



September 15, 2025

Pre-Request for Proposal (RFP) Meeting

I-35 CEI

Wichita Falls District

Professional Engineering Procurement Services (PEPS)

Solicitation No. 601CT0000006298 / RFP No. 03-6SDP5001: CEI services for the Wichita Falls District: I-35 from 1.4 miles South of Spring Creek Road to 0.7 miles North of FM 3002.

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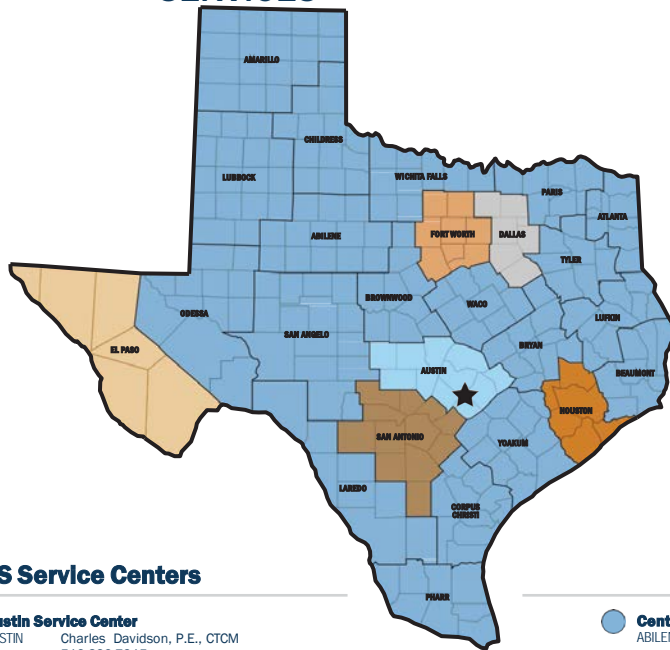
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- The meeting will not be recorded, and attendees **may not** use any form of audio or video recording, photography, automated transcription services, or AI-based analysis tools.
- There **will not** be an opportunity to ask questions during the PRE-RFP Presentation
- You **will** be given an opportunity to ask questions after the presentation via an **email request**.

Ground Rules

- All correspondence will be muted during this presentation.
- Communication is one-way during this presentation. The Presentation is for information purposes only
- All questions must be emailed to valentin.arzola@txdot.gov by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2025.
 - Subject line : "6298 WFS CEI Pre-RFP Questions"
- Information to be posted online
 - MS Teams Attendance
 - Pre-RFP Presentation
 - Responses to relevant questions received



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Important: CST members are employees of the Wichita Falls District. Please do not contact the District regarding this CEI contract. If you need information, please contact me.



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Contract Information - Overview

- Wichita Falls District is seeking to procure a CEI contract for construction Engineering and Inspection services on I -35
 - Procurement process for FY 2026, Wave 1 officially kicked off on September 2, 2025.
 - There will be one Specific Deliverable Contract awarded on this Procurement
 - The Process will be Federal with Interview
 - Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal – 16.5%
 - A list of precluded firms will be available at the time of the solicitation opening in TxDOT Procurement Portal and on a following slides.

Contract Information - Overview

- 1. The PS&E is at 95%.
- 2. The Schematic & Environmental are complete, and they have been posted online.
- 3. Below are the hyperlinks to the document location for your review.
 - Project Webpage: <https://www.txdot.gov/projects/projects-studies/wichita-falls/i35-cooke-county.html>
 - Final Environmental Assessment: <https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot/get-involved/wfs/i35ea/122120-final-ea.pdf>
 - 100% Schematic: <https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot/get-involved/wfs/i35ea/050323-schematic.pdf>

Contract Information – Preclusion List

- A final list of precluded firms will be available at the time of the solicitation opening in TxDOT Procurement Portal.
- Preclusions Identified so far are the following:
- The preclusions are based on the work that was done under PS&E contract 03-7SDP5001.: Consor Engineers, LLC (Formerly AIA Engineers, LLC); Halff Associates, Inc.; Huitt-Zollars Inc.; Lamb-Star Engineering, LLC.; and HVJ North Texas-Chelliah Consultants, Inc.
- These consultants were notified via e-mail on Thursday August 21, 2025

Contract Information – Standard Working Categories

Contract Discipline:CEI		
Category	Category Name	% of work
1.8.1	Public Involvement	0.50%
11.1.1	Roadway Construction Management And Inspection	10.00%
11.2.1	Bridge Construction Management And Inspection	8.00%
11.3.1	Construction Superintendent	5.00%
	Environmental Inspections	
11.4.1		2.00%
11.6.1	Construction Schedule Support- General	2.00%
11.8.1	Construction Schedule Support- Relating to Construction Management of Projects Including Bridges or Multi-level Interchanges	0.50%
11.9.1	Railroad Coordination Management During Construction	1.00%
11.10.1	Construction Record Keeper	5.00%
12.1.1	Asphaltic Concrete Production	3.00%
12.1.2	Portland Cement Concrete	1.00%
12.1.3	Materials Engineering	3.00%
12.1.4	Asphaltic Concrete Placement	20.00%
12.1.5	Portland Cement Concrete Placement	22.50%
12.1.6	Embankment/Subgrade/Backfill/Base Production	1.00%
12.1.7	Embankment/Subgrade/Backfill/Base Placement	3.00%
12.2.1	Concrete Plant Inspection And Testing	1.00%
12.2.5	Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Plant Inspection and Testing	0.50%
14.1.1	Soil Exploration	0.50%
14.2.1	Geotechnical Testing	0.50%
15.2.1	Design Survey	1.00%
15.2.2	Construction Survey	2.00%
18.2.1	Subsurface Utility Engineering (Utility Eng. Investigation)	3.00%
18.5.1	Utility Construction Management and Verification	4.00%

Contract Selection – Federal with Interview (DBE) A Two-Step Process

Proposal Evaluation

- Short listed providers move to interview phase

Interview Evaluation

- Interview and Contract Guide (ICG) provides instructions

Selection

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Evaluation Criteria for Proposal and Interview

- CST determines weightings for criteria.
- Past Performance is used only in Proposal evaluation.

Evaluation Criteria	Included Elements	Weighting for Evaluation of Proposal
Technical approach	Project understanding, project approach, innovative concepts or alternatives	XX
Project Manager's relevant experience	Experience with similar or related projects, including both technical and management experience	XX
Project planning and management	Project staffing and resource management (who, how, and why), communication plan, and quality control procedures. Includes the prime firm's past experience with utilizing subproviders and meeting program goals (HUB or DBE) and/or how it plans to utilize subproviders to meet the goals on this contract. Also may include project scheduling or phasing for SD projects	XX
Key staff's relevant experience	Experience with similar projects	XX
Past Performance Score		5 to 15
Total		100

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Proposal Content

- Proposal will cover “Proposal Content” in written format.
- The CST determines the % weight for each of the four criteria and number of pages.
- In developing the proposal, the Provider should focus on the evaluation criteria as they relate to the information in the Proposal Content.

Interview Content: Interview and Contract Guide (ICG)

- Interview presentation will cover “Interview Content”.
- CST determines % weight for each of the four criteria for interview evaluation.
- In developing the presentation, the Provider should focus on the evaluation criteria as they relate to the information in the Interview Content.

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Reminders

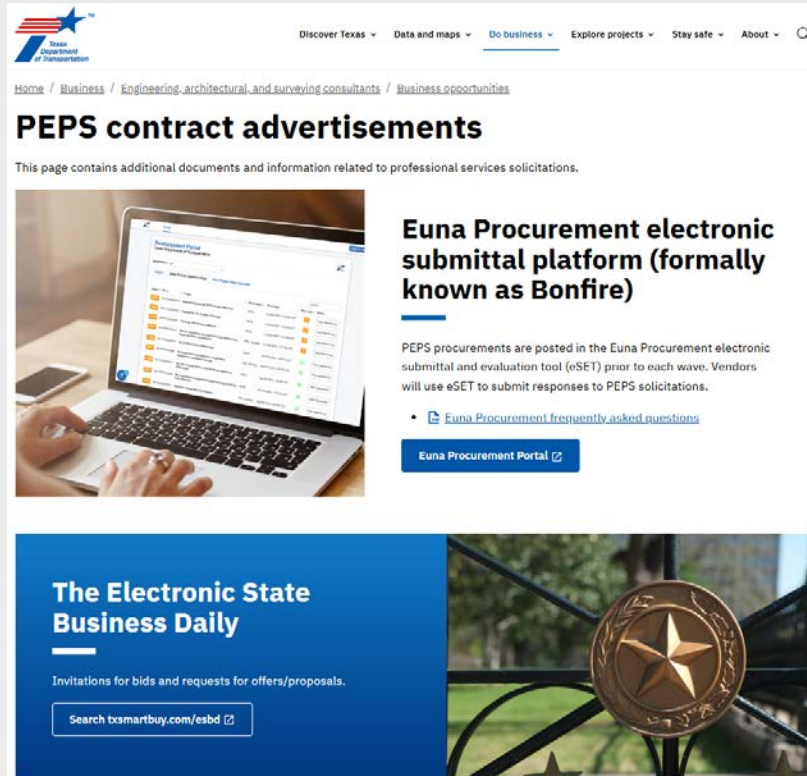
- ✓ Make sure to follow the instructions in the RFP document and submit all applicable documents required.
- ✓ Always refer to the RFP.
- ✓ If you have a question about the RFP, follow the Questions and Answer (Q&A) process.
- ✓ Check Portal for Addenda and Q&A.
- ✓ New update: **Project Team Composition (PTC) form is now on CCIS**
- ✓ **Filling out the form on CCIS will not get the form submitted**

Avoid Disqualifications

- ✓ Check that all mandatory forms are in the proposal package.
- ✓ Prime and sub-providers providing engineering and design related services must be Administratively Qualified (AQ). Prime Providers can look up subs-providers AQ status at the following website:
- ✓ <https://www.txdot.gov/business/peps/resources/firms-eligible-to-do-business-with-txdot.html>
- ✓ Verify task leaders are pre-certified in standard work categories.
- ✓ **Check NAICS codes** to make sure they are correct.

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PEPS Contract Advertisements Link: [PEPS contract advertisements \(txdot.gov\)](https://www.txdot.gov/business/peps/contract-advertisements)



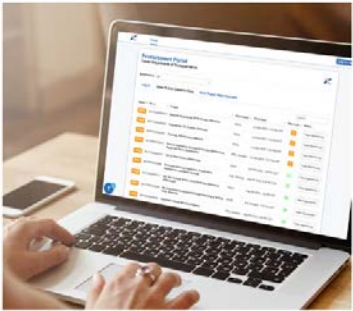
The screenshot shows the TxDOT website's "PEPS contract advertisements" page. The header includes the TxDOT logo and navigation links: "Discover Texas", "Data and maps", "Do business", "Explore projects", "Stay safe", and "About". The breadcrumb trail reads: "Home / Business / Engineering, architectural and surveying consultants / Business opportunities". The main heading is "PEPS contract advertisements", followed by a subtext: "This page contains additional documents and information related to professional services solicitations." Below this, there is a section titled "Euna Procurement electronic submittal platform (formally known as Bonfire)" with a blue underline. To the left of this text is an image of a laptop displaying a list of procurement opportunities. The text explains that PEPS procurements are posted in the Euna Procurement electronic submittal and evaluation tool (eSET) prior to each wave, and vendors will use eSET to submit responses to PEPS solicitations. A link "Euna Procurement frequently asked questions" is provided. Below the text is a blue button labeled "Euna Procurement Portal". At the bottom of the page, there is a blue banner for "The Electronic State Business Daily" with the text "Invitations for bids and requests for offers/proposals." and a search bar with the text "Search txsmartbuy.com/esbd". To the right of the banner is an image of a gold star emblem on a black metal fence.

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Procurement Timeline

Tasks	Dates <i>(Estimated subject to change)</i>
Request for Proposals (RFP) Posting	September 18, 2025
Proposals Due	October 09, 2025
Short List Determined	October 30, 2025
In-Person Interviews at Wichita Falls District	Mid-November 2025
Provider Selection	Following Interviews
Rate and Level of Effort Negotiations Complete	February 2026
Contract Execution	April 2026



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**Transportation Engineer
Wichita Falls District**

Project Overview - IH 35

CCSJ : 0195-01-111
Highway : IH 35
Limit From : 0.7 Miles North of FM 3002
Limit To : 1.4 Miles South of Spring Creek
Est. Let Date : **12/1/2026**

Project length : 5.652 Miles
Roadway : 5.424 Miles
Bridge : 0.228 Miles
Description : Widen from 4-lane to 6-lane
rural freeway facility
Avg Daily Traffic : 52,006 (2022)
78,009 (2042)
Design Speed : 70 MPH



Project Overview – IH 35

- BNSF Railroad ROW in close proximity to the NB frontage road
 - Approximate station range: STA 897+50 – STA 1007+50
 - $\approx 11,000$ FT where Railroad ROW is tight against TxDOT ROW
- Communication with the City of Valley View and Valley View High School regarding construction will be expected



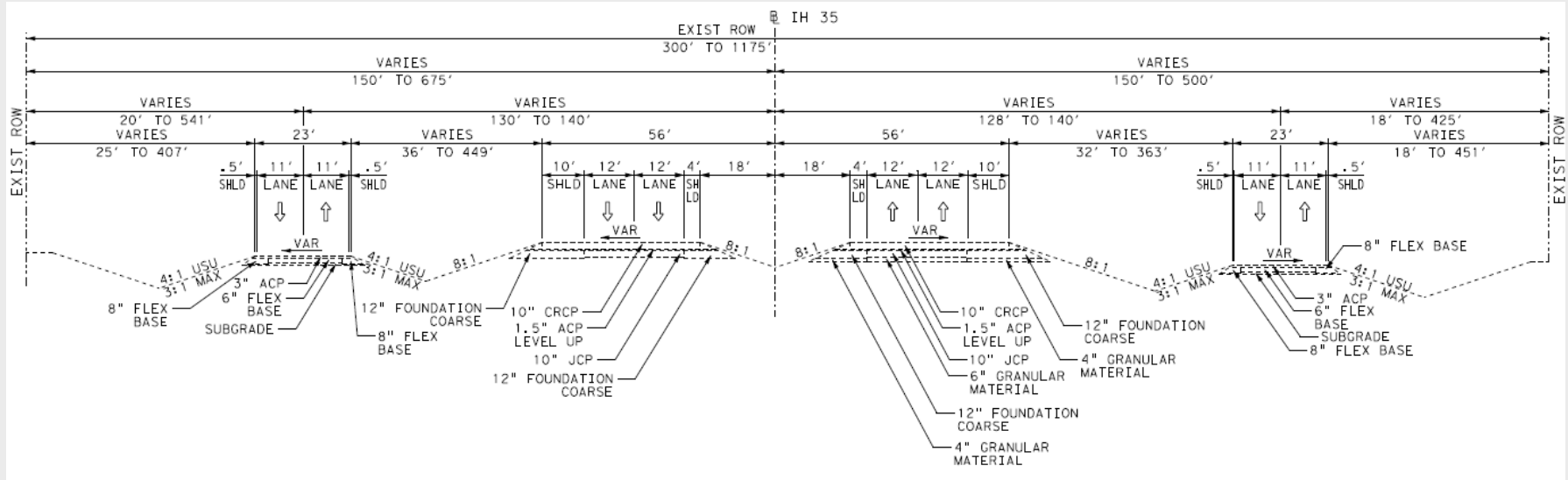
Project Overview - IH 35

- Existing IH 35 is a rural four-lane freeway
- At-grade railroad crossing of BNSF Railway Company
- Inadequate for projected growth in the area.
- Being developed to accommodate future traffic growth
- Enhance safety
- Enhance access
- Improve regional connectivity, improve mobility, and facilitate movement of goods

The main improvements will include:

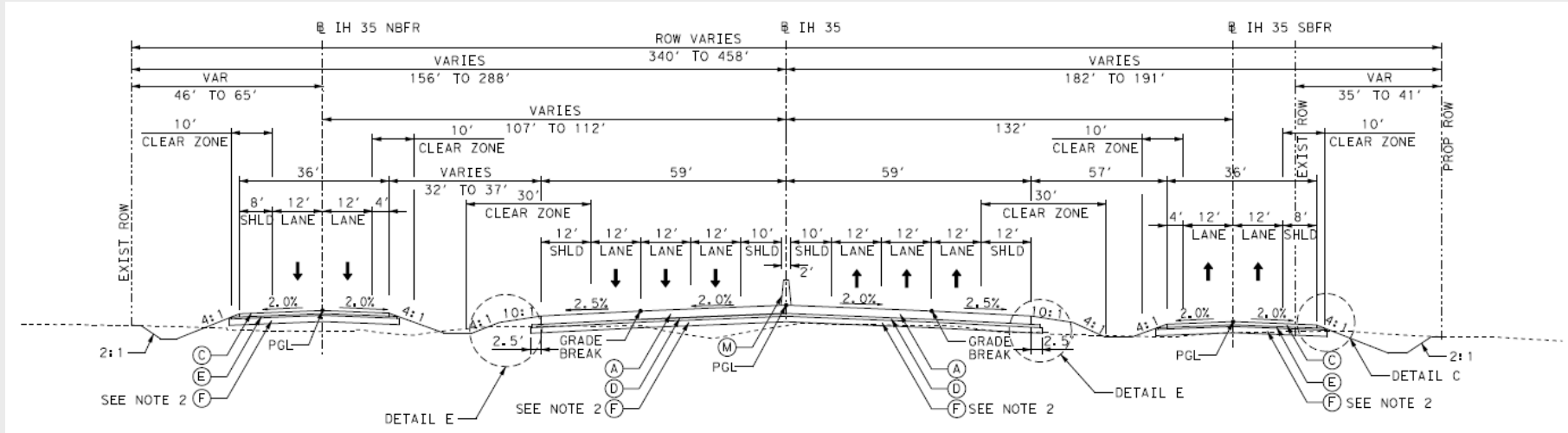
- Reconstruct and widen IH 35 from an existing four-lane roadway to a six-lane roadway
- Meet current design standards for vertical clearance, horizontal and vertical geometry
- Conversion of two-way frontage roads to one way
- Provide ROW for a future eight-lane divided roadway

IH 35 Roadway – Existing Typical Section



- Four-lane freeway with 12-foot-wide travel lanes
- Two-lane two-way frontage roads with 11-foot-wide travel lanes
- At-grade railroad crossing of BNSF Railway Company
- Existing right-of-way (ROW) width varies

IH 35 Roadway – Proposed Typical Section



- Reconstruct IH 35 from an existing four-lane freeway to a six-lane freeway with 12-foot-wide travel lanes
- Convert the existing two-lane two-way frontage roads to two-lane one-way with 12-foot-wide travel lanes
- Widen the at-grade railroad crossing of the BNSF Railway Company at the intersection of FM 922
- Proposed right-of-way (ROW) width varies



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**THIS IS THE END OF THE PRE-RFP PRESENTATION ANY
QUESTIONS PLEASE SEND THEM TO THE FOLLOWING E-MAIL**



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