Q: Our firm is interested in responding, however we are concerned that doing the assessment will disqualify us from bidding on any projects that come out of the assessment. Can you find out if this is the case?

A: GLO Procurement Guidance states: "Contractors that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals must be excluded from competing for such procurements"

This project calls for an assessment, not "specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals". There is no guarantee that GLO will consider the assessment exempt from their guidelines, however GLO will make the determination on a case-by-case basis.

It is important to note that mitigation funding will be sought from several agencies and organizations, not just the GLO.

Q: Please clarify if the due date is 9:00 AM on May 11 or 9:00 AM on May 12

A: The date has been changed to 9am May 21, 2025

Q: Can CBCOG identify the WWTFs that will be assessed for this project?

A: No. The specific WWTFs have not yet been determined

Q: Since the RFQ is for engineering services, will "Anticipated costs" be removed from Item IV. Submission Requirements?

A: Yes. We have removed "Anticipated costs" from the requirements

Q: Item V. Evaluation Criteria shows 15% scoring for "Cost Effectiveness" - is this related to "Anticipated Costs" from Item IV Submission Requirements? If not, can CBCOG clarify how "Cost Effectiveness" will be scored?

A: "Cost effectiveness" has been removed from scoring.

Q: What is the anticipated scope of work (i.e. number of treatment plants) associated with this RFQ? Does the scope include evaluation of all WWTP's in the 11 county / 33 city area, or have specific plants been selected?

A: Our goal is to develop engineering feasibility reports for up to 5 WWTPs located within the coastal zone boundary of the Coastal Bend, as budget allows.

Q: What is the timeframe allotted for completion of the requested scope of services?

A: Once the contract is in place, the timeframe for completion should be within 6-9 months.