

JUDICIAL SYSTEM INFORMATION EXCHANGE RFP QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q: Will the winning consultant company be precluded from proposing on any future follow-on work that this project would result in?

A: Yes, the winning consultant company will be precluded from proposing on any future follow-on work.

Q: Page 8, Vendor Qualifications: We are a privately held firm, and we do not disclose revenue. If we do not do this in our response, will we be disqualified?

A: The AOC will not disqualify the vendor because revenue information of the privately held company is not disclosed.

Q: How many courts are involved in this inventory? I see in Appendix C that there are 58 Trial Court Technology Groups - is there one for each court, so that there are 58 courts that must be inventoried?

A: Yes, there are 58 trial courts and each requires an inventory of their implementation status regarding their ability to meet DOJ and DMV reporting requirements (RFP, Page 4).

Q: What was the genesis for this project -- Is it strictly a response to the Judicial Council's Long Range Strategic Plan or was it initiated because of other studies/reports? If other studies/reports were involved, what were they and who wrote them?

A: Yes, the genesis for this project is the Judicial Council's Long Range Strategic Plan.

Q: Has the AOC worked/Is the AOC currently working with another consultant on any part of the judicial system information exchange?

A: Not applicable

Q: Does the AOC expect the consultant to visit each court location in all 58 counties or can other methods be used to inventory each court's current ability to meet the requirements of the DMV and DOJ (e.g., visit LA, SF, Stanislaus, and Kern Counties and then extrapolate, perform telephone interviews or surveys, etc.)?

A: The AOC does not require that the consultant visit every court location, other methods may be used.

Q: What is the estimated budget and/or timeline for each project phase? What about for the overall project?

A: The estimated timeline for the two phases specified in the RFP is 12 months (RFP Page 6) and estimated budget is in the low hundred thousands.

Q: Have the CA Courts established a VPN and if so, can you provide a brief overview of the technology being employed, including communication between the courts and external agencies like DOJ and DMV and where the county telecommunications services come into the picture?

A: Yes, a VPN exists, however it is not widely used. Current technology information is not available at this time.

Q: With respect to the recommendations for bringing a court into compliance with mandated DMV/DOJ reporting (deliverables 2 and 3), are you looking for a formal implementation plan including estimated costs and schedule to implement the proposed solutions for each court?

A: The consultant is expected to provide comprehensive recommendations. The courts will use the recommendations in developing their formal implementation plans.

Q: Will any of the work include a web application?

A: In this RFP, the AOC is looking for assistance for the analysis phase of this project. Technology solutions will be determined at a later date.

Q: If integration needs to take place, what type of technologies (e.g. databases) are used?

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Q: Will there be a bidders conference? If so, when and where?

A: At this time, a bidders conference has not been scheduled, however, as indicated on Page 9 of the RFP, a bidders conference may be called at the discretion of the RFP Manager.

Q: Can vendors bid on just Phase I if they are not interested in both phases?

A: As indicated in the RFP, the AOC is looking for assistance for both phases. It is the vendor's decision as to how they want to bid.

Q: The "contract types" section specifies that either a fixed bid or a time and materials bid is possible. Is the AOC open to either type of contract? Is there a preference for one or the other?

A: As indicated on Page 7 of the RFP, either type of contractual arrangement is possible, i.e., the AOC is open to either type.

Q: About how many counties are not in compliance with DOJ reporting?

A: This information is not available at this time, it will need to be determined during the inventory work in Phase 1.

Q: About how many counties are not in compliance with DMV reporting?

A: This information is not available at this time, it will need to be determined during the inventory work in Phase 1.