

CHECKLIST TO DESIGNATE AREAS OF EVALUATION FOR REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

MDOT PROJECT MANAGER Julie VanderMeer			JOB NUMBER (JN) 105047C, TBD, TBD, TBD	CONTROL SECTION (CS) 63900, 50900, 82900
DESCRIPTION IF NO JN/CS Traffic Signal Optimization in Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties in Metro Region				
MDOT PROJECT MANAGER: Check all items to be included in RFP. WHITE = REQUIRED GRAY SHADING = OPTIONAL			CONSULTANT: Provide only checked items below in proposal.	
Check the appropriate Tier in the box below				
<input type="checkbox"/> TIER I (\$25,000-\$99,999)	<input type="checkbox"/> TIER II (\$100,000-\$250,000)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TIER III (>\$250,000)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Understanding of Service	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Innovations</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Safety Program</i>	
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Organization Chart	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Qualifications of Team	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Past Performance	
Not required as part of official RFP	Not required as part of official RFP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quality Assurance/Quality Control	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Location: The percentage of work performed in Michigan will be used for all selections unless the project is for on-site inspection or survey activities, then location should be scored using the distance from the consultant office to the on-site inspection or survey activity.	
N/A	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presentation	
N/A	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical Proposal (if Presentation is required)	
3 pages (MDOT forms not counted) (No Resumes)	7 pages (MDOT forms not counted)	19 pages (MDOT forms not counted)	Total maximum pages for RFP not including key personnel resumes	

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is seeking professional services for the project contained in the attached scope of services.

If your firm is interested in providing services, please indicate your interest by submitting a Proposal, Proposal/Bid Sheet or Bid Sheet as indicated below. The documents must be submitted in accordance with the latest "Consultant/Vendor Selection Guidelines for Service Contracts" and "Guideline for Completing a Low Bid Sheet(s)", if a low bid is involved as part of the selection process. **Referenced Guidelines are available on MDOT's website under Doing Business > Vendor/Consultant Services > Vendor/Consultant Selections.**

RFP SPECIFIC INFORMATION

BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ** OTHER

THE SERVICE WAS POSTED ON THE ANTICIPATED QUARTERLY REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

NO YES DATED _____ THROUGH _____

Prequalified Services – See page 1 of the attached Scope of Services for required Prequalification Classifications.

Non-Prequalified Services - If selected, the vendor must make sure that current financial information, including labor rates, overhead computations, and financial statements, if overhead is not audited, is on file with MDOT's Office of Commission Audits. This information must be on file for the prime vendor and all sub vendors so that the contract will not be delayed. **(Form 5100J Required with Proposal)**

Qualifications Based Selection – Use Consultant/Vendor Selection Guidelines

For all Qualifications Based Selections, the section team will review the information submitted and will select the firm considered most qualified to perform the services based on the proposals. The selected vendor will be contacted to confirm capacity. Upon confirmation, that firm will be asked to prepare a priced proposal. Negotiations will be conducted with the firm selected.

****For RFP's that originate in Bureau of Transportation Planning only**, a priced proposal must be submitted at the same time as, but separate from, the proposal. Submit directly to the Contract Administrator/Selection Specialist, Bureau of Transportation Planning (see address list, page 2). The priced proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "**PRICE PROPOSAL.**" The vendor's name and return address **MUST** be on the front of the envelope. The priced proposal will only be opened for the highest scoring proposal. Unopened priced proposals will be returned to the unselected vendor(s). Failure to comply with this procedure may result in your priced proposal being opened erroneously by the mail room.

For a cost plus fixed fee contract, the selected vendor must have a cost accounting system to support a cost plus fixed fee contract. This type of system has a job-order cost accounting system for the recording and accumulation of costs incurred under its contracts. Each project is assigned a job number so that costs may be segregated and accumulated in the vendor's job-order accounting system.

Qualifications Review / Low Bid - Use Consultant/Vendor Selection Guidelines. See Bid Sheet Instructions for additional information.

For Qualification Review/Low Bid selections, the selection team will review the proposals submitted and post the date of the bid opening on the MDOT website. The notification will be posted at least two business days prior to the bid opening. Only bids from vendors that meet proposal requirements will be opened. The vendor with the lowest bid will be selected. The selected vendor may be contacted to confirm capacity.

Best Value - Use Consultant/Vendor Selection Guidelines. See Bid Sheet Instructions below for additional information. The bid amount is a component of the total proposal score, not the determining factor of the selection.

Low Bid (no qualifications review required - no proposal required.) See Bid Sheet Instructions below for additional instructions.

BID SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

A bid sheet(s) must be submitted in accordance with the "Guideline for Completing a Low Bid Sheet(s)" (available on MDOT's website). The Bid Sheet(s) is located at the end of the Scope of Services. Submit bid sheet(s) separate from the proposal, to the address indicated below. The bid sheet(s) must be submitted in a sealed manila envelope, clearly marked "**SEALED BID.**" The vendor's name and return address **MUST** be on the front of the envelope. Failure to comply with this procedure may result in your bid being opened erroneously by the mail room and the bid being rejected from consideration.

PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

REQUIRED NUMBER OF COPIES FOR PROJECT MANAGER 5	PROPOSAL/BID DUE DATE 11/3/09	TIME DUE 12:00PM
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PROPOSAL AND BID SHEET MAILING ADDRESSES

Mail the multiple proposal bundle to the MDOT Project Manager or Other indicated below.

- MDOT Project Manager MDOT Other

Julie Vander Meer
Metro Region
18101 W. Nine Mile Road
Southfield, Michigan 48075

Mail one additional stapled copy of the proposal to the Lansing Office indicated below.

Lansing Regular Mail**OR****Lansing Overnight Mail**

- Secretary, Contract Services Div - B470
Michigan Department of Transportation
PO Box 30050
Lansing, MI 48909

Secretary, Contract Services Div - B470
Michigan Department of Transportation
425 W. Ottawa
Lansing, MI 48933

- Contract Administrator/Selection Specialist
Bureau of Transportation Planning B470
Michigan Department of Transportation
PO Box 30050
Lansing, MI 48909

Contract Administrator/Selection Specialist
Bureau of Transportation Planning B470
Michigan Department of Transportation
425 W. Ottawa
Lansing, MI 48933

GENERAL INFORMATION

Any questions relative to the scope of services must be submitted by e-mail to the MDOT Project Manager. Questions must be received by the Project Manager at least four (4) working days prior to the due date and time specified above. All questions and answers will be placed on the MDOT website as soon as possible after receipt of the questions, and at least three (3) days prior to the RFP due date deadline. The names of vendors submitting questions will not be disclosed.

MDOT is an equal opportunity employer and MDOT DBE firms are encouraged to apply. The participating DBE firm, as currently certified by MDOT's Office of Equal Opportunity, shall be listed in the Proposal

MDOT FORMS REQUIRED AS PART OF PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

- 5100D** – Request for Proposal Cover Sheet
- 5100G** – Certification of Availability of Key Personnel
- 5100I** – Conflict of Interest Statement
- 5100J** - Consultant Data and Signature Sheet (Required only for Non-Prequalified Work)

(These forms are not included in the proposal maximum page count.)

Notification

ARRA MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT REPORTS

Note: This Notification is only applicable for those projects/contracts funded with ARRA funds. If you have questions, please contact MDOT Contract Services Division at (517) 335-0071.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), requires states receiving stimulus funds for highway projects to provide monthly reports to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) regarding the number of employees of prime contractors, all-tier subcontractors and consultants on ARRA funded projects.

The cost for complying with this Notification must be borne by the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants, as part of their overhead and is deemed to be included in the payments made under this contract.

Within 10 days after the end of each month in which work is performed on this contract, all prime contractors, and all-tier subcontractors and consultants, must provide the Engineer a monthly report, in a format and on forms approved by the Engineer, which shall include, for work performed in that preceding month:

- The total number of employees who performed work on this contract
- The total number of hours worked by employees who performed work on this contract
- The total wages of employees who performed work on this contract

In addition, the prime contractor must provide a total payment amount made to any subcontractor who is a certified DBE in that preceding month.

This Notification shall be included as a part of each subcontract executed by the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants.

If necessary to conform to guidance provided by FHWA concerning the ARRA reporting requirements, the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants will revise their reporting as directed by the Engineer.

Failure to comply with the reporting requirements under ARRA would jeopardize the Department's continued receipt of ARRA funding.

Accordingly, if a contractor or any-tier of subcontractor or consultant fails to comply with this Notification, the Department may withhold contract payments until compliance is achieved. If the Department is compelled to incur costs because of such a breach, the amount of those costs may be deducted from payments otherwise to be made under this contract. Additional sanctions may include reduction or elimination of prequalification ratings and removal of bidding privileges.

NOTIFICATION
REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS TO IMPLEMENT AMERICAN
RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) SECTIONS 902 AND 1515

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In accordance with requirements under section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the following language is made a part of this contract and is to be made a part of all tier subcontracts or consultant contracts:

The U.S. Comptroller General and his representatives have the authority:

- (1) to examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract or subcontract; and
- (2) to interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or of any State or local government agency administering the contract, regarding such transactions.

The Comptroller General and his representatives have the authority and rights provided under Section 902 of the ARRA with respect to this contract. As provided in section 902, nothing in section 902 shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with the requirements of section 1515(a) of the ARRA any representatives of the Inspector General have the authority:

- (1) to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- (2) to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee, subgrantee or agency regarding such transactions.

Nothing set forth in section 1515 of the ARRA shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of an inspector general.

Michigan Department of Transportation

**SCOPE OF SERVICE
FOR
TRAFFIC & SAFETY SERVICES
Traffic Signal Optimization**

CONTROL SECTION(S): 63900, 50900, 82900

JOB NUMBER(S): 105047C, TBD, TBD, TBD

PROJECT LOCATION:

70 Signalized Intersections Macomb County, 35 Signalized Intersections in Oakland County, and 35 Signalized Intersections in Wayne County in the Metro Region.

The exact locations and corridors have not been determined at this time.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: SIGNAL RETIMING

Traffic Signal Optimization on various corridors in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties, Metro Region. This project will provide MDOT with updated corridor signal progression plans with optimized traffic signal operations along each corridor. The consultant team will provide this information on MDOT timing permits forms. New timings will be implemented by MDOT. Follow-up analysis of the network and recommending adjustments to the system after implementation is required, as is a before and after study of the effectiveness. Services also include a safety analysis for each intersection. All work will follow the Michigan Signal Optimization Guidelines, the Michigan Timing Plan Preparation Guidelines timing guidelines and other documents provided by MDOT.

Up to three consultants will be selected as part of this project. MDOT is requesting qualifications and a proposal for providing engineering services for signal optimization on various state trunk lines in Metro Region.

ANTICIPATED SERVICE START DATE: January 1, 2010

ANTICIPATED SERVICE COMPLETION DATE: December 31, 2011

PRIMARY PREQUALIFICATION CLASSIFICATION(S):

Complex Traffic Signal Operations

SECONDARY PREQUALIFICATION CLASSIFICATION(S):

None

DBE REQUIREMENT: N/A

MDOT PROJECT ENGINEER MANAGER:

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Southfield, MI 48075
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Tel: (248) 483-5132
Fax: (248) 569-3103

CONSULTANT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Schedule a pre-project initiation meeting to discuss the overall project schedule including data collection and to coordinate project activities and to determine signal timing objectives and issues.

Conduct two status meetings at MDOT facilities. Provide written monthly project status reports to MDOT detailing progress towards completion of the project's goals and objectives. Also provide the meeting minutes.

Obtain and review the current signal timing plans. It may be necessary for the consultant to obtain and review the signal timing plans of the existing signals immediately upstream/adjacent to the project signals to evaluate continued progression along a given corridor.

Field collection of the 2-hour A.M. peak period, 4-hour P.M. peak period, and 2-hour mid-day off-peak turning movement volumes including pedestrian counts. Unless otherwise approved, all counts will be taken on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. No counts will be taken while schools are in summer vacation or during major holiday periods. Exact periods will be determined during the project and approved by the MDOT project manager.

24 hour machine counts (Supplied by MDOT) for each intersection approach shall be used to determine schedules for peak periods, nighttime periods and flash schedules.

All intersections will require development of timings plans for the A.M. peak, P.M. peak, noon-peak and nighttime periods.

In addition to the normal timing, a [special event, emergency, holiday weekend, summer, etc...] timing plan may also be necessary depending on the specific corridor.

Field collection of lane geometry, posted speed limits, intersection widths, travel distance between signalized locations, grades, lane widths, no turn on red signs, pedestrian facilities (heads and pushbuttons) will be required. A review of the ambient light at each location shall also be noted. Take a digital photograph of each intersection approach.

Input 24 hour and turning counts into an Excel spreadsheet in MDOT's standard format, for storage and future use.

Optimize traffic signal operations to improve traffic flow and reduce delay at each intersection using *Synchro (Version 7)* software.

Simulate the results using *SimTraffic (Version 7)* software.

Calculate vehicle and pedestrian clearance intervals at each location based on traffic signal timing standards provided by MDOT's Change Interval Guidelines.

Compile a summary of system Measures of Effectiveness and a cost/benefit analysis for the project area.

Identify any potential improvements in the existing signal equipment, lane assignment or roadway geometry that will provide better operational and safety characteristics, if corrected.

Perform a Warrant Analysis on all signals. All applicable warrants shall be reviewed. Graphs shall be created and supplied to MDOT for locations that do not meet warrants.

Obtain most recent 3-year traffic crash summaries from MDOT for a 250 ft radius around each signalized location. Evaluate the crash data to determine if there are any crash patterns. Report on crash patterns to the MDOT project manager for future analysis by MDOT. Operational improvements deemed necessary by the crash analysis shall be incorporated into the timing plans developed by the consultant. Crash diagram should be created for the top 10% high crash locations.

Conduct review of nearby signals on cross streets that are within 500 feet of the corridor being retimed and provide suggested timing plans. These signals should also be included in the Synchro models.

Provide the applicable local agency the MDOT timing permits for the corridor being retimed so they can utilize them to adjust their own timing permits for those effected signals. The local agency should be given enough time to allow for the installation to be implemented at the same time as MDOT.

Develop and submit for review computer simulations and "red-lined" signal-timing plans for each location in accordance with MDOT's and each road agency's format. Revise these timing plans in accordance with MDOT, the road agency's and local communities' comments.

Conduct a follow-up field critique of the new timing plans and recommend adjustments as required. Where required, submit revised signal timing plans.

Perform before and after analysis using actual travel time runs and prepare a brief summary outlining the benefits derived from the project. The following bullets will give an overview of the details that will be involved:

Data Collection:

The consultant will be required to collect and evaluate detailed point-to-point travel time data using PC Travel or similar approved data collection and processing software. Collection of travel time data using PC Travel requires use of a laptop computer, with data collected from one of the following two sources:

- Using a GPS receiver coupled with the GPS Travel Time software package, or;

- Using a vehicle-mounted transmission sensor coupled with a TDC-8 traffic count board.
- For locations where there are 3 or fewer signals along a corridor utilize the equivalent output from SimTraffic to generate existing and optimized measures of effectiveness.

Utilize the Michigan Signal Optimization Guidelines and the Michigan Timing Plan Preparation Guidelines throughout the contract, as a tool. Any unusual locations shall be discussed with the Project Manager for direction on how to proceed.

Utilize the MDOT supplied spreadsheet model for conducting benefit/cost evaluations on signal optimization projects. This is in electronic format.

PROJECT DELIVERABLES:

Provide MDOT electronic copies of the *Synchro 7* existing and optimized simulation files so that they can be updated and used for future analysis.

Provide MDOT an electronic copy of all project documentation.

Provide a written final report (3 paper copies of the report, 5 electronic copies including the report and appendices) that includes all identified roadway geometry, lane assignments, speed limits, equipment/roadway deficiencies and recommended improvements, turning movement count data, 24 hour approach counts, flash schedule analysis, clearance interval analysis, collision diagrams, crash analysis & recommendations, summary of measures of effectiveness, benefit-cost analysis and summary of each local meeting.

MDOT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Host a project initiation meeting to discuss the overall project schedule including data collection and to coordinate project activities and to determine signal timing objectives and issues.

Furnish to the Consultant the following:

The most recent 3-year traffic crash summaries from MDOT in a 250 ft radius around each signalized location.

Existing timing plans and signal drawings of each intersection.

Conduct final reviews and provide comments on proposed timing permits, computer models and reports.

CONSULTANT PAYMENT – Actual Cost Plus Fixed Fee:

Compensation for this project shall be on an **actual cost plus fixed fee** basis. This basis of payment typically includes an estimate of labor hours by classification or employee, hourly labor rates, applied overhead, other direct costs, subconsultant costs, and applied fixed fee.

All billings for services must be directed to the Department and follow the current guidelines. The latest copy of the "Professional Engineering Service Reimbursement Guidelines for Bureau of Highways" is available on MDOT's website. This document contains instructions and forms that must be followed and used for billing. Payment may be delayed or decreased if the instructions are not followed.

Payment to the Consultant for services rendered shall not exceed the maximum amount unless an increase is approved in accordance with the contract with the Consultant. Typically, billings must be submitted within 60 days after the completion of services for the current billing. The final billing must be received within 60 days of the completion of services. Refer to your contract for your specific contract terms.

Direct expenses, if applicable, will not be paid in excess of that allowed by the Department for its own employees in accordance with the State of Michigan's Standardized Travel Regulations. Supporting documentation must be submitted with the billing for all eligible expenses on the project in accordance with the Reimbursement Guidelines. The only hours that will be considered allowable charges for this contract are those that are directly attributable to the activities of this project.

The use of overtime hours is not acceptable unless prior written approval is granted by the MDOT Region Engineer/Bureau Director and the MDOT Project Manager. Reimbursement for overtime hours that are allowed will be limited to time spent on this project in excess of forty hours per person per week. Any variations to this rule should be included in the priced proposal submitted by the Consultant and must have prior written approval by the MDOT Region Engineer/Bureau Director and the MDOT Project Manager.

The fixed fee for profit allowed for this project is 11.0% of the cost of direct labor and overhead.