

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS)

Master Consulting Services for the West Texas Aerospace Corridor Master Plan

Space Exploration and Aeronautics Research Fund (SEARF) Grant Agreement

I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Midland Development Corporation (“MDC”), in partnership with El Paso County and regional stakeholders, is soliciting proposals from qualified consulting firms, planning teams, or multidisciplinary master consultants to provide professional consulting services for the development of the **West Texas Aerospace Corridor Master Plan**. For the purposes of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, West Texas is defined as the area of Texas between El Paso and Midland, including both cities.

This initiative is funded through the **Texas Space Commission Space Exploration and Aeronautics Research Fund (SEARF)** Grant Agreement, under which up to **\$655,000** has been awarded to MDC on a reimbursement basis for eligible project costs associated with the approved project scope and budget.

The purpose of this effort is to establish a comprehensive strategic framework that evaluates West Texas’ aerospace infrastructure, identifies supply chain opportunities, aligns regional partners, and develops an implementation-ready roadmap to position West Texas as a premier aerospace and aeronautics corridor.

MDC seeks to engage a **Master Consulting Company** capable of managing, coordinating, and delivering the full project scope, including the utilization of subcontractors or specialized subject matter experts as needed.

II. PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The purpose of this Request for Proposals is to identify and contract with a qualified consultant or consulting team to perform planning, analysis, stakeholder coordination, strategic development, and implementation planning services necessary to complete the West Texas Aerospace Corridor Master Plan.

The selected consultant shall provide all professional services, project management, technical analysis, stakeholder facilitation, documentation, and final deliverables required to successfully complete the project in accordance with SEARF grant requirements.

Scope elements may be refined through the procurement process and final vendor negotiations.

III. PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The selected consultant will assist MDC in accomplishing the following objectives:

- Assess the aerospace readiness of West Texas infrastructure and industrial assets;
- Evaluate current and future aerospace supply chain capabilities;
- Engage public, private, academic, military, and industry stakeholders throughout the region;
- Develop a unified regional aerospace corridor strategy;
- Produce a comprehensive and actionable master plan with phased implementation strategies and recommendations;
- Identify policy, funding, and partnership opportunities to advance corridor development; and
- Develop comprehensive regional mapping capabilities, business profiles, and a centralized data repository to support aerospace industry analysis, site readiness evaluation, supply chain identification, and long-term corridor development planning;

IV. MASTER SCOPE OF WORK

The Master Consulting Company shall be responsible for performing and/or coordinating all services necessary to complete the following scope components:

A. Infrastructure and Supply Chain Analysis

Conduct a comprehensive assessment of the aerospace and aeronautics ecosystem across the West Texas region, including but not limited to:

- Existing aerospace-related infrastructure assets;
- Industrial parks, test facilities, transportation assets, utilities, and developable land;
- Existing aerospace employers and support industries;
- Workforce and educational pipeline alignment;
- Regional logistics capabilities;
- Aerospace and non-aerospace manufacturing and supplier readiness analysis, including the identification of how existing advanced manufacturing sectors and regional industrial companies may scale, diversify, or transition capabilities to support aerospace, defense, aviation, and related high-technology supply chain opportunities;
- Supply chain mapping and gap analysis;
- Identification of strategic infrastructure deficiencies and opportunities.

Required Deliverables Under This Component:

1. Regional asset inventory compilation, including the development of a comprehensive and centralized data repository containing regional infrastructure assets, aerospace and advanced manufacturing business profiles, supply chain capabilities, workforce and educational assets, transportation and utility infrastructure, available industrial sites, GIS mapping layers, and other relevant economic development and aerospace corridor planning data
2. Aerospace infrastructure suitability analysis, including evaluation of existing and planned infrastructure assets to determine their readiness and compatibility for aerospace, aviation, defense, research, manufacturing, testing, logistics, launch support, and related advanced industry activities, along with identification of infrastructure gaps, site readiness considerations, utility capacity constraints, transportation connectivity, and strategic investment opportunities across the West Texas Aerospace Corridor;
3. GIS or mapping-based corridor visualization, including the development of interactive and static geospatial mapping tools and visualizations identifying aerospace-related assets, industrial clusters, transportation networks, utility infrastructure, developable land, manufacturing capabilities, supply chain

concentrations, strategic opportunity sites, and regional infrastructure gaps throughout the West Texas Aerospace Corridor;

4. Supply chain company identification and categorization, including the identification, profiling, and classification of aerospace, defense, aviation, advanced manufacturing, logistics, technology, and related industry companies across the region based on capabilities, certifications, production capacity, workforce specialization, scalability potential, and alignment with current and future aerospace supply chain opportunities;
5. Gap/opportunity assessment report, including a comprehensive analysis identifying regional strengths, deficiencies, barriers, underutilized assets, target industry sectors, and strategic recommendations necessary to support the growth, attraction, retention, and expansion of aerospace and advanced manufacturing industries within the West Texas Aerospace Corridor; and
6. Competitive benchmarking against peer aerospace regions, including comparative analysis of nationally recognized aerospace and advanced manufacturing corridors to evaluate best practices, infrastructure capacity, investment strategies, and supply chain integration strategies that may inform the development and competitiveness of the West Texas Aerospace Corridor.
7. Comprehensive Report Metrics and Performance Indicators shall include, at a minimum:
 - I. Number of regional aerospace and advanced manufacturing assets identified and cataloged;
 - II. Number of companies profiled and categorized within the supply chain database;
 - III. Completion and delivery of GIS mapping layers and corridor visualization tools;
 - IV. Number of infrastructure assets evaluated for aerospace suitability;
 - V. Identification of strategic infrastructure gaps;
 - VI. Comparative benchmarking completed against identified peer aerospace regions;
 - VII. Development of a centralized and searchable regional data repository;
 - VIII. Number of stakeholder interviews and data sources incorporated into the analysis;
 - IX. Identification of target industry sectors and recruitment opportunities;
 - X. Number of developable sites and industrial properties assessed;
 - XI. Delivery of implementation-ready recommendations and priority investment projects;
 - XII. Completion of gap and opportunity assessment reports and strategic findings summaries.

B. Stakeholder Engagement and Regional Coordination

Provide stakeholder engagement services to ensure broad regional participation and consensus development among key partners.

This component shall include:

- Planning and facilitation of regional stakeholder meetings, including preparation of meeting summaries, actionable items, recommendations, and follow-up reports;
- Coordination of public/private partner outreach; including development of a stakeholder contact and engagement database to be provided to MDC and El Paso County;
- Industry interviews and executive roundtables;
- Engagement with municipalities, counties, educational institutions, military assets, aerospace companies, chambers, and economic development organizations; and
- Documentation of stakeholder priorities and recommendations.

Required Deliverables Under This Component:

1. Stakeholder identification matrix, including a categorized inventory of relevant stockholders to the West Texas Aerospace Corridor initiative;
2. Outreach campaign development, including outreach strategies, engagement tracking metrics, and measurable indicators of regional partner engagement;
3. Scheduling and facilitation of regional meetings
4. One-on-one industry interviews, including documented interview summaries, identified industry needs, partnership opportunities, investment considerations, and strategic recommendations gathered from participating stakeholders;
5. Meeting summaries and stakeholder input reports
6. Consensus building and corridor alignment recommendations

C. Strategic Master Plan Development

Prepare a comprehensive West Texas Aerospace Corridor Master Plan that synthesizes all research, findings, stakeholder input, and strategic recommendations into a professional planning document.

The master plan shall include:

- Existing conditions overview, including analysis of regional economic, industrial, infrastructure, workforce, transportation, utility, and aerospace-related conditions across the West Texas Aerospace Corridor;
- Market opportunity analysis, including identification of emerging aerospace, defense, aviation, research, logistics, manufacturing, and technology sector opportunities aligned with regional capabilities;
- Regional positioning strategy, including recommendations to strengthen the competitiveness, visibility, and strategic market position of the West Texas Aerospace Corridor;
- Corridor development vision and goals, including short-term, mid-term, and long-term strategic objectives to guide corridor growth and regional collaboration;
- Target industry recommendations, including identification of priority aerospace and advanced manufacturing sectors for recruitment, retention, expansion, and investment attraction efforts;
- Infrastructure investment priorities, including recommended infrastructure projects, utility enhancements, transportation improvements, and site readiness investments necessary to support corridor development;
- Supply chain recruitment recommendations, including strategies to attract, expand, and integrate suppliers and manufacturers into the regional aerospace ecosystem;
- Workforce development recommendations, including alignment strategies for education, training, certification, apprenticeship, and workforce pipeline initiatives supporting aerospace and advanced manufacturing industries;
- Branding and regional identity considerations, including recommendations for regional branding, marketing, corridor identity, investor outreach, and promotional positioning efforts; and
- Final designed publication-ready master plan, including professionally formatted digital and print-ready versions incorporating maps, graphics, implementation strategies, supporting analysis, and stakeholder-informed recommendations.

Required Deliverables Under This Component:

1. Data synthesis and strategic analysis
2. Drafting of plan chapters and recommendations
3. Development of maps, charts, and supporting graphics
4. Preparation of draft plan for MDC/stakeholder review
5. Incorporation of comments and revisions

6. Final document design, formatting, and publication-ready files

D. Implementation Planning and Funding Strategy

Develop an implementation framework to support execution of the master plan recommendations beyond project completion.

This component shall include:

- Short-term, mid-term, and long-term action plan development;
- Prioritization of catalyst projects;
- Identification of state, federal, and private funding opportunities;
- Policy and legislative support strategies;
- Partnership development recommendations;
- Investor and industry recruitment implementation guidance.

Required Deliverables Under This Component:

1. Phased implementation matrix
2. Funding source identification and alignment
3. Policy opportunity assessment
4. Partnership framework recommendations
5. Long-range corridor governance recommendations
6. Implementation presentation to MDC and partners

E. Project Management and Grant Compliance Support

The Master Consultant shall provide centralized project management and administrative coordination for all project components.

Services shall include:

- Overall project schedule management;
- Coordination with MDC and County staff, as requested;
- Budget tracking support;
- Procurement/subconsultant coordination if applicable;
- Monthly progress reporting, recurrent meetings with MDC and County stakeholders;
- Deliverable management, including the development and maintenance of a detailed project schedule and Gantt chart identifying project phases, milestones,

deliverables, stakeholder engagement activities, and anticipated completion timelines; and

- Provide supporting documentation necessary for MDC and County reimbursement requests under the SEARF grant and retain all financial records, supporting documentation, reimbursement materials, invoices, deliverables, and grant-related records for a minimum of five (3) months following submission of the final grant report.

Required Deliverables Under This Component:

1. Master project workplan and schedule
2. Monthly status reports
3. Budget expenditure tracking assistance
4. Deliverable milestone tracking
5. Grant documentation support
6. Final project closeout package

V. EXPECTED DELIVERABLES

At a minimum, the selected consultant shall provide:

- Project kickoff workplan, including a detailed project schedule, Gantt chart, milestone timeline, communication protocols, staffing assignments, and deliverable management framework;
- Regional aerospace asset inventory, including a comprehensive database and mapping of infrastructure assets, industrial sites, utilities, transportation networks, workforce institutions, aerospace-related companies, and advanced manufacturing capabilities;
- Supply chain analysis report, including company profiling, supplier categorization, manufacturing readiness analysis, scalability assessments, and identification of aerospace supply chain opportunities and gaps;
- Stakeholder engagement summaries, including meeting reports, interview findings, participation metrics, actionable recommendations, and documented stakeholder priorities;

- Meeting facilitation materials, including agendas, presentations, sign-in records, outreach documentation, meeting summaries, and follow-up action item reports;
- Draft West Texas Aerospace Corridor Master Plan, including preliminary findings, strategic recommendations, infrastructure priorities, workforce strategies, and stakeholder-informed planning concepts for review and comment;
- Final professionally designed Master Plan, including publication-ready digital and print formats incorporating maps, graphics, implementation strategies, investment priorities, and final strategic recommendations;
- Implementation and funding roadmap, including phased action plans, catalyst project recommendations, funding source identification, governance considerations, legislative opportunities, and partnership strategies;
- Final presentation to MDC and regional partners, including presentation materials summarizing project findings, strategic recommendations, implementation priorities, and corridor development opportunities; and
- Supporting documentation for grant reimbursement compliance, including invoices, deliverables, progress reports, procurement documentation, meeting records, reimbursement support materials, and retention of all grant-related records for a minimum of five (5) years following submission of the final grant report.

VI. CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

Respondents should demonstrate:

- Experience in aerospace, aviation, or advanced industry strategic planning;
- Economic development master planning expertise;
- Infrastructure/supply chain analysis capabilities;
- Stakeholder facilitation and public-sector coordination experience;
- Grant-funded project management experience;
- Ability to assemble a multidisciplinary team.

Consulting teams may include subconsultants, technical experts, GIS specialists, economists, aerospace analysts, public engagement specialists, and graphic design professionals.

VII. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Interested firms shall submit:

- Firm background and overview
- Relevant project experience
- Proposed project team and assigned responsibilities
- Detailed methodology for completing each scope component
- Proposed timeline
- Deliverables schedule
- Fee proposal not to exceed available grant funding unless otherwise identified
- Description of any anticipated subcontractors
- References

VIII. EVALUATION AND SELECTION

Proposals will be evaluated based on, but not limited to:

- Demonstrated understanding of project objectives;
- Qualifications and experience of project team;
- Ability to perform all scope elements;
- Project methodology and innovation;
- Cost reasonableness;
- Experience with regional economic development and aerospace initiatives.

MDC reserves the right to negotiate scope refinements, request additional information, and select the proposal deemed most advantageous to the project objectives.

IX. FUNDING AND REIMBURSEMENT

This project is funded through the Texas Space Commission SEARF Grant Agreement. Up to \$655,000 is available to MDC on a reimbursement basis for eligible and approved project costs. All consultant invoicing, documentation, and deliverables must comply with grant reimbursement requirements.

Costs incurred by MDC under the approved consultant agreement will be reimbursed in accordance with SEARF grant guidelines.

X. PROCUREMENT NOTICE

This Request for Proposals is intended to solicit qualifications, methodology, and cost proposals from experienced consulting entities capable of serving as the lead master consultant for this regional initiative. MDC reserves the right to refine final scope elements, negotiate deliverables, and determine the most appropriate consultant structure through this procurement process.

XI. GENERAL CONDITIONS; INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS; TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. Instructions to Proposers

No Obligation to Award; Rights Reserved. MDC intends to award one or more contracts as a result of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS but is under no obligation to do so. Issuance of this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS does not constitute a commitment to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred in proposal preparation. MDC reserves the right, in its sole discretion and at any time, to:

- Waive any formality, minor irregularity, inconsequential inconsistency, or technical defect in any proposal that does not materially affect the evaluation;
- Cancel, amend, or terminate this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS in whole or in part;
- Reject any or all proposals for any reason or no reason;
- Not award a contract (or terminate any awarded contract) if adequate funds are unavailable or if it serves MDC's best interests;
- Award to the proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to MDC, considering price and the other evaluation criteria stated herein (or any other factors MDC deems relevant).

All proposals and materials submitted become the property of MDC and will not be returned.

Proposal Due Date. All proposals are due by 5 pm Central Daylight Time on July 31, 2026.

Proposal Preparation Costs. All costs associated with preparing, submitting, presenting, discussing, or negotiating a proposal in response to this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS are the sole responsibility of the proposer. MDC shall not be liable for any such costs under any circumstances.

Late, Non-Responsive, or Incomplete Proposals. Proposals must be received (time-stamped or electronically confirmed) at the designated location by the exact date and time stated on the cover. Late proposals will not be accepted for any reason and may be returned unopened or destroyed at the proposer's expense. MDC will first determine responsiveness to all mandatory requirements. Non-responsive proposals will be eliminated from further consideration.

Questions and Addenda Only. All questions, requests for clarification, ambiguities, inconsistencies, or errors discovered in the REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS must be submitted in writing to the following email address: sharris@midlandtxedc.com by July 15, 2026. Verbal responses are not binding. Official interpretations, corrections, or changes will be issued only in writing via addendum. Proposers are responsible for checking for and acknowledging all addenda.

Sealed Submission, Copies, and Labeling. Submit proposals in a sealed package/envelope clearly labeled on the exterior with the REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS number, title/description, due date/time, and proposer's name and address. Proposals must include one (1) original signed in ink, two (2) hard copies, and one (1) electronic PDF/Word copy on USB or uploaded. Facsimile or unsolicited email proposals are not acceptable. The outermost container must be labeled so the REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS information is visible upon receipt. Proposals must be signed by an individual with authority to legally bind the proposer.

Withdrawal and Firm Offer Period. A proposal may be withdrawn in writing at any time prior to the due date and time. Any proposal not so withdrawn constitutes a firm, irrevocable offer for a minimum of 120 days after the due date (or after receipt of a best-and-final offer, if requested), or until MDC makes a selection or award, whichever occurs first.

No Collusion / Independent Pricing Certification. By submitting a proposal, the proposer certifies that its prices have been arrived at independently, without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement with any other proposer or competitor for the purpose of restricting competition. MDC encourages free and open competition. The proposer's signature on the Execution of Offer (or proposal cover) constitutes this certification.

Trade Secrets / Confidential or Proprietary Information. Proposals will be treated as confidential during evaluation. To protect trade secret or proprietary information (other than pricing or cost data), clearly mark it as such, separate it from the rest of the proposal, and provide an affidavit or statement from the proposer's legal counsel explaining the legal basis for protection under applicable law. MDC will endeavor to maintain confidentiality of properly marked information but makes no guarantee against disclosure required by law,

court order, or pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act (the “Act”). By submitting a proposal, Proposer acknowledges and agrees that MDC is subject to the requirements of the Act and that the subject matter of any proposal received by MDC, may be deemed public information under the Act or by the Office of the Attorney General. Nothing in this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS or any submitted proposal shall be deemed to limit MDC’s right to determine its obligations under the Act. Proposer agrees to bear its own costs of asserting or defending any confidentiality claim.

Subcontracting. The successful proposer shall remain fully responsible for all work performed by subcontractors. All proposed subcontractors must be listed in the proposal and are subject to prior written approval by MDC. Approved subcontractors and their personnel must comply with all applicable contract requirements (insurance, qualifications, background checks, etc.). No contractual relationship is created between MDC and any subcontractor.

B. Terms and Conditions

Compliance with Laws, Safety, and Personnel Standards. Consultant shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and codes. Consultant shall provide all necessary safeguards for safety and protection in accordance with applicable law and industry standards. All personnel must be legally authorized to work in the United States. Consultant is solely responsible for the hiring, supervision, training, compensation, and discharge of its employees and for ensuring professional conduct and appearance consistent with MDC’s standards.

INDEMNIFICATION. CONSULTANT SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL REASONABLY ACCEPTABLE TO MDC), AND HOLD HARMLESS MDC AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND AFFILIATES FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, SUITS, ACTIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES, COSTS, AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEY FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM: (i) CONSULTANT’S PERFORMANCE OR FAILURE TO PERFORM UNDER THE CONTRACT; (ii) THE NEGLIGENT OR WRONGFUL ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF CONSULTANT, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR SUBCONTRACTORS; OR (iii) CLAIMS BY SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, OR LABORERS FOR NON-PAYMENT, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY CONSULTANT. THIS INDEMNITY SHALL SURVIVE THE TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THE CONTRACT.

Insurance Requirements. Prior to commencement and throughout the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this Request for Proposals, Consultant shall maintain, at its sole expense, insurance policies with at least the following minimum limits: Commercial General Liability (including contractual liability): \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, Auto

Liability (both hired and owned): \$250,000.00, Workers' Comp: statutory limits, and Employers Liability: \$500,000.00 per accident or occurrence. MDC shall be named as an additional insured on liability policies (except workers' comp and professional liability), and such policies shall provide for a waiver of subrogation in favor of MDC to the extent allowed by law. All policies shall require 30 days' notice of cancellation or material change. Consultant's insurance shall be primary and non-contributory.

Payment, Invoicing, and Withholding. Payment shall be net 30 days after receipt of a correct invoice and satisfactory documentation of performance (e.g., approved service reports or deliverables). MDC may withhold payment, in whole or in part, for defective or non-conforming work, failure to submit required reports, failure to pay subcontractors or suppliers, damage to MDC property, or Consultant default.

Payments funded through SEARF are subject to reimbursement requirements, documentation, and eligibility under the grant. This clause operates in coordination with Sections IV.E and IX of this Request for Proposals and does not alter grant compliance obligations.

Governing Law, Venue, and Notices. This Request for Proposals and any resulting contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to its conflicts of law principles. Exclusive venue for any disputes shall be in the state or federal courts located in Midland County, Texas.

Waiver of Attorney Fees. BY SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL, CONSULTANT AGREES TO WAIVE AND DOES HEREBY KNOWINGLY, CONCLUSIVELY, VOLUNTARILY AND INTENTIONALLY WAIVE ANY CLAIM IT HAS OR MAY HAVE IN THE FUTURE AGAINST MDC REGARDING THE AWARD OF ATTORNEY FEES, WHICH ARE IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS. CONSULTANT SPECIFICALLY AGREES THAT IF IT BRINGS OR COMMENCES ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATED TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, IT HEREBY AGREES TO ABANDON, WAIVE AND RELINQUISH ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO THE RECOVERY OF ATTORNEY FEES TO WHICH CONSULTANT MIGHT OTHERWISE BE ENTITLED.

Execution of Offer

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Organization:

RFP Number:

Proposal Due Date/Time:

Proposer Identification

Legal Name of Proposer (as registered):

DBA/Assumed Name (if any):

Primary Business Address:

Primary Contact Person (name and title):

Phone:

Email:

Website:

Certifications and Representations

By initialing each item or checking the box, the undersigned makes the following certifications and representations to MDC in connection with this Request for Proposals ("RFP"):

_____ 1) The Proposer has read and understands the RFP and all referenced documents and will comply with all requirements except as expressly stated in the proposal.

_____ 2) The proposal is a firm offer, irrevocable for 120 calendar days from the Proposal Due Date.

_____ 3) The proposal has been independently arrived at without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, and the prices have not been knowingly disclosed to any competitor.

_____ 4) The Proposer acknowledges that only written addenda issued by MDC are binding, and the Proposer has received and reviewed all addenda listed below.

_____ 5) The Proposer accepts the RFP's provisions regarding reserved rights, including MDC's discretion in the procurement process and that there is no obligation to award, as

well as the Proposer's responsibility for all proposal preparation costs. MDC reserves the right to negotiate scope refinements, request additional information, and select the proposal deemed most advantageous to the project objectives. Costs incurred by MDC under the approved consultant agreement will be reimbursed in accordance with SEARF grant guidelines, and all invoicing and deliverables must comply with grant reimbursement requirements.

_____ 6) Conflicts of Interest: Yes No. If Yes, attach a detailed explanation identifying any actual or potential conflicts and proposed mitigation.

_____ 7) Disclosure of Material Matters: The Proposer discloses whether it or its principals are, or within the past five (5) years have been: (a) party to material litigation related to similar work; (b) debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from contracting with any governmental entity; or (c) the subject of a final non-responsibility determination. Yes No. If Yes, attach a detailed explanation.

_____ 8) The Proposer certifies that personnel to be assigned to the contract are legally authorized to work in the United States.

_____ 9) The Proposer certifies it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, grant requirements, and safety standards in performing the work. The selected consultant shall provide all professional services and deliverables necessary to complete the project in accordance with SEARF grant requirements.

Signature and Execution

By signing below, the undersigned represents and warrants that he/she is duly authorized to bind the Proposer to the terms of its proposal and the certifications and representations above. If awarded a contract, the Proposer agrees to negotiate in good faith and, upon execution, to perform in accordance with the contract documents.

Authorized Representative Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date: