



**CALIFORNIA**  
**High-Speed Rail Authority**

**Request for Expressions of Interest for  
Water Well Drilling**

**March 27, 2015**



## 1.0 Introduction and General Information

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for the planning, design, construction and operation of the first high-speed rail system in the nation. The California High-Speed Rail System (System) will connect the mega-regions of the State, contribute to economic development and a cleaner environment, create jobs and preserve agricultural and protected lands. Phase 1 service will connect San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin in less than three hours at speeds of over 200 miles per hour. The System will eventually extend to Sacramento and San Diego, totaling 800 miles with up to 24 stations. In addition, the Authority is working with regional partners to implement a statewide rail modernization plan that will invest billions of dollars in local and regional rail lines to meet the State's 21<sup>st</sup> century transportation needs.

The Authority is currently acquiring approximately 130 miles of real property in the Central Valley between Merced and Bakersfield. This acquisition process will require water wells to be drilled to replace wells impacted by the project. The Authority is issuing this Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) to request Expressions of Interest (EOI) from firms interested in drilling water wells to replace wells for impacted landowners. Issuing this REOI does not commence a procurement process or obligate the Authority to commence procurement or award a contract. EOIs received will not be scored, but will be used to identify firms interested in providing well drilling services. Such services may be performed through contracts with either the Authority or with the affected private entities. Your firm's information may be made publically available for the benefit of relocated landowners seeking water well drilling services.

## 2.0 Minimum Project Qualifications

The Authority is looking for firms with the capacity to drill replacement water wells for landowners whose wells must be replaced due to high-speed rail construction. Responsive firms should have the capacity to begin drilling wells for relocated landowners within six months of responding to this REOI. To drill water wells within California, firms must be licensed as a Water Well Drilling Contractor under Business & Professions Code §§ 7058-59 and Water Code § 13750.5. Additionally, all interested firms shall comply with all licensing and permitting requirements prior to performing any work.

Firms with available capacity are encouraged to respond to this REOI whether they are licensed in California or not, but shall be licensed before beginning work. Interested firms should provide the following information:

- A description of their current and forecasted capacity for water well drilling;
- The technical capabilities of the firm;
- Staff and equipment availability after the executed contract;
- Any additional relevant information about the firm.



### 3.0 EOI Submission and Format Guidelines

Responses to this REOI should include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The name of the interested firm, team, or joint venture;
- The phone number, email address, and website (if available) of the interested firm;
- A statement of how the potential Proposer meets the minimum requirements in Section 2.0, above;

Please conduct all communications for this REOI through and submit all EOIs to the contact below:

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EOIs are requested by **Thursday, May 7, 2015**. EOIs may be submitted by either mail or email, but must be received by **Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time**.

The following information should be placed on the lower left corner of the submittal shipping packages:

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