

Walker County  
Request for Proposal

2026-07

Walker County Roadway Safety  
Improvements



Bid Posted: March 20, 2026  
Bid Opening: 2:00 p.m. on April 20, 2026  
101 S. Duke Street  
LaFayette, GA 30728

**Inquiries:**

Inquiries regarding this project and the bidding process should be sent by email to: [c.bowers@walkerga.us](mailto:c.bowers@walkerga.us). Only inquiries received in writing will receive a response. All such written inquiries must be submitted by April 6, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. EDT. Walker County will publish a response to all inquiries on its website at [walkercountyga.gov/public-notices](http://walkercountyga.gov/public-notices) by April 10, 2026.

## **INTRODUCTION:**

**Walker County Government (hereinafter referred to as “WCG”)** is soliciting proposals from qualified contractors to perform roadway safety improvements funded through the Georgia DOT Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Safety Action Plan. The project includes installation of traffic signage, pavement striping, raised pavement markers (RPMs), and shoulder improvements on over five-miles of designated county roads.

### **1 - SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The following are the specifications requested for this project.

#### **1.1 Traffic Sign Installation**

- Furnish and install regulatory, warning, and guide signs
  - Sign posts and mounting hardware
  - Removal and replacement of damaged or outdated signs
  - Installation in accordance with MUTCD standards
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#### **1.2 Pavement Markings**

- Thermoplastic striping
  - Centerlines
  - Edge lines
  - Stop bars
  - Crosswalks (where applicable)
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#### **1.3 Raised Pavement Markers**

- Supply and install reflective RPMs
  - Placement in accordance with GDOT specifications
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#### **1.4 Shoulder Improvements**

- Shoulder grading and shaping
- Gravel or aggregate shoulder construction
- Stabilization and compaction
- Drainage adjustments where necessary

### **2 – PROJECT LOCATIONS:**

The following are the beginning and ending locations for the roads in this project. All roads shall receive the same scope of services:

#### **2.1 Johnson Road (2.76 miles)**

- Beginning at CR 204 – Mission Ridge
- Ending at CR 220 – Five Points Road

## **2.2 Five Points Road (0.65 miles)**

- Beginning at SR 341
- Ending at Chickamauga City Limits

## **2.3 Wilson Road (1.69 miles)**

- Beginning at Tennessee State Line
- Ending at CR 835 Happy Valley Road

## **3 – CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Shall be properly licensed to operate in Georgia
- Have demonstrated experience with roadway striping and signage projects
- Be familiar with GDOT specifications and MUTCD standards
- Maintain appropriate liability and workers compensation insurance

## **4 – COMPLETION TIME:**

The Contractor shall provide a proposed construction schedule prior to beginning work. The schedule shall include the estimated start date, major project milestones, and projected completion date.

**Work shall be substantially completed by August 31st.**

*By submitting a proposal, Contractor agrees to the following:*

Contractor and Walker County recognize that time is of the essence and that Walker County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed within the times specified above. The parties also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving in a legal or arbitration proceeding the actual loss suffered by Walker County if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, Walker County and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty), Contractor shall pay Walker County \$500.00 for each day that expires after the time specified above for Substantial Completion until the Work is substantially complete.

After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the Contract Time or any proper extension thereof granted by Walker County, Contractor shall pay Walker County \$500.00 for each day that expires after the time specified above for completion and readiness for final payment until the Work is completed and ready for final payment.

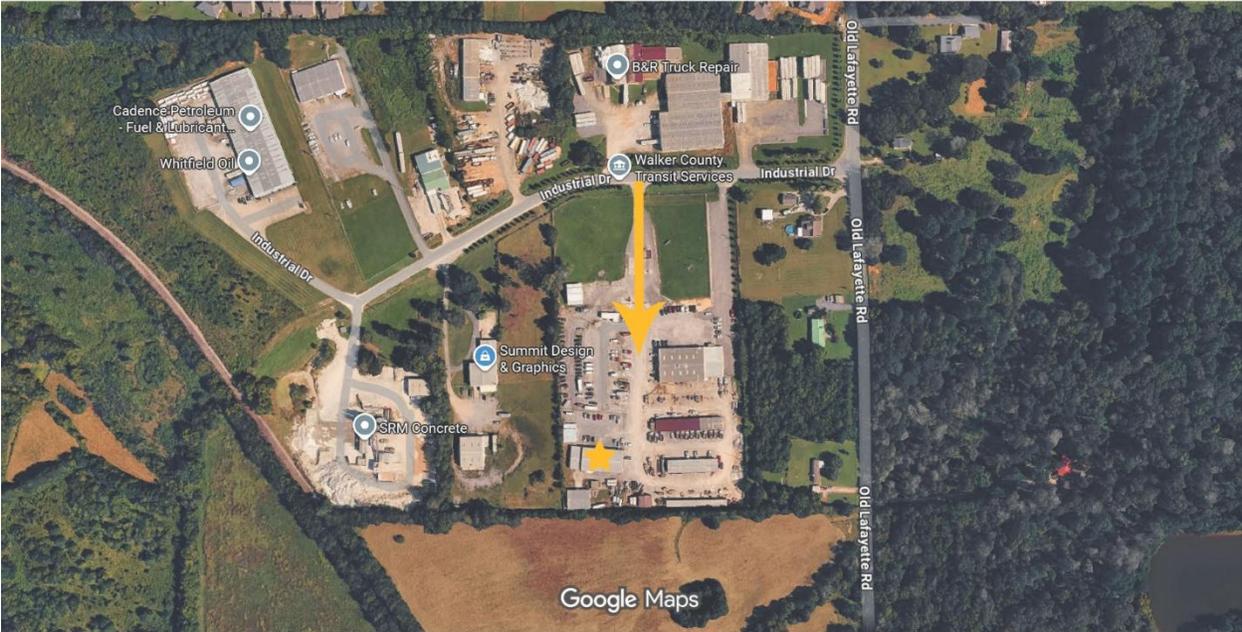
## **OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

The successful contractor will be responsible for providing an executed E-Verify S.A.V.E. document. Sub-contractors that are part of the project team must be clearly identified in the submission, including roles, resumes of key personnel and project references. The

Contractor is responsible for obtaining E-Verify Affidavits from its subcontractors and submitting verification to WCG prior to executing a contract with any subcontractor.

All work must pass required inspections and obtain approvals from the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

A pre-bid meeting for interested contractors will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on April 6, 2026. Visitors should meet at the Walker County Transit Office, located at 91 Industrial Drive in Chickamauga, GA.



## **I. CONTENT AND FORMAT OF PROPOSALS**

WCG will evaluate all written submittals. It is incumbent upon the proposers to demonstrate within their proposals how each requirement will be satisfied. All Proposals must meet the specifications outlined in this Proposal. WCG reserves the right to investigate the qualifications and experience of the proposers, or to obtain new proposals. Proposals not sufficiently detailed or are in an unacceptable form may be rejected by WCG. Dates and documentation included in the proposal become public record upon selection of a proposal by the Walker County Board of Commissioners. Interested firms must follow the process outlined in the following pages in submitting their proposal. WCG prefers to accept proposals from vendors with three (3) years' experience minimum; however, this factor and the following will be reviewed to assist WCG in deciding the most favorable vendor. Along with the Bid Schedule, please submit the following:

- a. A discussion of the history of the firm, including the number of years in business
- b. Documentation of two (2) similar or comparable projects completed within the past five (5) years, including photographs of each project.
- c. Firm's proposed project team including qualifications and experience of each member with projects of this nature; provide a minimum of 2 projects;
- d. Provide at least three (3) references for similar projects (including numbers and addresses);
- e. Proposed methodology for the development and completion of the project. Describe in detail your approach and scope and how the proposal will satisfy all criteria of the project;
- f. Proposed project timeline;
- g. Provide itemized pricing based upon your proposed methodology

## **II. ASSEMBLE IN THIS ORDER**

- a. FORMAL PROPOSAL: BREAKDOWN OF EXPENSES
- b. CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION & REFERENCES
- c. SUPPORTING PROJECT NARRATIVE & DOCUMENTATION
- d. GEORGIA SECURITY & IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT  
(Contractor & Subcontractors)
- e. IRS Form W-9

**FORMAL PROPOSAL: Locate this page at the front when assembling documents for your proposal. Contractor may attach an itemized estimate of products/services behind this page.**

For furnishing all labor, materials, tools and equipment necessary to complete the scope outlined for Walker County Roadway Safety Improvements

<b>PROPOSAL SCHEDULE</b>			
<b>RFP #2026-07 Walker County Roadway Safety Improvements</b>			
<b>No.</b>	<b>Johnson Road</b>	<b>Five Points Road</b>	<b>Wilson Road</b>
1.1 – Traffic Sign Installation	\$	\$	\$
1.2 – Pavement Markings	\$	\$	\$
1.3 – Raised Pavement Markers	\$	\$	\$
1.4 – Shoulder Improvements	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL:</b>	\$_____.	\$_____.	\$_____.

**PROJECT TOTAL: \$\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Walker County Roadway Safety Improvements**

**CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSE:**

**Date of Proposal:** \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned agrees, if this bid/proposal is accepted within sixty (60) days after the date of the opening, to furnish all supplies or services in strict accordance with provisions of this RFP at the price in the Proposal Schedule.

Prices are to remain firm for sixty (60) calendar days after the date of the opening.

I certify that this bid/proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid/proposal for the same supplies or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand that collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid/proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal for the vendor.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

WALKER COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
101 S. DUKE STREET  
LAFAYETTE, GA 30728  
OFFICE: 706-638-1437

CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Contractor:** \_\_\_\_\_

Does your company have employees: Yes No How many: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your company licensed to do business in the State of Georgia: Yes No

City or County of Business License: \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Information:**

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Organized As: Individual Partnership Corporation Limited Liability Company  
Other (Circle one)

Federal EIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of Products/Services provided to the County: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Does your company practice Buy American Sourcing Preferences as outlined in  
the Code of Federal Regulations, 2 CFR Part 184: Yes No Not Applicable  
(Circle one)

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Walker County Government prefers to accept proposals from vendors with three (3) years' construction experience.

Number of years in construction business: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm's facilities and equipment:

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Firm's experience with similar projects: Provide a minimum of 2 projects:

**Project:** \_\_\_\_\_

Location Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Location Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**References:**

1) Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe in detail your approach and scope and how the proposal will satisfy all criteria of the project: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attach the following:

A. List of subcontractors and their contact information

**GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT  
Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program**

Contract No. and Name: **RFP 2026-07: Walker County Roadway Safety Improvements**

Contractor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation which is contracting with Walker County and attests to the following:

- a) The Contractor has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly referred to as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program;
- b) The Contractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period, including any renewal or extension thereof;
- c) The Contractor will notify Walker County in the event the Contractor ceases to utilize the federal work authorization program during the contract period;
- d) The Contractor understands that ceasing to utilize the federal work authorization program constitutes a material breach of Contract;
- e) The Contractor will contract for the performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the Contractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(a), (b) and (c);
- f) The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that this Affidavit shall be incorporated into any contract(s) subject to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 for the project listed above to which Contractor is a party after the state hereof without further action or consent by Contractor;
- g) Contractor acknowledges its responsibility to submit copies of any affidavits, drivers' licenses, and identification cards required pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 to Walker County within five business days of receipt.

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EEV / E-verify™ User Id (Account) Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Authorization

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY: Authorized Officer or Agent  
(Contractor Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Authorized officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT**

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Printed Name of Authorized officer or Agent

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\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

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## **Terms and Conditions:**

1. Identification: All proposals submitted for this RFP must be returned in a sealed envelope with the following information in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope:

### **RFP 2026-07: Walker County Roadway Safety Improvements**

All proposals must be submitted in hard copy, one original and one copy, as well as an additional copy on digital media by 2:00 p.m. on April 20, 2026, at the Walker County Government Administration Building located at 101 South Duke Street, P.O. Box 445, LaFayette GA 30728. Submittals received after this time and date will not be considered.

Submittal envelopes should be properly labeled with the RFP number and project title.

**All proposers must fill out and sign a Completed Affidavit of Contractor's E-Verify Compliance and any applicable Affidavit for subcontractors and submit it with your proposal.**

**All proposers must fill out and sign an IRS Form W-9 and submit it with your proposal.**

2. Withdrawal of Proposal: Proposals may be withdrawn by written request only if the request is received PRIOR to the time and date set for the opening of RFPs. Negligence on the part of the vendor submitting a proposal in preparing their proposal confers no right of withdrawal or modification of their proposal once the proposal has been opened. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after time has been called on the date of opening.

3. Bonds: Construction bidders are required to post performance and payment bonds in an amount equal to the contract award, if the award is over \$100,000.

4. Award of Contract: Award will be made to the responsible bidder/proposer whose bid/proposal, conforming to the request for proposals, will be most advantageous to WCG; price and other factors considered. WCG reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids/proposals submitted and to waive any technicalities or minor irregularities in bids/proposals received. A written award shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

5. Exceptions to Specifications: Any award resulting from this request for proposals shall bind the proposer to all terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in this request for proposals. Proposers whose proposals do not conform should note on a separate page if necessary and/or on the proposal schedule. While WCG reserves the right to make an award to a nonconforming proposer, when in the best interest of WCG, such awards will not be readily made, and proposers are urged to conform to the greatest extent possible. No exceptions will be considered to have been taken by proposer unless it is properly set out as provided above. No exception will be deemed to have been taken by WCG unless incorporated in an award resulting from this request for proposals and so stated.

6. Proposal Results: Interested parties may request, in writing, a tabulation after award has been approved by the Walker County Board of Commissioners by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope with their request to: Walker County Clerk, P.O. Box 445, LaFayette, GA 30728.
7. Payment: Payments will be made upon all items completed each month or completion of all work and acceptance by WCG on invoices submitted and approved by the appropriate WCG representative(s). All invoices must have a Purchase Order (PO) number and shall be itemized. All invoices submitted will be closely monitored for accuracy. Any invoice found to be incorrect will be returned to the vendor for correction.
8. Taxes: Items on this order are exempt from Federal Excise Tax and Georgia Sales and Use tax. A certificate will be furnished if requested. WCG is exempt from taxes, but the successful proposer shall pay all taxes required of him by law and WCG cannot exempt others from tax.
9. Retainage: WCG reserves the right to retain 10% of the amount of each payment until final completion and acceptance of all work covered by the contract documents.
10. Inquiries Regarding Payment: All inquiries regarding payment of invoices are to be directed to Accounts Payable, (706) 638-1437 or: Walker County Government, Attn: Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 445, LaFayette, GA 30728.
11. Execution of Contract: Subsequent to the award, the successful proposer will be presented with a **“Notice of Award”**. The date of presentation shall be deemed to be the postmark or sent date, if emailed. **The successful proposer’s proposal and this request for proposals shall serve as the contract for this project.**
12. Certificate of Insurance: The Contractor agrees to procure all of the insurance specified below and list WCG as an additional insured:
  - A. Workers’ Compensation Insurance for all employees who are engaged in work under the contract.
  - B. Public Liability and Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract, such public liability and motor vehicle liability insurance as shall protect him while performing work covered by this contract from claims for damages which may arise from operations by himself or by any other person directly or indirectly employed by him and the amounts of such insurance shall be as follows:
    - i. Public Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 on account of one occurrence.
    - ii. Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance on all motor vehicles owned, leased or otherwise used by the Contractor in an amount not less than \$500,000.00

(combined single limit) for bodily injury including death and property damage combined.

C. Professional Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall procure and maintain during coverage in the amount not less than \$1,000,000.00.

13. Insurance Conditions:

A. The insurance company must be licensed to do business in the state of Georgia.

B. The Contractor shall furnish to WCG a certificate of insurance covering the work as required above as evidence that the insurance required will be maintained in force for the entire duration of the work performed under this agreement.

C. The cancellation of any policy of insurance required by this agreement shall meet the requirements of notice under the laws of the State of Georgia as presently set forth in O.C.G.A. 33-24-44.

D. Each policy of insurance required under this agreement shall provide for notice requirements under the laws of the State of Georgia as set forth in O.C.G.A. 33-24-44 and by endorsement shall provide that WCG will receive a copy of said notice of cancellation.

E. A certificate of insurance with a cancellation provision which provides for less notice than that required by O.C.G.A. 33-24-44, or which provides that failure to give the written notice will not impose any responsibility upon the insurer, shall constitute a basis for insurance rejection of the insurance by WCG.

F. In addition to its agreement to obtain and maintain the insurance as set forth herein above, the Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless WCG, its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims against the WCG, its officers, agents, and employees, which arise out of any act or omission of the Contractor or any consultant employed by the Contractor or any of their officers, agents or employees, and any and all claims which result from any condition created or maintained by the Contractor or any consultant employed by the Contractor or any of their officers, employees or agents, which condition which a result of work performed under the contract.

14. Cancellation of Insurance: If the insurance is canceled, the contractor shall deliver to WCG new policies of insurance. Should the Contractor neglect to obtain and maintain in force such insurance and deliver such policy or policies, then it shall be lawful for WCG to obtain and maintain such insurance at Contractors expense.

15. Inclusion: All items and/or services standard, expected, necessary, and/or routine to such a project as this and not actually stated in this request for proposals will be the responsibility of the successful proposer to provide at no other cost to WCG

unless so stated on the successful proposer's proposal as additional cost items and accepted by WCG at the time of the award.

16. **Regulatory Agencies:** Successful proposer will be responsible for all required permits or licenses required by the regulatory agency of the county, state, or federal governments. Further, successful proposer will be responsible for meeting all requirements of any regulation(s) or guideline(s) of any of the said governments or any independent agency recognized by said governments as publisher of any such regulation(s) or guideline(s).

17. **Domestic Preference:** To the greatest extent practicable and consistent with law, there shall be a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products)

For purposes of this section:

(1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

(2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

18. **Independent Contractors:** The proposer represents to WCG that he is fully experienced and properly qualified to perform the functions provided herein and that he is properly equipped, organized, and financed to perform such functions. The proposer shall finance his own operations hereunder, shall operate as an independent contractor and not as an agent of WCG and nothing contained in this request for proposals or a contract resulting from same shall be construed to constitute the proposer or any of his employees, servants, agents, or subcontractors as a partner, employee, servant, or agent of the county nor shall either party have any authority to bind the other in any respect; it being intended that each shall remain an independent contractor.

19. **Assignment of Contractual Rights:** It is agreed that the successful proposer will not assign, transfer, convey, or otherwise dispose of a contract that results from an award stemming from this request for proposals or his right, title, or interest in or to the same, or any part thereof, without written consent of WCG.

20. **Starting Time:** Work will commence within thirty (30) calendar days after being issued a "**Notice to Proceed**" on the project and commence in a routine, orderly manner until completion and acceptance by WCG.

21. **Change Orders:** Any and all change order requests by the successful proposer must be approved through the WCG Procurement Policy. For any work performed outside the contract agreement for which compensation over and above the agreement

occurs, there must be an accompanying approved change order. If work is done before change order approval, the change may be rejected or denied for compensation.

22. Indemnity: Successful proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless WCG from any and all courses of action or claims of damages arising out of or related to proposer's performance or actions or those of his employees or agents, under said contract.

23. Cancellation for Cause: Should either party fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this contract, the aggrieved party must give, in writing, to the other party any complaint for non-compliance to the terms and conditions of this contract. The other party shall have fifteen (15) calendar days to correct the matter. If corrected to the satisfaction of both parties within the fifteen (15) calendar days and stated in writing, then the contract will continue uninterrupted. Failure to correct the matter will result in termination of this contract at the end of thirty (30) calendar days following the date of the initial letter of complaint.

24. Changes to Contract: No change will be made to this contract except by written modification by WCG.