

NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

*Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) –
Oversight of Site Remediation*

Vendor Questions

January 9, 2023

The RFP requires direct labor costs-only. How will rates for billing purposes be negotiated?

A revised template for pricing will be posted to the NOACA website.

By what date will all questions be answered and posted on the NOACA website?

Depending on the complexity of each question and number of questions received, NOACA will strive to answer all questions as quickly as possible, and post to the website on a rolling basis.

Section 6.C.2 of your RFP asks for proposed pricing for labor to be submitted showing only direct labor costs. Where and how should our response include our rate schedule that includes overhead, burden and profit?

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In Section 3. D. of the RFP, there are tasks listed that include conducting confirmatory sampling and submitting relevant information to various regulatory agencies. Is it the intention of this contract for the consultant to serve as a Certified Professional (CP) for purposes of Ohio Voluntary Action Program (VAP) projects?

The consultant shall be qualified as a Certified Professional to ensure technical knowledge, but the consultant will be working for NOACA, not the loan/subgrant recipient. NOACA will not pay the consultant to complete tasks such as a No Further Action letter or Covenant Not to Sue submittal for the loan/subgrant recipient. Although those activities are eligible costs for the loan or subgrant, the cost will be paid by the loan/subgrant recipient using funds received from NOACA. The consultant engaged by NOACA should ensure that the loan/subgrant recipient completes these tasks in accordance with all rules and regulations.

Will the consultant selected for this contract be allowed to work for entities submitting requests for revolving loan funds?

A consultant shall not be under contract simultaneously with NOACA and another party for a project for which that party received funding from NOACA. We recognize that an entity may control several sites, so it is acceptable for the consultant to engage with that entity

for sites not enrolled in the NOACA Coalition RLF. Further, the consultant engaged by NOACA may do preliminary site work such as Phase I or Phase II site assessments for an entity that subsequently applies for NOACA funds, as long as the consultant contract with that entity has ended prior to the entity submitting an application to the NOACA RLF. Any such prior work between the consultant and an entity receiving funds shall be disclosed to NOACA by the consultant.