

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **DOWL, LLC** for the **Leaburg Transportation Alternatives Analysis**.

Board Meeting Date: July 9, 2024
Project Name/Contract #: Leaburg Transportation Alternatives Analysis / 24-086-Q
Manager: Lisa Krentz Ext. 7450
Executive Officer: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$300,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Spend over last approval: \$0
Amount this Request: \$300,000
% Increase over last approval: NA
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$300,000**

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Formal Request for Proposals
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA
Term of Agreement: Through December 2025
Option to Renew? No
Approval for purchases “as needed”: Yes No
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): Three proposals received (\$234,381 to \$249,192)
Selection Basis: Highest Ranked Proposer

Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

The Leaburg Decommissioning Action Plan (LDAP) was approved by the Board in January 2024. A Transportation Alternatives Analysis is detailed in the LDAP and is a critical path task for EWEB’s decommissioning planning effort. The results of this analysis will help inform staff and elected officials at Lane County who will decide on long-term transportation solutions. The deliverables for this study will include a triple bottom line (TBL) evaluation of the feasible alternatives developed during the analysis.

Contracted Goods or Services

EWEB, in coordination with Lane County Public Works, has arranged for consulting support to define a suite of long-term transportation alternatives for providing access to properties that currently rely on Leaburg Dam bridge, which will be impacted by the decommissioning of the Leaburg Hydroelectric Project. Each alternative will be characterized with respect to economic, social, and environmental considerations. This project will be a multi-phased effort beginning with the development of comprehensive alternative transportation concepts, followed by concept refinements in response to feedback, and ultimately resulting in a TBL assessment (economic, social, and environmental) of viable alternatives. The study will document TBL results, allowing for comparison of the

alternatives against each other. Preliminary results and draft findings from the consultant’s work will be presented to key stakeholders and the public for feedback, and the consultant team will use that feedback to finalize the TBL assessment.

Purchasing Process

In May 2024, Purchasing initiated a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) process in accordance with Oregon Public procurement rules. The RFP was posted on the state of Oregon bid site OregonBuys. Three proposals were received, and all were deemed to be Responsive and Responsible. The proposals were evaluated by an EWEB evaluation team. Lane County staff were provided updates during the process and informed of the outcome. The maximum number of possible points was 200, using the following criteria: Minimum Qualifications (Pass / No Pass – Not scored), Project Experience (40 points), Project Approach (55 points), Project Team Qualifications (55 points), Project Management Strategy (20 points) and Pricing (30 points). DOWL and Jacobs Engineering Group were shortlisted and asked to forward their pricing proposals. DOWL received the greatest number of points and was selected as a competent and qualified consultant for the project and an Intent to Award was issued.

Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price	Ranking (for RFPs)
DOWL, LLC	Eugene, Oregon	\$234,381	1
Jacobs Engineering Group	Corvallis, Oregon	\$225,351	2
GEI Consultants, Inc.	Portland, Oregon	NA*	3

*EWEB solicited pricing proposals from the two top ranked proposers.

The two top ranked proposers identified a likely need for the following additional services that were not included in their base scope of work:

- Right-of-Way assessments
- Cultural Resources and Historical Preservation research
- Hydraulic assessments

To ensure that adequate funds are available for necessary scope expansions to support a comprehensive TBL assessment, staff request Board authorization for \$300,000 on this contract.

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Approved/Amended Amount to Date (Total)	Reason Code
21-228-Q	McKenzie River Bridge Seismic Improvements	1-4-22	1-5-22 to 12-31-23	\$216,902	\$230,000	AW
22-066-Q	Misc. Hydro Engineering Projects	NA	3-28-22 to 12-31-22	\$22,700	\$22,700	
Q2615	On-Call Structural Engineering Services	NA	9-6-17 to 8-31-18	\$20,000	\$100,000	AW*

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

*On-Call contract. Additional dollars were for additional projects rather than additional costs.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a contract with DOWL for engineering and related services to complete the Leaburg Transportation Alternatives Analysis. Approximately \$900,000 was planned for Leaburg decommissioning related consulting services in the Generation Department’s 2024 O&M budget for technical and professional services of \$1.15 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.