

6. EVALUATION AND SELECTION

This RFQ provides information necessary to prepare and submit qualifications for consideration and ranking by the RGCOG. The FWTWPG Executive Committee will rank the firms in order of the most qualified, based on demonstrated competence and qualification to perform the services, subject to negotiation of fair and reasonable compensation. The Executive Committee will then recommend the finalist to the FWTWP group for approval. RGCOG will then negotiate a contract with the finalist. If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated with the most highly qualified firm, the RGCOG will formally end negotiations with that firm and select the next most highly qualified firm and negotiate a contract at a fair and reasonable price.

7. Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code requires vendors and qualified firms contracting or seeking to do business with RGCOG to file a conflict of interest questionnaire (CIQ). The required questionnaire is located at the Texas Ethics Commission Website Form CIQ. The list of RGCOG officers, subject to HB 914 disclosure requirements, can be found on the RGCOG's website, <http://www.riocog.org>. The CIQ must be completed and filed with the proposal response. Vendors and qualified firms that do not include the form with the response, and fail to timely provide it, may be disqualified from consideration by RGCOG.

8. Reservation of Rights and Contract Requirements

- A. The RGCOG reserves the right to select one or no firm in response to this RFQ.
- B. The firm, if selected, will be the firm whose RFQ is deemed most advantageous to the RGCOG, as determined by the RGCOG.
- C. This RFQ does not commit the RGCOG to enter into a Contract, award any services related to this RFQ.