

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE		PAGE OF PAGES	
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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO.		3. EFFECTIVE DATE		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.	
0001		01/26/2023		5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)	
6. ISSUED BY		CODE		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6)	
USDA FOREST SERVICE		0489		CODE	
SPOC NORTHWEST					
1400 INDEPENDENCE AVE SW MS-1138					
WASHINGTON DC 20250-0001					
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)		(x)		9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.	
				12048923R0005	
		x		9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11)	
				01/26/2023	
				10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE		FACILITY CODE			
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended.					
Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or electronic communication which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by letter or electronic communication, provided each letter or electronic communication makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.					
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)					
13. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO MODIFICATION OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.					
CHECK ONE	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.				
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation data, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).				
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:				
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)				
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.					
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)					
The purpose of Amendment 01 on solicitation 12048923R0005 is to:					
1. Provide answers to industry questions.					
All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.					
Period of Performance: 03/31/2023 to 03/30/2028					
NOTE: Refer to Schedule B - Schedule of Items for unit of measurement.					
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9 A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.					
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)			
		JASON N. TANAMOR			
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR		15C. DATE SIGNED		16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
(Signature of person authorized to sign)				(Signature of Contracting Officer)	
				16C. DATE SIGNED	

1. In the Schedule of Items, 1(A) lists Cultural Resources Data Entry, Quantity 5,500 Reports. Is that 5,500 site forms or is that an unknown quantity of site forms from 5,500 reports? E.g. should the unit be "Site Forms" rather than "Reports"?

A1. "Report" refers to site reports, site records or site forms.

2. Are all site forms/reports in digital format? If not, who is responsible for scanning paper records? If the contractor is responsible for scanning, how many hours should we estimate for on-site scanning of records?

A2. All site records/forms/reports and cultural resource inventory reports will be provided in digital PDF form. No paper records will need scanned.

3. What is the percentage of reports and sites that do not have digital location information (such as shp or kmz files)?

A3. This will vary by Forest unit. Some units have existing spatial data sets that will be provided, and some will need to be digitized from the digital PDF records.

4. Do you have any additional information regarding the proposed update to NRM that should be happening towards the end of the year and how that will affect this project?

A4. NRM is updated throughout the year. NRM updates should not affect this contract. NRM does have periods on down time for year end in September and October. These down periods are typically planned for only a few days. The COR will inform the contractor of these down periods when they are announced.

5. The clauses in the SOW state that the Service Contract Act applies. Since the work will be performed at the contractor's office, can we assume that the applicable wage rates for the requirement would be for the office location?

A5. That is correct. Once the contract is awarded, the wage determination will apply to the awarded contractor's location.

6. Are all data available in digital format already? RFP references PDFs and Shapefiles; does the government anticipate there being hardcopy reports as well?

A6. All site records/forms/reports and cultural resource inventory reports will be provided in digital PDF form. Shapefiles will be provided as available. No paper records will be involved in this contract.

7. What is the date breakdown of the reports? Accuracy and completeness of cultural resources location data in reports generated prior to widespread use of GPS is often highly variable and dependent on the individual ability of the recording personnel, in our experience.

7A. Cultural resource inventory reports and site records/forms will include some of the earliest inventories and site recordation completed on the forest.

8. Is any of this work expected to be client site or will it be executed by accessing the USFS network via VPN?

8A. All work will be conducted remotely via the USFS network.

9. If all work is conducted remotely, can we expect that data requests will be fulfilled within 10 days?

9A. Digital files will be provided prior to work commencing. Further data requests will be fulfilled according to the contract.

10. What is the current timeline for acquisition of a LincPass? Experience with other PIV credentialing processes has been 6-7 months.

10A. Generally, from the time you have your enrollment appointment until you receive your badge, it can take anywhere from 1 to 6 weeks for your LincPass/AltLinc to be received. There are several things that can slow or halt the process.

11. Our staff have experience with multiple methods of predictive analysis. The government has specified data they would like considered in models; do they also have a preferred method, or is that to be established via consultation?

11A. This is to be established via consultation with the Forest Service.

12. Can you confirm whether this is a fixed price contract? If so, is it firm fixed price, fixed price with economic price adjustment (considering the duration of the contract), or another kind of contract?

12A. Just firm fixed priced.

13. How will data be accessed and entered? Will we need USFS-issued equipment (computers/hard drives)? Should we assume that some or all offices may require staff working in that office for the entry of required data into the NRM Heritage Database?

13A. All site records/forms/reports and cultural resource inventory reports will be provided in digital PDF form and shapefiles will be provided as available in a Box folder or other agreed to drop type location. All work will be conducted at the contractor's office. No work will be required at Forest Service office. USFS-issued computers and LincPass (PIV) will be provided to the contractor for this work.

14. Should we assume that any relevant data already stored in the OR SHPO and DAHP systems will be downloaded via request to SHPO?

14A. All site records/forms/reports, cultural resource inventory reports, and available shapefiles will be provided by the Forest Service. No data will be required from the SHPO's offices.

15. Should we include time for any tribal communications or meetings?

15A. Tribal communication is not included in this contract. The Forest Service will provide any data received from tribal consultation pertaining to the predictive models.

16. Should we assume that a roughly equal amount of work will be approved for each of the 5 years, or is there information about how much is likely to be approved each year?

16A. Work for each of the 5 years may not be equal as some forests will have less data entry needs than others.

17. Will the options for predictive models all be released at once after all the data entry is complete for every forest, or will predictive model options be released as each forest's data entry is complete?

17A. It is the governments intent to release the predictive models as the forest data entry is completed.

18. Is it possible to get a representative copy of Cultural Resource and Inventory/Compliance Report?

18A. Reports are confidential, and since they vary from author to author over time, we do not feel it's appropriate to provide a representative copy.

19. Can you please provide details about the security clearance requirements?

19A. Information on the HSPD-12 can be found here:

<https://hspd12.usda.gov/non-Employees.html>
<https://vimeo.com/542632930>