures  
Attachment J: Asphalt Pavement Repairs

### **Collaborative RFI Response Guidance**

Collaboration with other contractors on RFI submission is allowed and not precluded. Contractors considering a joint response to the DOTD RFI for outsourced maintenance should coordinate early to align capabilities and ensure a unified submission. Identify a lead firm to manage inputs and maintain consistent formatting and messaging. Confirm all contributions meet DOTD requirements before submission.

### **Confidentiality and Disclaimer**

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### **Next Steps**

#### **Based on responses to this RFI, DOTD may:**

- Conduct additional market research or industry engagement sessions
- Develop pilot outsourcing programs or regional outsourcing trials
- Refine technical specifications and performance metrics for future RFPs

DOTD appreciates industry input and collaboration in shaping the future of highway maintenance operations in Louisiana.

### ***Attachments A-I to follow***

## **ATTACHMENT A – Mowing**

DOTD seeks input on the outsourcing of roadside vegetation mowing to maintain visibility, safety, and aesthetics along highways and the right-of-way.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform mowing services (e.g., acreage or miles maintained per week or per month)? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) Which types of mowing can you perform (e.g., clear zone mowing, ROW mowing, slope mowing, median mowing, strip mowing, brush mowing)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct mowing operations (e.g., recommended frequency by roadway type, equipment types, and workforce composition)?
- b) How would your organization ensure quality, consistency, and performance across large areas of service?
- c) What types of environmental or debris management practices do you employ?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) What safety training programs are held or required by your company?
- c) What certifications or qualifications do your employees currently hold?
- d) How does your organization ensure compliance with relevant safety and environmental regulations?
- e) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information, insights, or recommendations relevant to mowing operations that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing strategy

## **ATTACHMENT B – Cleaning and Reshaping Ditches & Slope Repairs**

DOTD seeks insight into best practices for maintaining and reshaping roadside ditches to preserve drainage capacity and roadway integrity.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform ditch cleaning and reshaping services (e.g., linear miles or volume maintained per period)? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) What is your organization's current capacity to perform slope repair, erosion control and maintenance?
- c) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- d) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your organization be interested and able to operate?
- e) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- f) What types of work can you perform (e.g., routine cleaning, reshaping, recutting, vegetative shaping, widening, lined ditch rebuild)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct ditch cleaning and reshaping (e.g., mechanical, manual, or hybrid methods)?
- b) What types of equipment, materials, and workforce would be required?
- c) How do you ensure efficiency, consistency, and quality control in your work?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company

- c) What certifications or qualifications do your employees currently hold?
- d) How does your organization ensure environmental compliance, including soil handling, erosion control, and sediment management?
- e) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information, insights, or recommendations relevant to ditch maintenance and reshaping that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing strategy

## **ATTACHMENT C – Reshaping Non-Paved Shoulders**

DOTD is evaluating outsourcing opportunities for regrading and maintaining non-paved shoulders to ensure safety and proper drainage performance.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform shoulder reshaping services (e.g., miles of roadway maintained per period)? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., shoulder dragging, edge drop-off repair and build-up shoulder removal, shoulder reshaping to design cross-slope, shoulder rebuild, shoulder widening)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct reshaping operations (e.g., standard procedures, grading equipment, and materials used)?
- b) How do you coordinate shoulder maintenance with other roadway operations?
- c) What methods do you use for compaction and maintaining grade consistency?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- c) What certifications or qualifications do your employees currently hold?



- d) How does your organization ensure environmental and operational compliance?
- e) Would your company have the ability to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information, insights, or recommendations relevant to non-paved shoulder maintenance that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing strategy

## **ATTACHMENT D – Traffic Control Services**

DOTD seeks information from vendors capable of providing certified temporary traffic control services to support maintenance and construction operations statewide and/or district-wide.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to provide traffic control services, including both planned and emergency mobilization? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., temporary traffic control for work zones, detours and road closures, emergency traffic control, special event traffic control)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How do you typically set up, maintain, and remove temporary traffic control zones?
- b) What equipment and materials (e.g., cones, signs, attenuators) are typically used, and at what scale?
- c) What are your average response times and mobilization capabilities for planned versus emergency activities?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) What certifications or training do your personnel hold (e.g., ATSSA, OSHA, MUTCD compliance)?

- c) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- d) How do you ensure ongoing safety management and adherence to national and state standards?
- e) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information or recommendations relevant to traffic control services that could assist DOTD in developing future contracting models

## **ATTACHMENT E – Herbicide Application**

DOTD seeks feedback on contractor-led herbicide spraying for vegetation control along highways, medians, shoulders, and other rights-of-way throughout the state.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform herbicide application services across multiple areas or districts? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., broadcast herbicide application, spot herbicide application, brush control for wooded areas, bare-ground herbicide application, aquatic safe herbicide application)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) What herbicides do you typically use (including EPA registration details, state regulations), and how do you determine application rates and timing?
- b) What methods and technologies (e.g., GPS tracking, data logging) are used to ensure accuracy and recordkeeping?
- c) How do you ensure environmental protection and minimize chemical runoff or overspray?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) What certifications and licenses do your applicators hold, and how do you ensure compliance with EPA and state requirements?

- c) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- d) What safety and environmental protection procedures are in place?
- e) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information or recommendations relevant to herbicide application that could help DOTD shape its future maintenance outsourcing strategy

## **ATTACHMENT F – Pavement Striping & Application of Raised Reflective Markers**

DOTD requests input on pavement marking and striping services to support roadway safety, visibility, and operational efficiency.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform pavement striping services and/or application of raised reflective markers, including both maintenance and new applications? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., longitudinal striping, transverse markings, specialty/symbol/word markings, thermoplastic inlay, removal and surface prep)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct striping operations (e.g., paint, thermoplastic, tape applications, epoxy)?
- b) What types of equipment and technology do you use for striping application, quality verification, and retro reflectivity measurement?
- c) How would your organization conduct raised reflective marker installation operations (e.g., adhesive application, placement techniques, spacing, and alignment procedures)?
- d) What types of equipment and technology do you use for marker application, adhesion quality verification, and retro reflectivity performance measurement?
- e) How do you plan and schedule production to optimize performance and minimize disruptions?

### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- c) What certifications or training do your personnel hold?
- d) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information or recommendations relevant to pavement striping that could help DOTD shape its future contracting strategy

## **ATTACHMENT G – Full-Depth Concrete Pavement Patching**

DOTD seeks information on full-depth patching services for pavement sections requiring structural repair or rehabilitation.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform full-depth patching services across various roadway types? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., full-depth slab removal and replacement, full-depth accelerated patching, full-depth dowel bar/tie-bar replacement patching, full-depth utility/isolated structure cuts)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct full-depth patching operations (e.g., materials, repair processes, and crew setup)?
- b) What equipment and methods do you use to minimize lane closure times and accelerate curing?
- c) How do you manage quality control and testing during and after patching operations?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company



- c) How does your organization ensure compliance with DOTD and industry standards?
- d) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information or recommendations relevant to pavement patching that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing program

## **ATTACHMENT H – Vegetation Management (Tree/Brush Trimming & Tree Removal)**

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) is exploring and evaluating outsourcing options for vegetation management services, including tree and brush trimming and tree removal along highways and rights-of-way. The goal is to enhance safety clearances, visibility, storm preparedness, and emergency response capacity.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to provide tree and brush trimming and tree removal services, including emergency and large-scale operations? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., brush cutting/trimming, tree trimming/pruning, hazard tree removal, full tree removal, storm damage vegetation removal)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How do you conduct vegetation management operations, including trimming and removal activities? Please describe:
  1. Trimming cycles, scheduling methods, and coordination with utilities and environmental agencies.
  2. Equipment and tools used for cutting, trimming, hauling, and disposal.
- b) What standards do you follow for clearance distances and line-of-sight visibility?
- c) How do you ensure timely response for after-storm or emergency events?
- d) How do you manage debris disposal, recycling, and environmental compliance during operations?

### 3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) What safety management procedures, protocols, and certifications (e.g., OSHA, chainsaw safety) do your employees hold?
- c) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company.
- d) How does your organization ensure compliance with environmental and right-of-way regulations?
- e) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees if required by DOTD?

### 4. Pricing

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms?  
*(All pricing information is non-binding and will help DOTD assess potential scalability.)*
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

### 5. Additional Information

- a) If available, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information.
- b) Respondents are encouraged to include any additional insights, recommendations, or information relevant to vegetation management, including trimming, removal, or emergency response operations, that could help DOTD refine its outsourcing strategy.

## **ATTACHMENT I – Cleaning and Maintaining Drainage Structures**

DOTD seeks input from qualified contractors regarding the outsourcing of drainage structure cleaning and maintenance activities to ensure proper water flow, prevent flooding, and preserve roadway integrity.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform drainage structure maintenance (e.g., number of structures or miles of drainage systems serviced per period)? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., culvert cleaning, catch basin cleaning, drainage ditch and channel cleanout, outfall/end-section/headwall cleaning, under-drain and edge drain maintenance, stormwater structure inspection and minor repairs)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How would your organization conduct cleaning and maintenance operations for culverts, catch basins, and storm drains (e.g., vacuum, jetting, or manual methods)?
- b) What types of equipment and workforce do you typically deploy for these services?
- c) How do you manage debris removal, disposal, and environmental compliance during operations?
- d) How do you ensure quality, consistency, and performance across large-scale maintenance programs?

### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?
- b) What safety procedures and confined-space entry protocols are in place for drainage structure work?
- c) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- d) What certifications or qualifications do your employees currently hold (e.g., OSHA, confined-space, environmental compliance)?
- e) How does your organization ensure environmental protection and regulatory compliance during operations?
- f) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information, insights, or recommendations relevant to drainage structure maintenance that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing strategy

## **ATTACHMENT J – Asphalt Pavement Repairs**

DOTD seeks input from qualified contractors regarding pavement repair services to repair potholes, pavement bumps, surface irregularities, or high spots that impact ride quality and safety. Please include any additional information on your capacity to provide other pavement repair services such as crack sealing and other surface treatments.

### **RFI Questions:**

DOTD is seeking responses to the following questions:

#### **1. Capacity and Coverage**

- a) What is your organization's current capacity to perform asphalt pavement repair services (e.g., miles or areas treated per period)? Please provide a breakdown by district if possible.
- b) How much additional work and capacity could your organization complete if DOTD were to expand statewide and/or district-wide outsourcing?
- c) In which DOTD districts or regions of the state would your company be interested and able to operate?
- d) How quickly can your organization mobilize in the event of an emergency situation?
- e) What types of work can you perform (e.g., pothole patching, skin patching, full-depth asphalt patching, edge repair/shoulder interface repair, crack sealing, patching after utility and drainage cuts)?

#### **2. Methods and Resources**

- a) How does your organization conduct pavement grinding operations (e.g., grinding types, equipment, and technology used)?
- b) What types of equipment (e.g., cold milling machines) and crew configurations do you use?
- c) How do you determine and verify finished surface smoothness or ride quality improvements?
- d) How do you coordinate operations to minimize traffic impacts and lane closures?

#### **3. Safety, Certification, and Compliance**

- a) Are you able to comply with DOTD safety procedures and traffic control measures while performing contracted work?

- b) What safety measures and traffic control procedures do you employ during grinding operations?
- c) Please provide information about safety training programs held or required by your company
- d) What certifications or qualifications do your employees currently hold (e.g., OSHA, roadway safety)?
- e) How does your organization ensure compliance with DOTD and FHWA safety standards?
- f) Would your company have the capacity and willingness to obtain additional certifications or training for employees, if required by DOTD?

#### **4. Pricing**

- a) What are your typical pricing approaches (e.g., unit-based, time-based) and general terms? (All pricing information is non-binding – pricing will help inform how much DOTD can scale outsourcing)
- b) What term or length of contract would you suggest to provide maximum cost efficiency?

#### **5. Additional Information**

- a) If able, please provide references for similar work completed, including client contact information if available
- b) Respondents are also encouraged to include any additional information, insights, or recommendations relevant to grinding and surface correction that could help DOTD shape its future outsourcing efforts

## Appendix A: DOTD District Map

