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Transportation Department

Public Works Improvements Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

The County of Riverside affirms the utilization and participation of qualified minority, women and disabled veteran firms in its contracting and procurement activities. The County of Riverside encourages general and prime contractors to afford competitive subcontracting opportunities to minority, women and disabled veteran firms where possible, in their contracting and procurement activities with the County of Riverside.

As of July 1, 2012 the State of California has implemented changes to the State's DBE program, as directed by FHWA, with which the County of Riverside has agreed to comply. The County of Riverside's DBE program and contract provisions have been modified in accordance with the State's program. The principal changes to the contractor, as described in the revised general conditions, include:

- 1. DBE goals are established in FHWA funded contracts for all DBE firms.
- The successful bidder, and the 2nd and 3rd low bidders, shall submit Exhibit 15-G to document all DBE firms that are to be utilized as sub-contractors, suppliers and for trucking. (Required within 4 business days of bid opening.)
- 3. Additionally, the successful bidder and the 2nd and 3rd low bidders, are required to complete Attachment "A" "Local Agency Bidder DBE Information", listing ALL firms that submitted bids for subcontracting, materials, supplies and trucking services, whether or not they are a DBE firm. (Required within 4 business days of bid opening.)

The State has established a statewide overall DBE goal. Federal Aid contracts administered by this Agency are considered to be part of the statewide overall DBE goal. The County of Riverside is required to report to Caltrans on DBE participation for all Federal-aid contracts each year.

Resources: County of Riverside Transportation Department Notices Inviting Bids: <u>http://rctlma.org/trans/Contractors-Corner/Notices-Inviting-Bids</u>

> Unified Certification Program (To become certified or find a certified firm): <u>www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/ucp.htm</u> and <u>http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/find_certified.htm</u>

The Transportation Department's DBE program information is posted at: <u>http://rctlma.org/trans/Contractors-Corner/DBE-Program</u>

Questions or comments may be addressed to:

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