

ADVERTISEMENT FOR PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE OTAY WATER DISTRICT CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN

The Otay Water District (District) will require the planning services to prepare a Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan. The Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan will include a climate risk and vulnerability assessment as a baseline for focusing efforts to address the impacts of climate change. The plan should also identify critical assets that are vulnerable to the risks of climate change, develop climate adaptation and resilience strategies, and prioritize greenhouse gas reduction activities by exploring conservation and renewable energy technologies for the water industry. This project is funded through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The general scope of work for the Plan will include the following:

- Review District Planning and Operations Documents
- Energy Analysis and Development of Energy Optimization
- Climate Change Risk/Hazard Assessment Preparation
- Development of Resilience and Action Plan Strategy
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Preparation of Draft and Final Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan

Consultants must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. If a consultant submits a proposal but is not registered with the Department of Industrial Relations, their proposal will be considered unresponsive. This bid opportunity will follow District Policy Number 21 and federal procurements requirements listed in 2 CFR 200.318 – 200.327 as required by FEMA grant funding for non-federal entities.

Interested candidates are required to e-mail a Letter of Interest (LOI) and a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to **Juliana Luengas, Project Manager, at jluegas@otaywater.gov**. If a firm has submitted a SOQ to the District within the last two (2) calendar years, and the qualifications remain current and accurate, then only a LOI is required. The deadline to submit a LOI and SOQ will be at 4:00 PM, Thursday, February 1st, 2024. The Request for Proposal (RFP) will be emailed to qualified firms on Friday, February 2nd, 2024. All questions regarding the consulting services should be referred to the **Project Manager, Juliana Luengas, Environmental Compliance Specialist, at jluegas@otaywater.gov** prior to issuance of the RFP.

Dated this 9th day of January 2024.

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