

TO: ALL POTENTIAL PROPOSERS

RE: RFP NO. 2529-15-02
“Waterway Debris Removal Project Support and Monitoring”

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Q. Regarding Part 5.9 Cost Proposal, would you please provide an explanation/description of how you envision the survey vessels being used and for what specific purpose(s)? For example, is it the intent to utilize the survey vessels for conducting surveys only (pre- and post-debris removal), or are these vessels also to be used for performing debris monitoring activities by the selected firm during debris removal operations?

A. **It is the intention of the CPRA to utilize the survey vessels for purposes including, but not limited to, conducting surveys and performing debris monitoring activities by the selected firm during debris removal operations.**
2. Q. If the vessels are to be used in the performance of debris removal monitoring operations by the selected firm, would you please provide a description of the types of waterways you anticipate they would typically be used in?

A. **Any navigable waterways in south Louisiana.**
3. Q. Since there is not a staff classification for vessel operator, do you envision the vessel operator to be included in the vessel’s daily rate?

A. **Yes.**
4. Q. The RFP specifies the Veteran and Hudson Initiatives requirement for this project Page 13, Item C. However, in the Sample Contract, Attachment III, Item 24 specifies that good faith efforts must be made in utilizing Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. Is participation with both Veteran and Hudson Initiatives and Disadvantage Business Enterprises requirements of this contract?

A. **The Hudson and Veterans Initiatives and DBE utilization are not mandatory RFP requirements, only strongly encouraged. Proposers utilizing certified Hudson and Veterans Initiative vendors (primes and/or subcontractors) will be awarded points in accordance with RFP Section 6.5.1. However, if awarded a contract, proposers shall comply with DBE good faith efforts and reporting requirements.**