



Seneca Nation of Indians Department of Transportation

Request for Qualifications: Addendum, Questions and Clarifications

RFQ Title: Construction Inspection Services

Addendum #1- There are no addendums issued to this RFQ.

Questions and Answers

Question: For the Construction Inspection Services RFQ advertised July 10, 2026, do you have an anticipated schedule for the work to be done? If so, could you provide?

Answer:

- a) Allegany bus garage- start Fall 2026 and conclude in the Spring 2028.
- b) Clear Creek bridge replacement-start Spring 2027 and estimated Spring/Summer of 2028
- c) Front Avenue culvert replacement-start Fall 2026 and conclude in the Fall/Winter of 2027
- d) Southern Tier Regional Transit Hub - TBD The project is in the preliminary phase of data gathering.
- e) RC Hoag Drive-Broad Street-TBD. The project is in the process of finalizing design.

Question: The RFQ contains 5 projects as you know. Are we required to propose on all 5 or can we select which ones we propose on? Note – we are precluded from submitting on Broad St/RC Hoag per note in section 4 under Conflict of Interest as we are the designer on this project.

Answer: No, prospective firms can submit for any or all projects.

Question: For the fee proposal, since we have limited information on the projects, are you just looking for rates and company multipliers since we would need more information in order to produce an estimated total fee for each project.

Answer: Yes, we are looking for rates and multipliers. Currently, we are creating a list of qualified firms for each project. The firm selection process will be conducted in two phases.

Phase 1- Qualifications Review- The Seneca Nation will review all submissions and develop a short list of qualified firms for each project.

Phase 2- Project Selection- Selected firms from the short list will be requested to provide work orders, scope and estimates for each project that their services qualify for. Scope of services and costs may be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.

Question: Based on the Staffing Requirements under Section 3, the RFQ states that 1 Key Staff Office Engineer IV and 3 Senior Inspectors III as well as 3 Non-Key Staff Inspector II are required. Are we to assume that there will be a Resident Engineer from SNI assigned to these projects?

Answer: No, SNDOT does not utilize a Resident Engineer on staff at this time.

Question: Should the consultant assume that the Project Overview is an exhaustive list of projects associated with this contract or will there be other projects added in the future?

Answer: Yes, this is the complete list. No future projects will be added, at this time

Question: Can SNIDOT provide the expected schedule for construction for the five identified projects noted in the project overview?

Answer: Refer to first question

Question: The expected CI services are noted as involving roadway, bridge, drainage, safety, trails, and utility relocation projects. However, there are two facility demo / new construction projects identified. Will CI services under this agreement involve inspection for the building system related activities as well or will that be handled under a different inspection team?

Answer: Yes, the CI agreement will involve inspection of the building systems and related activities.

Question: Should the consultant provide staff under this contract to handle only the site work for the facility projects?

Answer: The Consultant should provide staff for the whole project, which includes site work.

Question: Can SNIDOT please clarify what is meant by Indian Preference documentation as listed in the proposal requirements?

3. Proposal Requirements

Proposals must include firm qualifications, staffing, project approach, past performance, fee proposal, and Indian Preference documentation.

Answer: This is in reference to compliance with SNI Laws. If the firm possesses any Seneca Indian Preference please provide, if not, you can disregard.

Question: Can SNIDOT please clarify what is required in the final bullet of the proposal's

- Consultants and all sub-consultants may also be asked to provide a certificate of occupancy, certificate of completion, and/or health and safety certificates

Answer: This is not required

Question: Do the 4 required resumes count towards the 20-page limit?

Answer: No, the inclusion of the required resumes would be separate, and would allow SNIDOT to learn what qualifies the firms.

Question: Will a cover page count towards the 20-page limit? (What doesn't count towards the 20-page limit?)

Answer: No, but should be fancy

Question: Does the SNIDOT prefer hard sealed copies or email submission? How many hard copies would be required for that option?

Answer: We would prefer email submissions

Question: Does SNIDOT want the fee proposal separate from the main document?

Answer: Yes, please keep the proposal and fee separate.

Question: Formal Training in WZTC requirements: Former NYSDOT employee may be considered to have acceptable training, if they have at least one day of formal classroom training...What will be acceptable proof for the 1 day of classroom training?

Answer: We request verification of previous NYSDOT employment status.

Question: Portland Cement Concrete Requirements: In lieu of certified employees will it be acceptable to hire sub-consultants to provide this service on an as-needed basis?

Answer: Yes, sub-consultants are acceptable

Question: Geotechnical Construction Requirements: In lieu of certified employees will it be acceptable to hire sub-consultants to provide this service on an as-needed basis?

Answer: Yes, sub-consultants are acceptable