

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan RFP FAQ

- Is there a specific DBE requirement?
While the SCCOG is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to affirmative action there is no specific DBE percentage required.
- Is there a BF&O multiplier cap?
There is no limit, however this information should be included in the application.
- Will certified payroll be required for the application and during the project?
No. Payment intervals and parameters will be determined as part of negotiation.
- Is there a cap on salaries?
No.
- Does the lead firm need to be prequalified with CTDOT for Modal Transportation Planning?
No, however the RFQ was sent directly to that group.
- In the selection process section on page 8, there is no mention of interviews. Is your intent to not conduct interviews?
Applications will be reviewed and top ranked applicants will be interviewed. While the schedule has not yet been set, we hope to interview in late June.
- Can you clarify your expectations for the trail / intersection count effort? Page 2 states that there are no historical counts, and that the **region** will collect pedestrian and bicycle counts during the study. Later, page 3 says that “establish count locations” is an objective in goal 5. And on page 7, “counts at trails/on-road facilities” are under the list of data to compile or create. Are you looking for each firm to put forth a detailed methodology for the count collection to calibrate the Strava data? Including locations, times, and frequency of counts. Also, will the selected firm be responsible for the entirety of the count data collection?
It is anticipated that the region will collect the raw count data. The selected firm would input the count data into a new geodatabase and do any calibration to the available STRAVA data.
- With regards to data collection, is there an expectation that the firm will conduct a sidewalk inventory?
The pedestrian network data collection will be focused on the transit network routes and other identified key routes and will not include all roadways in the region. Pertinent data to be collected would be the presence/absence of sidewalks primarily which would be achieved through survey of aerial mapping.
- With regards to data collection, is there an expectation that the firm (provide) an inventory of ADA accessibility on sidewalks and crossings for the entire region, specific components of a network, a set number of locations?
Some field review, targeted to high use areas would be included in the consultant collection effort as defined during the negotiation process.

- How many copies of the submission are required?
6.

- A correction to the background information. "In 2015, Ledge Light Health District participated in the Data Haven Community Wellbeing survey. However, this data extends only over one of SCCOG's health districts, and applies to only some of the SCCOG's municipalities." Could this be corrected?

The survey was fielded in both 2015 and 2018, the data collected through the 34,000 in-depth interviews cover all towns in Connecticut (not just some municipalities in that area), and there are a number of other funders in the SECCOG area other than LLHD, such as Uncas Health District, Hartford Healthcare, and philanthropy which fund additional interviews in the Norwich area.

- Add to the selection process:
SCCOG is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- Has a project budget been established?
The project is grant funded. The project budget will be determined in the negotiation process.
- One of the Objectives of Goal 4 is to "Create static maps that brand the region and can be utilized for tourism." Is the intention to create user maps for route finding purposes in addition to maps that document existing and planned infrastructure that are used for planning purposes? If user maps are intended they would be likely different from a recommended network, will the project team also need to develop those routes?
It is anticipated that recommendation map will indicate facilities that should be implemented as a guide for programming, engineering and construction staff at local, regional and state levels in addition to the existing facilities. Additionally, tourist/wayfinding maps would be prepared that would indicate points of interest and the best existing routes and facilities that are existing or are programmed. The hired consultant will collaborate with stakeholders to determine routes and create maps to reflect them.