



Remedial Acquisition Framework Webinar

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Agenda



- Introduction/Logistics
- Introduction of Presenters
- Presentation
- Questions

Current Superfund Remedial Acquisition Model



- Full Service Remedial Action Contracts (RACs)
 - Provides services to conduct site investigation through design, remedial action and oversight
- Site Specific Contracts
- Interagency Agreements with US Army Corps of Engineers or other Federal Agencies
- State or Tribe run projects through Cooperative Agreements

Why Change?



- Recognized overall acquisition approach is more than 20 years old
- Implementing OMB and FAR requirements, e.g.,
 - Reduce Number of High Risk Contracts
 - Provide for continuous Fair Opportunity to be considered
 - Leverage Strategic Sourcing
 - Leverage Performance Based Acquisition
- Provides for competition throughout the life of the contracts
- Reduced resources (dollars & FTE)
- Continue to promote Small Business participation

Remedial Acquisition Framework (RAF) – Overview



Design and Engineering Services Suite

- Multiple Award
- Indefinite Delivery
- A&E Professional services from investigation through design

Remediation Environmental Services Suite

- Multiple Award
- Indefinite Delivery
- Remedial Cleanup services, including construction

Environmental Services & Operation Suite

- Multiple Award
- Indefinite Delivery
- Remedial Cleanup operation and oversight

Site Specific Contracts

Interagency Agreements and Cooperative Agreements

Removal Contracts (ERRs, START)

Regional Oversight Contracts

Regional Specialty Contracts

(e.g. Mining Sediments, Risk Assessment, Fibers, Oversight, Regional Construction Contracts)

What exactly is changing?



- Remedial Action Contracts (RACs) are being split into three suites of contracts:
 - Design and Engineering Services (DES)
 - Remediation Environmental Services (RES)
 - Environmental Services & Operation (ESO)
- Contracts will be multiple awards (MACs), indefinite delivery/ indefinite quantity (ID/IQ)
- Minimum guarantee of \$25,000
- Contractors will compete for projects at the task order level pursuant to the fair opportunity process of FAR 16.505 (and FAR 36.6 for DES)

Overarching Acquisition Strategy



- One solicitation per suite
- NAICS Code 562910 for all three suites
- Multiple contracts will be awarded for each suite
- Contract suites will be administered nationally
- Task orders will be competed and administered locally
- Each contract will be composed of Contract Line Item Numbers (CLINs)
- Each CLIN will represent a certain geographic area
- Anticipate up to 7 awards per CLIN

Design and Engineering Services (DES) Suite



- Provides professional services of a scientific, architecture and engineering nature to support the EPA's cleanup programs. Tasks include:
 - Remedial investigations/feasibility studies (RI/FS)
 - Field work and analytical support
 - Remedial design (RD)
 - Engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA)
 - Responsible Party Oversight
 - General Technical assistance (TA)

DES Award Structure

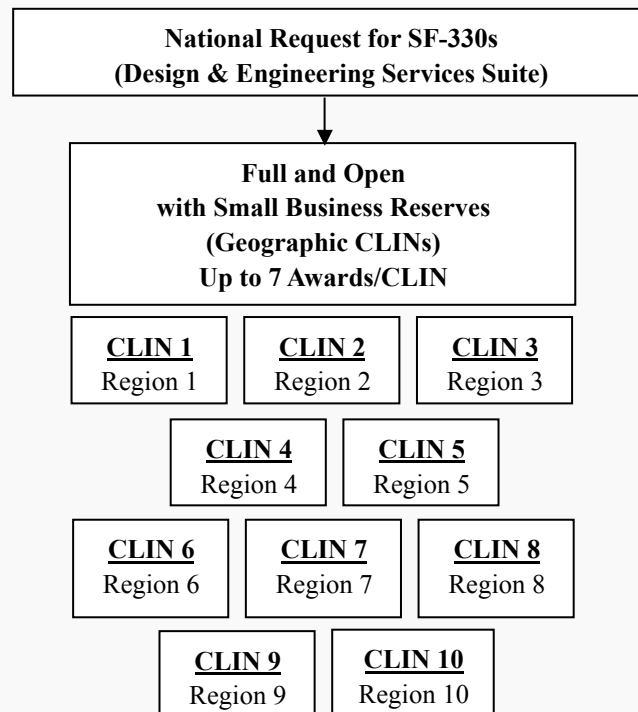


- FAR Part 36.6 – Brooks Act Procurement
- Request for Standard Form 330 (SF-330)
- EPA will maintain SF-330s in a database for use when evaluating firms for award of future task orders

So what does this look like?



DES CONTRACT CLIN STRUCTURE



- 10 geographic CLINs – match EPA Regions
- Firm can bid on one or more CLINs
 - One SF 330 submission for each CLIN (50 pages)
- EPA will reserve a number of awards for small businesses
- Firm will be awarded one contract to reflect the CLINs for which it is successful in receiving an award
- Anticipate up to 7 awards per CLIN

How will task orders be awarded under DES?



- Fair opportunity process
 - EPA will evaluate and rank CLIN contractors in accordance with FAR 36.6
 - Each EPA Region will conduct a Fair Opportunity process among firms holding contracts within its respective CLIN
 - » In RARE instances, Region may justify the need to compete a task order among another Region's CLIN of contract holders
 - EPA may elect to set aside task orders exclusively among the small businesses within a CLIN
 - » In the event that EPA restricts competition among small businesses within a CLIN, the small businesses will be required to comply with the limitations of subcontracting, which requires the small business to demonstrate its ability to perform at least 50% of the effort at the prime level of the task order

Remediation Environmental Service (RES) Suite

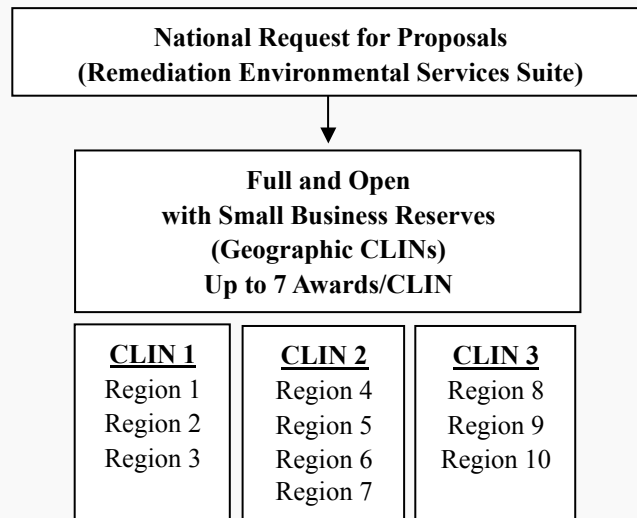


- Provides remedial and removal action services to support the EPA's cleanup programs. Tasks include:
 - Remedial Action or Removal Action Implementation
 - Emergency response will not be conducted under these contracts
 - Field Work and Analytical Support
 - EPA-lead Remedy Operation including Long Term Response Action
 - Engineering Support

So what does this look like?



RES CONTRACT CLIN STRUCTURE



- 3 geographic CLINs –
 - Region 1, 2, 3
 - Region 4, 5, 6, 7
 - Region 8, 9, 10
- Firm can bid on one or more CLINS
- Firm will be awarded one contract to reflect with the CLINS for which it is successful in receiving an award
- Anticipate up to 7 awards per CLIN

How will task orders be awarded under RES?



- Each Region will follow a fair opportunity process
 - EPA may set aside task orders for small businesses within a CLIN
 - The Agency will provide the contractors holding a contract within a particular CLIN the project statement of work (SOW), proposal instructions, and applicable technical evaluation criteria
 - The Task Order Team will evaluate the technical and cost proposals submitted in response to the project requirements and conduct a Conflict of Interest (COI) screen on the firms' past and current corporate experience
 - In the event that EPA restricts competition among small businesses within a CLIN, the small businesses will be required to comply with the limitations of subcontracting, which requires the small business to demonstrate its ability to perform at least 50% of the effort at the prime level of the task order
 - Generally, no task orders executed under the RES contracts for RA implementation will be awarded to the firm (or its subsidiaries or affiliates) that provided EPA with design support (generally under the DES contract). In RARE instances, the Region may identify the a need to award the RA implementation project to the entity that provided design support. In this circumstance, the award will require the approval of the head of the agency or authorized representative.
 - In RARE instances, the Region may identify a need to compete a task order among another Region's CLIN of contract holders.

Environmental Services and Operation (ESO) Suite

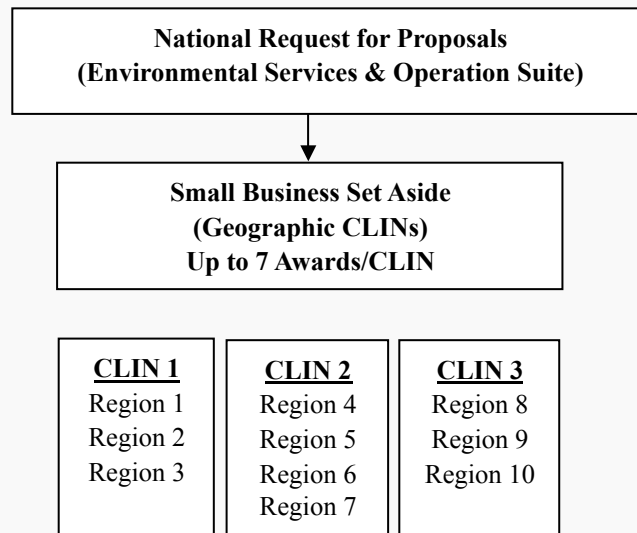


- Provides professional services to support the EPA's cleanup programs including:
 - Primarily provide support to implement EPA-lead remedy operation including long term response actions (LTRA) at Superfund sites
 - Technical support to the EPA project manager(s) in the oversight of the EPA contractor implementing the remedial action or a removal action under the RES contract
 - Technical oversight of the environmental remediation work being financed and performed by potentially responsible parties
 - Preliminary assessment/site investigation activities.

So what does this look like?



ESO CONTRACT CLIN STRUCTURE



- Set Aside for Small Businesses
- 3 geographic CLINs –
 - Region 1, 2, 3
 - Region 4, 5, 6, 7
 - Region 8, 9, 10
- Firm can bid on one or more CLINS
- Firm will be awarded one contract to reflect the CLINS for which it is successful in receiving an award
- Anticipate up to 7 awards per CLIN

How will task orders be awarded under ESO?



- Each Region will follow a fair opportunity process
 - The Agency will provide each contractor holding a contract within a particular CLIN the project statement of work (SOW), proposal instructions, and applicable technical evaluation criteria
 - The Task Order Team will evaluate the technical and cost proposals submitted in response to the project requirements and conduct a Conflict of Interest (COI) screen on the firms' past and current corporate experience
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Who Can Participate in the RAF?



- Contractors may bid on one or more CLINs for each suite
- A contractor may hold a contract as a prime and participate as a teaming partner within each suite
- Each Joint Venture partner is considered a prime

Transition from RACs to RAE



- EPA has reviewed
 - existing contracts' periods of performance
 - current and future projects
- Developed acquisition forecasts for each Region
- Determined appropriate off-ramps from RACs to new DES, RES, and ESO contracts
- EPA may rely on existing vehicles, e.g. contract extensions, interagency agreements with the US Army Corp of Engineers, during the transition period

What to Expect in the Near Future



- Issue Request for SF-330s June 2015
- Issue Draft Solicitation for RES & ESO August 2015

Resources



- FebBizOpportunity:
<https://www.fbo.gov/>
- EPA Remedial Acquisition Framework: Remediation Environmental Services (RES)— SOL-HQ-14-00023:
https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=ff5d09036bca22f123590c81bc5fefce&_cview=0
- EPA Remedial Acquisition Framework: Design Engineering Services (DES)—SOL-HQ-14-00022:
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- EPA Remedial Acquisition Framework: Environmental Services and Operations (ESO)— SOL-R1-14-00003:
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We will now take a 10 minute break

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Please submit your questions and
comments in the Q&A window



Question and Answer

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