



In accordance with the Request for Proposals (RFP) for brownfield assessments issued on April 12, 2023, by the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission (GMRC), this information is being publicly provided as an account of all questions about the project submitted to the GMRC. The questions are being reprinted here anonymously.

Further, included after each question is the GMRC's response and/or the information requested, as best available.

If any party reviewing this material feels they submitted a question prior to the April 21 deadline, they may contact Adam Hazell at ahazell@gmrc.ga.gov to confirm receipt and request a possible amendment to this document with record of their questions.

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Q1. Is the Affidavit Pursuant to Georgia Immigration Laws included at the end of the document sufficient to respond to section G. Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act on page 7 of the RFP (9 of the PDF)? More specifically, do we still need to include a statement in regards to "1. A statement that indicates the Consultant will conduct itself in compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 and Rule 300-10-02 in the execution of the contract?" Or will providing the completed affidavit cover this requirement?

A1. The affidavit included in Appendix A of the application packet is requested as part of the submitted bids, but it is not considered sufficient to satisfy other requirements ultimately demanded of contractors working as part of federally funded projects. The GMRC will advise selected contractors of any and all required affidavits and other documentation necessary to comply with this EPA funded project as part of the process for awarding final contracts.

Q2. Has a consultant started on this work and is the \$465,150 what remains of the original budget?

A2. A consultant has not started work on the project. The \$465,150 is the balance of the contract between the GMRC and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that is reserved for the brownfield assessment services. An amount of \$34,850 has been reserved by the GMRC for contract administration and other services identified in the scope of work by EPA.

Q3. Can you attach a copy of the proposal to EPA that was selected?

A3. That document will be posted on the GMRC web site along with this document.

Q4. I was wondering if we can get a copy of the Narrative text from the (successful) FY 22 grant application....for reference.

A4. See A3.

Q5. Did GMRC have assistance from a consulting firm to prepare the EPA Brownfield Grant application? If so, who was the firm?



A5. The application that was approved by EPA was a third successive attempt by the GMRC. During these application cycles, the GMRC received assistance from Terracon in preparing the applications, while also incorporating input from various other engineers and from reviews of other applications, including some developed by various environmental engineering firms.

Q6. If a consulting firm assisted with the grant application, were they paid for these services? Is that firm permitted to respond to the RFP?

A6. No firms or individuals were compensated for their assistance with the GMRC application. The firms and individuals consulted for the GMRC application are considered eligible to bid for the project.

Q7. (W)ould it be possible for you to send copies of the winning grant application and cooperative agreement work plan?

A7. See A3.