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Q2 – Is the period of performance negotiable? And, would our proposal submission still be considered responsive if we suggest a longer period of performance than the 1yr directed in the RFP for that scope of work?

R2 – The period of performance is negotiable, but proposals that demonstrate capability and capacity to complete the requirements of the RFP within the timeframe specified will receive a higher rating. If the offeror is unable to complete the requirements within the timeframe in the RFP, DMPED would prefer a realistic proposal in accordance with the offeror's capacity that includes an alternative proposed timeline that is feasible for the offeror rather than a proposal that is unrealistic given the offeror's capacity.

Q3 – Would our proposal submission still be considered responsive if, during that 1yr period of performance specified in the RFP, we suggest a smaller scope of work than the RFP outlines?

R3 – If the offeror is unable to complete the requirements as specified in the RFP due to concerns around the timeline or expertise/capabilities to complete particular requirements, the offeror should propose an alternative timeline and/or an alternative set of requirements that are feasible given the capacity of the offeror. These alternatives will be evaluated within the context of the evaluation criteria in the RFP.

Q4 – Does DMPED have an estimated the budget range for this scope of work?

R4 – It is the policy of DMPED not to divulge the budget range for a competitive solicitation.

Q5 – Can the CBE requirement be waived or modified?

R5 – Yes, however for this RFP, it has been determined that there are sufficient qualified CBEs to meet the 35% SBE subcontracting requirement.

Q6 - If an SBE is the prime contractor and performs at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources, do subcontracts the SBE prime contractor issues have a CBE requirement? If so, is that also 35% of the contracting effort?

R6 – An SBE prime contractor that receives a proposal preference must perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources, and if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. However, a SBE/CBE prime contractor is not required to subcontract any of the requirement.

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