



**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) 26-1003481**

**FOR
FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES**

KEY RFP DATES

RFP Issue Date:	JULY 23, 2026
Pre-Proposal Conference Date:	N/A
Question Submittal Deadline:	AUGUST 6, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.
Proposal Due Date:	AUGUST 20, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.
Interview Date:	SEPTEMBER 16, 2026
Contract Award:	NOVEMBER 4, 2026
Notice To Proceed:	NOVEMBER 2026

***ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE**



July 23, 2026

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) 26-1003481,
“FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES” (“Project”)**

The San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (“SBCTA”) invites proposals from qualified firms to provide the services identified in this RFP.

Firms intending to submit proposals should note the “Key RFP Dates” on the cover of this RFP. It is our intention, subject to approval by SBCTA’s Awarding Authority, to have the selected firm under contract by December 2026. Firms submitting proposals will be evaluated based on qualifications, prior experience with the same or similar type of services identified in the attached Scope of Work, proposed staffing, the firm’s understanding of the needs and requirements of the Project, cost and price, and overall value to SBCTA as identified in this RFP.

The RFP and all RFP schedule updates and addenda, together with other important information, are available on the Vendor Portal on SBCTA’s website at www.gosbcta.com, click on “Doing Business”, which will take you to the “Bids & RFPs” page. There, click on the tab “Vendor Portal”. The Vendor Portal is the official means of notification to all prospective proposers. Firms are requested to check the Vendor Portal periodically, and no less frequently than weekly, for RFP schedule updates, addenda, and other information. All proposers will be held accountable for compliance with all updates, addenda and other information posted on the website. Please note that SBCTA will not be responsible for mailing any addenda, schedule updates or other information to any firm.

Proposals are due on or before **2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 2026**. All questions and/or requests for clarification regarding this RFP must be put in writing and submitted electronically via PlanetBids no later than 4:00 p.m. on August 6, 2026.

Questions received after the date and time specified may or may not be responded to, at the sole discretion of SBCTA. SBCTA’s responses to the questions received by the date and time identified herein, will be posted on the Vendor Portal on SBCTA’s website at www.gosbcta.com: click on “Doing Business”, which will take you to the “Bids & RFPs” page. There, click on the tab “Vendor Portal”.

If the contract is awarded, the firm awarded the contract will be required to comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to, equal opportunity laws and regulations.

Firms using subconsultants are encouraged to subcontract with small and disadvantaged businesses to the maximum extent possible.

The award of this contract is subject to the availability, appropriation and receipt of federal, State and/or local funds sufficient to carry out the work identified in this RFP.

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I. PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

A. INTRODUCTION

This is a joint procurement, conducted by the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (“SBCTA”) and Omnitrans. SBCTA and Omnitrans are soliciting proposals from qualified firms (“firms” or “proposers”) to assist with **Federal Advocacy Services** (“Project”).

B. CONTACT INFORMATION

All inquiries, contacts or questions related to this RFP shall be directed to:

**Soco Sandoval - Procurement Analyst
SBCTA
1170 W. 3rd Street, 2nd Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92410-1715
(909) 884-8276
ssandoval@gosbcta.com**

Proposers are cautioned not to discuss this RFP with any official, Board Member or employee of SBCTA, other than the staff identified herein. Neither proposers, nor anyone representing the proposer, are to discuss this RFP with any consultant or contractor engaged by SBCTA for assistance in preparing a response to the RFP. Violation of this prohibition may result in disqualification of the proposer.

C. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

Intentionally Omitted

D. WRITTEN QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

All questions and/or requests for clarifications regarding this RFP, must be put in writing and submitted electronically via PlanetBids no later than 4:00 p.m. on August 6, 2026. Questions received after the date and time specified may or may not be responded to, at the sole discretion of SBCTA. SBCTA's responses to the questions received by the date and time identified herein will be posted on the Vendor Portal on SBCTA's website at www.gosbcta.com: click on "Doing Business", which will take you to the "Bids & RFPs" page. There, click on the tab "Vendor Portal."

E. ADDENDA

Any changes to this RFP will be made by written addendum and posted on PlanetBids. SBCTA will not be bound to any modifications to or deviations from the requirements set forth in this RFP as a result of any oral discussions and/or instructions. Proposers shall acknowledge any addenda in their proposal.

F. CONTRACT TYPE

A Lump Sum contract will be used for the Project. Any work provided by the selected firm that is not specifically covered by the contract will not be reimbursed. Please refer to the form of contract attached to this RFP for more detailed information.

G. INFORMED PROPOSER

Proposers shall review the Scope of Work, (Attachment A), the Price Proposal (Attachment B) and the contract (Attachment C), for a complete understanding of the terms and conditions of this RFP. Proposers are expected to be fully aware of the conditions, requirements, and Scope of Work before submitting any proposal. Failure to do so will be at the proposer's own risk. By submitting a proposal, the proposer represents that it is legally qualified and fully capable of performing quality work to achieve SBCTA's objectives and comply with all requirements identified in this RFP and any and all schedule updates, addenda and other information and instructions posted on SBCTA's Vendor Portal or provided in the Pre-Proposal Conference as set forth above.

H. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS (See Insurance Requirements in Sample Contract)

Proposer shall review the insurance language and insurance limits in the sample contract. Proposer shall be fully prepared to secure the necessary insurance coverage and limits as detailed in the Contract and comply with all insurance requirements or the Proposer must identify areas of conflict with the insurance requirements and provide a list of concerns in its response to the RFP as exceptions. Furthermore, submitting the "Certificate of Compliance with Insurance Requirements" form as part of the proposal certifies the Proposer's understanding and compliance of the insurance requirements.

I. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Any person or firm that has assisted SBCTA in preparing any aspect of this RFP or any cost estimate associated with the Scope of Work related to this RFP is prohibited from submitting a proposal in response to this RFP. Firms that received assistance from any such person or entity, or who will use the services of such person or entity in performing the Work, will be disqualified. A firm who is prohibited from submitting a proposal in response to this RFP will not be prevented from participating in future projects to the extent that no direct conflict of interest exists at the time.

J. PRE-CONTRACTUAL EXPENSES

SBCTA shall not be liable for any pre-contractual expenses incurred by the firm in preparation or submission of their proposal. The proposer shall not include any such expenses as part of their price proposal. Prohibited pre-contractual expenses include any and all expenses incurred by the proposer prior to issuance of the Notice To Proceed by SBCTA.

K. IRAN CONTRACTING ACT OF 2010

Intentionally Omitted

L. PREVAILING WAGES

Intentionally Omitted

M. MATERIALS FURNISHED BY SBCTA

All software, data, reports, surveys, drawings, and other documents furnished to the consultant by SBCTA for the consultant's use in the performance of Work shall be made available only for use in performing the assignment and shall remain the sole property of SBCTA. All such materials shall be returned to SBCTA upon completion of Work, termination of the contract, or other such time as SBCTA may determine.

N. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Intentionally Omitted

II. PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL

The procurement will be conducted electronically through SBCTA's Vendor Portal PlanetBids. SBCTA will not accept paper copies for any part of this procurement, including the proposal submittal.

Proposals are due at or before 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 2026. Proposals will be submitted electronically through SBCTA's Vendor Portal PlanetBids. To propose for this project vendors must be registered with PlanetBids.

A firm must accept the PlanetBids Terms and Conditions in order to proceed. Firms will have a series of tabs and may save their bid at any time as a Draft. Firms may edit the bid as often as they need to until the RFP closes. Please note that where two or more firms, persons or entities wish to submit one proposal in response to this RFP, they should do so on a prime/subconsultant basis rather than as a joint venture. SBCTA will contract with a single firm, person or entity only and not with a joint venture.

A. PROPOSAL CONTENT

The proposal is limited to a 50 page cap (8 ½" x 11"), in no less than 11-point font. Charts and schedules may be included in 11" x 17" (each counted as 1 page) format. Each page must be consecutively numbered. Proposals shall not include any unnecessarily elaborate or promotional material. Lengthy narrative is discouraged, and presentations should be brief and concise. Proposals that do not contain the required information will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered. The page limit does not include the following:

Documents not included in page count
Table of Contents
Cover Letter
Memorandums from Subconsultants
SBCTA-provided Forms
Outside Cover
Section Dividers
Appendices
Resumes

If at any time during the RFP process a firm makes any changes to proposed key personnel or subconsultants, the firm must notify SBCTA in writing of those proposed changes as soon as they are known. SBCTA reserves the right to accept or reject such proposed changes or to revise the evaluation scoring to reflect the proposed staffing changes.

All proposals must include the following information:

1. Cover Letter

- Identification of all proposed subconsultants, including description of the work to be performed by the firm and each subconsultant proposed for the Project and an estimate of the percentage of work to be performed by each subconsultant.
- Indicate the location of the office from which the work will be performed.
- A memorandum from a principal of each subconsultant indicating the specific portion of the Work the subconsultant will be performing.
- Acknowledgement of all addenda.
- A signed statement by an officer of the prime firm attesting that all information in the proposal is true and correct.

- A signature of an authorized person within the prime firm who can bind the firm to the terms and conditions of the RFP.
- A statement that the proposal shall remain valid for 120 days from the date of submission.
- A list of all prime contracts (if any) awarded to the proposer by SBCTA for the last five (5) years. The list shall include a short description of the project, the award date, completion date, name of assigned Project Manager and contract value.

2. Contract Termination Circumstances

If proposer has ever been terminated from a contract, describe the facts and circumstances in detail. If the proposer has never been terminated, state that the proposer has never been terminated.

3. Technical Information

The technical portion of the proposal shall include the following information:

a. Qualifications, Related Experience, and References

This section of the proposal should establish the ability of the proposed team to satisfactorily perform the required work by reasons of: experience in performing work of the same or similar nature; demonstrated experience working with agencies and cities directly involved in this Project, if applicable; staffing capability; work load; record of meeting schedules on similar projects; and supportive client references.

Specifically:

- Provide a brief profile of the firm, including the types of services offered; the year founded; form of the organization (corporation, limited liability company, partnership, sole proprietorship); number, size and location of offices; number of employees.
- Provide a general description of the firm's current financial condition; identify any conditions (e.g., bankruptcy, pending litigation, planned office closures, impending merger) that may impede ability to complete the Project.
- Describe the firm's experience in performing work of a similar nature to that solicited in this RFP and the participation in such work by the key personnel proposed for assignment to this Project. Highlight the firm's and key personnel's experience with the work or services identified in the Scope of Work.
- Describe experience in working with the various government agencies that may have jurisdiction over the approval of the work specified in this RFP. Please include specialized experience and professional competence in areas directly related to this RFP.

- Provide a list of past joint work by the proposer and each subconsultant, if applicable. The list should clearly identify the project and provide a summary of the roles and responsibilities of each party.
- Provide completed reference forms for work of a similar nature to what is in this RFP. (See 6. References for full details). References may also be supplied from other work not cited in this section as related experience.

b. Proposed Staffing and Project Organization

This section of the proposal should establish the method that will be used to manage the Project as well as identify key personnel assigned and their qualifications.

Specifically:

- Provide education, experience and applicable professional credentials of proposed staff.
- Identify key personnel proposed to perform the work in the specified tasks and include major areas of subcontract work. Include the person's name, current location, proposed position for this Project, current assignment, level of commitment to that assignment, availability for this assignment, and how long each person has been with the firm. SBCTA reserves the right to review, approve and/or designate the positions and functions deemed to be “key” to the Project and request information concerning key personnel not listed as such by the proposer.
- Furnish brief resumes (not more than two [2] pages each) for the proposed key personnel.
- Include a Project organization chart that clearly delineates communication and reporting relationships among the project staff, including subconsultants.
- Include a statement that key personnel will be available to the extent proposed, or designated by SBCTA, for the duration of the Project, acknowledging that no person designated as "key" to the Project shall be removed or replaced without the prior written concurrence of SBCTA.

c. Project Approach/Work Plan

This section of the proposal shall provide a narrative that addresses the Scope of Work and shows understanding of the Project needs and requirements.

Specifically:

- Describe the approach and work plan for completing the tasks specified in the Scope of Work. The work plan shall be of such detail to demonstrate the firm's ability to accomplish the project objectives and to meet the Project schedule.

- Outline sequentially the activities that would be undertaken in completing the tasks and specify who in the firm would perform the work.
- Furnish a Project schedule for each task and subtask in terms of elapsed weeks from commencement date.
- Identify methods that will be used to ensure quality control as well as budget and schedule control for the Project.
- Identify any special issues or problems that are likely to be encountered during this project and how will they be addressed.

Proposers are encouraged to propose enhancements or procedural or technical innovations to the Scope of Work that do not materially deviate from the objectives or required content of the project.

4. Forms – Proposers are required to complete and submit the following form, which are included in this RFP, with their proposal:

- Certificate of Compliance with Insurance Requirements
- Disclosure of Campaign Contributions to Board of Directors
- Consultant Questionnaire

5. Price Proposal –

Proposers shall complete the pricing documents in this RFP identified as Attachment B, and submit with their proposal.

6. References –

Proposing firm and the Project Manager shall each have a total of three completed Reference Forms (see Attachment E) submitted directly from current or past clients. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to ensure timely return of any/all Reference Forms to ssandoval@gosbcta.com in accordance with the proposal due date and time established within this solicitation. Reference Forms will only be accepted if received directly from the client, forms received directly from the Proposer will NOT be evaluated. Reference Forms must include the name, title, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person(s) at the client organization who is most knowledgeable about the work performed.

7. Scope of Work and / or Contract Exceptions

SBCTA does not anticipate making substantive changes to its form contract. Proposers are asked to include in their proposals a written discussion of any and all proposed exceptions to or deviations from SBCTA's Scope of Work or form of contract presented herein as Attachment C. Proposers will be deemed to have accepted any and all terms and conditions not objected to or identified for any exception or deviation in the proposal and no further negotiations of any such term or condition will occur. SBCTA will not

negotiate exceptions or deviations not presented in the proposal and may reject any exceptions or deviations that affect terms or conditions that SBCTA considers non-negotiable.

8. Appendices

Information considered pertinent to this RFP or to the evaluation of qualifications of the proposer, which has not been specifically solicited in any of the aforementioned sections, may be placed in a separate appendix section. Appendices are not included within the page limit set forth above. Appendices should be relevant and brief.

9. Confidential Documents

Proposers are advised that any and all documents related to this procurement, upon the conclusion of this procurement, are considered public records and may be disclosed as such. Any sensitive or confidential information, including but not limited to financial statements should be submitted as a separate document, under separate cover, and marked as “Confidential.” Proposers are advised that marking information “Confidential” does not guarantee it will be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

III. ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS

SBCTA reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals, or any item or part thereof, or to waive any informalities or irregularities in a proposal. SBCTA reserves the right to withdraw or cancel this RFP at any time without prior notice and SBCTA makes no representation that any contract will be awarded to any firm responding to this RFP. SBCTA reserves the right to reject all proposals and to re-issue (or not re-issue) a new RFP for the same or similar Work. SBCTA reserves the right to postpone proposal openings for its own convenience. Proposers may withdraw their proposals before the proposal submittal date by submitting a written request signed by an authorized representative of the firm and delivered to SBCTA’s Procurement Manager at the address identified herein.

IV. SELECTION CRITERIA AND WEIGHTS

The primary objective of SBCTA is to select a qualified firm to perform the Scope of Work for SBCTA at a fair and reasonable cost. In addition, SBCTA has established the following criteria for the selection process:

- A. The selection process shall be fair, open, and competitive.
- B. The selection of the firm will be based on clearly stated objectives identified in this RFP.
- C. Selection of the firm shall be based upon demonstrated competence, professional qualifications, experience and capabilities, and overall best value to perform the required Work identified in the Scope of Work.

- D. Upon review of the proposals, a shortlist of firms within the competitive range will be invited to a virtual interview tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday, September 16, 2026 via Microsoft Teams**. The contract will be awarded to the firm who offers the overall best value, whose proposal best conforms to the RFP and which is, in the opinion of SBCTA, most advantageous to SBCTA, and with whom a successful negotiation and agreement on cost and price can be concluded. The determination of the competitive range is at the sole discretion of SBCTA's Evaluation Committee.
- E. SBCTA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to negotiate with any responsible, responsive firm. SBCTA is under no obligation to award a contract for the Scope of Work. At the conclusion of the evaluation process, the Evaluation Committee will recommend to the body or officer having authority to award the Contract on behalf of SBCTA ("Awarding Authority") the firm that offers the best overall value to SBCTA. SBCTA may or may not engage in negotiations with firms who submit proposals; therefore, the firm's proposal should contain the most favorable terms and conditions including pricing, since the selection and award may be made without any discussion with any firm.
- F. Proposals will be evaluated based on the criteria and weights identified herein.
- **Qualifications, Related Experience and References:** Firm's experience, years in business, and past and current client references; technical expertise and professional competence in areas directly related to this RFP; number of years' experience performing similar work; demonstrated ability to manage and coordinate the Work, deliver quality products and services, and deliver projects within budget and on schedule; and experience working with public agencies identified in this RFP. - **30 points**.
 - **Proposed Staffing and Project Organization:** Technical expertise and professional competence in areas directly related to the work identified in the RFP; level of experience, possession of certifications and licenses required, and level of training of key personnel assigned, including subconsultants, if applicable; strength of experience and stability of proposed personnel; breadth and depth of resources, coordination of Work and quality control; availability of proposed staffing; and concurrence with restrictions on changes to key personnel. - **25 points**.
 - **Work Plan:** Depth of understanding of SBCTA's needs and requirements and understanding of the Scope of Work. Proposer's approach and methodology/systems reflect ability to provide the requested Work. Demonstrated knowledge of the Work being requested; identification and knowledge of all requirements cited in the Scope of Work; and proposed technical and procedural innovations identified in the proposal - **25 points**.
 - **Price:** Reasonableness of fee proposed. The price proposal follows prescribed format; includes breakdown of labor and expenses; is competitive with the

marketplace of the same or similar services; and the proposed level of effort is consistent with the Scope of Work - **20 points.**

- G. SBCTA shall select the highest ranked firms to participate in the interview process. The final number of firms so invited shall be at the discretion of SBCTA,. Firms who are invited to the interview will be asked a series of questions which will be scored.SBCTA reserves the right to not conduct interviews when, in SBCTA’s sole discretion, the circumstances warrant.The maximum score for the interviews is 100 points. Upon completion of the interview, the Evaluation Committee’s scores will be compiled. The interview will be weighted **40%** and the technical proposal will be weighted **60%**.

V. NEGOTIATIONS AND AWARD

The contract, Scope of Work and price may be negotiated with the selected consultant. However, SBCTA may elect to not negotiate with any of the firms, and/or not award the contract. Therefore, it is imperative that each firm submit their best price as part of their proposal.

Firms are advised that any recommendation for contract award is not binding on SBCTA until SBCTA’s Awarding Authority approves the contract and the contract is fully executed.

VI. PROTEST INFORMATION

SBCTA has on file written protest procedures (Policy 11007). Firms may download a copy from www.gosbcta.com, click on Doing Business” and under the tab “Bids & RFPs” scroll down to the heading “Important Documents”.

VII. DEBRIEFING

Firms who submit a proposal in response to the RFP shall be notified in writing when: the firm was not selected to receive further consideration in the RFP process; the firm was selected for the interview process; and after the RFP Evaluation Committee’s recommendation to award has been determined. Firms who were not awarded the contract may obtain a debriefing by contacting SBCTA’s Procurement Analyst at ssandoval@gosbcta.com. Firms will have thirty (30) calendar days from the date identified in the written correspondence to request a debriefing.

VIII. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

Proposals may be subject to public disclosure under the California Public Records Act and other public records laws, and except as otherwise provided in this RFP, by submitting a proposal, the proposer waives all rights to confidentiality of any information submitted in the proposal and agrees to any and all such disclosures required or permitted by law. Proposals become the property of SBCTA when submitted and by submitting a proposal, the proposer agrees that SBCTA may use any information, documentation or writing contained in the proposal for any SBCTA purpose.

ATTACHMENT “A”
“SCOPE OF WORK”

SBCTA - SCOPE OF WORK

Federal Legislative Advocacy Consultant

General Statement – The Consultant will work to advance San Bernardino County Transportation Authority/San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCTA) and Omnitrans’ (Agencies) policy, funding, and regulatory objectives in Washington, D.C., as outlined in the annual legislative platform, adopted by their Board of Directors. The Consultant will work to develop bi-partisan support, where possible, for the outlined objectives and Board approved priorities. Under the direction and coordination, the Consultant shall be responsible for implementing the objectives described below.

A. Program Development

- a. Assist with the development of Agencies’ annual federal legislative platform by identifying potential policy issues, key anticipated funding and regulatory items, changing political dynamics, and pending proposals.
- b. Maintain a current awareness of Agencies’ Board actions, programs, activities and policies, as well as items before pertinent Federal agencies.
- c. Develop and maintain knowledge of the technical and political aspects of federal transportation funding, as well as the priorities and issues affecting councils of governments and public transit agencies.

Deliverables:

- *Electronically provide information, copies of introduced legislation, relevant testimony, analyses, as well as social media or news articles impacting Agencies’ identified priorities.*
- *Monitor Agencies’ Committee and Board Agendas, as well as items before pertinent federal agencies.*

B. Relationships

- a. Possess strategic relationships and communicate Agencies’ positions on major budgetary, regulatory, or policy issues with House and Senate leadership, Congress Members, relevant House and Senate committee staff, and the Administration, as well as federal agencies such as the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT), including the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and any other federal department, agency, board, or commission whose decisions impact Agencies.

I. Make recommendations for when direct engagement by Agencies’ Board Members and staff would be effective.

- b. Routinely communicate and collaborate with the San Bernardino County Federal Delegation regarding Agencies’ interests and priorities.

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c. Identify key partners, groups, and individuals to build alliances, partnerships and coalitions in order to advance Agencies' interests. Coordinate efforts with other entities seeking common goals and outcomes including the America Public Transit Association (APTA), the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), and other leading transportation advocacy organizations. Additionally, coordinate with other Southern California transportation agencies, public transit agencies and councils of governments on areas of mutual concern.

Deliverables:

- *Electronic reports on the outcomes of meetings and issues impacting Agencies.*
- *Participation in lobbying coalitions related to Agencies' priorities.*

C. Advocacy

a. Make specific, pro-active recommendations with respect to appropriate timing and manner of engagement including providing strategic counsel on the development of, coordination of, and leadership on advocacy, strategy, and tactics to advance and achieve Agencies' federal priorities.

b. Communicate Agencies' positions on legislative, regulatory, budgetary, and policy items. Prepare materials, testimony, notes, letters, and other written communications to advance Agencies' positions, as appropriate.

c. Identify and recommend positions on legislation, amendments to legislation, regulations, budget proposals, funding, regulatory, and other items of interest to or impacting Agencies and provide analyses or supplemental information related to these items upon request.

d. Conduct activities necessary to carry out Agencies' priorities with regard to the passage, defeat, or amendment of proposed legislative items.

e. Assist in the development and implementation of federal transportation policy that is favorable to Agencies.

f. Maximize funding opportunities for Agencies, including securing a stable and long--term surface transportation bill and annual appropriations bills, as well as position Agencies to receive funding from discretionary programs and maintain at least current levels of funding for FHWA and FTA formula funding programs.

I. Develop a comprehensive strategy for ensuring Agencies' priorities are included in the transportation reauthorization and annual appropriations bills.

II. Advocate and secure funding from federal discretionary grant programs through the US DOT and other relevant federal agencies.

III. Guide Agencies through FTA funding processes, securing funding and executing Full Funding Grant Agreements.

g. Represent and advocate on behalf of Agencies or with Board Members or staff at meetings. This also includes testifying on behalf of or preparing/organizing testimony for Agencies' Board Members or staff and preparing legislative language and other materials to ensure Agencies' goals and objectives are achieved.

h. Build Agencies' image in Washington, D.C. including but not limited to: developing communications strategies to promote and support Agencies' interests and image; building relationships between stakeholders and Agencies' Board Members and staff; and promoting Agencies' visibility through clear and consistent representation of the agency.

i. Provide information related to financial, policy, or informational hearings on issues that impact Agencies' priorities as well as Agencies' projects, programs, and services. Arrange for participation in such events as appropriate for Agencies' Board Members and staff.

j. Coordinate project and area tours for relevant House and Senate Leaders, Key Committee Members and Staff, Members of the Administration or the San Bernardino County Federal Delegation.

k. Secure Member or Administration attendance at project related events and ceremonies.

l. Monitor Federal Register notices and other federal public comment notices. Provide input on the scope and timing of appropriate responses in order to support Agencies' projects, programs, and services.

m. Undertake additional assignments that have been mutually agreed upon by both parties and are necessary to accomplish Agencies' objectives in Washington, D.C.

Deliverables:

- *Provide copies of regulations or legislative language along with a summary, analysis, and information related to sponsors, supporters, and opponents.*
- *Copies of draft or preliminary language allowing Agencies to engage early in the development of language, policies and regulations impacting Agencies, transportation and transit funding, or other items of interest.*
- *Notification of hearings and securing of speaker spots, as appropriate.*
- *Analyses of budgetary proposals or legislative items impacting Agencies.*
- *Oral or written briefings on major legislative/policy initiatives.*
- *Secure equitable share of funding for Agencies' projects, programs, services, and priorities.*
- *Achieving Agencies' legislative, funding, and regulatory advocacy objectives.*

- *Copies of all written correspondence, testimony, advocacy materials, and position papers given on behalf of Agencies.*

D. Washington, D.C. Travel

- a. Assist Agencies with the planning and scheduling of meetings for Board Members and staff with key officials to advance Agencies' priorities, along with the appropriate logistical support. As appropriate, lead the meeting and/or guide Agencies in preparation for these meetings.
- b. Assist with the development of an Annual Advocacy Trip to Washington, D.C. for Agencies' Board Members and staff, upon request. This includes securing meeting space, scheduling meetings, and identifying issues for consideration.

Deliverables:

- *Schedule of meetings with key stakeholders, Leadership and Key Members, and the Administration.*
- *Successful arrangement of a Washington, D.C. Advocacy Trip, and execution.*

E. Administrative Issues

- a. Maintain a Washington, D.C. Office and a visible presence in Washington, D.C. This office shall be available for use by Board Members and staff, as needed, while conducting Agencies' business in Washington, D.C.

b. Written and Oral Reports

I. Provide a monthly invoice for work performed on behalf of Agencies, including a written update of activities engaged in on behalf of Agencies during that time period including but not limited to: testimony before committees, individual meetings with Members or staff, written correspondence on behalf of Agencies, and the status of Agencies' key initiatives. The report should also contain any relevant information regarding activities/progress on major legislation, adopted budget, and general activities or actions that could impact Agencies' interests.

II. Provide oral updates to the Agencies' Board Members regarding pending actions, key issues, and the status of Agencies' priorities.

- Monthly to SBCTA Legislative Policy Committee.
- Not more than once per quarter to Omnitrans Board.

These updates may also include one annual strategic planning session with Agencies' Board Members or staff.

III. Participate in update calls with Agencies' staff members.

- Weekly with SBCTA staff, or as needed due to legislative activity.
- Quarterly with Omnitrans staff, or as needed due to legislative activity.

IV. Prepare memos on particular items of interest as requested or as major issues arise requiring supplemental background and context.

V. Provide an annual end-of-year report to summarize activities made throughout the year, accomplishments towards Agencies' goals, and ideas for further consideration.

c. Assist with the filing of lobbying disclosure forms, as appropriate.

d. The Consultant shall maintain close communication with Agencies' staff and Board of Directors.

Deliverables:

- *An office in Washington, D.C., convenient to the Capitol.*
- *A monthly invoice including a summary of activities engaged in on behalf of Agencies.*
- *An annual end-of-year report of accomplishments.*

ATTACHMENT “B”
“PRICE PROPOSAL FOR FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES”



Attachment B - Price Proposal for: RFP No. 26-1003481

Fixed Price

Task Description	Lump Sum

TOTAL FIXED PRICE AMOUNT:

I hereby acknowledge that I have included all labor hours, fees, taxes, materials and equipment in this price.

Proposer

Signature of Authorized Person

Date

ATTACHMENT “C”
“PROPOSED CONTRACTS FOR SBCTA AND OMNITRANS”

CONTRACT NO. 26-1003481

BY AND BETWEEN

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

AND

FOR

FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES

This contract ("Contract") is made and entered into by and between the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority ("SBCTA"), whose address is 1170 W. 3rd Street, 2nd Floor, San Bernardino, California 92410-1715, and _____ ("CONSULTANT"), whose address is _____. SBCTA and CONSULTANT are each a "Party" and are collectively the "Parties."

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, SBCTA requires certain work services as described in Exhibit "A" of this Contract; and

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT has confirmed that CONSULTANT has the requisite professional qualifications, personnel and experience and is fully capable and qualified to perform the services identified herein; and

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT desires to perform all Work identified herein and to do so for the compensation and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION/SCOPE OF WORK

- 1.1 CONSULTANT agrees to perform the work and services set forth in Exhibit A "Scope of Work" ("Work") in accordance with all applicable professional standards which are generally accepted in the State of California, in accordance with the terms and conditions expressed herein, and in the sequence, time, and manner defined herein. The word "Work" includes, without limitation, the performance, fulfillment and discharge by CONSULTANT of all obligations, duties, tasks, and services imposed upon or assumed by CONSULTANT hereunder; and the Work performed hereunder shall be completed to the satisfaction of SBCTA, with SBCTA's satisfaction being based on prevailing applicable professional standards.

- 1.2 The Project Manager for this Contract is _____, or such other designee as shall be designated in written notice to CONSULTANT from time to time by the Department Director of SBCTA or his or her designee. The Project Manager shall have authority to act on behalf of SBCTA in administering this Contract, including giving notices (including, without limitation, notices of default and/or termination), technical directions and approvals; demanding performance and accepting work performed, but is not authorized to receive or issue payments or execute amendments to the Contract itself.

ARTICLE 2. CONTRACT TERM

The Contract term shall commence upon issuance of a written Notice To Proceed (NTP) issued by SBCTA's Procurement Analyst, and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2029 until otherwise terminated, or unless extended as hereinafter provided by written amendment, except that all indemnity and defense obligations hereunder shall survive termination of this Contract. CONSULTANT shall not be compensated for any Work performed or costs incurred prior to issuance of the NTP.

SBCTA at its sole discretion may extend the original term of the Contract for one (1), 2-year option term. The maximum term of this Contract, including the Option Term, if exercised, will not exceed December 31, 2031.

ARTICLE 3. COMPENSATION

- 3.1 The total Contract Not-To-Exceed Amount is _____ Dollars (\$_____). The method of payment for this Contract will be based on lump sum. The total lump sum price paid CONSULTANT will include compensation for all Work and deliverables, including any approved travel and equipment described in the Scope of Work. No additional compensation will be paid to CONSULTANT, unless there is a change in the Scope of Work. In the instance of a change in the Scope of Work, adjustment to the total lump sum compensation will be negotiated between the Parties. Adjustment in the total lump sum will not be effective until authorized contract amendment and approved by SBCTA.
- 3.2 Progress payments may be made monthly in arrears based on the percentage of Work completed by CONSULTANT.
- 3.3 CONSULTANT shall not start any Work until this Contract has been approved by SBCTA and a NTP has been issued by SBCTA. No payment will be made prior to approval of any Work, or for any Work performed prior to approval of this Contract.

ARTICLE 4. INVOICING

- 4.1 Payment to CONSULTANT as provided herein shall be payable in four (4) week billing period payments, forty-five (45) calendar days after receipt of an acceptable invoice by SBCTA prepared in accordance with the instructions below. Payment shall not be construed to be an acceptance of Work.
- 4.2 CONSULTANT shall prepare invoices in a form satisfactory to and approved by SBCTA, which shall be accompanied by documentation supporting each element of measurement

and/or cost. Each invoice will be for a four-week billing period and will be marked with SBCTA's contract number, description and task order number, if applicable. Invoices shall be submitted within fifteen (15) calendar days for the period covered by the invoice except for the month of June, which will require the invoice to be submitted by July 10th. Invoices shall include request for payment for Work (including additional services authorized by SBCTA) completed by CONSULTANT during each billing period and shall include back-up information sufficient to establish the validity of the invoice. Any invoice submitted which fails to comply with the terms of this Contract, including the requirements of form and documentation, may be returned to CONSULTANT. Any costs incurred by CONSULTANT in connection with the resubmission of a proper invoice shall be at CONSULTANT's sole expense. The final invoice shall be marked "FINAL" and will be submitted within 60 calendar days after SBCTA has received and approved all Work and deliverables. Invoices should be e-mailed to SBCTA at the following address:

ap@gosbcta.com

For large files over 30 megabytes, invoices can be submitted using this link:
<https://sanbag-lfweb.sanbag.ca.gov/Forms/Invoice-submission>

- 4.3 CONSULTANT shall include a statement and release with each invoice, satisfactory to SBCTA, that CONSULTANT has fully performed the Work invoiced pursuant to the Contract for the period covered, that all information included with the invoice is true and correct, and that all payments to and claims of CONSULTANT and its subconsultants for Work during the period will be satisfied upon making of such payment. SBCTA shall not be obligated to make payments to CONSULTANT until CONSULTANT furnishes such statement and release.
- 4.4 Intentionally Omitted
- 4.5 No payment will be made prior to approval of any Work, nor for any Work performed prior to the NTP nor for any Work under any amendment to the Contract until SBCTA's Awarding Authority takes action.
- 4.6 CONSULTANT agrees to promptly pay each subconsultant for the satisfactory completion of all Work performed under this Contract no later than ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of payment from SBCTA. CONSULTANT also agrees to return any retainage payments to each subconsultant within ten (10) calendar days after the subconsultant's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval by SBCTA. SBCTA reserves the right to request documentation from CONSULTANT showing payment has been made to its subconsultants. SBCTA also reserves the right, at its own sole discretion, to issue joint checks to CONSULTANT and any subconsultant(s), which shall constitute payment to CONSULTANT in compliance with the terms of this Contract. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subconsultants.
- 4.7 Intentionally Omitted

ARTICLE 5. TAXES, DUTIES AND FEES

Except to the extent expressly provided elsewhere in this Contract, CONSULTANT shall pay when due, and the compensation set forth herein, shall be inclusive of all: a) local, municipal, State, and federal sales and use taxes; b) excise taxes; c) taxes on personal property owned by CONSULTANT; and d) other governmental fees and taxes or charges of whatever nature applicable to CONSULTANT to enable it to conduct business.

ARTICLE 6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The award and performance of this Contract is contingent on the availability of funds. If funds are not appropriated and/or allocated and available to SBCTA for the continuance of Work performed by CONSULTANT, Work directly or indirectly involved may be suspended or terminated by SBCTA at the end of the period for which funds are available. When SBCTA becomes aware that any portion of Work will or may be affected by a shortage of funds, it will promptly notify CONSULTANT. Nothing herein shall relieve SBCTA from its obligation to compensate CONSULTANT for work already performed pursuant to this Contract. No penalty shall accrue to SBCTA in the event this provision is exercised.

ARTICLE 7. PERMITS AND LICENSES

CONSULTANT shall, without additional compensation, keep current all governmental permits, certificates and licenses (including professional licenses) necessary for CONSULTANT to perform Work identified herein.

ARTICLE 8. DOCUMENTATION AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

- 8.1 CONSULTANT shall maintain all records related to this Contract in an organized way in the original format, electronic and hard copy, conducive to professional review and audit, for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment by SBCTA, or until the conclusion of all litigation, appeals or claims related to this Contract, whichever is longer. CONSULTANT shall provide SBCTA, , or other authorized representatives of SBCTA access to CONSULTANTS' records which are directly related to this Contract for the purpose of inspection, auditing or copying during the entirety of the records maintenance period above. CONSULTANT further agrees to maintain separate records for costs of Work performed by amendment. CONSULTANT shall allow SBCTA and its representatives or agents to reproduce any materials as reasonably necessary.
- 8.2 The cost proposal and/or invoices for this Contract are subject to audit by SBCTA at any time. After CONSULTANT receives any audit recommendations, the cost or price proposal shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by SBCTA's Project Manager to conform to the audit recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual items of cost identified in the audit report may be incorporated into the Contract at SBCTA's sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate the audit or post award recommendations will be considered a breach of the Contract and cause for termination of the Contract. Any dispute concerning the audit findings of this Contract shall be reviewed by SBCTA's Chief Financial Officer. CONSULTANT may request a review by submitting the request in writing to SBCTA within thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of the audit report.

8.3 Subcontracts in excess of \$25,000 shall contain this provision.

ARTICLE 9. RESPONSIBILITY OF CONSULTANT

- 9.1 CONSULTANT shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and assurance of compliance with all applicable federal, State and local laws and regulations and other Work furnished by CONSULTANT under the Contract. The Contract includes reference to the appropriate standards for Work performance stipulated in the Contract.
- 9.2 In addition to any other requirements of this Contract or duties and obligations imposed on CONSULTANT by law, CONSULTANT shall, as an integral part of its Work, employ quality control procedures that identify potential risks and uncertainties related to scope, schedule, cost, quality and safety of the Project and the Work performed by CONSULTANT within the areas of CONSULTANT's expertise. At any time during performance of the Scope of Work, should CONSULTANT observe, encounter, or identify any unusual circumstances or uncertainties which could pose potential risk to SBCTA or the Project, CONSULTANT shall immediately document such matters and notify SBCTA in writing. CONSULTANT shall also similarly notify SBCTA in regard to the possibility of any natural catastrophe, or potential failure, or any situation that exceeds assumptions and could precipitate a failure of any part of the Project. Notifications under this paragraph shall be specific, clear and timely, and in a form which will enable SBCTA to understand and evaluate the magnitude and effect of the risk and/or uncertainties involved.

ARTICLE 10. REPORTING AND DELIVERABLES

All reports and deliverables shall be submitted in accordance with Exhibit A "Scope of Work". At a minimum, CONSULTANT shall submit monthly progress reports with their monthly invoices. The report shall be sufficiently detailed for SBCTA to determine if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations and is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings; and to sufficiently address any difficulties or problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.

ARTICLE 11. TECHNICAL DIRECTION

- 11.1 Performance of Work under this Contract shall be subject to the technical direction of SBCTA's Project Manager, identified in Section 1.2, upon issuance of the NTP and/or subsequently by written notice during the Contract. The term "Technical Direction" is defined to include, without limitation:
- 11.1.1 Directions to CONSULTANT which redirect the Contract effort, shift work emphasis between work areas or tasks, require pursuit of certain lines of inquiry, fill in details, or otherwise serve to accomplish the Scope of Work.
 - 11.1.2 Provision of written information to CONSULTANT which assists in the interpretation of reports or technical portions of the Scope of Work described herein.
 - 11.1.3 Review and, where required by the Contract, approval of technical reports and technical information to be delivered by CONSULTANT to SBCTA under the Contract.

- 11.1.4 SBCTA's Project Manager may modify this Contract for certain administrative modifications without issuing a written amendment. Administrative modifications are limited to: substitutions of personnel identified in the Contract, including Key Personnel and subconsultants; modifications to classifications, hourly rates and names of personnel in Exhibit B; and modifications of the address of the CONSULTANT. All such modifications will be documented in writing between the Parties.
- 11.2 Technical Direction must be within the Scope of Work under this Contract. SBCTA's Project Manager does not have the authority to, and may not, issue any Technical Direction which:
- 11.2.1 Increases or decreases the Scope of Work;
 - 11.2.2 Directs CONSULTANT to perform Work outside the original intent of the Scope of Work;
 - 11.2.3 Constitutes a change as defined in the "CHANGES" Article of the Contract;
 - 11.2.4 In any manner causes an increase or decrease in the Contract price as identified in the "COMPENSATION" Article or the time required for Contract performance;
 - 11.2.5 Changes any of the expressed terms, conditions or specifications of the Contract, unless identified herein;
 - 11.2.6 Interferes with CONSULTANT's right to perform the terms and conditions of the Contract unless identified herein; or
 - 11.2.7 Approves any demand or claims for additional payment.
- 11.3 Failure of CONSULTANT and SBCTA's Project Manager to agree that the Technical Direction is within the scope of the Contract, or a failure to agree upon the Contract action to be taken with respect thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of the "DISPUTES" Article herein.
- 11.4 All Technical Direction shall be issued in writing by SBCTA's Project Manager.
- 11.5 CONSULTANT shall proceed promptly with the performance of Technical Direction issued by SBCTA's Project Manager, in the manner prescribed by this Article and within their authority under the provisions of this Article. If, in the opinion of CONSULTANT, any instruction or direction by SBCTA's Project Manager falls within one of the categories defined in sections 11.2.1 through 11.2.7 above, CONSULTANT shall not proceed but shall notify SBCTA in writing within five (5) working days after receipt of any such instruction or direction and shall request SBCTA to modify the Contract accordingly. Upon receiving the notification from CONSULTANT, SBCTA shall:
- 11.5.1 Advise CONSULTANT in writing within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of CONSULTANT's letter that the Technical Direction is or is not within the scope of this Contract.

11.5.2. Advise CONSULTANT within a reasonable time whether SBCTA will or will not issue a written amendment.

ARTICLE 12. CHANGES

- 12.1 The Work shall be subject to changes by additions, deletions, or revisions made by SBCTA. CONSULTANT will be advised of any such changes by written notification from SBCTA describing the change. This notification will not be binding on SBCTA until SBCTA's Awarding Authority has approved an amendment to this Contract.
- 12.2 Promptly after such written notification of change is given to CONSULTANT by SBCTA, the Parties will attempt to negotiate a mutually agreeable adjustment to compensation or time of performance, and amend the Contract accordingly.

ARTICLE 13. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

- 13.1 During the term of this Contract, CONSULTANT shall not willfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, reproductive health decision making, medical condition, genetic information, gender, sex, marital status, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, or military or veteran status. CONSULTANT agrees to comply with the provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, and other applicable Federal, State and County laws and regulations and policies relating to equal employment and contracting opportunities, including laws and regulations hereafter enacted.
- 13.2 The CONSULTANT and all subconsultants shall comply with all provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin. In addition, CONSULTANT and all subconsultants will ensure their services are consistent with and comply with obligations and procedures outlined in SBCTA's current Board-adopted Title VI Program, including the Public Participation Plan and the Language Assistance Plan.

ARTICLE 14. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

CONSULTANT agrees that it presently has no interest, financial or otherwise, and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of Work required under this Contract or be contrary to the interests of SBCTA as to the Project. CONSULTANT further agrees that in the performance of this Contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed. CONSULTANT is obligated to fully disclose to SBCTA, in writing, any conflict of interest issues as soon as they are known to CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT agrees that CONSULTANT and its staff shall comply with SBCTA's Conflict of Interest Policy, No. 10102.

ARTICLE 15. KEY PERSONNEL

The personnel specified below are considered to be essential to the Work being performed under this Contract. Prior to diverting any of the specified individuals to other projects, or reallocation of any tasks or hours of Work that are the responsibility of Key Personnel to other personnel,

CONSULTANT shall notify SBCTA in writing in advance and shall submit justifications (including proposed substitutions, resumes and payroll information to support any changes to the labor rates) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the Project. Diversion or reallocation of Key Personnel shall not be made without prior written consent of SBCTA's Project Manager. CONSULTANT shall not substitute any Key Personnel without the prior written consent of SBCTA. In the event that the Parties cannot agree as to the substitution of Key Personnel, SBCTA may terminate this Contract. Key Personnel are:

Name	Job Classification/Function

ARTICLE 16. REPRESENTATIONS

All Work supplied by CONSULTANT under this Contract shall be supplied by personnel who are qualified, careful, skilled, experienced and competent in their respective trades or professions. CONSULTANT agrees that they are supplying professional services, findings, and/or recommendations in the performance of this Contract and agrees with SBCTA that the same shall conform to professional standards that are generally accepted in the profession in the State of California.

ARTICLE 17. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS/CONFIDENTIALITY

- 17.1 If, as a part of this Contract, CONSULTANT is required to produce materials, documents data, or information ("Products"), then CONSULTANT, if requested by SBCTA, shall deliver to SBCTA the original of all such Products, which shall become the sole property of SBCTA.
- 17.2 All materials, documents, data or information obtained from SBCTA's data files or any SBCTA-owned medium furnished to CONSULTANT in the performance of this Contract will at all times remain the property of SBCTA. Such data or information may not be used or copied for direct or indirect use outside of this Project by CONSULTANT without the express written consent of SBCTA.
- 17.3 Except as reasonably necessary for the performance of the Work, CONSULTANT agrees that it, its employees, agents and subconsultants will hold in confidence and not divulge to third parties, without prior written consent of SBCTA, any information obtained by CONSULTANT from or through SBCTA unless (a) the information was known to CONSULTANT prior to obtaining same from SBCTA; or (b) the information was at the time of disclosure to CONSULTANT, or thereafter becomes, part of the public domain, but not as a result of an unauthorized disclosure by CONSULTANT or its employees, agents, or subconsultants; or (c) the information was obtained by CONSULTANT from a third party who did not receive the same, directly or indirectly, from SBCTA and who had, to CONSULTANT's knowledge and belief, the right to disclose the same. Any materials and information referred to in this Article which are produced by CONSULTANT shall remain confidential until released in writing by SBCTA except to the extent such materials

and information become subject to disclosure by SBCTA under the California Public Records Act or other law, or otherwise become public information through no fault of CONSULTANT, its employees or agents. Any communications with or work product of SBCTA's legal counsel to which CONSULTANT or its subconsultants or agents have access in performing work under this Contract shall be subject to the attorney-client privilege and attorney work product doctrine and shall be confidential.

- 17.4 CONSULTANT shall not use SBCTA's name or photographs in any professional publication, magazine, trade paper, newspaper, seminar or other medium without first receiving the express written consent of SBCTA. CONSULTANT shall not release any reports, information or promotional material related to this Contract for any purpose without prior written approval of SBCTA.
- 17.5 All press releases, or press inquiries relating to the Project or this Contract, including graphic display information to be published in newspapers, magazines, and other publications, are to be made only by SBCTA unless otherwise agreed to in writing by both Parties.
- 17.6 CONSULTANT, its employees, agents and subconsultants shall be required to comply with SBCTA's Confidentiality Policy; anyone who may have access to Personally Identifiable Information ("PII") and/or Sensitive Security Information ("SSI") will be required to execute a Confidentiality Agreement.

ARTICLE 18. TERMINATION

- 18.1 Termination for Convenience - SBCTA shall have the right at any time, without cause, to terminate further performance of Work by giving thirty (30) calendar days written notice to CONSULTANT specifying the date of termination. On the date of such termination stated in said notice, CONSULTANT shall promptly discontinue performance of Work and shall preserve Work in progress and completed Work, pending SBCTA's instruction, and shall turn over such Work in accordance with SBCTA's instructions.
- 18.1.1 CONSULTANT shall deliver to SBCTA all deliverables prepared by CONSULTANT or its subconsultants as well as any materials furnished to CONSULTANT by SBCTA. Upon such delivery, CONSULTANT may then invoice SBCTA for payment in accordance with the terms herein.
- 18.1.2 If CONSULTANT has fully and completely performed all obligations under this Contract up to the date of termination, CONSULTANT shall be entitled to receive from SBCTA as complete and full settlement for such termination a pro rata share of the Contract cost based upon the percentage of all contracted Work satisfactorily executed to the date of termination.
- 18.1.3 CONSULTANT shall be entitled to receive the actual costs incurred by CONSULTANT to return CONSULTANT's tools and equipment, if any, to it or its suppliers' premises, or to turn over Work in progress in accordance with SBCTA's instructions plus the actual cost necessarily incurred in effecting the termination.

18.2 Termination for Cause - In the event CONSULTANT shall file a petition in bankruptcy court, or shall make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or if a petition in bankruptcy court shall be filed against CONSULTANT, or a receiver shall be appointed on account of its insolvency, or if CONSULTANT shall default in the performance of any express obligation to be performed by it under this Contract and shall fail to immediately correct (or if immediate correction is not possible, shall fail to commence and diligently continue action to correct) such default within ten (10) calendar days following written notice, SBCTA may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies SBCTA may have, and in compliance with applicable Bankruptcy Laws: (a) hold in abeyance further payments to CONSULTANT; (b) stop any Work of CONSULTANT or its subconsultants related to such failure until such failure is remedied; and/or (c) terminate this Contract by written notice to CONSULTANT specifying the date of termination. In the event of such termination by SBCTA, SBCTA may take possession of the deliverables and finished Work by whatever method SBCTA may deem expedient. A waiver by SBCTA of one default of CONSULTANT shall not be considered to be a waiver of any subsequent default of CONSULTANT, of the same or any other provision, nor be deemed to waive, amend, or modify any term of this Contract.

18.2.1 CONSULTANT shall deliver to SBCTA all finished and unfinished deliverables under this Contract prepared by CONSULTANT or its subconsultants or furnished to CONSULTANT by SBCTA within ten (10) working days of said notice.

18.3 All claims for compensation or reimbursement of costs under any of the foregoing provisions shall be supported by documentation submitted to SBCTA, satisfactory in form and content to SBCTA and verified by SBCTA. In no event shall CONSULTANT be entitled to any payment for prospective profits or any damages because of such termination.

ARTICLE 19. STOP WORK ORDER

Upon failure of CONSULTANT or its subconsultants to comply with any of the requirements of this Contract, SBCTA shall have the right to stop any or all Work affected by such failure until such failure is remedied or to terminate this Contract in accordance with section "Termination" above.

ARTICLE 20. CLAIMS

SBCTA shall not be bound to any adjustments in the Contract amount or schedule unless expressly agreed to by SBCTA in writing. SBCTA shall not be liable to CONSULTANT for any claim asserted by CONSULTANT after final payment has been made under this Contract.

ARTICLE 21. INSURANCE

21.1 Prior to commencing the Work, subject to the provisions of Article 21.2 "General Provisions", and at all times during the performance of the Work and for such additional periods as required herein, CONSULTANT and all sub-consultants of every tier performing any Work under this contract shall, at CONSULTANT's and sub-consultant's

sole expense, procure and maintain broad form insurance coverage at least as broad as the following minimum requirements specified below:

21.1.1 Professional Liability. Intentionally Omitted

21.1.2 Worker's Compensation/Employer's Liability. The policies must include the following:

- Coverage A. Statutory Benefits
- Coverage B. Employer's Liability
- Bodily Injury by accident - \$1,000,000 per accident
- Bodily Injury by disease - \$1,000,000 policy limit/\$1,000,000 each employee

Such policies shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the parties named as Indemnitees below. Such insurance shall be in strict accordance with the applicable workers' compensation laws in effect during performance of the Work by CONSULTANT or any subconsultant of any tier. All subconsultants of any tier performing any portion of the Work for CONSULTANT shall also obtain and maintain the same insurance coverage as specified in this subparagraph, with a waiver of subrogation in favor of CONSULTANT and all parties named as Indemnitees below. Where coverage is provided through the California State Compensation Insurance Fund, the requirement for a minimum A.M. Best rating does not apply.

21.1.3. Commercial General Liability. The policy must include the following:

- Consultant shall maintain commercial general liability(CGL) insurance (Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01), and if necessary excess/umbrella commercial liability insurance, with a combined limit of liability of not less than **\$1,000,000 each occurrence.**
- The policy shall, at a minimum, include coverage for any and all of the following: bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, broad form contractual liability (including coverage to the maximum extent possible for the indemnifications in this Contract), premises-operations (including explosion, collapse and underground coverage), duty to defend in addition to (without reducing) the limits of the policy(ies), and products and completed operations.
 - \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit for property damage or bodily injury
 - \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit for personal injury and advertising injury
 - \$2,000,000 per occurrence limits for products/completed operations coverage (ISO Form 20 37 10 01) if SBCTA determines it is in SBCTA's best interests to require such coverage,
- If a general aggregate applies, it shall apply separately to this project/location. The contract number and a brief explanation of the project/work must be indicated under "Description of Operations/Locations" (ISO Form CG 25 03 or CG 2504).
- Coverage is to be on an "occurrence" form. "Claims made" and "modified occurrence" forms are not acceptable.

- A copy of the declaration page or endorsement page listing all policy endorsements for the CGL policy must be included.

All subconsultants of any tier performing any portion of the Work for CONSULTANT shall also obtain and maintain the CGL insurance coverage with limits not less than:

- Each occurrence limit: \$1,000,000
- General aggregate limit: \$2,000,000
- Personal injury and advertising limit: \$1,000,000
- Products-completed operations aggregate limit: \$2,000,000

All subconsultants' and sub-subconsultants' deductibles or self-insured retentions must be acceptable to SBCTA.

21.1.4 Umbrella/Excess CGL. The policy must include the following:

- If the CONSULTANT elects to include an umbrella or excess policy to cover any of the total limits required beyond the primary commercial general liability policy limits and/or the primary commercial automobile liability policy limits, then the policy must include the following:
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall follow form over the CONSULTANT's primary general liability coverage and shall provide a separate aggregate limit for products and completed operations coverage.
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall not contain any restrictions or exclusions beyond what is contained in the primary policy.
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall contain a clause stating that it takes effect (drops down) in the event the primary limits are impaired or exhausted.
 - The umbrella or excess policy must also extend coverage over the automobile policy if it is to be used in combination with the primary automobile policy to meet the total insurance requirement limits.

There shall be no statement limiting the coverage provided to the parties listed as additionally insureds or as indemnitees below.

21.1.5 Commercial Auto. The policy must include the following:

- A total limit of liability of not less than **\$1,000,000** each accident. This total limits of liability may be met by combining the limits of the primary auto policy with an umbrella or excess policy in accordance with subparagraph 4 (Umbrella/Excess CGL) of Section A of this Article.
- Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any vehicle, including owned, hired, leased, borrowed and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of the CONSULTANT services.
- Combined Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability insurance. The commercial automobile liability insurance shall be written on the most recent edition of ISO Form CA 00 01 or equivalent acceptable to SBCTA.

21.1.6 Pollution Liability. Intentionally Omitted

21.1.7 Technology Professional Liability Errors and Omissions Insurance. Intentionally Omitted

21.1.8 Railroad Protective Liability. Intentionally Omitted

21.2. General Provisions

21.2.1 Qualifications of Insurance Carriers. If policies are written by insurance carriers authorized and admitted to do business in the state of California, then the insurance carriers must have a current A.M. Best rating of A-VIII or better and if policies are written by insurance carriers that are non- admitted but authorized to conduct business in the state of California, then they must meet the current A.M. Best rating of A-X or better, unless otherwise approved in writing by SBCTA.

21.2.2 Additional Insured Coverage. All policies, except those for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability insurance, shall be endorsed by ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85, or if not available, then ISO Form CG 20 38, to name San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, Omnitrans and its officers, directors, members, employees, and agents, as additional insureds ("Additional Insureds"). With respect to general liability arising out of or connected with work or operations performed by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT under this Contract, coverage for such Additional Insureds shall not extend to liability to the extent prohibited by section 11580.04 of the Insurance Code. The additional insured endorsements shall not limit the scope of coverage for SBCTA to vicarious liability, but shall allow coverage for SBCTA to the full extent provided by the policy.

21.2.3 Proof of Coverage. Evidence of insurance in a form acceptable to SBCTA, including declarations pages of each policy, certificates of insurance and the required additional insured endorsements, shall be provided to SBCTA's Procurement Analyst prior to issuance of the NTP or prior to commencing any Work, as SBCTA specifies. Certificate(s) of insurance, as evidence of the required insurance shall: be executed by a duly authorized representative of each insurer; show compliance with the insurance requirements set forth in this Article; set forth deductible amounts applicable to each policy; list all exclusions which are added by endorsement to each policy; and also include the Contract Number and project description on the face of the certificate. If requested in writing by SBCTA, CONSULTANT shall submit complete copies of all required insurance policies within ten (10) business days of a written request by SBCTA.

21.2.4 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention. Regardless of the allowance of exclusions or deductibles by SBCTA, CONSULTANT shall be responsible for any deductible or self-insured retention (SIR) amount and shall warrant that the coverage provided to SBCTA is consistent with the requirements of this Article. CONSULTANT will pay, and shall require its sub-consultants to pay, all deductibles, co-pay obligations, premiums and any other sums due under the insurance required in this Article. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved in writing

by SBCTA. Without SBCTA's expressed written approval no deductibles or SIR will be allowed. At the option of SBCTA, if the deductible or SIR is approved and it is greater than \$50,000 or one (1) percent of the amount of coverage required under this Contract, whichever is less, the CONSULTANT shall guarantee that either: (1) the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects to SBCTA, its directors, officials, officers, employees and agents; or, (2) the CONSULTANT shall procure a bond guaranteeing the amount of the deductible or self-insured retention. SBCTA shall have the right to review any and all financial records that SBCTA, at its sole discretion, deems necessary to approve any deductible or SIR. SBCTA will have the right, but not the obligation, to pay any deductible or SIR due under any insurance policy. If SBCTA pays any sums due under any insurance required above, SBCTA may withhold said sums from any amounts due to CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT's policies will neither obligate nor prohibit SBCTA or any other Additional Insured, from paying any portion of any CONSULTANT's deductible or SIR.

21.2.5 CONSULTANT's and Subconsultants' Insurance will be Primary. All policies required to be maintained by the CONSULTANT or any subconsultant, with the exception of Professional Liability and Worker's Compensation shall be endorsed, with a form at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 01 04 13, to be primary coverage, and any coverage carried by any of the Additional Insureds shall be excess and non-contributory. Further, none of CONSULTANT's or subconsultants' pollution, automobile, general liability or other liability policies (primary or excess) will contain any cross-liability exclusion barring coverage for claims by an additional insured against a named insured.

21.2.6 Waiver of Subrogation Rights. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONSULTANT hereby waives all rights of recovery under subrogation against the Additional Insureds named herein, and any other consultant, subconsultant or sub-subconsultant performing work or rendering services on behalf of SBCTA in connection with the planning, development and construction of the Project. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONSULTANT shall require similar written express waivers and insurance clauses from each of its subconsultants of every tier. CONSULTANT shall require all of the policies and coverages required in this Article to waive all rights of subrogation against the Additional Insureds (ISO Form CG 24 04 05 09). Such insurance and coverages provided shall not prohibit CONSULTANT from waiving the right of subrogation prior to a loss or claim.

21.2.7 Cancellation. If any insurance company elects to cancel or non-renew coverage for any reason, CONSULTANT will provide SBCTA thirty (30) days' prior written notice of such cancellation or nonrenewal. If the policy is cancelled for nonpayment of premium, CONSULTANT will provide SBCTA ten (10) days' prior written notice. In any event, CONSULTANT will provide SBCTA with a copy of any notice of termination or notice of any other change to any insurance coverage required herein which CONSULTANT receives within one business day after CONSULTANT receives it by submitting it to SBCTA at

insurance@gosbcta.com, to the attention of SBCTA's Procurement Analyst, and by depositing a copy of the notice in the U.S. Mail in accordance with the notice provisions of this Contract.

21.2.8 Non-Limitation of Insurance Requirements. The insurance coverage provided and limits required under this Contract are minimum requirements and are not intended to limit the CONSULTANT's indemnification obligations under the Contract, nor do the indemnity obligations limit the rights of the Indemnified Parties to the coverage afforded by their insured status. To the extent required by Law in connection with Work to be performed, the CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain, or cause to be obtained and maintained, in addition to the insurance coverage expressly required under this Contract, such other insurance policies for such amounts, for such periods of time and subject to such terms, as required by Law and any other agreements with which the CONSULTANT is required to comply, including any Third-Party Agreements. Liability insurance coverage will not be limited to the specific location designated as the Site, except that if the CONSULTANT arranges project-specific general liability, excess liability, or workers' compensation coverage, limitations of coverage to the Site will be permitted subject to SBCTA approval and use of the broadest available site-specific endorsements. No liability policy will contain any provision or definition that would serve to eliminate so-called "third-party-over action" claims, including any exclusion for bodily injury to an employee of the insured or of any Subcontractor. The CONSULTANT acknowledges and will at all times comply with the provisions of Labor Code Section 3700 which require every employer in the State to be insured against liability for workers' compensation, or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code.

21.2.9 Enforcement. SBCTA may take any steps as are necessary to assure CONSULTANT's compliance with its insurance obligations as identified within this Article. Failure to continuously maintain insurance coverage as provided herein is a material breach of contract. In the event the CONSULTANT fails to obtain or maintain any insurance coverage required, SBCTA may, but is not required to, secure any coverage SBCTA deems necessary to fill the gap caused by the lapse in CONSULTANT's coverage and charge the expense to the CONSULTANT or withhold such expense from amounts owed CONSULTANT, or terminate this Contract. The insurance required or provided shall in no way limit or relieve CONSULTANT of its duties and responsibility under the Contract, including but not limited to obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Indemnitees named below. Insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve CONSULTANT for liability in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude SBCTA from taking other actions as available to it under any other provision of the Contract or law. Nothing contained herein shall relieve CONSULTANT, or any subconsultant of any tier of their obligations

to exercise due care in the performance of their duties in connection with the Work, and to complete the Work in strict compliance with the Contract.

21.2.10 No Waiver. Failure of SBCTA to enforce in a timely manner any of the provisions of this Article shall not act as a waiver to enforcement of any of these provisions at a later date.

21.2.11 Project Specific Insurance. Intentionally Omitted

21.2.12 No Representations or Warranties. SBCTA makes no representation or warranty that the coverage, limits of liability, or other terms specified for the insurance policies required under this contract are adequate to protect the CONSULTANT against its undertakings under this Contract or its liability to any third party, nor will they preclude SBCTA from taking any actions as are available to it under this Contract or otherwise at law.

21.2.13 Review of Coverage. SBCTA may at any time review the coverage, form, and amount of insurance required under this contract, and may require the CONSULTANT to make changes in such insurance reasonably sufficient in coverage, form, and amount to provide adequate protection against the kind and extent of risk that exists at that time. SBCTA may change the insurance coverages and limits required under this contract by notice to the CONSULTANT, whereupon the CONSULTANT will, within sixty (60) days of such notice date, procure the additional and/or modified insurance coverages. Upon such change any additional cost (at actual cost) from such change will be paid by SBCTA and any reduction in cost will reduce the Contract Price pursuant to a Contract amendment.

21.2.14 Subconsultant Insurance. Insurance required of the CONSULTANT shall be also provided by subconsultants or by CONSULTANT on behalf of all subconsultants to cover their services performed under this Contract. CONSULTANT may reduce types and the amounts of insurance limits provided by subconsultant(s) to be proportionate to the amount of the subconsultant's contract and the level of liability exposure for the specific type of work performed by the subconsultant. CONSULTANT shall be held responsible for all modifications, deviations, or omissions in these insurance requirements as they apply to subconsultant.

21.2.15 Higher limits. If CONSULTANT maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, SBCTA shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by CONSULTANT. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to SBCTA.

21.2.16 Special Risks or Circumstances. SBCTA reserves the right to modify any or all of the above insurance requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

ARTICLE 22. INDEMNITY

22.1 To the extent, but only to the extent, that CONSULTANT's Work falls within the scope of Civil Code Section 2782.8, the following indemnification is applicable:

CONSULTANT shall indemnify and defend (with legal counsel reasonably approved by SBCTA) SBCTA, the San Bernardino Council of Governments ("SBCOG"), SBCOG's Entities, Omnitrans and their authorized officers, employees, agents and volunteers (collectively "Indemnitees"), from any and all losses, damages, liability, actions, and/or costs for claims that arise out of, pertain to, or are related to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the professional to the maximum extent permitted by Civil Code Section 2782.8.

22.2 For all other Work and obligations under this Contract, CONSULTANT agrees to indemnify, defend (with legal counsel reasonably approved by SBCTA) and hold harmless SBCTA, SBCOG, SBCOG's Entities (see Exhibit C), Omnitrans and their authorized officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("Indemnitees"), from any and all claims, actions, losses, damages and/or liability ("Claims") arising out of this Contract from any cause whatsoever, including acts, errors, or omissions of any person and for any costs or expenses incurred by any Indemnitee(s) on account of any claim, except where such indemnification is prohibited by law. This indemnification provision shall apply regardless of the existence or degree of fault of Indemnitees. CONSULTANT's indemnification obligation applies to Indemnitees' "active" as well as "passive" negligence, but does not apply to the "sole negligence" or "willful misconduct," within the meaning of Civil Code section 2782, of any Indemnitee.

ARTICLE 23. ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

CONSULTANT shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and coordination of all Work required under this Contract. CONSULTANT shall be liable for SBCTA's costs resulting from errors or deficiencies in Work furnished under this Contract, including, but not limited to, any fines, penalties, damages, and costs required because of an error or deficiency in the Work provided by CONSULTANT under this Contract.

ARTICLE 24. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

All deliverables, including but not limited to, drawings, reports, worksheets, and other data developed by CONSULTANT under this Contract shall become the sole property of SBCTA when prepared, whether delivered to SBCTA or not.

ARTICLE 25. SUBCONTRACTS

25.1 CONSULTANT shall not subcontract performance of all or any portion of Work under this Contract, except to those subconsultants listed in CONSULTANT's proposal, without first notifying SBCTA in writing of the intended subcontracting and obtaining SBCTA's written approval of the subcontracting and the subconsultant. The definition of subconsultant and the requirements for subconsultants hereunder shall include all subcontracts at any tier.

25.2 CONSULTANT agrees that any and all subconsultants of CONSULTANT performing Work under this Contract will comply with the terms and conditions of this Contract applicable to the portion of Work performed by them. CONSULTANT shall incorporate all applicable provisions of this Contract into their subcontracts regardless of the tier. If requested by SBCTA, CONSULTANT shall furnish SBCTA a copy of the proposed

subcontract for SBCTA's approval of the terms and conditions thereof and shall not execute such subcontract until SBCTA has approved such terms and conditions. SBCTA's approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

- 25.3 Approval by SBCTA of any Work to be subcontracted and the subconsultant to perform said Work will not relieve CONSULTANT of any responsibility or liability in regard to the acceptable and complete performance of said Work. Any substitution of subconsultants must be approved in writing by SBCTA. CONSULTANT shall have sole responsibility for managing all of their subconsultants, including resolution of any disputes between CONSULTANT and its subconsultants.

ARTICLE 26. RECORD INSPECTION AND AUDITING

SBCTA or any of its designees, representatives, or agents shall at all times have access during normal business hours to CONSULTANT's operations and products wherever they are in preparation or progress, and CONSULTANT shall provide sufficient, safe, and proper facilities for such access and inspection thereof. Inspection or lack of inspection by SBCTA shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any of their rights to require CONSULTANT to comply with the Contract or to subsequently reject unsatisfactory Work or products.

ARTICLE 27. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

CONSULTANT is and shall be at all times an independent contractor. Accordingly, all Work provided by CONSULTANT shall be done and performed by CONSULTANT under the sole supervision, direction and control of CONSULTANT. SBCTA shall rely on CONSULTANT for results only, and shall have no right at any time to direct or supervise CONSULTANT or CONSULTANT's employees in the performance of Work or as to the manner, means and methods by which Work is performed. All personnel furnished by CONSULTANT pursuant to this Contract, and all representatives of CONSULTANT, shall be and remain the employees or agents of CONSULTANT or of CONSULTANT's subconsultant(s) at all times, and shall not at any time or for any purpose whatsoever be considered employees or agents of SBCTA.

ARTICLE 28. ATTORNEY'S FEES

If any legal action is instituted to enforce or declare any Party's rights under the Contract, each Party, including the prevailing Party, must bear its own costs and attorneys' fees. This Article shall not apply to those costs and attorneys' fees directly arising from any third party legal action against a Party hereto and payable under the "Indemnity" provision of the Contract.

ARTICLE 29. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

This Contract shall be subject to the law and jurisdiction of the State of California. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Contract was entered into and intended to be performed in whole or substantial part in San Bernardino County, California. The Parties agree that the venue for any action or claim brought by any Party to this Contract will be the Superior Court of California, San Bernardino County. Each Party hereby waives any law or rule of court which would allow them to request or demand a change of venue. If any action or claim concerning this Contract is brought by any third party, the Parties hereto agree to use their best efforts to obtain a change of venue to the Superior Court of California, San Bernardino County.

ARTICLE 30. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS

CONSULTANT warrants that in the performance of this Contract, it shall comply with all applicable federal, State and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

ARTICLE 31. PRECEDENCE

- 31.1 The Contract consists of the following: Contract Articles; Exhibit A “Scope of Work”; Exhibit B “Price Proposal”; SBCTA’s Request for Proposal; and CONSULTANT’s proposal, all of which are incorporated into this Contract by this reference.
- 31.2 The following order of precedence shall apply: first, the Contract Articles; second, Exhibits A and B; third, SBCTA’s Request for Proposal; and last, CONSULTANT’s proposal. In the event of a conflict between the Contract Articles and the Scope of Work, the Contract Articles will prevail.
- 31.3 In the event of discovery of an express conflict between the documents listed in this Article, or between any other documents which are a part of the Contract, CONSULTANT shall notify SBCTA in writing within three (3) business days of its discovery of the conflict and shall comply with SBCTA's resolution of the conflict.

ARTICLE 32. COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTICES

Notices sent by mail shall be by United States Mail, postage paid, certified mail (return receipt requested). Any and all notices permitted or required to be given hereunder shall be deemed duly given and received: (a) upon actual delivery, if delivery is personally made or if made by fax or email during regular business hours; (b) the first business day following delivery by fax or email when not made during regular business hours; or (c) on the fourth business day after deposit of such notice into the United States Mail. Each such notice shall be sent to the respective Party at the address indicated below or to any other address as the respective Parties may designate from time to time by a notice given in accordance with this Article. CONSULTANT shall notify SBCTA of any contact information changes within ten (10) business days of the change.

To CONSULTANT	To SBCTA
	1170 W. 3rd Street, 2nd Floor
	San Bernardino, CA 92410-1715
Attn:	Attn:
Email:	Email:
Phone:	Phone: (909) 884-8276
2nd Contact:	Copy: Procurement Manager
Email:	Email: procurement@gosbcta.com

ARTICLE 33. DISPUTES

- 33.1 In the event any dispute, other than an audit, arises between the Parties in connection with this Contract (including but not limited to disputes over payments, reimbursements, costs, expenses, Work to be performed, Scope of Work and/or time of performance), the dispute shall be decided by SBCTA’s Procurement Manager within thirty (30) calendar days after notice thereof in writing, which notice shall include a particular statement of the grounds

of the dispute. If CONSULTANT does not agree with the decision, then CONSULTANT shall have ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the decision in which to file a written appeal thereto with SBCTA's Executive Director. If the Executive Director fails to resolve the dispute in a manner acceptable to CONSULTANT, then such dispute may be reviewed by a court of competent jurisdiction.

33.2 During resolution of the dispute, CONSULTANT shall proceed with performance of this Contract with due diligence.

ARTICLE 34. GRATUITIES

CONSULTANT, its employees, agents, or representatives shall not offer or give to any officer, official, agent or employee of SBCTA, any gift, entertainment, payment, loan, or other gratuity.

ARTICLE 35. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE

All Work performed by CONSULTANT shall be subject to periodic review and approval by SBCTA at any and all places where such performance may be carried on. Failure of SBCTA to make such review or to discover defective work shall not prejudice the rights of SBCTA at the time of final acceptance. All Work performed by CONSULTANT shall be subject to periodic and final review and acceptance by SBCTA upon completion of all Work.

ARTICLE 36. CONFIDENTIALITY

See Article 17.

ARTICLE 37. EVALUATION OF CONSULTANT

CONSULTANT's performance may be evaluated by SBCTA periodically throughout the Contract performance period, such as at the completion of certain milestones as identified in Scope of Work and/or at the completion of the Contract. A copy of the evaluation will be given to CONSULTANT for their information. The evaluation information shall be retained as part of the Contract file and may be used to evaluate CONSULTANT if they submit a proposal on a future RFP issued by SBCTA.

ARTICLE 38. SAFETY

CONSULTANT shall strictly comply with OSHA regulations and local, municipal, state, and federal safety and health laws, orders and regulations applicable to CONSULTANT's operations in the performance of Work under this Contract. CONSULTANT shall comply with all safety instructions issued by SBCTA or their representatives.

ARTICLE 39. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

CONSULTANT agrees to comply with the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1990 per Government Code Section 8350 et seq, the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, as amended, 41 U.S.C. § 8103, et seq.; U.S. DOT regulations, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance)," 49 CFR Part 32; and U.S. OMB regulatory guidance, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance)," 2 CFR Part 182, particularly where the U.S. OMB regulatory guidance supersedes comparable provisions of 49 CFR Part 32.

ARTICLE 40. ASSIGNMENT

CONSULTANT shall not assign this Contract in whole or in part, voluntarily, by operation of law, or otherwise, without first obtaining the written consent of SBCTA. SBCTA's exercise of consent shall be within its sole discretion. Any purported assignment without SBCTA's prior written consent shall be void and of no effect, and shall constitute a material breach of this Contract. Subject to the foregoing, the provisions of this Contract shall extend to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Parties.

ARTICLE 41. AMENDMENTS

The Contract may only be changed by a written amendment duly executed by the Parties. Work authorized under an amendment shall not commence until the amendment has been duly executed.

ARTICLE 42. PREVAILING WAGES

42.1 The State of California's General Prevailing Wage Rates are not applicable to this Contract.

ARTICLE 43. CONTINGENT FEE

CONSULTANT warrants by execution of this Contract that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, SBCTA has the right to terminate this Contract without liability, pay only for the value of the Work actually performed, or, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

ARTICLE 44. FORCE MAJEURE

CONSULTANT shall not be in default under this Contract in the event that the Work performed by CONSULTANT is temporarily interrupted or discontinued for any of the following reasons: riots, wars, sabotage, acts of terrorism, civil disturbances, insurrection, explosion, pandemics, quarantines, acts of God, acts of government or governmental restraint, and natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, landslides, fires, or other catastrophic events which are beyond the reasonable control of CONSULTANT and which CONSULTANT could not reasonably be expected to have prevented or controlled. "Other catastrophic events" does not include the financial inability of CONSULTANT to perform or failure of CONSULTANT to obtain either any necessary permits or licenses from other governmental agencies or the right to use the facilities of any public utility where such failure is due solely to the acts or omissions of CONSULTANT.

ARTICLE 45. WARRANTY

CONSULTANT warrants that all Work performed shall be in accordance with the Contract and all applicable professional standards. In the event of a breach of this provision, CONSULTANT shall take the necessary actions to correct the breach at CONSULTANT's sole expense. If CONSULTANT does not take the necessary action to correct the breach, SBCTA, without waiving

any other rights or remedies it may have, may take the necessary steps to correct the breach, and the CONSULTANT shall promptly reimburse SBCTA for all expenses and costs incurred.

ARTICLE 46. ENTIRE DOCUMENT

- 46.1 This Contract constitutes the sole and only agreement governing the Work and supersedes any prior understandings, written or oral, between the Parties respecting the Project. All previous proposals, offers, and other communications, written or oral, relative to this Contract, are superseded except to the extent that they have been expressly incorporated into this Contract.
- 46.2 No agent, official, employee or representative of SBCTA has any authority to bind SBCTA to any affirmation, representation or warranty outside of, or in conflict with, the stated terms of this Contract, and CONSULTANT hereby stipulates that it has not relied, and will not rely, on same.
- 46.3 Both Parties have been represented or had the full opportunity to be represented by legal counsel of their own choosing in the negotiation and preparation of this Contract. Therefore, the language in all parts of this Contract will be construed, in all cases, according to its fair meaning, and not for or against either Party.

ARTICLE 47. COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act in performing Work under this Contract.

ARTICLE 48. EFFECTIVE DATE

The date that this Contract is executed by SBCTA shall be the Effective Date of the Contract.

-----SIGNATURES ARE ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE-----

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Contract below.

CONSULTANT

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY**

By: _____
Name
Title

Date: _____

By: _____
Joe Baca, Jr.
President, Board of Directors

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: _____
Name
Title

Date: _____

By: _____
Iain MacMillan
Assistant General Counsel

Date: _____

CONCURRENCE

By: _____
Alicia J. Bullock
Procurement Manager

Date: _____

EXHIBIT “A”
“SCOPE OF WORK”

EXHIBIT “B”
“PRICE PROPOSAL”

EXHIBIT “C”
“SBCOG ENTITIES”

City of Adelanto	City of Hesperia	City of San Bernardino
Town of Apple Valley	City of Highland	County of San Bernardino
City of Barstow	City of Loma Linda	City of Twentynine Palms
City of Big Bear Lake	City of Montclair	City of Upland
City of Chino	City of Needles	City of Victorville
City of Chino Hills	City of Ontario	City of Yucaipa
City of Colton	City of Rancho Cucamonga	Town of Yucca Valley
City of Fontana	City of Redlands	
City of Grand Terrace	City of Rialto	



CONTRACT AGREEMENT

	between	
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OmniTrans	)	<u>OmniTrans Project Manager:</u>
1700 West Fifth Street	)	Name:
San Bernardino, CA 92411	)	Title:
(hereinafter "OMNITRANS")	)	Telephone:
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	)	<u>Contract Administrator:</u>
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ATTACHMENT A – INSURANCE

ATTACHMENT B – SCOPE OF WORK

This Agreement is made and entered into as of this XXX day of Choose an item., by and between Omnitrans (hereinafter referred to as "OMNITRANS") and XXX (hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR").

RECITALS

WHEREAS OMNITRANS is a joint powers authority organized under Section 6500 et seq. of the California Government Code with power to contract for services described in Attachment A to this Agreement entitled "Attachment A, Scope of Work" (hereinafter referred to as "Work");

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has indicated it is qualified to perform such services and (1) has reviewed all the available data furnished by OMNITRANS pertinent to the Work to be rendered; (2) has inspected and reviewed the Work to be rendered; (3) will exercise the ordinary care and skill expected of a practitioner in its profession; and (4) is willing to accept responsibility of performing the Work set forth in this Agreement for the compensation and in accordance with the terms, requirements and conditions herein specified;

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration hereinafter stated, the parties agree as follows:

1. SCOPE OF WORK

- A. CONTRACTOR will perform the Work and related tasks as described in Attachment A, Scope of Work hereto and is incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Agreement.
- B. This is a non-exclusive Agreement, whereby OMNITRANS may, at its sole discretion, augment or supplant the Work with its own forces or forces of another contractor or entity. CONTRACTOR will cooperate fully with OMNITRANS' staff or other contractor or entity that may be providing similar or the same Work for OMNITRANS.

2. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The term of this Agreement shall be from the date of execution of this Agreement and continue in effect through XXX, unless terminated as specified in Section 10 and 11 of this Agreement. Omnitrans has no obligation to purchase any specified amount of products/services. All applicable indemnification provisions in this Agreement shall remain in effect following the termination of this Agreement.

Omnitrans' election to extend the Agreement beyond the Initial Term shall not diminish its right to terminate the Agreement for Omnitrans' convenience or CONTRACTORS default as provided elsewhere in this Agreement. The "maximum term" of this Agreement shall be the period extended from through XXX

3. CONTRACT OPTIONS

- A. Omnitrans will have the unilateral right in the Agreement by which, for a specified time, Omnitrans may elect to purchase additional services called for by the Agreement or may elect to extend the term of the Agreement. The requirements below apply:
 - 1) Any options that were requested by Omnitrans and/or contained in the CONTRACTOR's PROPOSAL or offer must have been evaluated in making the contract award prior to exercising any such options.
 - 2) Since CONTRACTOR's proposed pricing for the option years and additional services are considered in evaluating the CONTRACTOR's original proposal and form the basis for awarding the contract, CONTRACTOR shall be bound by the proposal pricing for additional services and/or option years, unless otherwise provided herein.
- B. Omnitrans will provide a minimum of thirty days (30) written notice to the CONTRACTOR of Omnitrans' exercise of its option to extend the Agreement years. Omnitrans may give notice of its exercise of the option for additional services at any time during the term of the Agreement. The minimum time for the written notice may be waived by mutual agreement.

4. COMPENSATION

For CONTRACTOR's full and complete performance of its obligations under this Agreement, OMNITRANS shall pay CONTRACTOR on a FIXED PRICE basis at the fully burdened fixed rates shown in Attachment C, and subject to the maximum cumulative payment obligation.

OMNITRANS' maximum cumulative payment obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed XXX Dollars \$XXX, including all amounts payable to CONTRACTOR for all costs, including but not limited to direct labor, other direct costs, subcontracts, indirect costs including, but not limited to, leases, materials, taxes, insurance, and profit. This cost includes a ten percent (10%) contingency cost.

5. INVOICING AND PAYMENT

- A. CONTRACTOR shall invoice OMNITRANS monthly no later than the 15th of each month. CONTRACTOR shall furnish information as may be requested by OMNITRANS to substantiate the validity of an invoice.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices to:

OMNITRANS
1700 West Fifth Street
San Bernardino, CA 92411
Attn: Accounts Payable

Accountspayable@omnitrans.org

Each invoice shall include, at minimum, the following information:

- Contract number
- Invoice number
- Omnitrans SAP number
- List of equipment/materials delivered
- Description of work performed
- Date(s) of work performed
- Information as requested by OMNITRANS

- B. OMNITRANS shall remit payment within thirty (30) calendar days of approval of the invoices by OMNITRANS' Project Manager.

In the event OMNITRANS should overpay CONTRACTOR, such overpayment shall not be construed as a waiver of OMNITRANS' right to obtain reimbursement for the overpayment. Upon discovering any overpayment, either on its own or upon notice of OMNITRANS, CONTRACTOR shall immediately reimburse OMNITRANS the entire overpayment or, at its sole discretion, OMNITRANS may deduct such overpayment amount from monies due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement or any other Agreement between OMNITRANS and CONTRACTOR.

- C. Prompt Payment Clause

Omnitrans has, by a contract clause pursuant to 49 CFR 26.29; "Prompt Payment Mechanisms for Recipients", adopted a prompt payment provision on all DOT-assisted contracts, to facilitate timely payment to all subcontractors. This provision, governing the payment to subcontractors (DBEs and non-DBEs), requires the Prime CONTRACTOR to issue payment to all subcontractors for satisfactory work performed, no later than seven (7) days from CONTRACTOR's receipt of payment from Omnitrans. A provision

will also apply to the disbursement of retention proceeds withheld by Prime CONTRACTOR, requiring the prompt return of retention payments from CONTRACTOR to the subcontractor no later than seven (7) days Omnitrans after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Prime CONTRACTOR will incorporate these prompt payment provisions in all subcontract agreements issued by Prime CONTRACTOR with respect to this Contract.

In accordance with §26.29 "Prompt Payment Provisions", Omnitrans at its discretion, utilizes the following method to comply with the prompt payment of retainage requirement:

Hold retainage from the Prime CONTRACTOR and require a contract clause obligating Prime CONTRACTOR to make prompt and full payment of any retainage kept by Prime CONTRACTOR to the subcontractor within 7 days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed.

Failure to comply with these prompt payment provisions or delay in issuing payment without prior written approval from Omnitrans will constitute noncompliance, which will result in the application of appropriate administrative sanctions, including, but not limited to, a penalty of 1% of the amount due per month to the affected subcontractor for every month that payment is not made.

CONTRACTOR will not be reimbursed for work performed by subcontractors unless and until the contractor ensures that the subcontractors are promptly paid for the work performed. CONTRACTOR shall include a prompt payment clause that complies with local, state, and federal prompt payment requirements in all subcontracts entered into under this contract. Should contractor fail to meet subcontractor prompt payment requirements for two (2) consecutive subcontractor payments without good cause, OMNITRANS may impose appropriate penalties for failure to comply with prompt payment requirements.

D. TITLE

- a. Title shall pass to Omnitrans at the time of payment.
- b. The title transferred as above shall in each case be good, and free and clear from any and all security interests, liens, and/or other encumbrances.
- c. The transfer of title as specified above shall not imply Acceptance by Omnitrans, nor relieve the CONTRACTOR from the responsibility for strict compliance with the Contract, including warranty as specified in the Section entitled Warranty of Work, and for any loss of or damage to the Work.
- d. The CONTRACTOR at its own expense shall promptly execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Omnitrans proper bills of sale or other written instruments of title in a form as required by Omnitrans; said

instruments shall convey to the Omnitrans' title free and clear of debts, claims, liens, mortgages, taxes, and/or encumbrances.

e. CONTRACTOR shall have title to and bear the risk of any loss of or damage to Work purchased hereunder until they are delivered, unloaded, and received by Omnitrans at the FOB Destination specified herein. CONTRACTOR's responsibility for loss or damage except for loss or damage resulting from CONTRACTOR's negligence, shall cease when title passes to Omnitrans.

6. AUDIT AND INSPECTION OF RECORDS

CONTRACTOR agrees that OMNITRANS or any duly authorized representative shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, timecards, employment records or other records relating to this Agreement. Such material, including all pertinent cost, accounting, financial records, and proprietary data must be kept and maintained by CONTRACTOR for a period of three (3) years after completion of this Agreement unless OMNITRANS' written permission is given to CONTRACTOR to dispose of material prior to this time.

7. NOTIFICATION

All notices hereunder concerning this Agreement and the Work to be performed shall be physically transmitted by courier, overnight, registered, or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

To OMNITRANS:

To CONTRACTOR:

Omnitrans
1700 West Fifth Street
San Bernardino, CA 92411
Attn: Alexander Shippee
Title: Planner I

XXX
XXX
XXX
Attn:
Title:

8. OMNITRANS' AND CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVES

A. OMNITRANS' Project Manager

Contracting Officer: OMNITRANS' CEO/General Manager or authorized designee who has authority to execute contracts on behalf of OMNITRANS.

Project Manager: XXX.

- a. Except as expressly specified in this Agreement, the Contracting Officer may exercise any powers, rights and/or privileges that have been lawfully delegated by OMNITRANS. Nothing in this Agreement should be construed to bind OMNITRANS for acts of its officers,

employees, and/or agents that exceed the delegation of authority specified herein.

- b. The Contracting Officer has delegated to the Project Manager certain powers and duties in connection with this Agreement. The Project Manager is the authorized representative of the Contracting Officer for matters related to this Agreement. The Project Manager or designee is empowered to:
 - 1. Have general oversight of the Work and this Agreement, including the power to enforce compliance with this Agreement.
 - 2. Reserve the right to remove any portion of the Work from CONTRACTOR which have not been performed to OMNITRANS' satisfaction.
 - 3. Subject to the review and acceptance by OMNITRANS, negotiate with CONTRACTOR all adjustments pertaining to this Agreement for revision.
- c. In addition to the foregoing, the Project Manager shall have those rights and powers expressly set forth in other sections of this Agreement.

B. Contractor's Key Personnel

The following are CONTRACTOR's key personnel and their associated roles in the Work to be provided:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>

Any proposed/substitution or replacement by CONTRACTOR of CONTRACTOR's key personnel shall ensure that such person possesses the same or better expertise and experience than the key personnel being substituted or replaced. Omnitrans reserves the right to interview such person to ascertain and verify if such proposed substitution or replacement does indeed possess such expertise and experience.

OMNITRANS awarded this Agreement to CONTRACTOR based on OMNITRANS' confidence and reliance on the expertise of CONTRACTOR's key personnel described above. CONTRACTOR shall not reassign key personnel or assign other personnel to key personnel roles until CONTRACTOR obtains prior written approval from OMNITRANS.

9. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any disputes between the successful CONTRACTOR and OMNITRANS relating to the implementation or administration of the Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this section.

- A. The parties shall first attempt to resolve the dispute informally in meetings or communications between proposer and OMNITRANS.
- B. If the dispute remains unresolved fifteen (15) days after it first arises, CONTRACTOR may request that Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager issue a recommended decision on the matter in dispute. Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager shall issue the recommended decision in writing and provide a copy to CONTRACTOR.
- C. If the dispute remains unresolved after review by Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager, either party may seek judicial resolution of the dispute in an appropriate Court of the State of California County of San Bernardino.
- D. Pending final resolution of a dispute under this section, CONTRACTOR shall proceed diligently with performance in accordance with the Agreement and Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager's recommended decision.

10. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

OMNITRANS may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part for OMNITRANS' convenience. Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager shall terminate this Agreement by a written Notice of Termination to CONTRACTOR specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice of termination, CONTRACTOR shall immediately discontinue all Work affected and deliver all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, to Omnitrans' CEO/General Manager. OMNITRANS shall make an equitable adjustment in the Agreement for Work already performed but shall not allow anticipated profit on unperformed services. Force Majeure shall apply.

11. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF AGREEMENT

- A. If CONTRACTOR fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement or so fails to make progress as to endanger timely performance of this Agreement, OMNITRANS may give CONTRACTOR written notice of such

default. If CONTRACTOR does not cure such default or provide a plan to cure such default which is acceptable to OMNITRANS within the time permitted by OMNITRANS, then OMNITRANS may terminate this Agreement due to CONTRACTOR's breach of this Agreement.

- B. If a federal or state proceeding for relief of debtors is undertaken by or against CONTRACTOR, or if CONTRACTOR makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, then OMNITRANS may immediately terminate this Agreement.
- C. If CONTRACTOR violates Section 28, Compliance with Lobbying Policies, of this Agreement, then OMNITRANS may immediately terminate this Agreement.
- D. In the event OMNITRANS terminates this Agreement as provided in this Section, OMNITRANS may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as OMNITRANS may deem appropriate, work similar in scope and level of effort to those so terminated, and CONTRACTOR shall be liable to OMNITRANS for all of its costs and damages, including, but not limited, any excess costs for such Work.
- E. All finished or unfinished documents and materials produced or procured under this Agreement shall become OMNITRANS' property upon date of such termination.
- F. If, after notice of termination of this Agreement under the provisions of this Section, it is determined for any reason that CONTRACTOR was not in default under the provisions of this Section, or that the default was excusable under the terms of this Agreement, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Section 10, Termination for Convenience.
- G. The rights and remedies of OMNITRANS provided in this Section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

12. ASSIGNMENT

This Agreement, any interest herein or claim hereunder, may not be assigned by CONTRACTOR either voluntarily or by operation of law, nor may all or any part of this Agreement be subcontracted by CONTRACTOR, without the prior written consent of OMNITRANS. Consent by OMNITRANS shall not be deemed to relieve CONTRACTOR of its obligations to comply fully with all terms and conditions of this Agreement.

13. SUBCONTRACTING

- A. OMNITRANS hereby consents to CONTRACTOR's subcontracting of portions of the Work to the parties identified below for the functions described in CONTRACTOR's proposal. CONTRACTOR shall include in each subcontract agreement the stipulation that CONTRACTOR, not OMNITRANS, is solely responsible for payment to the subcontractor for all amounts owing and that the subcontractor shall have no claim, and shall take no action against OMNITRANS, Member Agencies or officers, directors, employees or sureties thereof for nonpayment by CONTRACTOR.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall not, without the express written consent of Omnitrans, either:
- a. Substitute any person, firm, or corporation as subcontractor in place of the subcontractors identified below; or
 - b. Permit any subcontract to be assigned or transferred; or
 - c. Allow work to be performed by anyone other than the original subcontractor listed below.

Subcontractor's Name and Address	License #	Work to Be Performed
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- C. CONTRACTOR shall report subcontractor awards and payments via a Web-based system on a monthly basis unless Omnitrans approves in writing the use of a Subcontractors Paid Report and Payment Verification form.

14. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR's relationship to OMNITRANS in the performance of this Agreement is that of an independent CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR's personnel performing Work under this Agreement shall at all times be under CONTRACTOR's exclusive direction and control and shall be employees of CONTRACTOR and not employees of OMNITRANS. CONTRACTOR shall pay

all wages, salaries, and other amounts due its employees in connection with this Agreement and shall be responsible for all reports and obligations respecting them, such as social security, income tax withholding, unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, and similar matters.

15. RESERVED

16. INDEMNITY

CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless OMNITRANS, and its member agencies, and their officers, directors, employees and agents from and against any and all liability, expense (including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees), claims, causes of action, and lawsuits for damages of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, bodily injury, death, personal injury or property damage (including property of CONTRACTOR) arising from or connected with any alleged act and/or omission of CONTRACTOR, its officers, directors, employees, agents, Subcontractors or suppliers. This indemnity shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement and/or final payment thereunder.

17. REVISIONS IN SCOPE OF WORK

By written notice or order, OMNITRANS may, from time to time, order work suspension or make changes to this Agreement. Changes in the Work shall be mutually agreed to and incorporated into an amendment to this Agreement. Upon execution of an amendment, CONTRACTOR shall perform the Work, as amended.

18. RIGHTS IN TECHNICAL DATA

- A. No material or technical data prepared by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement is to be released by CONTRACTOR to any other person or entity except as necessary for the performance of the Work. All press releases or information concerning the Work that might appear in any publication or dissemination, including but not limited to, newspapers, magazines, and electronic media, shall first be authorized in writing by OMNITRANS.
- B. The originals of all letters, documents, reports and other products and data produced under this Agreement shall become the property of OMNITRANS without restriction or limitation on their use and shall be made available upon request to OMNITRANS at any time. Original copies of such shall be delivered to OMNITRANS upon completion of the Work or termination of the Work. CONTRACTOR shall be permitted to retain copies of such items for the furtherance of its technical proficiency; however, publication of this material is subject to the prior written approval of OMNITRANS. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement and/or final payment thereunder.

19. OWNERSHIP OF REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS

The originals of all letters, documents, reports and other products and data produced under this Agreement shall be delivered to and become the sole and exclusive property of OMNITRANS. Copies may be made for CONTRACTOR's records but shall not be furnished to others without prior written authorization from OMNITRANS. Such deliverables shall be deemed works made for hire, and all rights in copyright therein shall be retained by OMNITRANS.

20. OWNERSHIP RIGHTS

- A. In the event OMNITRANS rightfully obtains copies of Proprietary Data under the terms of the separate License Agreement and Escrow Agreement that govern rights in Documentation, Software and Intellectual Property created and/or developed by CONTRACTOR, its Third Party Software CONTRACTORS and its Suppliers as part of the Project, any derivative works and associated documentation created by or on behalf of OMNITRANS by Permitted Programmers (as defined in the License Agreement) shall be the sole and exclusive property of OMNITRANS (collectively, "OMNITRANS Intellectual Property"), and OMNITRANS may use, disclose and exercise dominion and full rights of ownership, in any manner in OMNITRANS Intellectual Property in connection with the use, operation and maintenance of a transportation system administered by OMNITRANS. No use of OMNITRANS Intellectual Property shall be made for any purpose other than in conjunction with a transportation system administered by CONTRACTOR, and OMNITRANS shall not sell, lease, rent, give away or otherwise disclose any OMNITRANS Intellectual Property to any outside third party other than Permitted Programmers. To the extent there may be any question of rights of ownership or use in any OMNITRANS Intellectual Property, CONTRACTOR shall require all of its subcontractors and suppliers (including without limitation its Third-Party Software CONTRACTORS) to assign to OMNITRANS, all worldwide right, title and interest in and to all OMNITRANS Intellectual Property in a manner consistent with the foregoing terms of this paragraph. CONTRACTOR shall execute any documents as OMNITRANS may, from time to time, reasonably request to effectuate the terms of this paragraph.
- B. All documentation and Software which predates this Agreement, and which is otherwise owned by CONTRACTOR or its Third-Party Software CONTRACTORS, and all Documentation and Software which is created by CONTRACTOR or its Third Party Software CONTRACTORS shall be Licensed Software or Licensed Documentation, as appropriate. All Licensed Software and Licensed Documentation shall be governed by the License Agreement by and between the parties of event date herewith.

21. WORK FOR HIRE

Any work created or produced as a part of this Agreement that may be defined under Section 101, Title 17, USC will be considered "work made for hire" as it pertains to ownership rights. CONTRACTOR, by his/her endorsement hereon agrees that all rights to any work(s) created or produced are waived, and that ownership rests with OMNITRANS. CONTRACTOR further agrees to ensure transfer of all rights to such work(s), as defined under federal copyright law, that may be created or produced under this Agreement by its suppliers, contractors or subcontractors.

22. SUBMITTAL OF CLAIMS BY CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR shall file any and all claims with OMNITRANS' Project Manager in writing within thirty (30) days of the event or occurrence giving rise to the claim. The claim shall be in sufficient detail to enable OMNITRANS to ascertain the claim's basis and amount, and shall describe the date, place and other pertinent circumstances of the event or occurrence giving rise to the claim and the indebtedness, obligation, injury, loss or damages allegedly incurred by CONTRACTOR.

Even though a claim may be filed and/or in review by OMNITRANS, CONTRACTOR shall continue to perform in accordance with this Agreement.

23. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

CONTRACTOR shall not, and shall cause the Subcontractors to not, discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the selection of Subcontractors and the performance of the Work under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall carry out, and shall cause the Subcontractors to carry out, applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26. Failure by CONTRACTOR to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Agreement, which may result in the termination of this Agreement or such other remedy as Omnitrans deems appropriate (subject to CONTRACTOR's rights to notice and opportunity to cure set forth in this Agreement).

CONTRACTOR shall include this Section in every Subcontract (including purchase orders and in every subcontract of any Related Entity for the Work), and shall require that they be included in all Subcontracts at lower tiers, so that such provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor.

CONTRACTOR confirms that CONTRACTOR has an equal employment opportunity policy ensuring equal employment opportunity without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or handicap; and that CONTRACTOR maintains no employee facilities segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable Governmental Rules relating to equal employment opportunity and nondiscrimination, Attachment B, and shall require its Subcontractors to comply with such provisions.

24. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE

- A. CONTRACTOR shall perform and exercise and require its subcontractors to perform and exercise due professional care and competence in the performance of the Work in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, completeness, and coordination of the Work, it being understood that OMNITRANS will be relying upon such professional quality, accuracy, completeness, and coordination in utilizing the Work. The foregoing obligations and standards shall constitute the "Standard of Performance" for purposes of this Agreement. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement and/or final payment thereunder.
- B. All workers shall have sufficient skill and experience to perform the Work assigned to them. OMNITRANS shall have the right, at its sole discretion, to require the immediate removal of CONTRACTOR's personnel at any level assigned to the performance of the Work at no additional fee or cost to OMNITRANS, if OMNITRANS considers such removal in its best interests and requests such removal in writing and such request is not done for illegal reasons. Further, an employee who is removed from performing Work under this Agreement under this Section shall not be re-assigned to perform Work in any other capacity under this Agreement without OMNITRANS' prior written approval.

25. NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT OF OMNITRANS BOARD MEMBERS/ALTERNATES AND EMPLOYEES

To ensure compliance with OMNITRANS' Ethics Policy, CONTRACTOR shall provide written notice to OMNITRANS disclosing the identity of any individual who CONTRACTOR desires to employ or retain under a contract, and who (1) presently serves as a Board Member/Alternate or an employee of OMNITRANS, or (2) served as a Board Member/Alternate or an employee of OMNITRANS within the previous 12 months of the date of the proposed employment or retention by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR's written notice shall indicate whether the individual will be an officer, principal, or shareholder of the entity and/or will participate in the performance of this Agreement.

26. DISQUALIFYING POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

In the event of a proposed amendment to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall provide prior to the execution of such amendment, a written statement disclosing any contribution(s) of \$250 or more made by CONTRACTOR or its subcontractor(s) to Omnitrans Board Members/Alternates or employees within the preceding twelve (12) months of the date of the proposed amendment. Applicable contributions include those made by any agent/person/entity on behalf of CONTRACTOR or subcontractor(s).

27. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

- A. CONTRACTOR shall familiarize itself with and perform the Work required under this Agreement in conformity with requirements and standards of OMNITRANS, municipal and public agencies, public and private utilities, special districts, and railroad agencies whose facilities and work may be affected by Work under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all Federal, state and local laws and ordinances.
- B. If this work is financed in part with federal funds, it is therefore subject to federal statutes, rules, and regulations applicable to work financed with federal funds, including the requirements in Attachment B. CONTRACTOR shall comply and require its Subcontractors to comply with all applicable federal requirements, including those requirements in Attachment B. In the event of any conflict between any applicable federal requirements and the other requirements of this Contract, the federal requirements shall prevail.
- C. Government regulations that directly affect the CONTRACTOR'S performance of this Agreement and unforeseen impacts, which neither party could have contemplated at the onset of the Agreement and have an unconscionable impact on the CONTRACTOR may be given special pricing consideration. The parties, in good faith, shall review established rates and may adopt any mutually agreed new rates, which shall only be effective as agreed upon by the parties. Thorough documentation including all cost elements is required to support the CONTRACTOR's claim to any relief under this Section.

28. COMPLIANCE WITH LOBBYING POLICIES

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees that if it is a Lobbyist Employer or if it has retained a Lobbying Firm or Lobbyist, as such terms are defined by OMNITRANS in its Ethics Policy, it shall comply or ensure that its Lobbying Firm and Lobbyist complies with OMNITRANS' Ethics Policy.
- B. If CONTRACTOR (Lobbyist Employer) or its Lobbying Firm or Lobbyist fails to comply, in whole or in part, with OMNITRANS' Ethics Policy, such failure shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and OMNITRANS shall have the right to immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

29. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

- A. All records, documents, drawings, plans, specifications, and other material relating to conduct of OMNITRANS' business, including materials submitted by CONTRACTOR in its proposal and during the course of performing the Work under this Agreement, shall become the exclusive property of OMNITRANS and may be deemed public records. Said materials may be subject to the provisions of the California Public Records Act. OMNITRANS' use and disclosure of its records are governed by this Act.

- B. OMNITRANS will not advise as to the nature or content of documents entitled to protection from disclosure under the California Public Records Act, including interpretations of the Act or the definitions of trade secret, confidential or proprietary. OMNITRANS will accept materials clearly and prominently labeled "TRADE SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROPRIETARY" as determined by CONTRACTOR. OMNITRANS will endeavor to notify CONTRACTOR of any request of the disclosure of such materials. Under no circumstances, however, will OMNITRANS be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any labeled materials whether the disclosure is required by law or a court order or occurs through inadvertence, mistake or negligence on the part of OMNITRANS or its officers, employees and/or contractors.
- C. In the event of litigation concerning the disclosure of any material submitted by CONTRACTOR, OMNITRANS' sole involvement will be as a stake holder, retaining the material until otherwise ordered by a court. CONTRACTOR, at its sole expense and risk, shall be responsible for prosecuting or defending any action concerning the materials, and shall defend, indemnify, and hold OMNITRANS harmless from all costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, in connection with such action.

30. WAIVER/INVALIDITY

No waiver of a breach of any provision of this Agreement by either party shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of the provision, or of any other breach of the provision of the Agreement. Failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement at any time shall not be construed as a waiver of that provision.

The invalidity in whole or in part of any provision of this Agreement shall not void or affect the validity of any other provision.

31. FORCE MAJEURE

Performance of each and all CONTRACTOR's and OMNITRANS' covenants herein shall be subject to such delays as may occur without CONTRACTOR's or OMNITRANS' fault from acts of God, strikes, riots, or from other similar causes beyond CONTRACTOR's or OMNITRANS' control.

32. CONFIDENTIALITY

CONTRACTOR agrees that for and during the entire term of this Agreement, any information, data, figures, records, findings and the like received or generated by CONTRACTOR in the performance of this Agreement, shall be considered and kept as the private and privileged records of OMNITRANS and will not be divulged to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity except on the direct prior written authorization of OMNITRANS. Further, upon expiration or termination of this Agreement for any reason, CONTRACTOR agrees that it will continue to treat as private and privileged any information, data, figures, records, findings, and the like,

and will not release any such information to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, either by statement, deposition, or as a witness, except upon direct prior written authority of OMNITRANS.

33. CONTRACTOR'S INTERACTION WITH THE MEDIA AND THE PUBLIC

- A. OMNITRANS shall review and approve in writing all OMNITRANS related copy proposed to be used by CONTRACTOR for advertising or public relations purposes prior to publication. CONTRACTOR shall not allow OMNITRANS related copy to be published in its advertisements and public relations programs prior to receiving such approval. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all published information is factual and that it does not in any way imply that OMNITRANS endorses CONTRACTOR's firm, service, and/or product.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall refer all inquiries from the news media to OMNITRANS and shall comply with the procedures of OMNITRANS' Public Affairs staff regarding statements to the media relating to this Agreement or the Work.
- C. If CONTRACTOR receives a complaint from a citizen or the community, CONTRACTOR shall inform OMNITRANS as soon as possible and inform OMNITRANS of any action taken to alleviate the situation.
- D. The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

34. GOVERNING LAW

The validity of this Agreement and of any of its terms or provisions, as well as the rights and duties of the parties hereunder, shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, and the proper venue of any action brought hereunder is and shall be the County of San Bernardino, California.

35. MODIFICATIONS TO AGREEMENT

Unless specified otherwise in the Agreement, this Agreement may only be modified by written mutual consent evidenced by signatures of representatives authorized to enter into and modify the Agreement. In order to be effective, amendments may require prior approval by OMNITRANS' Board of Directors, and in all instances require prior signature of an authorized representative of OMNITRANS.

36. LICENSING, PERMITS AND INSPECTION COSTS

- A. The CONTRACTOR warrants that it has all necessary licenses and permits required by the laws of the United States, State of California, and the County of San Bernardino, the Local Jurisdictions, and all other appropriate governmental agencies, and agrees to maintain these licenses and permits

in effect for the duration of the Agreement. Further, CONTRACTOR warrants that its employees, agents, and contractors and subcontractors shall conduct themselves in compliance with such laws and licensure requirements including, without limitation, compliance with laws applicable to nondiscrimination, sexual harassment and ethical behavior throughout the duration of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR further warrants that it shall not retain or employ an unlicensed subcontractor to perform the Work on this Project. CONTRACTOR shall notify OMNITRANS immediately and in writing of its employees', agents', contractors', or subcontractors' inability to obtain or maintain, irrespective of the pendency of any appeal, any such licenses, permits, approvals, certificates, waivers, exemptions. Such inability shall be cause for termination of this Agreement.

- B. CONTRACTOR shall procure all permits and licenses; pay all charges, assessments, and fees, as may be required by the ordinances and regulations of the public agencies having jurisdiction over the areas in which the Work is located and shall comply with all the terms and conditions thereof and with all lawful orders and regulations of each such public agency relating to construction operations under the jurisdiction of such agency.

37. PRECEDENCE

Conflicting provisions hereof, if any, shall prevail in the following descending order of precedence: (1) the provisions of this Agreement, and any and all of its Amendments, Appendices, Exhibits and Attachments; (2) provisions of XXX and any and all of its Addenda, Appendices, Exhibits and Attachments; and (3) CONTRACTOR's proposal dated XXX and its Appendices, Exhibits, Attachments.

38. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, and any attachments or documents incorporated herein by inclusion or by reference, constitutes the complete and entire agreement between OMNITRANS and CONTRACTOR and supersedes any prior representations, understandings, communications, commitments, agreements, or proposals, oral or written.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed on the date shown below, and effective on the date first hereinabove written.

OMNITRANS

CONTRACTOR
Company name:

Erin Rogers
CEO/General Manager

Name:
Title:

Date _____

Date _____

Federal Tax I.D. No. _____

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ATTACHMENT A INSURANCE

A. Prior to commencing the Work, and at all times during the performance of the Work and for such additional periods as required herein, CONSULTANT and all sub-consultants of every tier performing any Work under this contract shall, at CONSULTANT's and sub-consultant's sole expense, procure and maintain broad form insurance coverage at least as broad as the following minimum requirements specified below:

1. Worker's Compensation/Employer's Liability. The policies must include the following:

- Coverage A. Statutory Benefits
- Coverage B. Employer's Liability
- Bodily Injury by accident - \$1,000,000 per accident
- Bodily Injury by disease - \$1,000,000 policy limit/\$1,000,000 each employee

Such policies shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the parties named as Indemnitees below. Such insurance shall be in strict accordance with the applicable workers' compensation laws in effect during performance of the Work by CONSULTANT or any subconsultant of any tier. All subconsultants of any tier performing any portion of the Work for CONSULTANT shall also obtain and maintain the same insurance coverage as specified in this subparagraph, with a waiver of subrogation in favor of CONSULTANT and all parties named as Indemnitees below. Where coverage is provided through the California State Compensation Insurance Fund, the requirement for a minimum A.M. Best rating does not apply.

2. Commercial General Liability. The policy must include the following:

- Consultant shall maintain commercial general liability(CGL) insurance (Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01), and if necessary excess/umbrella commercial liability insurance, with a combined limit of liability of not less than **\$1,000,000 each occurrence**.
- The policy shall, at a minimum, include coverage for any and all of the following: bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, broad form contractual liability (including coverage to the maximum extent possible for the indemnifications in this Contract), premises-operations (including explosion, collapse and underground coverage), duty to defend in addition to (without reducing) the limits of the policy(ies), and products and completed operations.
 - \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit for property damage or bodily injury

- \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit for personal injury and advertising injury
- \$2,000,000 per occurrence limits for products/completed operations coverage (ISO Form 20 37 10 01) if Omnitrans determines it is in Omnitrans' best interests to require such coverage,
- If a general aggregate applies, it shall apply separately to this project/location. The contract number and a brief explanation of the project/work must be indicated under "Description of Operations/Locations" (ISO Form CG 25 03 or CG 2504).
- Coverage is to be on an "occurrence" form. "Claims made" and "modified occurrence" forms are not acceptable.
- A copy of the declaration page or endorsement page listing all policy endorsements for the CGL policy must be included.

All subconsultants of any tier performing any portion of the Work for CONSULTANT shall also obtain and maintain the CGL insurance coverage with limits not less than:

- Each occurrence limit: \$1,000,000
- General aggregate limit: \$2,000,000
- Personal injury and advertising limit: \$1,000,000
- Products-completed operations aggregate limit: \$2,000,000

All subconsultants' and sub-subconsultants' deductibles or self-insured retentions must be acceptable to Omnitrans.

4. Umbrella/Excess CGL. The policy must include the following:

- If the CONSULTANT elects to include an umbrella or excess policy to cover any of the total limits required beyond the primary commercial general liability policy limits and/or the primary commercial automobile liability policy limits, then the policy must include the following:
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall follow form over the CONSULTANT's primary general liability coverage and shall provide a separate aggregate limit for products and completed operations coverage.
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall not contain any restrictions or exclusions beyond what is contained in the primary policy.
 - The umbrella or excess policy shall contain a clause stating that it takes effect (drops down) in the event the primary limits are impaired or exhausted.
 - The umbrella or excess policy must also extend coverage over the automobile policy if it is to be used in combination with the primary automobile policy to meet the total insurance requirement limits.

There shall be no statement limiting the coverage provided to the parties listed as additionally insureds or as indemnitees below.

5. Commercial Auto. The policy must include the following:

- A total limit of liability of not less than **\$1,000,000** each accident. This total limits of liability may be met by combining the limits of the primary auto policy with an umbrella or excess policy in accordance with subparagraph 4 (Umbrella/Excess CGL) of Section A of this Article.
- Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any vehicle, including owned, hired, leased, borrowed and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of the CONSULTANT services.
- Combined Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability insurance. The commercial automobile liability insurance shall be written on the most recent edition of ISO Form CA 00 01 or equivalent acceptable to Omnitrans.

6. Technology Professional Liability Errors and Omissions Insurance. Shall be appropriate to the Consultant's profession and work hereunder, with limits not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by the Consultant in this agreement and shall include, but not be limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, copyright, trademark, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, release of private information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations.

The Policy shall include, or be endorsed to include, property damage liability coverage for damage to, alteration of, loss of, or destruction of electronic data and/or information "property" of Omnitrans in the care, custody, or control of the CONSULTANT. If not covered under the CONSULTANT's liability policy, such "property" coverage of Omnitrans may be endorsed onto the CONSULTANT's Cyber Liability Policy as covered property as follows:

Cyber Liability coverage in an amount sufficient to cover the full replacement value of damage to, alteration of, loss of, or destruction of electronic data and/or information "property" of Omnitrans that will be in the care, custody, or control of CONSULTANT.

B. General Provisions

1. Qualifications of Insurance Carriers. If policies are written by insurance carriers authorized and admitted to do business in the state of California, then the insurance carriers must have a current A.M. Best rating of A-VIII or better and if policies are written by insurance carriers that are non- admitted but authorized to conduct business in the state of California, then they must meet the current A.M. Best rating of A-X or better, unless otherwise approved in writing by Omnitrans.

2. Additional Insured Coverage. All policies, except those for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability insurance, shall be endorsed by ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85, or if not available, then ISO Form CG 20 38, to name Omnitrans and its officers, directors, members, employees, and agents, as additional insureds ("Additional Insureds"). With respect to general liability arising out of or connected with work or operations performed by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT under this Contract, coverage for such Additional Insureds shall not extend to liability to the extent prohibited by section 11580.04 of the Insurance Code. The additional insured endorsements shall not limit the scope of coverage for Omnitrans to vicarious liability, but shall allow coverage for Omnitrans to the full extent provided by the policy.
3. Proof of Coverage. Evidence of insurance in a form acceptable to Omnitrans, including declarations pages of each policy, certificates of insurance and the required additional insured endorsements, shall be provided to Omnitrans' Procurement Analyst prior to issuance of the NTP or prior to commencing any Work, as Omnitrans specifies. Certificate(s) of insurance, as evidence of the required insurance shall: be executed by a duly authorized representative of each insurer; show compliance with the insurance requirements set forth in this Article; set forth deductible amounts applicable to each policy; list all exclusions which are added by endorsement to each policy; and also include the Contract Number and project description on the face of the certificate. If requested in writing by Omnitrans, CONSULTANT shall submit complete copies of all required insurance policies within ten (10) business days of a written request by Omnitrans.
4. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention. Regardless of the allowance of exclusions or deductibles by Omnitrans, CONSULTANT shall be responsible for any deductible or self-insured retention (SIR) amount and shall warrant that the coverage provided to Omnitrans is consistent with the requirements of this Article. CONSULTANT will pay, and shall require its sub-consultants to pay, all deductibles, co-pay obligations, premiums and any other sums due under the insurance required in this Article. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved in writing by Omnitrans. Without Omnitrans' expressed written approval no deductibles or SIR will be allowed. At the option of Omnitrans, if the deductible or SIR is approved and it is greater than \$50,000 or one (1) percent of the amount of coverage required under this Contract, whichever is less, the CONSULTANT shall guarantee that either: (1) the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects to Omnitrans, its directors, officials, officers, employees and agents;

or, (2) the CONSULTANT shall procure a bond guaranteeing the amount of the deductible or self-insured retention. Omnitrans shall have the right to review any and all financial records that Omnitrans, at its sole discretion, deems necessary to approve any deductible or SIR. Omnitrans will have the right, but not the obligation, to pay any deductible or SIR due under any insurance policy. If Omnitrans pays any sums due under any insurance required above, Omnitrans may withhold said sums from any amounts due to CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT's policies will neither obligate nor prohibit Omnitrans or any other Additional Insured, from paying any portion of any CONSULTANT's deductible or SIR.

5. CONSULTANT's and Subconsultants' Insurance will be Primary. All policies required to be maintained by the CONSULTANT or any subconsultant, with the exception of Professional Liability and Worker's Compensation shall be endorsed, with a form at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 01 04 13, to be primary coverage, and any coverage carried by any of the Additional Insureds shall be excess and non-contributory. Further, none of CONSULTANT's or subconsultants' pollution, automobile, general liability or other liability policies (primary or excess) will contain any cross-liability exclusion barring coverage for claims by an additional insured against a named insured.
6. Waiver of Subrogation Rights. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONSULTANT hereby waives all rights of recovery under subrogation against the Additional Insureds named herein, and any other consultant, subconsultant or sub-subconsultant performing work or rendering services on behalf of Omnitrans in connection with the planning, development and construction of the Project. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONSULTANT shall require similar written express waivers and insurance clauses from each of its subconsultants of every tier. CONSULTANT shall require all of the policies and coverages required in this Article to waive all rights of subrogation against the Additional Insureds (ISO Form CG 24 04 05 09). Such insurance and coverages provided shall not prohibit CONSULTANT from waiving the right of subrogation prior to a loss or claim.
7. Cancellation. If any insurance company elects to cancel or non-renew coverage for any reason, CONSULTANT will provide Omnitrans thirty (30) days' prior written notice of such cancellation or nonrenewal. If the policy is cancelled for nonpayment of premium, CONSULTANT will provide Omnitrans ten (10) days' prior written notice. In any event, CONSULTANT will provide Omnitrans with a copy of any notice of termination or notice of any other change

to any insurance coverage required herein which CONSULTANT receives within one business day after CONSULTANT receives it by submitting it to Omnitrans at contracts@omnitrans.org, to the attention of Omnitrans' Contract Administrators, and by depositing a copy of the notice in the U.S. Mail in accordance with the notice provisions of this Contract.

8. Non-Limitation of Insurance Requirements. The insurance coverage provided and limits required under this Contract are minimum requirements and are not intended to limit the CONSULTANT's indemnification obligations under the Contract, nor do the indemnity obligations limit the rights of the Indemnified Parties to the coverage afforded by their insured status. To the extent required by Law in connection with Work to be performed, the CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain, or cause to be obtained and maintained, in addition to the insurance coverage expressly required under this Contract, such other insurance policies for such amounts, for such periods of time and subject to such terms, as required by Law and any other agreements with which the CONSULTANT is required to comply, including any Third-Party Agreements. Liability insurance coverage will not be limited to the specific location designated as the Site, except that if the CONSULTANT arranges project-specific general liability, excess liability, or workers' compensation coverage, limitations of coverage to the Site will be permitted subject to Omnitrans approval and use of the broadest available site-specific endorsements. No liability policy will contain any provision or definition that would serve to eliminate so-called "third-party-over action" claims, including any exclusion for bodily injury to an employee of the insured or of any Subcontractor. The CONSULTANT acknowledges and will at all times comply with the provisions of Labor Code Section 3700 which require every employer in the State to be insured against liability for workers' compensation, or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code.
9. Enforcement. Omnitrans may take any steps as are necessary to assure CONSULTANT's compliance with its insurance obligations as identified within this Article. Failure to continuously maintain insurance coverage as provided herein is a material breach of contract. In the event the CONSULTANT fails to obtain or maintain any insurance coverage required, Omnitrans may, but is not required to, secure any coverage Omnitrans deems necessary to fill the gap caused by the lapse in CONSULTANT's coverage and charge the expense to the CONSULTANT or withhold such expense from amounts owed CONSULTANT, or terminate this Contract. The insurance required or provided shall in no way limit or relieve CONSULTANT of its duties and responsibility under the Contract, including but not limited to obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Indemnitees named below. Insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve

CONSULTANT for liability in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude Omnitrans from taking other actions as available to it under any other provision of the Contract or law. Nothing contained herein shall relieve CONSULTANT, or any subconsultant of any tier of their obligations to exercise due care in the performance of their duties in connection with the Work, and to complete the Work in strict compliance with the Contract.

10. No Waiver. Failure of Omnitrans to enforce in a timely manner any of the provisions of this Article shall not act as a waiver to enforcement of any of these provisions at a later date.
11. No Representations or Warranties. Omnitrans makes no representation or warranty that the coverage, limits of liability, or other terms specified for the insurance policies required under this contract are adequate to protect the CONSULTANT against its undertakings under this Contract or its liability to any third party, nor will they preclude Omnitrans from taking any actions as are available to it under this Contract or otherwise at law.
12. Review of Coverage. Omnitrans may at any time review the coverage, form, and amount of insurance required under this contract, and may require the CONSULTANT to make changes in such insurance reasonably sufficient in coverage, form, and amount to provide adequate protection against the kind and extent of risk that exists at that time. Omnitrans may change the insurance coverages and limits required under this contract by notice to the CONSULTANT, whereupon the CONSULTANT will, within sixty (60) days of such notice date, procure the additional and/or modified insurance coverages. Upon such change any additional cost (at actual cost) from such change will be paid by Omnitrans and any reduction in cost will reduce the Contract Price pursuant to a Contract amendment.
13. Subconsultant Insurance. Insurance required of the CONSULTANT shall be also provided by subconsultants or by CONSULTANT on behalf of all subconsultants to cover their services performed under this Contract. CONSULTANT may reduce types and the amounts of insurance limits provided by subconsultant(s) to be proportionate to the amount of the subconsultant's contract and the level of liability exposure for the specific type of work performed by the subconsultant. CONSULTANT shall be held responsible for all modifications, deviations, or omissions in these insurance requirements as they apply to subconsultant.

14. Higher limits. If CONSULTANT maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, Omnitrans shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by CONSULTANT. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to Omnitrans.
15. Special Risks or Circumstances. Omnitrans reserves the right to modify any or all of the above insurance requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

**ATTACHMENT “D”
RFP FORMS**

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

(FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND BE INCLUDED WITH PROPOSAL OR BID SUBMITTAL)

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: (check appropriate boxes below)

- ☐ Consultant has provided a copy of the insurance requirements contained in the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) Contract to their agent or broker to confirm the ability to meet requirements.

AND

- ☐ Consultant certifies that the company or individual is fully prepared to secure the necessary insurance coverage and limits as detailed in the SBCTA Contract and comply with all insurance requirements. Any objection to, inability to meet, or request for substitution for the stated insurance requirements, shall be deemed waived, if not stated in Consultant's response to this solicitation.

OR

- ☐ Consultant has identified areas of conflict with the insurance requirements and has provided a list of concerns in its response to the RFP in the exception response section and has referenced each section and page number identified in the SBCTA Contract. Make sure to provide a list of the exceptions such as limits, types of coverages, SIR and deductibles, or other requirements.

Company Information:

Company/Individuals Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Principal Name

Title

Principal Signature

Date

Phone

Email Address

Broker Information:

Broker Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

Email Address

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Government Code Section 84308, 2 California Code of Regulations 18438.1, et seq.

No Member or Alternate of the Board of Directors of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority shall receive or solicit a campaign contribution of more than \$500 from Proposer or Proposer's agent during the time of: 1) Proposal solicitation; 2) Consideration of Proposals received; and 3) Awarding of a contract or execution of a purchase and sale agreement based on a Proposal (collectively referred to as the "Proceeding"), and for 12 months following the conclusion of the Proceeding. This prohibition does not apply to the awarding of contracts that are competitively bid. In addition, Board Members and Alternates cannot participate in any such matters if they have received more than \$500 in campaign contributions within the last year from the Proposer. Agents of Proposers are prohibited from making any contribution to a Board Member or Alternate during the Proceeding and for 12 months following the date of final decision to award.

Pursuant to these requirements, Proposer shall disclose any campaign contribution in an amount of more than \$500 made by Proposer, and/or Proposer's agent, to any Board Member or Alternate within 12 months from the date of the Board's final decision to award or contract with Proposer (as applicable). In addition, Proposer shall not make a contribution of more than \$500 to a Board Member or Alternate during the Proceeding and for 12 months following the conclusion of the Proceeding. No agent of any Proposer shall make any contribution to a Board Member or Alternate during the Proceeding and for 12 months following conclusion of the Proceeding.

The disclosure by Proposer, as set forth, herein, shall be incorporated into the written record of the Proceeding and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying.

1. Have you or your company made any political contributions of more than \$500 to any SBCTA Board Member or Alternate in the preceding 12 months?

_____ YES _____ NO

Board Member/Alternate

Name: _____ Date: _____

2. Do you or your company anticipate or plan to make any political contributions of more than \$500 to any SBCTA Board Member or Alternate?

_____ YES _____ NO

Board Member/Alternate

Name: _____ Date: _____

Answering yes to either of the two questions above does not preclude SBCTA from awarding a contract to your firm. It does, however, preclude the identified SBCTA Board Member or Alternate from participating in the contract award Proceeding and decision.

3. Has any agent on behalf of you or your company made any political contributions of more than \$500 to any SBCTA Board Member or Alternate in the preceding 12 months?

_____ YES _____ NO

Board Member/Alternate

Name: _____ Date: _____

4. Do you or your company anticipate or plan to have any political contributions of more than \$500 made to any SBCTA Board Member or Alternate by an agent of you or your company?

_____ YES _____ NO

Board Member/Alternate

Name: _____ Date: _____

Answering yes to either of the two questions (3 and 4) above **precludes** SBCTA from awarding a contract to your firm.

A current list of the Board of Members and Alternates of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority is attached.

PROPOSER INFORMATION:

Company Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Proposer Name

Title

Proposer Signature

Date

Phone

Email Address

SBCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES

Agency	Board Representative	Alternate
City of Adelanto	Daniel Ramos	Gabriel Reyes
City of Barstow	Timothy Silva	Carmen Hernandez
City of Big Bear Lake	Rick Herrick	Randall Putz
City of Chino	Eunice Ulloa	Curtis Burton
City of Chino Hills	Ray Marquez	Brian Johsz
City of Colton	Frank Navarro	David Toro
City of Fontana	Acquanetta Warren	Peter Garcia
City of Grand Terrace	Bill Hussey	Matt Brown
City of Hesperia	Josh Pullen	Brigit Bennington
City of Highland	Larry McCallon	Gregory Hogan
City of Loma Linda	Ron Dailey	Ovidiu Popescu
City of Montclair	John Dutrey	Corysa Martinez
City of Needles	Janet Jernigan	Ellen Campbell
City of Ontario	Alan Wapner	Daisy Macias
City of Rancho Cucamonga	L. Dennis Michael	Lynne Kennedy
City of Redlands	Mario Saucedo	Paul Barich
City of Rialto	Joe Baca	Andy Carrizales
City of San Bernardino	Helen Tran	Kim Knaus
City of Twentynine Palms	Daniel Mintz, Sr.	Octavious Scott
City of Upland	Rudy Zuniga	Bill Velto
City of Victorville	Bob Harriman	Elizabeth Becerra
City of Yucaipa	Judy Woolsey	Chris Venable
County of San Bernardino 1 st District	Paul Cook	N/A
County of San Bernardino 2 nd District	Jesse Armendarez	N/A
County of San Bernardino 3 rd District	Dawn Rowe	N/A
County of San Bernardino 4 th District	Curt Hagman	N/A
County of San Bernardino 5 th District	Joe Baca, Jr.	N/A
Town of Apple Valley	Art Bishop	Larry Cusack
Town of Yucca Valley	Rick Denison	Robert Lombardo

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CONSULTANT QUESTIONNAIRE

CONSULTANT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

1. BUSINESS ORGANIZATION

1.1 How many years have you been in business? _____

1.2 How many years have you been in business under your current name? _____

1.2.1 Under what other names have you conducted business? _____

1.3 Name(s) and title(s) of person(s) authorized to execute this contract on behalf of your business. Attach appropriate documentation demonstrating signature authority (e.g. Corporate Resolution, Board Minutes, Operating Agreement, Articles of Organization, etc.).

1.4 If your business is a corporation, answer the following:

1.4.1 Date of incorporation: _____

1.4.2 State of incorporation: _____

1.4.3 California Secretary of State Entity ID Number: _____

1.4.4 Names and titles of corporate officers: _____

1.5 If your business is a limited liability company, answer the following:

1.5.1 Date of formation: _____

1.5.2 State of formation: _____

1.5.3 California Secretary of State Entity ID Number: _____

1.5.4 Is LLC managed by managers or members? _____

1.5.5 Manager(s)/Member(s) name(s): _____

1.6 If your business is a partnership, answer the following:

1.6.1 Date of organization: _____

1.6.2 Type of partnership: _____

1.6.3 California Secretary of State Entity ID Number: _____

1.6.4 Name(s) of general partner(s): _____

1.7 If your business is individually owned, answer the following:

1.7.1 Date of organization: _____

1.7.2 Name of owner: _____

1.8 If the form of your business is other than those listed above, describe it and name the principals:

1.9 Number of owned autos: _____

1.10 Number of employees: _____

2. LICENSING

2.1 List jurisdictions and trade categories in which your business is legally qualified to do business and indicate registration or license numbers, if applicable.

2.2 List any other certifications held by your business, and the name under which they are held.

3. EXPERIENCE

3.1 List the categories of work that your business normally performs with its own forces.

3.2 List all contracts your business has completed in the past five years, giving the name of project, owner, owner's phone number, account manager, Contract amount, date of completion and percentage of the cost of the work performed with your own forces.

3.3 State average annual amount of _____ services performed during the past five years:

Year _____ \$ _____

Year _____	\$ _____
Year _____	\$ _____
Year _____	\$ _____
Year _____	\$ _____

- 3.4 List the contracts and/or projects your business has in progress, giving the name of the project, owner/contact, contract amount and scheduled completion.

- 3.5 Has your business, under its current name or any previous names, ever failed to complete any work/contract awarded to it? If Yes, please explain. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

4. CLAIMS AND COMPLAINTS

- 4.1 During the past five years, have any complaints or claims been filed with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) and/or the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) against your business? If Yes, please describe. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

**ATTACHMENT “E”
REFERENCE FORM**

<ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD>

REFERENCE FORM
(Sample Cover Letter)

Date:

Name of Reference and Title
Address, City, State, Zip Code
Telephone No., Email Address

SUBJECT: Request for Proposal (RFP)26-1003481

Dear _____,

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) has released Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-1003481 for Federal Advocacy Services.

Our firm is currently responding to the RFP and SBCTA has requested that Proposers provide references from customers and clients who have received similar work or services from me or our firm.

Your firm has been identified as a reference and you are respectfully requested to complete and sign the attached questionnaire and submit it to SBCTA directly at ssandoval@gosbcta.com. Please note, SBCTA will not accept or give consideration to questionnaires submitted by proposers.

The questionnaire is due **no later than August 20, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** however, if you could submit the questionnaire sooner it would be greatly appreciated.

The information as described in the questionnaire is very important and helpful in assisting our firm with SBCTA's selection process and we sincerely appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Reference Name
Title



**RFP 26-1003481
CONSULTANT REFERENCE CHECK**

BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY REFERENCE AGENCY/FIRM

NAME OF PROPOSING FIRM/PROJECT MANAGER

REFERENCE Project Owner/Agency Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Contact Name

Contact Title

Phone

Email Address

What role did the firm/key person serve on the project?

What services did the firm/key person provide for the project?

Ratings:	3 - Excellent	2 - Good	1 - Satisfactory	0 - Poor
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(N/A IF NOT APPLICABLE - PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION IN THE COMMENTS SECTION)

Question	Rating Definition		Rating
1. How do you rate the firm's/key personnel's overall performance and technical competence in providing similar work? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Took initiative, consistently demonstrated knowledge of the management consulting services on the "Project", consistently anticipated and solved issues.	
	Good (2)	Demonstrated knowledge of Project, solved unexpected issues promptly, few mistakes.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Demonstrated knowledge of the Project, occasional unanticipated issues arose, some mistakes.	
	Poor (0)	Knowledge of the Project was lacking, issues remained unresolved, frequent mistakes.	
2. What was the quality of the advice provided by the firm/key person? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Consistently provided thorough and practical advice, anticipated issues we did not point out.	
	Good (2)	Rarely had to redirect the firm/key person and advice provided was valuable and responsive.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Usually provided helpful information and advice.	
	Poor (0)	Repeatedly had to be redirected and prompted to provide an adequate response.	

Question	Rating Definition		Rating
3. How was the firm's/key person's independence projected and communicated with the Agency? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Discussed methodology/proposed changes of Agency and provided adequate research results to support their position and stood firm on their decision. Always answered/returned calls and correspondence or provided updates promptly.	
	Good (2)	Discussed methodology/proposed changes of Agency and provided adequate research results to support their position, but did not always stand firm on their decision. Answered/returned calls and correspondence or provided updates promptly and most of the time.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Discussed methodology/proposed changes of Agency, but did not provide adequate research results to support their position and did not always stand firm on their decision. Answered/returned calls and correspondence or provided updates, but not always promptly.	
	Poor (0)	Discussed methodology/proposed changes of Agency but did not research or provide support even if they did not agree with changes/methodology; did not stand firm on their decision/frequently sided with Agency. Did not answer/return calls or correspondence or provide updates.	
4. How do you rate the firm's/individual's knowledge with proposed work? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Exceeded most expectations (knowledge of project requirements always apparent.).	
	Good (2)	Exceeded some expectations (knowledge of project requirements frequently apparent.).	
	Satisfactory (1)	Met expectations (knowledge of project requirement at times, but further research required).	
	Poor (0)	Failed to meet expectations (knowledge of project requirements lacking).	
5. How do you rate the firm's/key person's experience? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Exceeded most expectations (always negotiated, resolved and processed change orders in a timely manner).	
	Good (2)	Exceeded some expectations (always negotiated, resolved and processed change orders and most of the time).	
	Satisfactory (1)	Met expectations (negotiated, resolved and processed change orders, but not always promptly).	
	Poor (0)	Failed to meet expectations (negotiated, resolved and processed change orders, but consistently late).	

Question	Rating Definition		Rating
6. Were the required Services completed on time and to your satisfaction? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Always on time or ahead of schedule.	
	Good (2)	On time.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Occasionally late.	
	Poor (0)	Consistently late.	
7. Did the firm/key person's stay within budget? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Always within budget.	
	Good (2)	Most often within budget.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Somewhat within budget.	
	Poor (0)	Consistently over budget.	
8. How do you rate the firm's/ key person's task management and scheduling abilities? If the rating is Poor, please provide an explanation here:	Excellent (3)	Exceeded most expectations.	
	Good (2)	Exceeded some expectations.	
	Satisfactory (1)	Met expectations.	
	Poor (0)	Failed to meet expectations.	

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