Request for Proposals (RFP) for an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture Comprehensive Update

The architecture defines integration opportunities among agencies within the region and identifies how cooperation between the agencies in the deployment of ITS systems can be used to meet regional transportation needs. By defining what currently exists in the area of ITS deployments, the Regional ITS Architecture can be used to identify gaps in needed ITS services and can identify how these gaps could be addressed. The architecture can then be used to efficiently structure implementations of ITS technologies.

The collection of such information and public outreach is not the type of activity defined as the practice of architecture or engineering, nor is such activity required to be performed by a licensed architect or engineer. As a result, such services do not constitute professional design or design and build services. Ohio’s Qualifications Based Selection Law does not, therefore, apply to the process of selecting a service provider for the proposed Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture Comprehensive Update contract, and NOACA’s consideration of cost information during the selection process was appropriate and permissible.