The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) is announcing its intent to enter into a Design-Build (DB) contract with a Design-Builders possessing both professional engineering design capability and qualified construction contracting capability for the Jimmie Davis Bridge (HBI) Project (the “Project”) in Bossier Parish and Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

The major elements of the Project as currently proposed may include the following:

- Improvements to the Jimmie Davis Bridge as recommended in the environmental document, including but not limited to, the following:
  - Two lane bridge or four lane bridge – steel or concrete structure
  - U-turn or J-turn corridor
  - Completion of LA 511-Arthur Ray Teague Parkway intersection
  - Improvements to Century Link Center Drive access
  - Bicycle and pedestrian facilities crossing the Red River that connect to existing trails on either side;
- Existing bridge rehabilitation, lighting, and/or repurposing the existing bridge into a linear park;
- Right-of-way appraisal and acquisition services;
- Utility coordination; and
- Maintenance of traffic in a congested urban environment.

The anticipated contract execution date for this Project is no later than August 2022. The Project’s cost is estimated to be within the range of $120 million to $150 million.

The selection process will consist of two phases. Responses to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) issued by the LA DOTD will be evaluated to establish a short-list of proposers, followed by the LA DOTD’s consideration of submittals from the short-listed proposers in response to a Request for Proposals (RFP) that will determine the selected Design-Builders. The selection process will evaluate the proposers’ ability
to plan, design, construct, and control this Project while delivering a quality product on or ahead of schedule within the stated budget.

The LA DOTD is seeking a Design-Builder that is committed to quality; has proven experience in the management, design, and construction of highway projects; will bring innovative approaches to the Project; will ensure timely completion; and is willing to partner with the LA DOTD for the mutual success of the Project.

Firms/Teams interested in providing the services for the Project should submit a Letter of Interest (LOI) to JimmieDavisBridge-DB@la.gov. All correspondence with the LA DOTD on matters concerning this NOI and the subsequent RFQ for the Project must be made in writing to this E-mail address.

**An LOI from firms/teams in response to this NOI will be due by September 14, 2021.** The LOI should, at a minimum, name the proposed primary team members (if a team is submitting the LOI) and contact information (name, telephone number, physical address, and E-mail address) for the official point of contact for the firm/team.

Firms/Teams that provide the LA DOTD with an LOI prior to the deadline will be issued the RFQ and placed on a list of interested firms posted to the LA DOTD Web site (http://www.dotd.la.gov).