

NOTICE OF INTENT PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

State Project No. H.012357 Phase I of the Interstate 12 (I-12) Managed Lanes Conversion Service Contract EAST BATON ROUGE & LIVINGSTON PARISHES



The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) is announcing its intent to enter into a Service Contract with a Service Provider possessing the capability to develop, design, construct, operate, and maintain Phase I of the I-12 Managed Lanes Conversion Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Project (the "Project") in East Baton Rouge and Livingston Parishes.



The Project involves the conversion of the existing inside shoulder of I-12 to a high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane along both directions from the I-10/I-12 split in East Baton Rouge Parish to east of the I-12/LA 447 interchange in Livingston Parish.

The major elements of the Project may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Maintenance of traffic in a congested and confined urban freeway environment;
- Design and installation of traffic control devices;
- Design and installation of motorist notification signs or devices;
- Development of an innovative turnkey occupancy registration and verification system to manage HOV use; and
- Operation and maintenance of the HOV lanes, including public outreach activities and enforcement.

This Project is indicative of the LA DOTD's policy of committing its funding to implement innovative forms of traffic management. The development and operation of the HOV lanes are the first phase of a proposed Interstate corridor management solution, which may ultimately include a high occupancy toll facility. It is not anticipated that the conversion to a full managed lane concept would occur prior to 2024.

The major elements of the Project may also be further defined or amended in the Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the LA DOTD.

The anticipated contract execution date for this Project is no later than April 2021.

The selection process will evaluate the ability of the proposers to develop, design, construct, operate, and maintain this Project to provide a quality product, on or ahead of schedule, and within the LA DOTD's budget.

The LA DOTD is seeking a Service Provider for the Project who is committed to quality; has proven experience in the management, development, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of HOV projects; will bring innovative approaches to the Project; and is willing to partner with the LA DOTD and local community stakeholders to ensure the Project's success.

Firms/teams are required to review the LA DOTD's Public-Private Partnership Procurement Guidelines (the "Guidelines") for this Project, which can be found at:

http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Public-PrivatePartnerships/Pages/default.aspx.

These Guidelines outline the procurement process the LA DOTD is utilizing for this Project, including mandatory procedures relating to communications with the LA DOTD and stakeholders, and information regarding organizational conflicts of interest and firm eligibility.

Firms/teams interested in proposing on this Project should submit a Letter of Interest (LOI) to <u>P3.I-12ManagedLanes@la.gov</u>. All correspondence with the LA DOTD on matters concerning the Project should be made in writing to this E-mail address.

LOIs from firms/teams responding to this Notice must be submitted <u>no later than</u> September 29, 2020. The LOI must include a specific acknowledgement that the firm/team has reviewed the Guidelines and will comply with the Guidelines' provisions throughout the procurement process. The LOI must also, at a minimum, identify the proposed primary team members (if the LOI is being submitted by a team) and provide contact information (name, telephone number, address, and E-mail address) for the official point of contact.

The RFP will be issued to all firms/teams who have provided the LA DOTD with an LOI in compliance with the provisions of this Notice. A list of all firms/teams who submitted a compliant LOI will be published on the LA DOTD's website after the expiration of the deadline for submission.