The following questions were submitted for the Birmingham Area Roadway Ownership/Maintenance Study RFP:

1. The Submission section on the first page of the RFP says proposals should not exceed 5 pages, but most of the remainder of the RFP indicates a maximum of 7 pages. Is 7 pages the correct maximum number of pages?

   The two other pages are the cover letter and the table of contents/outline. The abstract should not exceed 5 pages which makes a total of 7 pages excluding the required attachments.

2. Section 2. No. 3, a-d (page 4), you identify a prioritized study area for collecting data. You also mention in the estimated that the budget may not be sufficient to cover the entire MPO region. Is there a desire and/or expectation that this project will attempt to address the entirety of the MPO region (Jefferson, Shelby, St. Clair, and Blount Counties) if the budget allows, or are the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Shelby and Jefferson Counties the absolute study limits?

   As the RFP states, data will be collected in the following order:
   a. Unincorporated Shelby County;
   b. Incorporated Shelby County;
   c. Unincorporated Jefferson County;
   d. Incorporated Jefferson County;

   If budget allows the study could expand into St. Clair and Blount Counties.

3. How are you currently determining roadway ownership?

   We are not currently determining roadway ownership.

4. Is there a clearinghouse where roadway maintenance agreements can be obtained? Who holds these roadway maintenance agreements?

   If we were aware of any clearinghouse for this information we would have stated it in the RFP. As stated in the first task of the RFP scope: “Research and confirm the agency or municipality that owns each roadway segment...”

5. We envision that the Birmingham MPO will provide the functional classification GIS data layer. Besides the functional classification layer, what other GIS data/layers do you see as being valuable to this effort?

   We will share any GIS data that is useful to the consultant. For example, our GIS layers for city boundaries will be valuable. It will be up to the selected consultant to work with our GIS staff to determine what other layers will be valuable to this effort.
6. On the page with the schedule it states that Proposals should not exceed 5 pages (excluding attachments), single-sided. On page 5 under Section 3 it states that Proposals should not exceed 7 pages (which includes the cover letter, table-of-contents, and 5 page abstract, but does not include the attachments and forms), and should be printed single-sided. What is the not to exceed page limit for the proposed submittal??

See answer to question 1 above.

7. DBE requirements, would MBE status from the State of Alabama (ADECA) also meet this requirement?

Yes.

8. Will the limits for unincorporated and incorporated areas for both Shelby County and Jefferson County be shared with the selected consultant in a GIS layer or will these limits need to be created to distinguish between these areas?

Yes, we will share the most recent GIS layers for these boundaries, and we work with both counties to verify that our layers are the most current.