

## SECTION 1.1

### INVITATION TO BID 2026 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT MISSOULA MONTANA AIRPORT MISSOULA, MONTANA

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received through an online bidding service ([www.QuestCDN.com](http://www.QuestCDN.com)) at **3:00 p.m., local time on March 24, 2026** by the **MISSOULA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY** in the **ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM, 3<sup>rd</sup> LEVEL OF THE TERMINAL, 5225 HIGHWAY 10 WEST, MISSOULA, MT 59808** for the construction of "Airport Improvements" to include the following:

#### **Taxiway H Conversion Project:**

**Schedule I – Pavement Rehabilitation (Seal Coat) on new Taxiway H (decommissioned Runway 8/26), Milling and P-403 Asphalt Paving, Shoulder Fillet Construction, Pavement Marking Removal, Thermoplastic Pavement Markings, Storm Drain Modifications, Full Depth Asphalt Removal, Shoulder Grading**

**Schedule II – Taxiway H LED Lighting and Signage, Taxiway Circuit Modifications, Regulator Upgrades, Counterpoise, Install Owner-Furnished ALCMS Upgrades**

**Additive Alternative 'A' – LED Lighting and Signage Upgrades on Taxiway D and the Commercial Apron, Circuit Modifications, Counterpoise**

**Additive Alternative 'B' – LED Lighting and Signage Upgrades on Taxiway E and F, Circuit Modifications, Counterpoise**

**Additive Alternative 'C' – LED Lighting and Signage Upgrades on Taxiway C and the Northstar Ramp, Circuit Modifications, Counterpoise**

**Additive Alternative 'D' – LED Lighting and Signage Upgrades on Taxiway A3, B1 and B2, Circuit Modifications, Counterpoise**

**Additive Alternative 'E' – Install New Regulators for Taxiway A and Taxiway G Circuits**

**Additive Alternative 'F' – Install Additional Owner-Furnished ALCMS Upgrades for General Elements**

This work is to include all tools, equipment, materials and labor to complete this project.

Only bids received through the online bid service [www.QuestCDN.com](http://www.QuestCDN.com) by the time and date stated for the **2026 Airport Improvement Project** shall be opened and read aloud. **The QuestCDN project number is: 10082753.**

**Bid Bond.** All bids must be accompanied by lawful monies of the United States or a Cashier's Check, a Certified Check, Bid Bond, Bank Money Order or Bank Draft, drawn and issued by a National Banking Association located in the State of **Montana**, or by any Banking Corporation

incorporated under the Laws of the State of **Montana**, in an amount equal to not less than ten (10) percent of the total bid, payable to the order of the **MISSOULA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY** as liquidated damages in the event said successful bidder shall fail or refuse to execute the contract in accordance with the terms of his bid.

Performance and Payment Bond. After a contract is awarded, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a separate Performance and Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract.

Contract Documents. The Contract Documents consisting of half size Drawings and Project Manual may be **viewed** by either electronic documents on-line, or a hard copy at the office of Morrison-Maierle, 1055 Mount Ave, Missoula, MT 59801, but may only be **obtained** by electronic documents online.

Electronic Transfer. Complete electronic Project Plans, Project Manual, and "**Bid Proposal Packet**" are available at the Morrison-Maierle website "[www.m-m.net](http://www.m-m.net)", by clicking on the "Projects Bidding" link and selecting this project from the project list. Documents can *only* be viewed on the Morrison-Maierle website, and cannot be downloaded or printed without purchasing. To purchase and download the project documents in pdf format and be placed on the planholder's list, click "Download Project PDF" and sign on to QuestCDN.com. Plan documents and "**Bid Proposal Packet**" can be downloaded for a non-refundable fee of \$40.00. An additional non-refundable \$75.00 charge will be required to bid online. Please contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or email "[info@questcdn.com](mailto:info@questcdn.com)" for assistance in the free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities. The Bidder must supply all the information required by the bid documents and specifications.

## **FEDERAL SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS**

FUNDING FOR THIS CONTRACT IS FEDERALLY ASSISTED. Contractors at every tier must comply with applicable federal requirements including but not limited to: the Buy American Preference, Civil Rights Title VI Assurances, Davis Bacon Requirements, Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension, Lobbying of Federal Employees, and Procurement of Recovered Materials as contained in the bid documents.

TITLE VI SOLICITATION NOTICE: As a condition of a grant award, the Sponsor shall demonstrate that it complies with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq) and implementing regulations (49 CFR part 21) including amendments thereto, the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 U.S.C. § 47123), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12101, et seq.), U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Assurances, and other relevant civil rights statutes, regulations, or authorities, including any amendments or updates thereto. This may include, as applicable, providing a current Title VI Program Plan to the FAA for approval, in the format and according to the timeline required by the FAA, and other information about the communities that will be benefited and impacted by the project. A completed FAA Title VI Pre-Grant Award Checklist is required for every grant application, unless excused by the FAA. The Sponsor shall affirmatively ensure that when carrying out any project supported by this grant that it complies with all federal nondiscrimination and civil rights laws based on race,

color, national origin, sex, creed, age, disability, genetic information, in consideration for federal financial assistance. The Department's and FAA's Office of Civil Rights may provide resources and technical assistance to recipients to ensure full and sustainable compliance with Federal civil rights requirements. Failure to comply with civil rights requirements will be considered a violation of the agreement or contract and be subject to any enforcement action as authorized by law.

Davis Bacon. The Contractor will be required to comply with the wage and labor requirements and to pay minimum wages in accordance with the schedule of wage rates established by the United States Department of Labor as referenced in the Contract.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE:

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 apply to this contract.

Bid Information Submitted as a matter of **responsiveness**:

The Owner's award of this contract is conditioned upon Bidder or Offeror satisfying the good faith effort requirements of 49 CFR § 26.53.

As a condition of responsiveness, the Bidder or Offeror must submit the following information with its proposal on the forms provided herein:

- 1) The names and addresses of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that will participate in the contract;
- 2) A description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
- 3) The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm listed under (1);
- 4) Written statement from Bidder or Offeror that attests their commitment to use the DBE firm(s) listed under (1) to meet the Owner's project goal
- 5) Written confirmation from each listed DBE firm that it is participating in the contract in the kind and amount of work provided in the prime contractor's commitment; and
- 6) If Bidder or Offeror cannot meet the advertised project DBE goal, evidence of good faith efforts undertaken by the Bidder or Offeror as described in appendix A to 49 CFR Part 26 including any amendments thereto. The documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted to the bidder when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract.

Bid Information submitted as a matter of **responsibility**:

The Owner's award of this contract is conditioned upon Bidder or Offeror satisfying the good faith effort requirements of 49 CFR § 26.53.

As a condition of responsibility, every Bidder or Offeror must submit the following information on the forms provided herein within five days after bid opening.

- 1) The names and addresses of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that will participate in the contract;
- 2) A description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
- 3) The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm listed under (1);
- 4) Written statement from Bidder or Offeror that attests their commitment to use the DBE firm(s) listed under (1) to meet the Owner's project goal;
- 5) Written confirmation from each listed DBE firm that it is participating in the contract in the kind and amount of work provided in the prime contractor's commitment; and
- 6) If Bidder or Offeror cannot meet the advertised project DBE goal, evidence of good faith efforts undertaken by the Bidder or Offeror as described in appendix A to 49 CFR Part 26

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DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE:

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, including any amendments thereto, apply to this contract. It is the policy of the **MISSOULA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY** to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT (FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE)

All contracts and subcontracts that result from this solicitation incorporate by reference the provisions of 29 CFR Part 201, et seq, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), with the same force and effect as if given in full text. The FLSA sets minimum wage, overtime pay, recordkeeping, and child labor standards for full and part-time workers.

The *Contractor* has full responsibility to monitor compliance to the referenced statute or regulation. The *Contractor* must address any claims or disputes that arise from this requirement directly with the U.S. Department of Labor – Wage and Hour Division.

TRADE RESTRICTION CERTIFICATION:

By submission of an offer, the Offeror certifies that with respect to this solicitation and any resultant contract, the Offeror –

- 1) is not owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR);
- 2) has not knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract for this project with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the USTR; and
- 3) has not entered into any subcontract for any product to be used on the Federal project that is produced in a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the USTR.

This certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of the United States of America and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18 USC § 1001.

The Offeror/Contractor must provide immediate written notice to the Owner if the Offeror/Contractor learns that its certification or that of a subcontractor was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. The Contractor must require subcontractors provide immediate written notice to the Contractor if at any time it learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

Unless the restrictions of this clause are waived by the Secretary of Transportation in accordance with 49 CFR § 30.17, no contract shall be awarded to an Offeror or subcontractor:

- 1) who is owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the USTR; or

- 2) whose subcontractors are owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on such USTR list; or
- 3) who incorporates in the public works project any product of a foreign country on such USTR list.

Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a contractor is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

The Offeror agrees that, if awarded a contract resulting from this solicitation, it will incorporate this provision for certification without modification in all lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor may rely on the certification of a prospective subcontractor that it is not a firm from a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by USTR, unless the Offeror has knowledge that the certification is erroneous.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making an award. If it is later determined that the Contractor or subcontractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) may direct through the Owner cancellation of the contract or subcontract for default at no cost to the Owner or the FAA.

#### PROHIBITION OF COVERED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS)

The Bidder or Offeror certifies that they are aware of and comply with relevant Federal statutes and regulations, including those from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), for operating unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) in accordance, and in compliance with all related requirements in the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 (Public Law 118-63), section 936 (49 U.S.C. § 44801 note).

Contractor warrants that all UAS operations will be conducted in full compliance with all applicable Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations, including but not limited to 14 CFR Part 107, and any other applicable local, state, or Federal laws and regulations.

Sponsors and subgrant recipients cannot use AIP grant funds to enter into, extend, or renew a contract related to covered unmanned aircraft systems (UAS). This includes both procurement and operational contracts, as well as contracts with entities that operate such systems.

Contractor Registration. Contractors and any subcontractors doing work on this project will require registration with the **Montana** Department of Labor and Industry. Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, P.O. Box 8011, 1805 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling 1-800-556-6694. Contractors are required to have been registered with the Department of Labor and Industry prior to bidding on this project.

Funding and Award. This contract will be funded in part by a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration. Therefore, award of the Contract by the Sponsor will be made subject to concurrence of FAA. Bidders may not withdraw Proposals for a period of **sixty (60)** days after the bid opening date.

Pre-bid Conference. The pre-bid conference is hereby established at **1:00 p.m., March 12, 2026**, at the **ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM, 3<sup>rd</sup> LEVEL OF THE TERMINAL, 5225 HIGHWAY 10 WEST, MISSOULA, MT.** A tour of the work site will be conducted following the meeting. Contractors can attend the meeting virtually, at the same time as the in-person meeting, as follows:

Join the Teams Meeting on your computer, mobile app or room device

Meeting ID: **282 152 821 529 01**

Passcode: **rc2Zy2Zq**

Or call in (audio only)

Phone Conference Number: **406.318.5699**

Phone Conference ID: **699 662 606#**

Toll Free: **855.296.9103**

**Signed: /s/ Brian Ellestad**

Airport Director

Missoula County Airport Authority

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