Q1: Section 4. Selection Criteria “Firms seeking selection for participation in the TLCI planning study program will demonstrate the following criteria, scored on a scale of 100 points, which may be met by Prime and its identified Sub consultant team.”

This statement indicates that NOACA is allowing a team consisting of multiple firms to be submitted for consideration for selection. Is my understanding of this correct? For example, if TRC were to submit as the Prime we could include other firms to supplement our staff on this submittal no NOACA? Yes, NOACA is allowing for teams that best meet the TLCI objectives and stated qualifications to be considered for selection. The prime consultant and sub consultants that comprise the team should be clearly identified in the qualifications submittal.

Q2: Section 3. Request for Qualifications “Local public agencies awarded TLCI funding in SFY 2018-2019 will then solicit technical proposals from a minimum of three selected consultants for individual TLCI planning study projects, and shall select final lead consultants based on the quality of technical proposals as they relate to the proposed TLCI planning study. Prime consultants shall assemble a project team, including identified sub consultant”

This statement indicates that when the locals receive the funding that they will request RFPs from 3 consultants. It goes on to say that the Prime can assemble a team. If we are assembling a team for this submittal (per questions 1) can that team be further expanded for the specific project? For example. If TRC submits a team for this RFP, gets selected, and then is asked to submit on a project specific RFP, can we add another teaming partner or are we committed to only those teaming partners that we have listed on this RFP submittal to NOACA? Yes, the team may be further expanded for a specific project if additional expertise or qualifications are necessary or desired to best meet project intent.

Q3: Section 6. General Information “This RFQ includes a DBE Goal of 12%. At least this percent of the project shall be performed by certified DBE firms.”

This relates back to questions 1 and 2. Does the DBE firm need to be identified in this submittal to NOACA as part of our project team? Or can the DBE firm identified for each individual project? Looking at the current list of TLCI consultants, they would almost all need to put a team together to satisfy the DBE, is NOACA expecting to see that in this submittal or for the project specific RFPs? Firms are encouraged to identify DBE participation opportunities as they assemble project RFPs both in response to this RFP and on the individual project basis. The required goal of 12% DBE participation will be enforced and monitored for attainment on the individual project for which forms have been selected.