

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

## EXPRESS LANE NETWORK

### TOLL SYSTEM INTEGRATION & MAINTENANCE, dated November 7, 2013

#### Proposers' Conference and Submitted Questions and Answers (No. 1)

November 21, 2013

Note: BAIFA will be posting answers to questions intermittently (every three to five working days). BAIFA expects the second addendum to be released December 6. Any answers to questions that result in a RFP addendum will be released with the associated addendum. Please check the MTC website at <http://procurements.mtc.ca.gov/> for future questions and answers documents and any addenda. Register on the MTC website as a plan holder to the BAIFA Express Lane Network Toll System Integration & Maintenance RFP to receive automatic notifications of procurement postings.

**Q1 When are the responses expected from the Q&A?**

A1: Responses for the Proposers' Conference will be posted as soon as possible.

**Q2: Will conduit and fiber be provided along all three corridors included in the Scope of Work?**

A2: No, only on I-880 and I-680. Please see RFP, Appendix 1 Reference 2E, *Conduit Inventory Table*, for more information.

**Q3: Will the Proposer be required to perform manual image review?**

A3: No, manual image review for customer violation processing will be done by the Regional Customer Service Center. The Proposer's solution shall not depend on the RCSC for providing manual image review to support Trip Building. The Proposer's solution shall address automated image review for the Trip Building process.

**Q4: Is there any approach a Proposer can take to log exception to any particular item(s) in the Agreement?**

A4: BAIFA recommends that Proposers submit their questions as soon as possible in order to expedite responses. Proposers are to follow the RFP instructions to request exceptions or clarification on the Agreement during the Requests for Clarifications and Exceptions phase of the procurement. Proposers, if selected, are expected to sign the Agreement in the RFP as revised by any addenda. Proposers shall not submit exceptions after the RFP deadlines or deadline extensions as revised by any addenda.

**Q5: There appears to be a discrepancy/inconsistency in parts of the RFP between 2 feet verses 4 feet regarding Automatic Vehicle Detection and Automatic Vehicle Classification (AVD/AVC) system and Violation Enforcement System (VES). Within what parameters do Proposers need to plan to classify a vehicle?**

A5: The vehicle classification functionality is part of the AVD/AVC system and the requirement is for correctly separating vehicles two (2) feet apart. Please see RFP, Subsection 2.1.1.2 in Appendix 1 Attachment A-1. The VES requirement is for capturing images of vehicles separated four (4) feet apart. Please see RFP, Subsection 2.3.1.2 in Appendix 1 Attachment A-1.

**Q6: There appears to be a discrepancy/inconsistency within the RFP regarding UPS standby time. One requirement within the document specifies five (5) hours of standby time while another, separate requirement specifies three (3) hours. Is this a discrepancy; and if so, what is the required standby time?**

- A6: The UPS requirement is for three (3) hours (Please see RFP, Subsection 1.7.1.2 in Appendix 1 Attachment A-1). The 5-hour UPS reference is in Appendix 1 Reference 3, Conceptual Communications Network Pre Design, shall be disregarded as a scoped requirement and is only meant to be a guidance document.
- Q7: Will the Proposer be responsible for installing conduit and pulling fiber for all corridors?**  
A7: BAIFA will install conduit and pull fiber for the Backhaul network along the Corridors specified in the RFP. Please see RFP, Subsection 9.3.1.5 Appendix 1 A-1 System Requirements. The Proposer is responsible for any equipment necessary for their Roadside Network solution to communicate with the Backhaul hubs.
- Q8: Will the Proposer be required to perform, or be responsible for, any civil work on the project?**  
A8: Details on the demarcation between the TSI and the Civil Contractor are in the RFP, Appendix 1 Reference 2, Diagrams, Drawings and Schematics.
- Q9: Regarding the fiber that BAIFA will be pulling along the Corridors, is BAIFA responsible for the maintenance of that fiber?**  
A9: Yes, BAIFA will maintain the fiber installed by BAIFA.
- Q10: Will you be providing all inner shoulder widths?**  
A10: BAIFA will look at providing shoulder widths where available, but recommends that Proposers validate all data manually in the field.
- Q11: Do you have standard details for all gantry types?**  
A11: No.
- Q12: Can BAIFA clarify how they would prefer Proposers to specify costs for Maintenance Of Traffic (MOT) closures by type?**  
A12: Proposers should provide a breakdown of their proposed pricing structure for transparency into the Proposer's unit pricing. This may include itemizing MOT by closure type such as shoulder only closures, single lane closures, multi-lane closures, day, night, etc.
- Q13: Can Form C in Appendix 2, Required Proposal Forms be provided in Excel?**  
A13: The following forms have been provided in their native file format on the procurement website at <http://bids.mtc.ca.gov/procurements/145>: Proposer Project Experience (Form B), Cost Proposal (Form C Series), and Disposition/Issues Matrix (Form G).
- Q14: Is it possible to visit the host site?**  
A14: No.