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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

From consultant firms to support our organization and its region as a with professional services in strategic planning and development.

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The Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments (COG) is administering some special planning projects and the mission objectives are:

1. Cibola County: support strategic planning of policy, management, and department heads to define a strategic vision, framework, goals, objectives, and evaluation system through a facilitated process that focuses on education, training, and consensus-building.
2. Council of Governments: support the development of a strategic growth plan for the organization.

Consultants may provide qualifications and may be selected for a portion or both items of work. This is all contingent on funding and executed contracts and final contracts and their negotiations will be the sole discretion of the COG to determine if there is adequate appropriations.

- **TIMEFRAME:** Starting June 7, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (12 months)
- **AVAILABILITY:** Firms would need to available during this timeframe and dedicate time necessary to deliver this product.
- **EXPERTISE:** We are particularly looking for consultant expertise in the following disciplines:
 - Facilitation
 - Consensus Building
 - Strategic Planning
 - Training and Coaching of Government Officials and Staff
 - Project Management Experience
 - Familiarity with private, State and Federal funding programs
 - Working familiarity with northwest New Mexico

The selected consultant firm will work in concert with the COG planning team under general contract, with task orders negotiated for portions of work per specific timeframes.

Letters of interest and qualifications will be accepted until Friday, June 4, 2021 at 3:00 pm. After initial screening and if needed, we will invite top applicants to interview with us regarding portions of the work best suited to the needs of the project and to the firm's expertise and availability. COG will schedule virtual interviews. COG will make a selection the same week and will authorize work to begin the week of June 7, 2021.

Letters of Interest and Qualifications may be submitted electronically to Evan Williams at ewilliams@nwnmcog.org

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Evan Williams, Executive Director