



FIBER OPTIC CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANT RFP 2016-2 QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

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Below are the questions submitted and respective answers. These questions were received by the deadline of September 24, 2016 at 4:00pm.

1. Would the County be willing to accept lump sums instead of hourly rates still as "not to exceed" for the "items of service" in Appendix B, column 3? This will reduce administration time for both the County and the vendor.

A: We can't accept lump sums only, we need to have the hourly breakdown shown for the following reasons: 1. In order to compare between proposals, the County needs to have them all be similar; 2. For the grants backing this project, the County requires transparency of hourly rates and associated documentation.

2. 4.2 Contract Negotiation on page 13 states: "In addition, the selected Respondent will be required to execute a Business Associate's Agreement with Tioga County. Attached as RFP Appendix G is a copy of the standard Business Associate's Agreement." Appendix G is the Planned Fiber Route Map. There is no Business Associate's Agreement among the appendices. Is this still a requirement?

A: For this work a BA is not required, that was oversight on our part to not remove that sentence. That sentence can be struck from the RFP language.

3. On page 2 it says if we intend to submit a proposal, we need to send in the Intent to Submit Form no later than September 26, 2016 by 4:00 PM EST. However, on page 8 the date to submit this form is no later than September 23, 2016 by 4:00 PM EST. Can you please confirm which date is correct?

A: Our apologies, we thought we had synchronized those dates. The day is September 26th by 4:00pm.