

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (on behalf of the)
NEW YORK METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK SHARED USE PATH FEASIBILITY STUDY
CONTRACT No. C004305
RFP Release Date: June 21, 2022

Question and Answer Pairs
7/20/2022

Main Body of RFP

RFP Section 4 ‘Scope of Services’

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| Question 1 | Will the Outreach/Visioning and Right-of-Way Analysis components of the project likely involve changes to shoreline or river channel? |
| Answer 1 | No. |
| Question 2 | To what extent will the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and Bergen County be involved in the study as a stakeholder? |
| Answer 2 | The NJTPA and Bergen County will each have representatives serving on the Study’s technical advisory committee (TAC). |
| Question 3 | Task 2 ‘Key Study Parameters & Study Area Conditions’ requires the collection and compilation of bike and pedestrian data along multiple corridors. Is this intended to be a review of existing data that is already collected by multiple agencies or is raw data collection anticipated as part of this project? |
| Answer 3 | This task shall be a review of existing data that has already been collected by government agencies. No raw or primary data collection shall be required for any aspect of Task 2. The RFP has been modified with regard to this question. |
| Question 4 | Is it anticipated that the consultant team will need to collect new pedestrian, bicycle, or vehicle counts? If so, what is the extent of the anticipated counts? |
| Answer 4 | Please see answer to Question #3. |

RFP Attachment 15 ‘Cost Proposal

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| Question 5 | Why does the cost proposal provide space for 13 tasks while the RFP’s Scope of Services only indicates seven required tasks? |
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Answer 5

The RFP’s Section 5.2 ‘Part I: Written Technical and Management Proposal’ notes that “proposers may suggest alternative tasks which could improve the ability of the project to meet its objectives. NYMTC/NYS DOT want to allow maximum flexibility for the inclusion and consideration of ideas, initiative, and creativity of the proposer. Alternative tasks and suggestions are encouraged and will be reviewed with interest within the framework of the stated objectives and scope of services for the project.”

Therefore, a ‘Part I: Written Technical and Management Proposal’ may present more than seven tasks if all are within the framework of the stated objectives and scope of services of the project. The Attachment 15 ‘Cost Proposal’ further accommodates that flexibility with space for up to 13 tasks.

Other Questions

Question 6

How will this feasibility study interact with the Feasibility Study for Shared Use Path-Rockland County, Palisades to Stony Point, NY RFP released by Rockland County at the beginning of the year?

Answer 6

Rockland County’s “Feasibility Study for Shared Use Path – Rockland County, Palisades to Stony Point NY” will be conducted independently of the Palisades Interstate Shared Use Path Feasibility Study. However, Rockland County will be a stakeholder for both studies and it is possible that information regarding the progress of, and recommendations resulting from, the two studies will be shared amongst the TACs supporting each effort.