



**Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority
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To: Respondents of ACTA’s RFP for Trash Cleanup
From: Kevin Scott
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Topic Response to Questions Submitted to ACTA

	Question	Answer
1	Who is the current contractor?	ACTA does not have a standing contract for trash cleanup but has a contract with Ocean Blue for hazmat cleanup.
2	What is the current monthly charge of the current contractor?	The requirements for trash cleanup do not occur on a regular basis; they are occasional (typically several occurrences per year) and may involve 10 tons or more each.
3	Term of the current contract?	See answer 1. The RFP states that the term of proposed contract will be three years.
4	What is the current rate per load?	The RFP is seeking proposer’s professional opinion on rates. Refer to the RFP, page 4, Section IX - Part F. - Pricing.
5	What is the square footage of the area/s to be serviced?	Areas requiring cleanup may occur anywhere along the 20-mile Alameda Corridor and each may vary in size. Past services have ranged from 4,000 sq ft to 2 acres.
6	Is there additional location/s or scope of work added from the previous contract?	See answer 1.
7	Will the awarded contractor provide the supplies/materials for this project?	Qualified contractors must provide all labor, tools, supplies and equipment.

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8	What are the consumables, equipment and supplies needed for this project?	ACTA is seeking this information from the proposer in the Pricing Section IX. F.
9	What is the cleaning schedule for this project?	See answer 2.
10	Has ACTA contracted for trash removal services in the past? If yes, with which companies and when?	See answer 1.
11	How many contractors do you anticipate adding to the contractor pool?	Selection will depend on proposal evaluation ratings. ACTA anticipates up to 3 contractors in pool.
12	Is it possible to provide estimates of the quantities of waste by type? If not, can you provide any further detail that would help us understand the value of work you expect to award to each contractor?	See answer 2.
13	We understand scheduled waste removal will typically be performed during weekdays within a timeframe to be agreed upon prior to project commencement. When will this timeframe be communicated to contractors? Can we assume the timeframe will probably be between 2 and 5 days?	Response time for a non-emergency assignment will be part of the bid or arrangement with the selected contractor. Several days or more advance notice would be typical.
14	We understand the emergency response component of the contract requires us to be on-site within 30-45 minutes. Does this mean a qualified representative must be on-site to assess the circumstances and coordinate an appropriate response? If yes, what is the expected timeframe for the response crew and equipment to arrive on-site?	Emergency response is a special and unusual event. The railroad maintenance team would request this trash cleanup service and provide the circumstances. Indicate your firm's anticipated response time, or if the proposer's firm is unable to provide this service or other elements of the scope of work, then indicate this in your proposal.

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15	By law, unidentified waste should not be moved until it has been correctly identified. Will ACTA allow a reasonable amount of time for us to correctly identify unknown waste types before removal?	The RFP states that the proposer shall perform all tasks in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The proposer should describe their approach to compliance.
16	It appears that homeless encampment cleanups are part of the contract. Typically, we would visit the site of a homeless encampment with our customer's representative to properly estimate the cost of each cleanup (or some similar arrangement). Can you provide any information on the number, size, or frequency of homeless encampment cleanups you are likely to require? Can you provide details as to your policies and procedures for this aspect of contract work?	Encampment cleanups involving people experiencing homelessness (PEH) are only a part of the scope of work. Refer to Section IX Proposal Content and Requirements, Part E, Self-Assessment. PEH encampments vary in size; cleanups will be on a case-by-case basis. It is the responsibility of the proposer to be familiar with local, state and federal law as applicable with all rules and procedures related to PEH. The proposer is requested to describe experience and approach to PEH.
17	We understand there is an 18 pages limit (nine double-sided pages) and that content provided in appendices does not count towards the 18 pages. However, does the proposal cover page and table of contents count towards the 18 pages?	The cover letter and table of contents are included in the 18-page limit.
18	(Our) Brand Guide requires us to use: Century Gothic 10 pt for standard text in proposals and 1-inch margins top and bottom, but 0.8 left and right. Is it okay to do what we normally do or do you require us to use Arial 11 pt for standard text with 1-inch margins top, bottom, left, and right?	Follow the RFP requirement for submittal as stated in Section VIII, Form of Proposal, page 3.

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19	It appears Prevailing Wage rates apply to this contract. Is that correct?	ACTA is seeking this information from the proposer in the Pricing Section IX. F. Prevailing wage determination is ultimately up to the contractor, along with compliance with all other applicable laws and regulations. Proposer is responsible for complying with applicable prevailing wage requirements and must ensure that all subconsultants comply with such requirements, including but not limited to public works consultant registration pursuant to Labor Code Sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, payment of prevailing wages pursuant to Labor Code Sections 1771 and 1774, posting prevailing wage rate schedules at the jobsite pursuant to Labor Code Section 1773.2, complying with payroll record keeping requirements pursuant to Labor Code Section 1776 and certification of payroll records pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4, and compliance with apprentice and training program requirements pursuant to Labor Code Sections 1777.5 and 1777.6.
20	I've read the RFP and didn't see a section addressing wage rates. Does the project require Davis Bacon, Prevailing, or union affiliation?	See answer 19.

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21	<p>“ACTA has an agency goal of at least 25% SBE participation. This procurement does not require a minimum SBE participation, however, ACTA asks that your SBE participation be targeted and tracked to assist in meeting our goal. SBE participation by your firm will not be considered in the evaluation process.”</p> <p>The above appears to state that there are no small business subcontracting requirements for this contract, but you would like us to voluntarily subcontract at least some work to small businesses. However, if we choose not to include any small business subcontractors this will not count against us in the evaluation process. Am I interpreting this correctly?</p>	Correct
22	Please confirm that we need to complete and return Form 2 – SBE Commitment Plan Form whether we are including subcontractors or not (not the form shown in Schedule C as incorrectly stated in the RFP). Is this correct?	Form 2 – SBE Commitment Plan Form, page 29, is required for submittal. Additionally, Affidavit of Company Status, page 32, and Contractor Description Form, page 33 are also required for submittal along with any SBE/WBE/VSBE Certificates.
23	There are photocopies of various forms provided in the RFP. Please confirm the only form we need to return with our proposal is the above-referenced Form 2. Is this correct?	See answer 22