

Addenda – Regional Air Quality Plan Inquiry Responses

1. Do the fee proposal section and/or required forms count toward the 25 page maximum?

Yes, the fee proposal section and/or required forms count towards 25 page maximum.

2. Do the cover and/or section tabs count toward the 25 page maximum?

No, cover and/or section tabs do not count toward 25 page maximum.

3. Section 8.8 refers to reporting progress in the data conversion and update process. This doesn't seem applicable to this RFP; please confirm.

AMENDED to: The Contractor shall maintain procedures throughout the project for tracking and reporting progress.

4. Section 8.10 refers to source anomalies – is that applicable to this RFP?

Yes.

5. What is your expectation with regards to the number of meetings that will occur as part of the review process and plan development with ACOG? Are there other stakeholders that you anticipate will be engaged as part of the review process and plan development that are included within the scope of this RFP?

ACOG anticipates a need for brief bi-weekly meetings over zoom/teleconference to quickly review progress made by the consultant on plan development. ACOG anticipates 2-4 stakeholder meetings in development of the plan. Meetings are expected to be hybrid in-person and virtual. It would be preferred if the contractor participated in at least two (2) in-person meetings but that is not required. It is expected that other stakeholders besides ACOG and the contractor will be engaged as part of the review process and plan development. Any concerns about proprietary information or data can be addressed in the contract between ACOG and contractor.

6. The RFP refers to development of a Regional Air Quality Plan; however, Section 9.3. does not explicitly say that a Plan is to be developed. Please clarify that Section 9.3 outlines the review activities to be conducted and that these are to be used to develop associated sections of a Plan. Also, please clarify that the deliverables would include the items listed in Section 9.3.7, along with the development of the Plan itself.

A plan must be developed that incorporates elements outlined in Section 9.3.

7. From the last bullet point in 9.3.1: Emissions inventories overview – National Emissions Inventory (NEI), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Reported Emissions & DEQ Mobile vs. Point Source Emissions Analysis" can ACOG provide a link to the ODEQ data on Mobile vs. Point Source Emissions Analysis for review?



All publicly available emissions data that ACOG has access to will be provided to the contractor upon execution of the contract.

8. From the first bullet point in 9.3.7: "Develop a prioritized list of action and implementation items organized by project type, assigned roles for potential participating parties, implementation timelines, and performance metrics" can ACOG provide a few examples on what types of projects they expect here?

Implementation items could potentially include but are not restricted to: Emissions reduction technologies for point source emissions, promotion of alternative modes of transportation that are low or no emission (and suggestions on the built environment to support alternative modes of transportation), renewable energy generation, commercial and residential energy efficiency, energy benchmarking, GHG inventories, carbon reduction, facility management, beneficial electrification, indoor air quality, public health benchmarking, dust mitigation, idle reduction strategies, diesel engine retrofit technologies, intermodal freight facilities and programs, carsharing, vanpooling, incident management, transit service expansion, traffic signal synchronization, park and rides, alternative fuel stations, electric vehicle charging stations, transit amenity improvements, rideshare programs, roundabouts, bikesharing, bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects, intersection improvements, employee transit benefits, subsidized transit fares, and heavy-duty vehicle replacements.

9. Will these projects be limited to government action (ODOT, ODEQ, etc.), or would private industry projects be included as well? For private industry projects, does ACOG expect only voluntary projects to be listed or suggestions based on large emitter reduction potential?

No, implementation items should also include private sector action and individual/household actions. Voluntary projects and suggestions based on large emitter reduction potential should be included, as well as exploration of federal regulatory requirements on the private sector.

10. Please confirm that no actual air monitoring is required, it only involves reviewing existing data from air quality monitors.

No new air monitoring is required. Plan expected to only require existing data.

11. Please confirm, it is a completely desktop review and a few interviews.

Confirmed it is a desktop review. However, we expect contractor to conduct multiple high-quality interviews.

12. Please confirm, existing literature and data points will be reviewed, and no new data will need to be generated.

No new data will need to be generated. However, suggestions on next steps for data collection and analysis would be appreciated.

13. The focus will be NO_x, VOCs (it is not a criteria pollutant) and Particulate Matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}) only since ground level ozone is a function of NO_x+VOC and High Temperature.

Study should include focuses on NO_x, VOCs, and Particulate Matter. Some exploration of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions would also be helpful to ACOG.



14. Is there a price cap/ budget on the contract that ACOG is restrained to

ACOG expects to have a project budget between \$150,000 to \$200,000.

15. Can ACOG provide a link to the ODEQ data on Mobile vs. Point Source Emissions Analysis for review?

A link was not available at the time of this inquiry response. However, all publicly available emissions data that ACOG has access to will be provided to the contractor upon execution of the contract.

16. "Develop a prioritized list of action and implementation items organized by project type, assigned roles for potential participating parties, implementation timelines, and performance metrics"

Can ACOG provide a few examples on what types of projects they expect here?

See response to Question 8.