City of Holtville

Request for Proposals

For Resident Engineering & Construction Management Services

for the

NINTH STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BETWEEN PALM & OLIVE AVENUES

FEDERAL AID PROJECT NUMBER CMSTPL-5174 (029)

Thursday, September 28, 2017

Requested by:
Nick Wells, City Manager
City of Holtville
121 W Fifth Street
Holtville, California 92250
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I. PROCUREMENT STATEMENT

CITY OF HOLTVILLE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
for
Resident Engineering and Construction Management Services
for the Ninth Street Pavement Improvements Project
Between Palm & Olive Avenues

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Holtville (hereinafter referred to as the “City”), acting by and through its City Council, is requesting PROPOSALS from qualified construction management and field inspection professionals to provide Resident Engineering and Construction Management Services for the following project in the City:

Ninth Street Pavement Improvements Project
Between Palm & Olive Avenues
Also referred to as the
“City of Holtville – Ninth Street Improvements Project”

Funding for this project is provided by local sales tax and through the federally-funded Congestion Mitigation Surface Transportation Program (CMSTPL). Consultants shall follow the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) Guidelines and Procedures for Federal Highway Projects. Full time inspection services shall be provided for the duration of the construction work.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Receipt up to, but no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 16, 2017

To be considered for negotiation and award of a contract, five (5) paper copies and one (1) electronic copy (CD or USB Drive) of proposals must be received by the date and time specified above in a sealed package. The consultant’s Costs & Fees must be provided in a separate sealed envelope marked "COST PROPOSAL" within the main RFP submittal package. The RFP package must be delivered to:

Holtville City Hall
121 West Fifth Street
Holtville, California 92250
Attention: Nick Wells, City Manager

Any agreement entered into pursuant to this notice will incorporate the provisions of Federal Davis-Bacon law and State Labor Code of the State of California. Compliance with the higher of Federal or State prevailing rates of wages established by Davis Bacon and the State Director of Industrial Relations will be required. This includes compliance with prevailing wage rates and their payment in accordance with California Labor Code, Section 1720 and 1775. Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender identification, or religion will also be required.

Questions should be directed to the City of Holtville Project Administrator listed below. Copies of the Request for Proposals may be obtained on the Holtville.ca.gov website or at the address listed below:

Mr. Nicholas D. Wells
City Manager/Project Administrator
121 West Fifth Street
Holtville, California 92250
Phone: (760) 356-4574
II. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Schedule of Events for the Resident Engineering & Construction Management Services Procurement Phase is as follows:

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<td>Bid Evaluation</td>
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<td>City Approves Agreement</td>
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<td>Notice to Proceed</td>
<td>Friday, November 17, 2017</td>
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<td>Project Construction (90 Calendar Days)</td>
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Proposals will be evaluated by a committee. It is the City’s intention to select the Consultant whose qualifications and understanding of the project are deemed most advantageous to the City in accordance with this Request for Proposals. The Selection Committee’s recommendation will be forwarded to the Holtville City Council for final determination.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any proposals or in the proposal and selection process.


The Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Goal for Resident Engineering & Construction Management services is 9.19%.

III. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Holtville Ninth Street Improvements Project consists of the installation of ½ width roadway improvements along Ninth Street Between Palm Avenue and Olive Avenue (387± in length) in the City of Holtville. The project consists of the installation of A.C. pavement, P.C.C. infrastructure such as curb, gutter and sidewalks, ADA compliant curb ramps, residential driveways, cross gutter, spandrel, etc., Incidental to the project are traffic control, sign relocation, and similar items.

The project duration of 90 calendar days also includes the period of work to be performed by the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) to underground the section of the Pear lateral canal on the north side of the project area after Contractor mobilization, but prior to the flat work on the project. This work is estimated to last one to two weeks and is included in the ninety (90) calendar days. Although the IID will be working autonomously on that portion of the project, the RE should be present during that construction as the City's overall representative on the project.

IV. SCOPE OF WORK

The Scope of Work is to provide the necessary full time Resident Engineer, Construction Management, and Inspection services to the City of Holtville in accordance with all provisions within this Request for Proposals (RFP). These services will be required from the date of award of the RE/CM contract, through the end of construction, through completion of all punch list items and submission of all documentation after the Notice of Completion. Consultant is also expected to prepare for and physically attend any financial or process audits during the construction phase and/or after filing of the Notice of Completion. Project related duties include, but are not limited to: construction contract document review; monthly quantity estimate reviews for contractor completed work; contractor payment request reviews and recommendations regarding approval of payment requests; preconstruction meeting and project closure documentation; Caltrans/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) audits and similar items.
The Consultant shall provide the services of a Labor Standards Compliance Officer with a minimum of five (5) years’ experience in Labor Standards Compliance Monitoring. Certified payrolls shall be submitted by the Contractor, reviewed by the Labor Standards Compliance Officer and forwarded to the Caltrans Grant Administrator on a weekly basis. Caltrans Construction CEM 2504 shall be utilized for employee interviews and originals shall go to:

Holtville City Clerk
121 W Fifth Street
Holtville, CA 92250

The RE will complete or will acquire the services of a Geotechnical Consultant to complete the project Quality Assurance (QA) Services per Independent Assurance Program (IAP) in accordance with the City of Holtville Quality Assurance Program (QAP), dated July 14, 2014. The Geotechnical Consultant shall provide a certified person or persons as needed to provide testing services for this specific project. The tester(s) and laboratory shall have appropriate Caltrans certifications. The RE is to coordinate and monitor the QA/QC testing during the construction process. The QA geotechnical tester(s) shall also be present at the project site for the duration of the IID work to underground the Pear lateral canal. Witness testing of the compaction tests for the backfill material shall be completed by the QA in accordance with the QAP. Please refer to the Plans & Specifications for further information on the QA services to be completed.

The project consists of less than 1 acre of soil disturbance area, therefore there are no requirements from the State Water Resources Control Board.

The RE will be the designated contact for communications and coordination between the City, the Contractor, geotechnical consultants, Labor Compliance Officer, the Caltrans/FHWA representative(s) and other parties involved with the construction. The RE will coordinate, schedule, notice and conduct a preconstruction meeting that includes the City Project Administrator, design engineer, utility companies, Contractor, Geotechnical Consultants, Labor Standards Compliance Officer, Caltrans representatives (with regard to funding requirements), County of Imperial Public Works Department representatives (with regard to Encroachment Permit requirements for Traffic Control) and other parties or agencies involved in the project. The RE will prepare an agenda to be reviewed and approved by the City Project Administrator. The meeting will address job site safety, labor compliance, permit requirements and critical items of work. The RE will prepare detailed meeting minutes, which will be provided to the City Project Administrator and the Contractor within 48 hours of the meeting. All pertinent parties shall be sent notice of the meeting via email at least five (5) calendar days in advance of the meeting date.

The RE shall be a California licensed Civil Engineer. The RE will monitor and ensure that all required improvements are completed in accordance with the project improvement plans, specifications, City of Holtville Quality Assurance Program and the funding-related requirements of the FHWA via Caltrans. All such work shall also be conducted in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal standards and guidelines, as well as the most current edition of the Caltrans Standard Plans and Specifications and the City of Holtville Standard Details and Specifications.

The Resident Engineer shall check the native subbase grades, subgrade elevations and finish grade elevations prior to the installation of subgrade and finish grade materials to ensure the proper depth of materials are installed and the materials quantity placed at the project site is properly controlled. The RE shall check the subbase grades within the elevation tolerances listed in the specifications. The RE shall maintain level notes and records confirming the materials were placed to the proper grades and within the required tolerances. Quantity exceedance shall be immediately reported to the City Contract Administrator and noted in the RE’s Daily Reports and Daily Material Spreadsheets.
The Resident Engineer shall promptly respond to Contractor’s questions per Request for Information forms (RFIs). The RFIs shall be distributed to the City Contract Administrator and to Caltrans. The Resident Engineer shall maintain all RFIs in a project notebook and in an electronic file folder.

The RE shall prepare a spreadsheet listing all of the Contractor’s proposal items, units, unit costs, bid set quantities and bid set costs. The spreadsheet shall be updated at the conclusion of each work day and include the actual quantities placed at the project site, actual total cost of the item and difference between the total bid set cost and total actual cost. The spreadsheet shall be forwarded to the City Contract Administrator at the conclusion of each day along with the Daily Activity Log. The Resident Engineer shall keep and maintain copies of the material delivery slips. A material delivery slip chart listing the material delivery slip date, quantity of material, slip number and total materials delivered for each work day shall be prepared by the Resident Engineer.

Weekly meetings shall be scheduled by the RE with the Contractor, City Project Administrator, and all other pertinent parties. The RE will also provide a weekly written summary for the City, which includes project progress, key project photographs, weekly plan, and pending issues. The daily and weekly reports shall be forwarded to the City Project Administrator, Contractor, and all other pertinent parties. The reports shall be emailed electronic PDF format. All original hard copy project records shall be provided to the City Project Administrator upon request for review, oversight and record keeping.

The Resident Engineer shall assist with the completion of the Contractor’s Monthly Payment Request prior to submitting it to the City Project Administrator. The RE shall review Monthly Pay Requests for both the Contractor and geotechnical consultant in detail to determine whether each invoice is accurate and justified. The RE shall be the primary contact with the Contractor, material testers and any other parties related to the project. The RE shall forward Payment Requests to the City Contract Administrator for review and payment. The RE shall keep an accurate record of all expenses and change orders.

The Resident Engineer shall also assist with the review of change orders submitted by the Contractor and the geotechnical consultant (as required) and meet with the City Contract Administrator prior to issuing a response to a change order request. If a change order is approved, the RE will assist in processing the change order and insuring that it is reflected in the payment request. All change orders will be reviewed by the Caltrans DLAE (District Local Assistant Engineer) prior to approval. The RE will coordinate with the Caltrans DLAE and provide any additional supporting documentation as required.

The Resident Engineer shall be responsible for processing, monitoring, coordinating and completing the submittal review process with the Contractor. The RE shall require the Contractor to provide a submittal review schedule within five days of the Notice to Proceed. The Resident Engineer shall immediately inform the Contractor and the City Contract Administrator verbally and in writing if the submittals are not processed according to the schedule. The Resident Engineer shall be responsible for scheduling, coordinating and attending meetings and preparing meeting minutes for all Caltrans-related meetings and trainings required for the project.

The Resident Engineer shall be responsible for completing all Caltrans Construction Forms required by the Caltrans Local Assistance/FHWA, including but not limited CEM 2701 – Weekly Statement of Working Days, CEM 4801 – Quantity Calculations and other forms as required.

The Resident Engineer will be required to note as-built conditions and prepare as-built plans for all improvements that may have deviated from the project improvement plans. Said as-built plans shall be Holtville and Caltrans Local Assistance with all final project documentation. The RE shall prepare all required LAPM project close-out documents.

The Resident Engineer shall conduct all work and perform all work and documentation to comply and be in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 15, “Advertise and Award Project”, Chapter 16, “Administer Construction Contracts”, and Chapter 17, “Project Completion”, of Caltrans’ latest LAPM; latest edition of Caltrans’ Construction Manual; and latest edition of Caltrans’ Standard Plans and Specifications. The RE shall also administer the project in accordance with the special provisions/conditions of the project.
Although reference is made to Chapter 16, “Administer Construction Contracts” and Chapter 17, “Project Completion” of the LAPM, specific attention and clarification is directed to the following key provisions which the City requires that Consultant adhere to, review, report or address as required in the duties of the Resident Engineer for the project: the RE is expected to be proactive in the prosecution of his duties and the RE is expected to execute the Scope of Work to keep the project moving forward. This clarification does NOT suggest that any items not specifically mentioned are excluded from the Scope of Work.

Upon project completion of the project, all records are to be compiled in (a) three (3) ring binder(s), prominently labeled on the spine with the title “PROJECT NAME: Ninth Street Improvements Project; FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. CMSTPL-5174 (029)" to serve as a record of the project. Photographs of the work site prior to commencement of work, during construction, and after completion of construction are to be included in the record of the project. Additionally, a copy of the record of the project is to be provided in Portable Document Format (PDF) on a USB thumb drive.

In addition to the comprehensive record of the project detailed above, the Consultant is to also provide a detailed summary of the project. The project summary shall include a brief detailing of the dates of bid release, bid opening, dates of issue of Notice to Proceed to Contractor and RE, number of working days and a brief detailing of the project. This project summary is also to be provided in a three (3) ring binder labeled with the same information as the comprehensive record detailed above, as well as in Portable Document Format (PDF) on a USB thumb drive.

It is requested that responders submit a "Not to Exceed" fee based on hours worked to perform the services set forth in the Scope of Work. Provide a clear breakdown of the costs by phase, including staff or by item, by hour. No subcontractors shall be utilized without prior authorization by the City.

This project is funded by local and Federal funds. Work tasks will require adherence to all Federal Aid provisions and requirements.

The Consultant shall document the results of the work to the satisfaction of the City and for federally funded projects, the State and FHWA as appropriate. Consultant’s records shall be maintained for inspection by the City, State, and FHWA for a minimum of three (3) years after final payment to the Consultant.

All tracings, plans, specifications, and maps prepared or obtained under the terms of the Agreement with the City shall be delivered to, and become the property of, the City. Basic survey notes, sketches, charts, computations and other data, prepared or obtained under such Agreement, if not required to be provided, shall be made available upon request to the City without restriction or limitation on their use.

The City of Holtville Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program affirms the utilization and participation of qualified disadvantaged business firms in its contracting and procurement activities. The City encourages general and prime contractors to afford competitive subcontracting opportunities to disadvantaged firms, where possible, in their contracting and procurement activities with the City of Holtville. Services that are partially funded with Federal funds are subject to Part 26, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations entitled “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) in the Department of Transportation Financial Assistance program.” Firms submitting a proposal shall be fully informed of the requirements of the regulations and the City’s DBE program developed pursuant to the regulations. The City’s DBE goal for the Resident Engineering and Construction Management services contract for this project is 9.19%.

The construction work is scheduled for ninety (90) calendar days. Full time on-site inspection shall occur during each and every day of construction work. For the purposes of preparing this proposal, consultant should assume that ten (10) working days will be required to complete administrative work prior to the start of construction and ten (10) working days of administrative work will be required after construction. It shall be assumed two (2) days of administrative work will be required to attend project audits.

The cost of construction to be completed by the Contractor was estimated to be $307,076.00.
V. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY

1. The City will provide a designated City Project Administrator to review project specific items throughout the duration of the project.

2. The City will pay an agreed upon amount normally within 30 days after receipt of an invoice(s). Invoice(s) shall be submitted with a detailed accounting of staff hours attributed to specific tasks. Separate invoices shall be submitted for specific project billings. City will retain five percent (5%) of each invoice for the resident engineering and construction inspection services until 10 days after the filing of the Notice of Completion contingent upon all Resident Engineering and Construction Management services being complete.

3. The City will not provide dedicated workplace facilities.

4. The City reserves the right to perform any portion of the Scope of Work by City personnel or other consultants should the City determine it would be in the best interest of the City to do so.

VI. CALTRANS LAPM REQUIREMENTS

Consultant shall be responsible for complying with all Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) requirements as indicated below:

1. Applicable Exhibits from LAPM are included in this Request for Proposal (RFP) by reference for Consultant compliance:
   a. Exhibit 10-C: Consultant Contract Reviewers Checklist
   b. Exhibit 10-I: Notice to Proposers DBE Information

2. Exhibits to be submitted by Consultant with the Proposal are:
   b. Exhibit 10-O1: Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment
   c. Exhibit 10-Q Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
   d. Exhibit 10-U: Consultant in Management Position Conflict of Interest Statement
   e. Exhibit 15-H DBE Information – Good Faith Efforts (if applicable)

3. Exhibits to be completed by Consultant and to be executed by Consultant and/or Local Agency at the time of/after the Consultant Selection are:
   a. Exhibit 10-H Sample Cost Proposals Consultant Agreement Outline
   b. Exhibit 10-O2: Consultant Contract DBE Information
   c. Contract Agreement, including Exhibit 10-R: A&E Contract Language
VII. PROPOSAL CONTENT AND INFORMATION

Proposal should be typed, organized and concise, yet comprehensive.

1. General Requirements

   1. Project Cover Sheet.
   2. Table of Contents.
   3. Provide a cover letter.
   4. State the interpretation of the Resident Engineering and Construction Management Services to be performed. The Consultant is to demonstrate an understanding of the Scope of Work and Agency requirements regarding this project.
   5. Provide the name(s) of the primary and/or alternate individuals authorized to respond to this RFP. Include titles, addresses, license numbers, e-mail and phone number.
   6. The Consultant is representing itself as a qualified professional in providing resident engineering and construction management services. The Consultant is to offer recommendations and comments with respect to services to be performed. It is expected that the Consultant will have some applicable experience in similar projects that will be delineated in the respondent proposals.
   7. List any sub-consultants participating in the project. Describe the services to be performed by the sub-consultants. Identify the qualifications and resumes of all sub-consultants that will be utilized. Indicate the DBE or UDBE status of the sub-consultant as applicable.

2. Cost & Fees

   TO BE PROVIDED IN A SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE

   1. Provide a clear breakdown of costs by task including designated staff, hourly rate and hours. The costs and fees spreadsheet is to be submitted in a separate sealed envelope. Costs should be organized for full time hourly rates. Such hourly rates should be fully burdened or loaded, including full compensation for all employee taxes, overhead and profit. Billing rates shall include provision for normal office costs, including but not limited to office rental, utilities, and insurance. Telephone, copies, reproduction and transportation are regarded as additional expenses. The consultant shall list a lump sum value for these additional expenses on the fee schedule spreadsheet. A not to exceed fee breakdown by task of the project based on billable hours is required. Also detail what hourly rates for overtime will be used as needed.
   2. Submit itemized hourly fee schedule for additional services beyond the scope of work.
   3. The consultant’s Costs & Fees must be provided in a separate sealed envelope marked “COST PROPOSAL” within the main RFP submittal package.
VIII. **APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS**

1. Plans & Specifications: available upon request from Contract Administrator

2. Contract Documents (Invitation for Proposals, Instruction for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Contract and Bond forms, Caltrans LAPM Forms, General Conditions, Special Conditions, Technical Conditions, etc.)

3. Local Assistance Procedures Manual
   a. Chapter 10
   b. Chapter 12
   c. Chapter 15
   d. Chapter 16
   e. Chapter 17

These chapters can be found at [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/lam/lapm.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/lam/lapm.htm)

4. Caltrans Latest Edition of
   a. Standard Plans and Standard Specifications
   b. Construction Manual
   c. California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CAMUTCD)

5. City of Holtville Quality Assurance Program (QAP)

IX. **EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS**

The Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria and point system.

**PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA**

1. Understanding of the work to be done .................. 25 points
2. Experience with similar kinds of work .................. 20 points
3. Quality of staff for work to be done .................. 15 points
4. Capability of developing innovative or advanced techniques .................. 10 points
5. Familiarity with State and Federal procedures .................. 10 points
6. Financial responsibility .................. 10 points
7. Demonstrated Technical Ability .................. 10 points

**Maximum Total Points** .................. 100 points

A Committee will review and evaluate the proposals. It is the City's intention to select the Consultant whose qualifications and understanding of the project are deemed most advantageous to the City in accordance with this Request for Proposals. The Selection Committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the Holtville City Council for final determination.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any irregularities or informalities submitted in any proposals or in the proposal and selection process. The City also reserves the right to request additional information for clarification. The City Council reserves the right to select any consultant the City deems qualified regardless of the Evaluation Committee's recommendation.

Submit five (5) copies and one (1) electronic copy in Portable Document Format (PDF) on a clearly labeled CD or USB Flash Drive.

Clarification desired by a proposer shall be requested in writing or by emailing a minimum of 72 hours prior to the RFP submission date. Oral explanation or instructions shall not be considered binding on behalf of the City. Forward questions to the City of Holtville Contract Administrator at the following address:

Mr. Nicholas D. Wells  
City Manager/ Project Administrator 121 West Fifth Street  
Holtville, CA 92250  
Phone: (760) 356-4574  
Email: NWells@Holtville.ca.gov

Any modifications to this solicitation will be issued by the City Project Administrator as a written addendum.

Any sub-consultant participating in this project is to be listed within the contents of this consultant’s response to this proposal. Sub-consultants shall not be allowed to be engaged by the Resident Engineer / Construction Manager after the proposals are submitted to the City of Holtville.

This RFP does not commit the City of Holtville to award a contract or pay any costs associated with the preparation of a Proposal. The City reserves the right to cancel, in part or in its entirety, this solicitation should this be in the best interest of the City to do so.
Exhibit A

LAPM Exhibit 10-C:

Consultant Contract Reviewers Checklist
# EXHIBIT 10-C A&E CONSULTANT CONTRACT REVIEWERS CHECKLIST

(Not applicable for Non-A&E Contracts)

**Date:**

**Agency Name:**

**Federal or State Project Number:**

**Local Agency Contract Number:**

**Consultant Name:**

**Contract Period:**

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<td>Records of response to solicitation</td>
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_Note: Please submit EXHIBIT 10-C using fillable PDF along with a signed copy via email._

I certify the information I provided on and in connection with this form is true, accurate and complete and supporting documents are filed in our office filing system. I also understand that any false statements or omissions on this document may be grounds for disqualification from federal and/or State funding.

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**Local Agency Contract Administrator**  
Date

I have reviewed the Exhibit 10-C Consultant Contract Reviewers Checklist but I have not reviewed the supporting documentation in detail. The Exhibit 10-C checklist appears to have been prepared in accordance with Chapter 10 “Consultant Selection” of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual. I have not conducted a comprehensive review of the supporting documentation and cannot, therefore, attest that there are no errors, ambiguities, or omissions in the Exhibit 10-C checklist. Caltrans assumes no liability for any defect in the Exhibit 10-C by virtue of its review of this checklist.

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**Caltrans DLA**  
Acceptance Date

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Exhibit B

LAPM Exhibit 10-I: Notice to Proposers DBE Information
EXHIBIT 10-I NOTICE TO PROPOSERS DBE INFORMATION

The Agency has established a DBE goal for this Contract of 9.19%

OR

The Agency has not established a goal for this Contract. However, proposers are encouraged to obtain DBE participation for this contract.

1. TERMS AS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT
   - The term “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” or “DBE” means a for-profit small business concern owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged person(s) as defined in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26.5.
   - The term “Agreement” also means “Contract.”
   - Agency also means the local entity entering into this contract with the Contractor or Consultant.
   - The term “Small Business” or “SB” is as defined in 49 CFR 26.65.

2. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY
   A. DBEs and other small businesses are strongly encouraged to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds (See 49 CFR 26, “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs”). The Consultant must ensure that DBEs and other small businesses have the opportunity to participate in the performance of the work that is the subject of this solicitation and should take all necessary and reasonable steps for this assurance. The proposer must not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of subcontracts.
   B. Proposers are encouraged to use services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by DBEs.

3. SUBMISSION OF DBE INFORMATION
   If there is a DBE goal on the contract, Exhibit 10-O1 Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment must be included in the Request for Proposal. In order for a proposer to be considered responsible and responsive, the proposer must make good faith efforts to meet the goal established for the contract. If the goal is not met, the proposer must document adequate good faith efforts. All DBE participation will be counted towards the contract goal; therefore, all DBE participation shall be collected and reported.

   Exhibit 10-O2 Consultant Contract DBE Information must be included with the Request for Proposal. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, the successful proposer must execute and return the form.

4. DBE PARTICIPATION GENERAL INFORMATION
   It is the proposer’s responsibility to be fully informed regarding the requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26, and the Department’s DBE program developed pursuant to the regulations. Particular attention is directed to the following:
   A. A DBE must be a small business firm defined pursuant to 13 CFR 121 and be certified through the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).
B. A certified DBE may participate as a prime consultant, subconsultant, joint venture partner, as a vendor of material or supplies, or as a trucking company.

C. A DBE proposer not proposing as a joint venture with a non-DBE, will be required to document one or a combination of the following:
   1. The proposer is a DBE and will meet the goal by performing work with its own forces.
   2. The proposer will meet the goal through work performed by DBE subconsultants, suppliers or trucking companies.
   3. The proposer, prior to proposing, made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal.

D. A DBE joint venture partner must be responsible for specific contract items of work or clearly defined portions thereof. Responsibility means actually performing, managing, and supervising the work with its own forces. The DBE joint venture partner must share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks and profits of the joint venture commensurate with its ownership interest.

E. A DBE must perform a commercially useful function pursuant to 49 CFR 26.55, that is, a DBE firm must be responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work and must carry out its responsibility by actually performing, managing and supervising the work.

F. The proposer shall list only one subconsultant for each portion of work as defined in their proposal and all DBE subconsultants should be listed in the bid/cost proposal list of subconsultants.

G. A prime consultant who is a certified DBE is eligible to claim all of the work in the Contract toward the DBE participation except that portion of the work to be performed by non-DBE subconsultants.

5. RESOURCES

A. The CUCP database includes the certified DBEs from all certifying agencies participating in the CUCP. If you believe a firm is certified that cannot be located on the database, please contact the Caltrans Office of Certification toll free number 1-866-810-6346 for assistance.

   1. Click on the link in the left menu titled Disadvantaged Business Enterprise;
   2. Click on Search for a DBE Firm link;
   3. Click on Access to the DBE Query Form located on the first line in the center of the page.

   Searches can be performed by one or more criteria. Follow instructions on the screen.

6. MATERIALS OR SUPPLIES PURCHASED FROM DBES COUNT TOWARDS THE DBE GOAL UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

A. If the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer, count 100 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory, or establishment that produces on the premises the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the Contract and of the general character described by the specifications.

B. If the materials or supplies purchased from a DBE regular dealer, count 60 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the Contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a DBE regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the
purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A person may be a DBE regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business provided in this section.

C. If the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, any supplementing of regular dealers’ own distribution equipment shall be, by a long-term lease agreement and not an ad hoc or Agreement-by-Agreement basis. Packagers, brokers, manufacturers’ representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not DBE regular dealers within the meaning of this section.

D. Materials or supplies purchased from a DBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, will be limited to the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on the job site, provided the fees are reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees charged for similar services.
Exhibit C

Sample Contract Language
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
FOR
RESIDENT ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES
FOR
CITY OF HOLTVILLE – NINTH STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT BETWEEN PALM AND OLIVE AVENUES
between
The City of Holtville
and
Engineering Firm A

ARTICLE I - INTRODUCTION
A. This contract is made and entered into this __________ by and between the following named, hereinafter referred to as, CONSULTANT and the following named, hereinafter referred to as, LOCAL AGENCY:

The name of the “CONSULTANT” is as follows: Engineering Firm A
Incorporated in the State of California
The Project Manager for the “CONSULTANT” will be Engineer 1, P.E.

The name of the “LOCAL AGENCY” is as follows: City of Holtville
The Contract Administrator for LOCAL AGENCY will be Nicholas D. Wells, City Manager.

B. The work to be performed under this contract is described in Article II entitled “Statement of Work” and the approved CONSULTANT’s Cost Proposal dated October 16, 2017. The approved CONSULTANT’s Cost Proposal is attached hereto (Exhibit A) and incorporated by reference. If there is any conflict between the approved Cost Proposal and this contract, this contract shall take precedence.

C. CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify and hold harmless LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims, demands, costs, or liability arising from or connected with the services provided hereunder due to negligent acts, errors, or omissions of CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT will reimburse LOCAL AGENCY for any expenditure, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by LOCAL AGENCY in defending against claims ultimately determined to be due to negligent acts, errors, or omissions of CONSULTANT.

D. CONSULTANT and the agents and employees of CONSULTANT, in the performance of this contract, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees or agents of LOCAL AGENCY.

E. Without the written consent of LOCAL AGENCY, this contract is not assignable by CONSULTANT either in whole or in part.
F. No alteration or variation of the terms of this contract shall be valid, unless made in writing and signed
by the parties hereto; and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein, shall be binding
on any of the parties hereto.

G. The consideration to be paid to CONSULTANT as provided herein, shall be in compensation for all of
CONSULTANT’s expenses incurred in the performance hereof, including travel and per diem, unless
otherwise expressly so provided.

ARTICLE II - STATEMENT OF WORK

1. The LOCAL AGENCY intends to perform an infrastructure improvement project along Ninth Street
between Palm and Olive Avenues, which shall be referred to herein as the Ninth Street Pavement
Improvements Project between Palm and Olive Avenues.

2. Infrastructure improvements are expected to include but are not limited to one half roadway
improvements shall be completed along Ninth Street between Palm Avenue and Olive Avenue (387±
in length) in the City of Holtville. The project consists of the installation of A.C. pavement, P.C.C.
infrastructure such as curb and gutter and sidewalks, ADA compliant curb ramps, residential driveways,
cross gutter, spandrel, etc., signage and striping and other ancillary improvement items. Improvements
will be made in conformance with City of Holtville and/or Caltrans standards.

3. CONSULTANT represents that it can perform the Resident Engineering and Construction Management
Services for the Ninth Street Pavement Improvements Project.

4. CONSULTANT represents: that the principal members of CONSULTANT are qualified professional
engineers and duly registered and certified pursuant to the laws of the State of California; that it is fully
qualified to perform the Resident Engineering and Construction Management Services contemplated by
this Agreement in a good and professional manner; and that it desires to perform such services as
provided herein.

5. No official or employee of LOCAL AGENCY has a financial interest in the subject matter of this
Agreement, as defined by the provisions of California Government Code, Sections 1090-1092.

6. The Contract Administrator for the Local Agency will be Nicholas D. Wells, City Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of performance by the parties of the mutual promises, covenants,
and conditions herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

A. Consultant Services

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, LOCAL AGENCY hereby engages
CONSULTANT to perform the Resident Engineering and Construction Management Services for the
Infrastructure Project known as the Ninth Street Pavement Improvements Project.

The nature, scope and level of the Services to be performed by CONSULTANT are more particularly
described in Exhibit A and Exhibit B. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Proposal and the
Agreement, the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall control.

Exhibit A – CONSULTANT’s Proposal to provide Resident Engineering and Construction Management

The CONSULTANT’s Project Manager shall meet with the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator as needed, to discuss progress on the contract.

B. Right of Way

There are no requirements of the CONSULTANT with regard to Right of Way for this project.

C. Surveys

CONSULTANT shall not have the responsibility for performing construction surveys.

D. Subsurface Investigations

Subsurface investigations shall not be required for this project; however, CONSULTANT shall complete or acquire the services of a Geotechnical Consultant to complete geotechnical testing and inspections as specified in Exhibit B.

E. Local Agency Obligations

All data applicable to the project and in possession of LOCAL AGENCY or another agency, or government, may be made available to CONSULTANT upon request.

F. Conferences, Visits to Site, Inspection of Work

The contract provides for conferences as needed, visits to the site, and inspection of the work by representatives of the state, or FHWA. Costs incurred by CONSULTANT for meetings, subsequent to the initial meeting shall be included in the fee.

G. Checking Shop Drawings

Shop drawings prepared as a part of submittals during the submittal phase shall be reviewed and approved by CONSULTANT.

H. Consultant’s Services During Construction

CONSULTANT’s services to be provided during the course of construction are specified in Exhibit B.

I. Documentation and Schedules

Contracts where appropriate, shall provide that CONSULTANT document the results of the work to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY, and if applicable, the State and FHWA. This may include preparation of progress and final reports, plans, specifications and estimates, or similar evidence of attainment of the contract objectives.

J. Deliverables and Number of Copies

CONSULTANT shall provide all wet-signed originals and project notebook binders containing all documentations including correspondences, submittals, daily reports, quantity calculation sheets, plans, drawings, estimates, testing and material reports, Caltrans LAPM forms, and other construction management services related documentations to LOCAL AGENCY. Electronic copies in pdf format of the same shall be provided to LOCAL AGENCY.
K. Time for Performance

CONSULTANT shall perform all services under this Agreement on a timely, regular basis consistent with industry standards for professional skill and care and in accordance with the Performance Period specified within this agreement and support documentation.

L. Standard of Care

As a material inducement to LOCAL AGENCY to enter into this Agreement, CONSULTANT hereby represents that it has the experience necessary to undertake the services to be provided. In light of such status and experience, CONSULTANT hereby covenants that it shall follow the customary professional standards in performing all services.

M. Familiarity with Services

By executing this Agreement, CONSULTANT represents that, to the extent required by the standard of practice, CONSULTANT: (a) has investigated and considered the scope of services to be performed; (b) has carefully considered how the services should be performed; and (c) understands the facilities, difficulties and restrictions attending performance of the services under this Agreement. CONSULTANT represents that CONSULTANT, to the extent required by the standard of practice, has investigated the subject site and is reasonably acquainted with the conditions therein. Should CONSULTANT discover any latent or unknown conditions, which will materially affect the performance of services, CONSULTANT shall immediately inform LOCAL AGENCY of such fact and shall not proceed except at CONSULTANT’s risk until written instructions are received from the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

N. Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act

All conceptual design plans prepared by CONSULTANT for the Project shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Section 12001 et seq.).

O. This agreement permits mutually acceptable changes in the scope, character, or complexity of the work; if such changes become desirable or necessary as the work progresses. Any modifications to the Scope of Work will be reviewed by both parties and an estimate pertaining to the proposed adjusted cost and adjusted time of performance for the work shall be reviewed and mutually approved. CONSULTANT shall only commence work covered by an amendment after the amendment is executed and notification to proceed has been provided by the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator. There shall be no change in CONSULTANT’s Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal, which is a part of this contract without prior approval by the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

ARTICLE III - CONSULTANT'S REPORTS OR MEETINGS

A. CONSULTANT shall submit progress reports at least once a week. The report should be sufficiently detailed for the Contract Administrator to determine, if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations, or is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings, and to sufficiently address any difficulties or special problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.

B. CONSULTANT’s Project Manager shall meet with LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator, as needed, to discuss progress on the contract.
ARTICLE IV - PERFORMANCE PERIOD (Verbatim)

A. This contract shall go into effect on ______________ (the "Effective Date"), or until issuance of the Notice to Proceed to the Contractor, whichever comes first. It shall remain in full force and effect until ______________, or for 100 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed, whichever comes last, unless extended by a contract amendment or unless sooner terminated as provided in ARTICLE VI herein.

Language in the preceding paragraph notwithstanding, should a project process or financial audit be required by funding and/or regulatory agencies, CONSULTANT agrees to supply requested documentation and physically attend said audit, regardless of time constraints set forth in this contract.

B. CONSULTANT is advised that any recommendation for contract award is not binding on LOCAL AGENCY until the contract is fully executed and approved by LOCAL AGENCY.

C. Performance period extensions will be reviewed and approved mutually by both parties prior to the acceptance of a revised deliverable submittal date.

ARTICLE V - ALLOWABLE COSTS AND PAYMENTS (Verbatim)

A. The method of payment for this contract will be based on lump sum. The total lump sum price paid to CONSULTANT will include compensation for all work and deliverables, including travel and equipment described in Article II Statement of Work of this contract. No additional compensation will be paid to CONSULTANT, unless there is a change in the scope of the work or the scope of the project. In the instance of a change in the scope of work or scope of the project, adjustment to the total lump sum compensation will be negotiated between CONSULTANT and LOCAL AGENCY. Adjustment in the total lump sum compensation will not be effective until authorized by contract amendment and approved by LOCAL AGENCY.

B. Progress payments may be made monthly in arrears based on the percentage of work completed by CONSULTANT. If CONSULTANT fails to submit the required deliverable items according to the schedule set forth in the Statement of Work, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to delay payment or terminate this Contract in accordance with the provisions of Article VI Termination.

C. CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of work or services until this contract has been approved by LOCAL AGENCY and notification to proceed has been issued by LOCAL AGENCY’S Contract Administrator. No payment will be made prior to approval of any work, or for any work performed prior to approval of this contract.

D. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed, as promptly as fiscal procedures will permit, upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY’S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in triplicate. Invoices shall be submitted no later than 45 calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone, on each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the Cost Proposal and shall reference this contract number and project title. Final invoice must contain the final cost and all credits due LOCAL AGENCY that include any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase of this contract. The final invoice should be submitted within 60-calendar days after completion of CONSULTANT's work. Invoices shall be mailed to LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator at the following address:

CITY OF HOLTVILLE
Nicholas D. Wells, Contract Administrator
121 W Fifth Street
Holtville, California  92250
E. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY shall not exceed $________0.

F. All subcontracts in excess of $25,000 shall contain the above provisions.

ARTICLE VI - TERMINATION (Verbatim)

A. LOCAL AGENCY reserves the right to terminate this contract upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice to CONSULTANT with the reasons for termination stated in the notice.

B. LOCAL AGENCY may terminate this contract with CONSULTANT should CONSULTANT fail to perform the covenants herein contained at the time and in the manner herein provided. In the event of such termination, LOCAL AGENCY may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper by LOCAL AGENCY. If LOCAL AGENCY terminates this contract with CONSULTANT, LOCAL AGENCY shall pay CONSULTANT the sum due to CONSULTANT under this contract prior to termination, unless the cost of completion to LOCAL AGENCY exceeds the funds remaining in the contract. In which case the overage shall be deducted from any sum due CONSULTANT under this contract and the balance, if any, shall be paid to CONSULTANT upon demand.

C. The maximum amount for which the Government shall be liable if this contract is terminated is $00,000.00.

D. Either party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement within 30 days written notice for any reason to the other party. In the event either party exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, LOCAL AGENCY shall pay CONSULTANT for any services rendered prior to the effective date of the termination. CONSULTANT shall have no other claim against LOCAL AGENCY by reason of such termination, including any claim for compensations. Said compensation is to be arrived at by mutual agreement between LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT; should the parties fail to agree on such compensation, an independent arbitrator shall be appointed and the decision of the arbitrator shall be binding upon the parties.

ARTICLE VII - COST PRINCIPLES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS (Verbatim)

A. CONSULTANT agrees that the Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, 48 CFR, Federal Acquisition Regulations System, Chapter 1, Part 31.000 et seq., shall be used to determine the cost allowability of individual items.

B. CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with federal procedures in accordance with 49 CFR, Part 18, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments.

C. Any costs for which payment has been made to CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 49 CFR, Part 18 and 48 CFR, Federal Acquisition Regulations System, Chapter 1, Part 31.000 et seq., are subject to repayment by CONSULTANT to LOCAL AGENCY.

D. All subcontracts in excess of $25,000 shall contain the above provisions.

ARTICLE VIII - RETENTION OF RECORDS/AUDIT (Verbatim)

For the purpose of determining compliance with Public Contract Code 10115, et seq. and Title 21, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 21, Section 2500 et seq., when applicable and other matters connected with the performance of the contract pursuant to Government Code 8546.7; CONSULTANT, subconsultants, and LOCAL AGENCY shall maintain and make available for inspection all books,
documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the contract, including but not limited to, the costs of administering the contract. All parties shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the contract period and for three years from the date of final payment under the contract. The state, State Auditor, LOCAL AGENCY, FHWA, or any duly authorized representative of the Federal Government shall have access to any books, records, and documents of CONSULTANT and its certified public accountants (CPA) work papers that are pertinent to the contract and indirect cost rates (ICR) for audit, examinations, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested. Subcontracts in excess of $25,000 shall contain this provision.

ARTICLE IX - AUDIT REVIEW PROCEDURES (Verbatim)

A. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this contract that is not disposed of by agreement, shall be reviewed by LOCAL AGENCY’S Chief Financial Officer.

B. Not later than 30 days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by LOCAL AGENCY’S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.

C. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by LOCAL AGENCY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this contract.

(Due to its length not shown but must be inserted into all contracts of $150,000 or greater)

D. CONSULTANT and subconsultant contracts, including cost proposals and ICR, are subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, a contract audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the contract, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR, Part 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT’S responsibility to ensure federal, state, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA’s work papers including making copies as necessary. The contract, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by LOCAL AGENCY contract manager to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the contract by this reference if directed by LOCAL AGENCY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, state or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of contract terms and cause for termination of the contract and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.

(For contracts of $3,500,000 or greater)

E. CONSULTANT Cost Proposal is subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review by Caltrans’ Audit and Investigation (Caltrans). Caltrans, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the contract terms and cause for termination of the contract and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
1. During a Caltrans’ review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT’s independent CPA, Caltrans will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely manner. If Caltrans identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at a provisional ICR until a FAR compliant ICR (e.g. 48 CFR, part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines) is received and approved by A&I. Provisional rates will be as follows:
   a. If the proposed rate is less than 150% - the provisional rate reimbursed will be 90% of the proposed rate.
   b. If the proposed rate is between 150% and 200% - the provisional rate will be 85% of the proposed rate.
   c. If the proposed rate is greater than 200% - the provisional rate will be 75% of the proposed rate.

2. If Caltrans is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, Caltrans may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. Caltrans will then have up to six (60 months) to review the CONSULTANT’s and/or the independent CPA’s revisions.

3. If the CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this Section E, or if Caltrans is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA-audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the provisional ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this provisional ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this contract.

4. CONSULTANT may submit to LOCAL AGENCY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) Caltrans approves or rejects the original or revised independent CPA-audited ICR; (2) all work under this contract has been completed to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY; and, (3) Caltrans has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICE TO local agency no later than 60 days after occurrence of the last of these items.

The provisional ICR will apply to this contract and all other contracts executed between LOCAL AGENCY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

ARTICLE X - SUBCONTRACTING (Verbatim)

A. Nothing contained in this contract or otherwise, shall create any contractual relation between LOCAL AGENCY and any subconsultant(s), and no subcontract shall relieve CONSULTANT of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. CONSULTANT agrees to be as fully responsible to LOCAL AGENCY for the acts and omissions of its subconsultant(s) and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT’S obligation to pay its subconsultant(s) is an independent obligation from LOCAL AGENCY’S obligation to make payments to the CONSULTANT.

B. CONSULTANT shall perform the work contemplated with resources available within its own organization and no portion of the work pertinent to this contract shall be subcontracted without written authorization by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator, except that, which is expressly identified in the approved Cost Proposal.
C. CONSULTANT shall pay its subconsultants within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of each payment made to CONSULTANT by LOCAL AGENCY.

D. Any subcontract in excess of $25,000 entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all the provisions stipulated in this contract to be applicable to subconsultants.

E. Any substitution of subconsultant(s) must be approved in writing by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator prior to the start of work by the subconsultant(s).

ARTICLE XI - EQUIPMENT PURCHASE (Verbatim)

A. Prior authorization in writing, by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator shall be required before CONSULTANT enters into any unbudgeted purchase order, or subcontract exceeding $5,000 for supplies, equipment, or CONSULTANT services. CONSULTANT shall provide an evaluation of the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs.

B. For purchase of any item, service or consulting work not covered in CONSULTANT’s Cost Proposal and exceeding $5,000 prior authorization by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator; three competitive quotations must be submitted with the request, or the absence of bidding must be adequately justified.

C. Any equipment purchased as a result of this contract is subject to the following: “CONSULTANT shall maintain an inventory of all nonexpendable property. Nonexpendable property is defined as having a useful life of at least two years and an acquisition cost of $5,000 or more. If the purchased equipment needs replacement and is sold or traded in, LOCAL AGENCY shall receive a proper refund or credit at the conclusion of the contract, or if the contract is terminated, CONSULTANT may either keep the equipment and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to its fair market value, or sell such equipment at the best price obtainable at a public or private sale, in accordance with established LOCAL AGENCY procedures; and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to the sales price. If CONSULTANT elects to keep the equipment, fair market value shall be determined at CONSULTANT’s expense, on the basis of a competent independent appraisal of such equipment. Appraisals shall be obtained from an appraiser mutually agreeable to by LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT, if it is determined to sell the equipment, the terms and conditions of such sale must be approved in advance by LOCAL AGENCY.” 49 CFR, Part 18 requires a credit to Federal funds when participating equipment with a fair market value greater than $5,000 is credited to the project.

D. All subcontracts in excess $25,000 shall contain the above provisions.

ARTICLE XII - STATE PREVAILING WAGE RATES (Verbatim)

A. CONSULTANT shall comply with the State of California’s General Prevailing Wage Rate requirements in accordance with California Labor Code, Section 1770, and all Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances applicable to the work.

B. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract, if for more than $25,000 for public works construction or more than $15,000 for the alteration, demolition, repair, or maintenance of public works, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

C. When prevailing wages apply to the services described in the scope of work, transportation and subsistence costs shall be reimbursed at the minimum rates set by the Department of Industrial
Relations (DIR) as outlined in the applicable Prevailing Wage Determination. See http://www.dir.ca.gov.

Note: The Federal “Payment of Predetermined Minimum Wage” applies only to federal-aid construction contracts.

ARTICLE XIII - CONFLICT OF INTEREST (Verbatim)

A. CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with LOCAL AGENCY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this contract, or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project. CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this contract, or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project, which will follow.

B. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have, nor shall it acquire any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this contract.

C. Any subcontract in excess of $25,000 entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

D. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that neither CONSULTANT, its employees, nor any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT providing services on this project prepared the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate for any construction project included within this contract. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons through joint-ownership, or otherwise.

E. CONSULTANT further certifies that neither CONSULTANT, nor any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT, will bid on any construction subcontracts included within the construction contract. Additionally, CONSULTANT certifies that no person working under this contract is also employed by the construction contractor for any project included within this contract.

F. Except for subconsultants whose services are limited to materials testing, no subconsultant who is providing service on this contract shall have provided services on the design of any project included within this contract.

ARTICLE XIV - REBATES, KICKBACKS OR OTHER UNLAWFUL CONSIDERATION (Verbatim)

CONSULTANT warrants that this contract was not obtained or secured through rebates kickbacks or other unlawful consideration, either promised or paid to any LOCAL AGENCY employee. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right in its discretion; to terminate the contract without liability; to pay only for the value of the work actually performed; or to deduct from the contract price; or otherwise recover the full amount of such rebate, kickback or other unlawful consideration.

ARTICLE XV - PROHIBITION OF EXPENDING LOCAL AGENCY STATE OR FEDERAL FUNDS FOR LOBBYING (Verbatim)

(Include this article in all contracts where federal funding will exceed $150,000. If less than $150,000 in federal funds will be expended on the contract; delete this article and re-number the notification article which follows.)

A. CONSULTANT certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:
1. No state, federal or local agency appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid by or on behalf of CONSULTANT to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any state or federal agency; a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress; an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress; or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress, in connection with the awarding of any state or federal contract; the making of any state or federal grant; the making of any state or federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any state or federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency; a Member of Congress; an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress; in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement; CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying”, in accordance with its instructions.

B. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

C. CONSULTANT also agrees by signing this document that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower-tier subcontracts, which exceed $100,000 and that all such sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

ARTICLE XVI - STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

A. CONSULTANT’s signature affixed herein, and dated, shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with, the nondiscrimination program requirements of Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Administrative Code, Section 8103.

B. During the performance of this Contract, CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family care leave. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 (a-f) et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated there under (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285 et seq.). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990 (a-f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, are incorporated into this Contract by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.

C. The CONSULTANT shall comply with regulations relative to Title VI (nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation – Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21 - Effectuation of Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the state of
California shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.

D. The CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed by it during the Agreement shall act in accordance with Title VI. Specifically, the CONSULTANT shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability in the selection and retention of Subconsultants, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the U.S. DOT’s Regulations, including employment practices when the Agreement covers a program whose goal is employment.

ARTICLE XVII - DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

A. CONSULTANT’s signature affixed herein, shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that CONSULTANT has complied with Title 2 CFR, Part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government wide Debarment and Suspension (nonprocurement)”, which certifies that he/she or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer, or manager, is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency; has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded, or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past three (3) years; does not have a proposed debarment pending; and has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against it by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years. Any exceptions to this certification must be disclosed to LOCAL AGENCY.

B. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of recommendation for award, but will be considered in determining CONSULTANT responsibility. Disclosures must indicate to whom exceptions apply, initiating agency, and dates of action.

C. Exceptions to the Federal Government Excluded Parties List System maintained by the General Services Administration are to be determined by the Federal highway Administration.

ARTICLE XVIII - FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

A. It is mutually understood between the parties that this contract may have been written before ascertaining the availability of funds or appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if the contract were executed after that determination was made.

B. This contract is valid and enforceable only, if sufficient funds are made available to LOCAL AGENCY for the purpose of this contract. In addition, this contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or any statute enacted by the Congress, State Legislature, or LOCAL AGENCY governing board that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this contract in any manner.

C. It is mutually agreed that if sufficient funds are not appropriated, this contract may be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.

D. LOCAL AGENCY has the option to void the contract under the 30-day termination clause pursuant to Article VI, or by mutual agreement to amend the contract to reflect any reduction of funds.
ARTICLE XIX - CHANGE IN TERMS
A. This contract may be amended or modified only by mutual written agreement of the parties.
B. CONSULTANT shall only commence work covered by an amendment after the amendment is executed and notification to proceed has been provided by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.
C. There shall be no change in CONSULTANT’s Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal, which is a part of this contract without prior written approval by LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

ARTICLE XX - DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) PARTICIPATION
A. This contract is subject to 49 CFR, Part 26 entitled “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs”. Consultants who obtain DBE participation on this contract will assist Caltrans in meeting its federally mandated statewide overall DBE goal.
B. The goal for DBE participation for this contract is 9.19%. Participation by DBE consultant or subconsultants shall be in accordance with information contained in the Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O1), or in the Consultant Contract DBE Information (Exhibit 10-O2) attached hereto and incorporated as part of the Contract. If a DBE subconsultant is unable to perform, CONSULTANT must make a good faith effort to replace him/her with another DBE subconsultant, if the goal is not otherwise met.
C. DBEs and other small businesses, as defined in 49 CFR, Part 26 are encouraged to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds. CONSULTANT or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. CONSULTANT shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26 in the award and administration of US DOT-assisted agreements. Failure by CONSULTANT to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as LOCAL AGENCY deems appropriate.
D. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all of the provisions of this section.
E. A DBE firm may be terminated only with prior written approval from LOCAL AGENCY and only for the reasons specified in 49 CFR 26.53(f). Prior to requesting LOCAL AGENCY consent for the termination, CONSULTANT must meet the procedural requirements specified in 49 CFR 26.53(f).
F. A DBE performs a Commercially Useful Function (CUF) when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether a DBE is performing a CUF, evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing, and other relevant factors.
G. A DBE does not perform a CUF if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. In determining whether a DBE is such an extra participant, examine similar transactions, particularly those in which DBEs do not participate.
H. If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least thirty percent (30%) of the total cost of its contract with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work of the contract than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, it will be presumed that it is not performing a CUF.

I. CONSULTANT shall maintain records of materials purchased or supplied from all subcontracts entered into with certified DBEs. The records shall show the name and business address of each DBE or vendor and the total dollar amount actually paid each DBE or vendor, regardless of tier. The records shall show the date of payment and the total dollar figure paid to all firms. DBE prime consultants shall also show the date of work performed by their own forces along with the corresponding dollar value of the work.

J. Upon completion of the Contract, a summary of these records shall be prepared and submitted on the form entitled, “Final Report-Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), First-Tier Subconsultants” CEM-2402F [Exhibit 17-F, of the LAPM], certified correct by CONSULTANT or CONSULTANT’s authorized representative and shall be furnished to the Contract Administrator with the final invoice. Failure to provide the summary of DBE payments with the final invoice will result in twenty-five percent (25%) of the dollar value of the invoice being withheld from payment until the form is submitted. The amount will be returned to CONSULTANT when a satisfactory “Final Report-Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), First-Tier Subconsultants” is submitted to the Contract Administrator.

K. If a DBE subconsultant is decertified during the life of the contract, the decertified subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of decertification. If a subconsultant becomes a certified DBE during the life of the Contract, the subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of certification. Any changes should be reported to LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator within 30 days.

ARTICLE XXI - CONTINGENT FEE

CONSULTANT warrants, by execution of this contract that no person or selling agency has been employed, or retained, to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding, for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees, or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY has the right to annul this contract without liability; pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

ARTICLE XXII - DISPUTES

A. Any dispute, other than audit, concerning a question of fact arising under this contract that is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by a committee consisting of LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator and City of Holtville Mayor, who may consider written or verbal information submitted by CONSULTANT.

B. Not later than 30 days after completion of all work under the contract, CONSULTANT may request review by LOCAL AGENCY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.

C. Neither the pendency of a dispute, nor its consideration by the committee will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance in accordance with the terms of this contract.
ARTICLE XXIII - INSPECTION OF WORK
CONSULTANT and any subconsultant shall permit LOCAL AGENCY, the state, and the FHWA if federal participating funds are used in this contract; to review and inspect the project activities and files at all reasonable times during the performance period of this contract including review and inspection on a daily basis.

ARTICLE XXIV - SAFETY
A. CONSULTANT shall comply with OSHA regulations applicable to CONSULTANT regarding necessary safety equipment or procedures. CONSULTANT shall comply with safety instructions issued by LOCAL AGENCY Safety Officer and other LOCAL AGENCY representatives. CONSULTANT personnel shall wear hard hats and safety vests at all times while working on the construction project site.

B. Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 591 of the Vehicle Code, LOCAL AGENCY has determined that such areas are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic. CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Divisions 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Vehicle Code. CONSULTANT shall take all reasonably necessary precautions for safe operation of its vehicles and the protection of the traveling public from injury and damage from such vehicles.

C. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

(Add to all contracts, which may require trenching of five feet or deeper)

D. CONSULTANT must have a Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CAL-OSHA) permit(s), as outlined in California Labor Code Sections 6500 and 6705, prior to the initiation of any practices, work, method, operation, or process related to the construction or excavation of trenches which are five feet or deeper.

ARTICLE XXV - INSURANCE
A. Prior to commencement of the work described herein, CONSULTANT shall furnish LOCAL AGENCY a Certificate of Insurance stating that there is general comprehensive liability insurance presently in effect for CONSULTANT with a combined single limit (CSL) of not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence.

B. The Certificate of Insurance will provide:
   1. That the insurer will not cancel the insured’s coverage without 30 days prior written notice to LOCAL AGENCY.
   2. That LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, agents, employees, and servants are included as additional insureds, but only insofar as the operations under this contract are concerned.
   3. That LOCAL AGENCY will not be responsible for any premiums or assessments on the policy.

C. CONSULTANT agrees that the bodily injury liability insurance herein provided for, shall be in effect at all times during the term of this contract. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this contract, CONSULTANT agrees to provide at least thirty (30) days prior notice to said expiration date; and a new Certificate of Insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein, for not less than either the remainder of the term of the contract, or for a period of
not less than one (1) year. New Certificates of Insurance are subject to the approval of LOCAL
AGENCY. In the event CONSULTANT fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as
herein provided, LOCAL AGENCY may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this
contract upon occurrence of such event.

D. Liability Insurance: CONSULTANT shall procure and maintain in full force and effect for the
duration of this Agreement insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property and
professional negligence which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the services
hereunder by CONSULTANT, and its agents, representatives, employees and subcontractors.

a. Minimum Scope of Insurance: Unless otherwise approved by LOCAL AGENCY, coverage shall
be at least as broad as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG
   0001).

2. Insurance Services Office form number CA 0001 (Ed. 1/87) covering Automobile Liability,
   code 1 (any auto).

3. Worker's Compensation insurance as required by the State of California and Employer's
   Liability Insurance.

4. Professional Liability insurance in a form approved by the LOCAL AGENCY.

b. Minimum Limits of Insurance: CONSULTANT shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability: $1,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate for bodily injury,
   personal injury and property damage. Commercial General Liability Insurance or other
   form with a general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this Agreement or the general
   limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

2. Automobile Liability: approved by the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

3. Employer's Liability: $1,000,000 per accident and in the aggregate for bodily injury or
   disease and Workers' Compensation Insurance in the amount required by law.

4. Professional Liability: $1,000,000 per claim/aggregate.

c. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions: CONSULTANT shall inform LOCAL AGENCY of any
deductibles or self-insured retentions except with respect to professional liability insurance.

d. Other Insurance Provisions: The general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or
be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, officials, employees, designated volunteers and agents
   serving as independent contractors in the role of LOCAL AGENCY or agency officials, are
   to be covered as additional insured as respects: liability arising out of activities performed
   by or on behalf of CONSULTANT; products and completed operations of CONSULTANT;
   premises owned, occupied or used by CONSULTANT; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by CONSULTANT. The coverage shall contain no
   limitations on the scope of protection afforded to LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, officials,
employees, designated volunteers or agents serving as independent contractors in the role of LOCAL AGENCY or agency officials which are not also limitations applicable to the named insured.

2. For any claims related to this Agreement, CONSULTANT's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, officials, employees, designated volunteers and agents serving as independent contractors in the role of LOCAL AGENCY or agency officials. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by LOCAL AGENCY, their officers, officials, employees, designated volunteers or agents serving as independent contractors in the role of LOCAL AGENCY or agency officials shall be excess of CONSULTANT's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

3. CONSULTANT's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

4. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled or materially modified except after 30 days prior written notice by first class mail has been given to LOCAL AGENCY.

5. Each insurance policy, except for the professional liability policy, required by this clause shall expressly waive the insurer's right of subrogation against LOCAL AGENCY and its elected officials, officers, employees, servants, attorneys, designated volunteers, and agents serving as independent contractors in the role of LOCAL AGENCY or agency officials.

e. Acceptability of Insurers. Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII unless waived in writing by the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

f. Verification of Coverage. No work or services under this Agreement shall commence until CONSULTANT has provided the LOCAL AGENCY with Certificates of Insurance or appropriate insurance binders evidencing the above insurance coverages and said Certificates of Insurance or binders are approved by the LOCAL AGENCY. Proof of insurance must be sent directly to the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

g. Subcontractors. CONSULTANT shall include all subcontractors as insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein unless otherwise approved in advance in writing by LOCAL AGENCY.

ARTICLE XXVI - OWNERSHIP OF DATA

A. Upon completion of all work under this contract, ownership and title to all reports, documents, plans, specifications, and estimates produce as part of this contract will automatically be vested in LOCAL AGENCY; and no further agreement will be necessary to transfer ownership to LOCAL AGENCY. CONSULTANT shall furnish LOCAL AGENCY all necessary copies of data needed to complete the review and approval process.

B. It is understood and agreed that all calculations, drawings and specifications, whether in hard copy or machine-readable form, are intended for one-time use in the construction of the project for which this contract has been entered into.

C. CONSULTANT is not liable for claims, liabilities, or losses arising out of, or connected with the modification, or misuse by LOCAL AGENCY of the machine-readable information and data provided.
by CONSULTANT under this contract; further, CONSULTANT is not liable for claims, liabilities, or losses arising out of, or connected with any use by LOCAL AGENCY of the project documentation on other projects for additions to this project, or for the completion of this project by others, except only such use as may be authorized in writing by CONSULTANT.

D. Applicable patent rights provisions regarding rights to inventions shall be included in the contracts as appropriate (48 CFR 27, Subpart 27.3 - Patent Rights under Government Contracts for federal-aid contracts).

E. LOCAL AGENCY may permit copyrighting reports or other agreement products. If copyrights are permitted; the agreement shall provide that the FHWA shall have the royalty-free nonexclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use; and to authorize others to use, the work for government purposes.

F. Any subcontract in excess of $25,000 entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE XXVII - CLAIMS FILED BY LOCAL AGENCY’s CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR

A. If claims are filed by LOCAL AGENCY’s construction contractor relating to work performed by CONSULTANT’s personnel, and additional information or assistance from CONSULTANT’s personnel is required in order to evaluate or defend against such claims; CONSULTANT agrees to make its personnel available for consultation with LOCAL AGENCY’S construction contract administration and legal staff and for testimony, if necessary, at depositions and at trial or arbitration proceedings.

B. CONSULTANT’s personnel that LOCAL AGENCY considers essential to assist in defending against construction contractor claims will be made available on reasonable notice from LOCAL AGENCY. Consultation or testimony will be reimbursed at the same rates, including travel costs that are being paid for CONSULTANT’s personnel services under this contract.

C. Services of CONSULTANT’s personnel in connection with LOCAL AGENCY’s construction contractor claims will be performed pursuant to a written contract amendment, if necessary, extending the termination date of this contract in order to resolve the construction claims.

D. Any subcontract in excess of $25,000 entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE XXVIII - CONFIDENTIALITY OF DATA

A. All financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to LOCAL AGENCY’s operations, which are designated confidential by LOCAL AGENCY and made available to CONSULTANT in order to carry out this contract, shall be protected by CONSULTANT from unauthorized use and disclosure.

B. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or public hearing held by LOCAL AGENCY relating to the contract, shall not authorize CONSULTANT to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.

C. CONSULTANT shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the contract or LOCAL AGENCY’s actions on the same, except to LOCAL AGENCY’s staff, CONSULTANT’s own personnel involved in the performance of this contract, at public hearings or in response to questions from a Legislative committee.
D. CONSULTANT shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding work performed or to be performed under this contract without prior review of the contents thereof by LOCAL AGENCY, and receipt of LOCAL AGENCY’S written permission.

E. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.

**ARTICLE XXIX - NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD CERTIFICATION**

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 10296, CONSULTANT hereby states under penalty of perjury that no more than one final unappealable finding of contempt of court by a federal court has been issued against CONSULTANT within the immediately preceding two-year period, because of CONSULTANT’s failure to comply with an order of a federal court that orders CONSULTANT to comply with an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

**ARTICLE XXX - EVALUATION OF CONSULTANT**

CONSULTANT’s performance will be evaluated by LOCAL AGENCY. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to CONSULTANT for comments. The evaluation together with the comments shall be retained as part of the contract record.

**ARTICLE XXXI - RETENTION OF FUNDS**

A. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this Contract shall contain all of the provisions of this section.

B. N/A

C. No retainage will be held by the Agency from progress payments due the prime consultant. Any retainage held by the prime consultant or subconsultants from progress payments due subconsultants shall be promptly paid in full to subconsultants within 30 days after the subconsultant’s work is satisfactorily completed. Federal law (49 CFR 26.29) requires that any delay or postponement of payment over the 30 days may take place only for good cause and with the Agency’s prior written approval. Any violation of this provision shall subject the violating prime consultant or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the Business and Professions Code. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to the prime consultant or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime consultant, deficient subconsultant performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant. This provision applies to both DBE and non-DBE prime consultant and subconsultants.
ARTICLE XXXII - OTHER REQUIREMENTS BY LOCAL AGENCY

1. Representatives

1.1. LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator: For the purposes of this Agreement, the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator shall be the City Manager, or such other person as the City Manager designates in writing. It shall be CONSULTANT’s responsibility to assure that the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator is kept informed of the progress of the performance of the services, and CONSULTANT shall refer any decisions that must be made by LOCAL AGENCY to the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator. Unless otherwise specified herein, any approval of LOCAL AGENCY required hereunder shall mean the approval of the LOCAL AGENCY’s Contract Administrator.

1.2. Consultant Representative: For the purposes of this Agreement, Engineer 1 is hereby designated as the principal and representative of CONSULTANT authorized to act on its behalf with respect to the services specified herein and make all decisions in connection therewith (the "Responsible Principal"). It is expressly understood that the experience, knowledge, capability and reputation of the Responsible Principal were a substantial inducement for LOCAL AGENCY to enter into this Agreement. Therefore, the Responsible Principal shall be responsible during the term of this Agreement for directing all activities of CONSULTANT and devoting sufficient time to personally supervise the services hereunder. CONSULTANT may not change the Responsible Principal without the prior written approval of LOCAL AGENCY, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

1.3. Consultant’s Personnel: All Services shall be performed by CONSULTANT or under CONSULTANT’s direct supervision and all personnel shall possess the qualifications, permits, and licenses required by State and local law to perform such Services, including, without limitation, a City of Holtville business license as required by the City Municipal Code. CONSULTANT shall be solely responsible for the satisfactory work performance of all personnel engaged in performing the Services and compliance with the standard of care set forth in Section A of Article II.

CONSULTANT shall be responsible for payment of all employees' and subcontractors' wages and benefits, and shall comply with all requirements pertaining to employer's liability, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and Social Security.

CONSULTANT shall indemnify and hold harmless LOCAL AGENCY and its elected officials, officers and employees, servants, designated volunteers, and agents serving as independent contractors in the role of city or agency officials, from any and all liability, damages, claims, costs and expenses of any nature to the extent arising from CONSULTANT's personnel practices. LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to offset against the amount of any fees due to CONSULTANT under this Agreement any amount due to LOCAL AGENCY from CONSULTANT as a result of CONSULTANT's failure to promptly pay to LOCAL AGENCY any reimbursement or indemnification arising under this Section 2 of Article XXXII.

2. Remedies

If the CONSULTANT fails to perform under the terms of this Agreement, the LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to remedy the default utilizing any legal means, including bringing lawsuit against the CONSULTANT, for damages and breach of the Agreement. The CONSULTANT shall also have the
right to bring lawsuit against the LOCAL AGENCY if the LOCAL AGENCY breaches this Agreement due to non-payment to the CONSULTANT for services performed, or for other breaches of the terms of this Agreement. The prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable damages and attorney’s fees.

3. **Consultant’s Endorsement on PS&E/Other Data**

The responsible CONSULTANT shall sign all plans, specifications, estimates (PS&E) and engineering data furnished by him/her, and where appropriate, indicate his/her California registration number.

4. **Standards of Performance**

CONSULTANT shall perform all services to customary professional standards and in a manner reasonably satisfactory to LOCAL AGENCY.

5. **Responsibility for Errors**

CONSULTANT shall be responsible for its work and results under this Agreement. CONSULTANT, when requested, shall furnish clarification and/or explanation as may be required by the LOCAL AGENCY’s representative, regarding any services rendered under this Agreement at no additional cost to LOCAL AGENCY. In the event that an error or omission attributable to CONSULTANT occurs, then CONSULTANT shall, at no cost to LOCAL AGENCY, provide all necessary design drawings, estimates and other CONSULTANT professional services necessary to rectify and correct the matter to the sole satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY and to participate in any meeting required with regard to the correction.

6. **Status as Independent Contractor**

CONSULTANT is, and shall at all times remain as to LOCAL AGENCY, a wholly independent contractor. CONSULTANT shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of LOCAL AGENCY or otherwise act as an agent of LOCAL AGENCY. Neither LOCAL AGENCY nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of CONSULTANT or any of CONSULTANT’s employees, except as set forth in this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall not, at any time, or in any manner, represent that it or any of its officers, agents or employees are in any manner employees of LOCAL AGENCY. CONSULTANT shall pay all required taxes on amounts paid to CONSULTANT under this Agreement, and defend, indemnify and hold LOCAL AGENCY harmless from any and all taxes, assessments, penalties, and interest asserted against LOCAL AGENCY by reason of the independent contractor relationship created by this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall fully comply with the workers’ compensation law regarding CONSULTANT and CONSULTANT’s employees. CONSULTANT further agrees to indemnify and hold LOCAL AGENCY harmless from any failure of CONSULTANT to comply with applicable workers’ compensation laws. LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right to offset against the amount of any fees due to CONSULTANT any amount due to LOCAL AGENCY from CONSULTANT as a result of CONSULTANT’s failure to promptly pay to LOCAL AGENCY any reimbursement or indemnification arising under this Section.

7. **Indemnification, Hold Harmless, and Duty to Defend**

7.1. **Indemnity for Professional Services:** In connection with its professional services, CONSULTANT shall hold harmless and indemnify LOCAL AGENCY, and its elected officials, officers, employees, servants, designated volunteers, and those LOCAL AGENCY agents serving as independent contractors in the role of City officials (collectively, "Indemnitees"), with respect to
any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs or expenses, including reimbursement of attorneys' fees and costs of defense (collectively, "Claims" hereinafter), including but not limited to Claims relating to death or injury to any person and injury to any property, which arise out of, pertain to, or relate to in whole or in part to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of CONSULTANT or any of its officers, employees, subcontractors, or agents in the performance of its professional services under this Agreement.

7.2. Other Indemnities: In connection with any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs or expenses, including attorneys’ fees and costs of defense (collectively, "Damages" hereinafter) not covered by Subsection 7.1, CONSULTANT shall defend, hold harmless and indemnity the Indemnitees with respect to any and all Damages, including but not limited to, Damages relating to death or injury to any person and injury to any property, which arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the acts or omissions of CONSULTANT or any of its officers, employees, subcontractors, or agents in the performance of this Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the negligence or willful misconduct of the LOCAL AGENCY, as determined by final arbitration or court decision or by the agreement of the parties. CONSULTANT shall defend Indemnitees in any action or actions filed in connection with any such Damages, and shall pay all costs and expenses, including all attorneys' fees and experts' costs actually incurred in connection with such defense at the conclusion of applicable legal action. CONSULTANT's duty to defend pursuant to this Subsection 7.2 shall apply independent of any prior, concurrent or subsequent misconduct, negligent acts, errors or omissions of Indemnitees.

7.3. Acknowledgment of Indemnity Duties: By affixing their signatures on this agreement, each party representative hereby acknowledges that they have read and accepted the provisions set forth in this Section 7.

7.4. Non-waiver of Rights: Indemnitees do not, and shall not, waive any rights that they may possess against CONSULTANT because of the acceptance by LOCAL AGENCY, or the deposit with LOCAL AGENCY, of any insurance policy or certificate required pursuant to this Agreement.

7.5. Waiver of Right of Subrogation: CONSULTANT, on behalf of itself and all parties claiming under or through it, hereby waives all rights of subrogation against the Indemnitees, while acting within the scope of their duties, from all claims, losses and liabilities arising out of or incident to activities or operations performed by or on behalf of the Indemnitor.

7.6. Survival: The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination of the Agreement and are in addition to any other rights or remedies which Indemnitees may have under the law. Payment is not required as a condition precedent to an Indemnitee's right to recover under this indemnity provision, and an entry of judgment against a CONSULTANT shall be conclusive in favor of the Indemnitee's right to recover under this indemnity provision.

8. Cooperation

In the event any claim or action is brought against LOCAL AGENCY relating to CONSULTANT's performance or services rendered under this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall render any reasonable assistance and cooperation which LOCAL AGENCY might require. LOCAL AGENCY shall compensate CONSULTANT for any litigation support services in an amount to be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

9. Suspension
LOCAL AGENCY may, in writing, order CONSULTANT to suspend all or any part of the CONSULTANT's Services for the convenience of LOCAL AGENCY or for work stoppages beyond the control of LOCAL AGENCY or CONSULTANT. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement relating to termination, a suspension of the Services does not void this Agreement. CONSULTANT will be paid the compensation due and payable to the date of suspension.

10. Compliance with Laws

CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, codes and regulations in force at the time CONSULTANT performs the Services.

11. Non-Waiver of Terms, Rights and Remedies

Waiver by either party of any one or more of the conditions of performance under this Agreement shall not be a waiver of any other condition of performance under this Agreement. In no event shall the making by LOCAL AGENCY of any payment to CONSULTANT constitute or be construed as a waiver by LOCAL AGENCY of any breach of covenant, or any default which may then exist on the part of CONSULTANT, and the making of any such payment by LOCAL AGENCY shall in no way impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to LOCAL AGENCY with regard to such breach or default.

12. Attorney's Fees

In the event that either party to this Agreement shall commence any legal action or proceeding to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing party in such action or proceeding shall be entitled to recover its costs of suit, including all attorneys' fees incurred in connection therewith.

13. Exhibits; Precedence

All documents referenced as exhibits in this Agreement are hereby incorporated in this Agreement. In the event of any material discrepancy between the express provisions of this Agreement and the provisions of any document incorporated herein by reference, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

14. Contract

The validity, interpretation, and performance of this Agreement shall be controlled by and construed under the laws of the State of California. In the event of any asserted ambiguity in, or dispute regarding the interpretation of any matter herein, the interpretation of this Contract shall not be resolved by any rules of interpretation providing for interpretation against the party who causes the uncertainty to exist or against the party who drafted the Agreement or who drafted that portion of the Agreement.

ARTICLE XXXIII - NOTIFICATION

All notices hereunder and communications regarding interpretation of the terms of this contract and changes thereto, shall be effected by the mailing thereof by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:
CONSULTANT:

Engineering Firm A  
Engineer 1, P.E., Project Manager  
123 Fourth Street  
Anytown, California 922xx

LOCAL AGENCY:

City of Holtville  
Nicholas D. Wells, Contract Administrator  
121 W Fifth Street  
Holtville, California 92250

ARTICLE XXXIV - CONTRACT

The two parties to this contract, who are the before named CONSULTANT and the before named LOCAL AGENCY, hereby agree that this contract constitutes the entire agreement which is made and concluded in duplicate between the two parties. Both of these parties for and in consideration of the payments to be made, conditions mentioned, and work to be performed; each agree to diligently perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this contract as evidenced by the signatures below.

ARTICLE XXXV - SIGNATURES

ENGINEERING FIRM A  
By: Engineer 1, P.E.

CITY OF HOLTVILLE  
Nicholas D. Wells, Contract Administrator

DATE:________________