

Advertisement for Bids

Notice is hereby given that _____
(hereinafter called the "Owner") will receive sealed bids at _____,
_____ County, Oklahoma, until the _____ day of _____, 20____, for the

_____.

Funding for this project is provided through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant program. As such, compliance with Labor Standards Contract Provisions is mandatory. Compliance with the Davis Bacon Act is mandatory **if the total project cost exceeds \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars)**.

All bids received at said time will be opened and evaluated for completeness and correctness. All work shall be performed, and all construction and materials used and furnished shall be in accordance with the Plans and Specifications prepared by _____, and on file in the office of _____.

The Bid Packet and Contract Documents for this project may be examined at the following locations:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

A complete set of Plans and Specifications may be obtained by the prospective bidders at these locations upon deposit of \$_____. Upon return of a complete set, in good condition, within _____ days after the time of bid opening, \$_____ will be refunded.

Each bidder shall accompany his original bid, filed with the _____, with a certified or Cashier's Check on a solvent bank located in Oklahoma, or a Bidder's Bond, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount bid, as a guarantee of his ability to perform the contract bid upon, and that he will enter into a written contract with the Owner to perform said work and/or furnish said materials in accordance with said Plans and Specifications, and furnish the required bonds according to the Public Competitive Bidding Act of 1974.

The Owner will retain the deposit for liquidated damages in case the successful bidder fails to enter in said contract and furnish the required bonds provided for in the specifications within the time required. Deposit of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon the execution of the Contract

and required bonds.

Each bidder shall accompany his bid with a sworn statement in writing that the bidder has not directly or indirectly entered into an agreement, expressed or implied, with any other bidder concerning the price or amount of such bid or any bids, the limiting of the bids or bidders, the paying to anyone any money for promotion expenses, the parceling or farming out to any bidder or bidders or other persons of any part of the contract or any part of the subject matter of the bid or of the profits thereof.

Construction, Maintenance and Statutory Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract price are required for this project. These bonds must be obtained from a Corporate Surety licensed in Oklahoma and approved by the Owner and Consulting Engineer. The bidder shall state in the proposal the name and address of the Surety or Sureties who will sign this bond in case the contract is awarded. The Maintenance Bond required will guarantee the repair of all damage due to improper materials or workmanship for a period of one (1) year after the acceptance of the work by the Owner.

This project is to be financed by the ARPA grant program managed by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) and shall be referred to as Project No. ARP-__-____-____. The following requirements and regulations must be complied with:

- A. "Equal Opportunity in Employment: All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or physical handicap. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended."
- B. "Each bidder must fully comply with the requirements, terms and conditions of the Environmental Protection Agency's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Requirements, which have been adopted for the OWRB ARPA program, and include employing the six (6) good faith efforts and soliciting disadvantaged business enterprises during the performance of this contract. Requirements are contained in OWRB's Guidance and Procedures, ARP-267. The bidder commits itself to following the good faith efforts to solicit disadvantaged business enterprises contained herein and all other requirements, terms, and conditions of these bid conditions by submitting a properly signed bid."
- C. **If the total project cost exceeds \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars)** "Davis Bacon Act wage rules shall apply. All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and sub-contractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of Title 40, United States Code and 29 CFR

parts 1,3, and 5. The Department of Labor provides all pertinent information related to compliance with labor standards, including prevailing wage rates and instructions for reporting. More information is available at <http://www.sam.gov/> and <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/construction>

D. System for Award Management (SAM) registration is required for all Applicants and Awardees (Entities, Prime Contractors, Subcontractors, Vendors) in order to receive funds from the ARPA program. SAM replaced the Central Contractor Registration/Federal Agency Registration, Online Representations and Certifications Application, and Excluded Parties List System. Applicants and awardees are required to complete a one-time free registration to provide basic information relevant to procurement and financial transactions. On April 4, 2022, the unique entity identifier used across the federal government changed from the DUNS Number to the Unique Entity ID (generated by SAM.gov). Registrants must retain an active status to be eligible for ARPA funding. Applicants and Awardees can go to SAM.gov to complete the registration process.

The bids filed with the _____ will be opened and considered by the Owner, at a meeting to be held in _____, on the ___ day of _____, 20___. Bids received more than ninety-six (96) hours prior to the Bid Opening will be returned.

The contract is to be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder. The Owner reserves the right to correct any non-material clerical errors in the bidding as allowed under Oklahoma Law. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids in accordance with the Oklahoma Public Competitive Bidding Act of 1974. Conditional bids shall not be accepted.

A pre-bid conference will be held on this project at _____ on the ___ day of _____, 20__.

Approved on this ___ day of _____, 20__.

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Each sealed envelope containing a bid must be plainly marked on the outside as “Bid for _____”, and the envelope should bear on the outside the bidder’s name, address, and license number (if applicable). If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Owner at _____.

All bids must be made on the required bid form, where all blank spaces for bid prices must be filled in, in ink or typewritten. The bid form must be fully completed and executed when submitted. Only one copy of the bid form is required. The Owner may waive any informalities or minor defects or reject any and all bids as allowed under Oklahoma Law. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for bid opening, or authorized postponement thereof. Bids received more than ninety-six (96) hours before the time specified, or those received after the time set for bid opening will not be considered and will be returned unopened. Should there be reasons why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Owner and the bidders.

Bidders must satisfy themselves of the accuracy of estimated quantities in the bid proposal by review of the Plans and Specifications, including any existing addenda, and by examination of the project site. Once a bid is submitted, the bidder shall not assert that there was a misunderstanding concerning the quantities or the nature of work to be performed. The failure or omission of any bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any bidder from any obligation in respect to its bid.

Prior to bidding, the Owner shall provide to the bidders all pertinent information that delineates and describes the land owned and rights-of-way acquired or to be acquired.

The Contract Documents contain the provisions required for the construction of the product. Information obtained from an officer, agent, or employee of the Owner or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the contractor or relieve the contractor from fulfilling

any of the conditions of the contract.

Each bid exceeding \$100,000 must be accompanied by a Bid Bond for five percent of the total amount of the bid and payable to the Owner. A certified check may be used in lieu of the Bid Bond. As soon as the bid prices have been compared, the Owner will return the bonds of all except the three lowest responsive, responsible bidders. The bid securities of the successful bidder and the two remaining unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon Owner's approval of the successful bidder's executed certificate of insurance and construction bonds.

Construction bonds (Performance, Statutory, and Maintenance) in the amount of 100 percent with a corporate surety approved by the Owner will be required for the faithful performance of the contract. Attorneys-in-fact who sign bid and construction bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their Power-of-Attorney.

The Owner shall award a contract to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder or bidders within thirty (30) calendar days after bid opening. The Owner may extend the award period not to exceed fifteen (15) calendar days by formal recorded action and for good cause. The time may be extended further by mutual agreement between the Owner and the bidder per O.S. Title 61 Section 111, Public Competitive Bidding Act of 1974 (PCBA).

The Notice of Award shall be accompanied by the necessary contract, bonds, and insurance. In the event of failure of the bidder to execute the contract, the Owner may consider the bidder in default, in which case the Bid Bond accompanying the proposal shall become the property of the Owner.

The party to whom the contract is awarded will be required to execute the contract and obtain the construction bonds (Performance, Statutory and Maintenance) and certificate of insurance within ___ calendar days (not to exceed 60 days) from the date when the Notice of Award is delivered to the bidder. The time may be extended further by mutual agreement between the Owner and the bidder per O.S. Title 61 Section 113 (PCBA).

With an acceptable contract, bonds and certificate of insurance signed by the party to whom the Contract was awarded, the Owner shall sign the contract and return to such party an executed duplicate. Should the Owner not execute the contract within the agreed upon period, the bidder may by written notice withdraw the signed contract. Such notice of withdrawal shall be effective upon its receipt by the Owner.

The Owner shall issue the Notice to Proceed after the execution of the contract, approval of bonds and certificate of insurance. If the Notice to Proceed has not been issued within the agreed upon period, the contractor may terminate the contract without further liability on the part of either party.

The Owner may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the work, and the bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of such bidders fails to satisfy the Owner that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work contemplated therein.

A conditional or qualified bid will not be accepted. Tied bids are non-restrictive, and in order for a tied bid to be accepted it must be lower than the sum of low separate bids.

All applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the contract throughout. The successful bidder will be required to meet all requirements of the Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act when engaged in work within public rights-of-way.

When using alternate bids, they will be listed in numerical order, with the highest priority being number one, the second highest priority being number two, etc. The lowest bidder will be determined by comparing all bids that contain the selected alternates and computing the total value of the base bid plus the alternates.

All bidders and owners shall comply with the Oklahoma PCBA of 1974.

The awarded bidder shall supply the names and addresses of all subcontractors and material suppliers when required to do so by the Owner.

To avoid bypassing of raw sewage during construction, the contractor shall use the methods and/or schedule(s) described in Section _____ of these Specifications, or the method(s) and/or schedule(s) described as follows:

The Contractor will be required to begin work within ____ calendar days of the date shown on the Notice to Proceed. The time for completion is ____ calendar days. Liquidated damages will be \$ _____ per calendar day.

In the event of a conflict between the Plans and the Specifications, the Specifications will govern.

The following items, included in this Bid Packet, shall be submitted along with the bid: Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Business Relationship Affidavit, Contractor's

Statement about Equal Opportunity (ARP-211), Contractor's Certificate of Non-Segregated Facilities (ARP-212), Sub-Contractor's Certificate of Non-Segregated Facilities (ARP-212a) Bidder's/Supplier's List (ARP-249), Subcontractor Performance form (ARP-6100-3), Subcontractor Utilization form (ARP-6100-4) and DBE documentation (if applicable).

The consulting engineer is _____. The consulting engineer's contact person for this project is _____, with phone number _____.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE) Guidance (ARP-267)

Important note: All OWRB ARPA information can be found at <https://oklahoma.gov/owrb/financing/american-rescue-plan-act-grants>

The OWRB is administering the State of Oklahoma's ARPA funding for various wastewater and water quality projects. The ARPA program is federally funded, and one of the conditions of federal grant awards is for recipients and sub-recipients (i.e., prime contractors and subcontractors) make a good-faith effort to award a fair share of work to DBEs who are small business enterprises (SBEs), minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women's business enterprises (WBEs).

To ensure compliance with federal DBE requirements, both **Grant Recipients (Project Owners)** and **Prime Contractors** **must** undertake the good faith efforts to provide opportunities for DBE firms to participate in contracts. Federal regulations require evidence of the demonstration of the six good faith efforts in trying to achieve the DBE participation goals. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation has a Directory of Certified DBE Firms. This directory can be accessed at <https://okdot.gob2g.com/Default.asp>

Good Faith Efforts: EPA's Good Faith Efforts for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) will be used for the OWRB ARPA grant program. The following good faith efforts will apply to all procurement categories involving ARPA funds (See Appendices A& B).

1. Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For state and local government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
2. Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
3. Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For state and local government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
4. Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
5. Use the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration (SBE) and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
6. If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the above steps.

Please submit all information to:
Financial Assistance Division, OWRB
3800 North Classen Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73118
Phone: 405.530.8800, FAX: 405.530.8900
<https://oklahoma.gov/owrb>

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE) Guidance

Demonstration of the Six Good Faith Efforts. See Appendices A & B for **additional bidding instructions and contract administrative provisions.**

A: Project Owners are required to create and maintain a bidders list in accordance with Subpart E of Part 33 of EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program rule, (§ 33.501(b)). This requirement will be adopted for projects funded through the OWRB ARPA program. The list must include all firms that bid or quote on prime contracts, or bid or quote subcontracts, on competitively bid ARPA funded projects. The bidders list must only be kept until the project period for the identified grant has ended. The following information must be obtained from all prime and subcontractors and can be provided on Bidders List (ARP-249):

1. Entity's name with point of contact
2. Entity's mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address
3. The procurement on which the entity bid or quoted, and when; and
4. Entity's status as an MBE/WBE or non-MBE/WBE

B: Project Owners are required to undertake good faith efforts. Steps 1 through 5 can be utilized during the project planning, design and/or pre-bidding phase, to assure that qualified DBE firms have procurement opportunities in construction, equipment, services, and supplies.

To provide procurement opportunities to DBE Firms, the Project Owner should undertake the following:

- Conduct pre-bid meetings to inform potential bidders/contractors about DBE requirements and provide guidance in undertaking the required good faith efforts.
- Use listings of certified DBEs from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), etc., to solicit DBE firms as prime contractors whenever they are potential candidates. Project Owners should advertise in minority, local and regional newspapers.
- Invite DBE firms, where appropriate, to meetings, conferences etc., to inform them of procurement opportunities and develop, where possible, reasonable contract and delivery schedules that encourage and facilitate participation by DBE's. This includes, whenever possible, a minimum of 30 calendar days for bids or request for proposals.
- Determine if a project can be broken down into smaller components/contracts to allow opportunity for DBE firms to bid both as prime-contractors and as sub-contractors.
- For projects broken down into smaller components (e.g., painting, roofing, excavation, pipe laying, etc.) ensure that the delivery schedules are reasonable.
- Encourage DBE firms, where appropriate, to apply as a consortium of DBEs, when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- **Require prime contractor to complete ARP Form 6100-3 & ARP Form 6100-4** and submit with bid proposal to Project Owner.

C: Project Owners must require the prime contractor to undertake steps 1 through 5 of the Good Faith Efforts in providing DBE firms opportunity for sub-contracts.

Project Owner must provide the **DBE Guidance (ARP-267)** and associated forms to Prime Contractors for utilization of DBEs in the bidding documents.

APPENDIX A: Project Owner, Prime Contractor and Sub-Contractor Responsibilities

EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program rule applies to contract procurement actions funded in part by EPA assistance agreements awarded after May 27, 2008. The rule is found at Federal regulation Title 40, Part 33. Specific responsibilities are highlighted below.

Project Owner Responsibilities:

- Include OWRB's DBE guidance (ARP-267) in each contract with a primary contractor.
- Employ the six Good Faith Efforts during prime contractor procurement (§33.301).
- Require prime contractor to comply with the following prime contractor requirements of Title 40 Part 33:
 - a) To employ the six Good Faith Efforts steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of § 33.301 if the prime contractor awards subcontracts (§ 33.301(f)).
 - b) To provide **ARP form 6100-2 – DBE Subcontractor Participation Form to all DBE subcontractors** (Optional submittal by subcontractors) (§ 33.302(e)).
 - c) To submit **ARP form 6100-3 – DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form and ARP form 6100-4 – DBE Program Subcontractor Utilization Form with bid package or proposal.** (§ 33.302 (f) and (g)).
 - d) To pay its subcontractor for satisfactory performance no more than 30 days from the prime contractor's receipt of payment from the recipient (§ 33.302(a)).
 - e) To notify recipient in writing by its prime contractor prior to any termination of a DBE subcontractor for convenience by the prime contractor (§ 33.302(b)).
 - f) To employ the six good faith efforts described in § 33.301 if soliciting a replacement subcontractor after a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under the subcontract for any reason. (§ 33.302(c)).
 - g) To employ the six good faith efforts described in § 33.301 even if the prime contractor has achieved its fair share objectives under subpart D of Part 33. (§33.302(d)).
 - h) Provide Project Owner DBE participation achievements with bid proposal – this includes all information necessary for the Owner to complete the **Bidders List (ARP-249)**. The Owner may allow the prime contractor to complete the **Bidders List (ARP-249)**; however, the Owner is responsible for review and submittal.
- Maintain records documenting compliance with the requirements of Title 40 Part 33, including **Bidders List (ARP-249)** and documentation of the good faith efforts (§ 33.301(a)) by the project owner and prime contractor.

Prime Contractor Responsibilities:

- Employ the six Good Faith Efforts steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of § 33.301 if the prime contractor awards subcontracts (§ 33.301(f)).

- Provide **ARP form 6100-2 – DBE Program Subcontractor Participation Form** and **ARP form 6100-3 – DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form** to each DBE subcontractor as part of the bid conference and prior to opening of the contractor’s bid or proposal (§ 33.302(e) and (f)). Complete **ARP form 6100-4 – DBE Program Subcontractor Utilization Form** (§ 33.302(g))
- Submit to recipient with bid package or proposal the completed **ARP form 6100-4**, plus an **ARP form 6100-3** for each DBE subcontractor used in the contractor’s bid or proposal (§ 33.302(f) and (g)).
- Pay subcontractors for satisfactory performance no more than 30 days from the prime contractor’s receipt of payment from the Project Owner (§ 33.302(a)).
- Notify the recipient in writing prior to prime contractor termination of a DBE subcontractor for convenience (§ 33.302(b)).
- Employ the six good faith efforts described in (§ 33.301) if soliciting a replacement subcontractor after a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under the subcontract for any reason. (§ 33.302(c)).
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- Provide Project Owner DBE participation achievements with bid proposal. This includes information necessary for Owner’s completion of the **Bidders List (ARP-249)**.
- Maintain records documenting its compliance with the requirements of Title 40 Part 33, including **Bidders List (ARP-249)** and documentation of the good faith efforts (§ 33.301(a)) by the project owner and prime contractor.

Subcontractor Responsibilities:

- May submit **ARP form 6100-2 – DBE Subcontractor Participation Form** to Debra Bradford, EPA Region 6 DBE Coordinator (§ 33.302(e)). Submitted if concerns with EPA funded project (e.g., termination, late payment, etc.)
- Must complete **ARP form 6100-3 – DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form** and submit it to the prime contractor soliciting services from the subcontractor prior to the opening of bids for the prime contract.

Summary of ARP Forms

<i>ARP Form</i>	<i>Requirement</i>	<i>Provided By</i>	<i>Completed By</i>	<i>Submitted To</i>
6100-2: DBE Subcontractor Participation Form	Project Owners required to have prime contractors provide form to Subcontractors	Prime Contractors to DBE Subcontractors	DBE Subcontractors if concerns with EPA funded project (e.g., termination, late payment, etc.)	EPA Region 6 DBE Coordinator, Debora Bradford
6100-3: DBE Subcontractor Performance Form	Project Owners required to have prime contractors provide form to Subcontractors	Prime Contractors to DBE Subcontractors	DBE Subcontractors with Prime Contractor’s Signature. Completed when bidding on a job.	Project Owners as part of a bid or proposal package
6100-4: DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form	Project Owners required to have prime contractors complete the form	Project Owners to Prime Contractors	Prime Contractors to indicate the utilization of a DBE.	Project Owners as part of bid or proposal

APPENDIX B: TITLE 40 PART 33 SUBPART C—GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

§ 33.102 When do the requirements of this part apply?

The requirements of this part apply to procurement under ARPA Grant program agreements performed entirely within the United States, whether by a Project Owner or its prime contractor, for construction, equipment, services, and supplies.

§ 33.106 What assurances must ARPA Grant program recipients obtain from their contractors?

The recipient must ensure that each procurement contract it awards contains the term and condition specified in Appendix A to this part concerning compliance with the requirements of this part.

§ 33.206 Is there a list of certified MBEs and WBEs?

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation has a Directory of Certified DBE Firms. This database can be found at this website: <https://okdot.gob2g.com/Default.asp>.

§ 33.301 What does this subpart require?

A recipient, including one exempted from applying the fair share objective requirements by § 33.411, is required to make the following good faith efforts whenever procuring construction, equipment, services, and supplies under an ARPA Grant program agreement, even if it has achieved its fair share objectives under subpart D of this part:

- a) Ensure DBEs are made aware of contracting opportunities fully practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For State and Local and Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
- b) Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBE's, arrange periods for contracts, and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
- c) Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBE's. For state and local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.
- d) Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBE's when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- e) Use the services and assistance of the SBA and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- f) If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the steps in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section.

§ 33.302 Are there any additional contract administration requirements?

- a) Project Owners must require its prime contractor to pay its subcontractor for satisfactory performance no more than 30 days from the prime contractor's receipt of payment from the recipient.
- b) Its prime contractor must notify Project Owner in writing prior to any termination of a DBE subcontractor for convenience by the prime contractor.
- c) If a DBE subcontractor fails to complete work under the subcontract for any reason, the recipient must require the prime contractor to employ the six good faith efforts described in § 33.301 if soliciting a replacement subcontractor.
- d) A project owner must require its prime contractor to employ the six good faith efforts described in §33.301 even if the prime contractor has achieved its fair share objectives under §33.301 subpart D above.

- e) A recipient must require its prime contractor to provide **ARP Form 6100-2**—DBE Program Subcontractor Participation Form to all of its DBE subcontractors. **ARP Form 6100-2** gives a DBE subcontractor the opportunity to describe the work the DBE subcontractor received from the prime contractor, how much the DBE subcontractor was paid and any other concerns the DBE subcontractor might have, for example reasons why the DBE subcontractor believes it was terminated by the prime contractor. DBE subcontractors may send completed copies of **ARP Form 6100-2** directly to the appropriate EPA DBE Coordinator.
- f) A recipient must require its prime contractor to have its DBE subcontractors complete **ARP Form 6100-3**—DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form. A recipient must then require its prime contractor to include all completed forms as part of the prime contractor's bid or proposal package.
- g) A recipient must require its prime contractor to complete and submit **ARP Form 6100-4**—DBE Program Subcontractor Utilization Form as part of the prime contractor's bid or proposal package.
- h) Copies of **ARP Form 6100-2**—DBE Program Subcontractor Participation Form, **ARP Form 6100-3**—DBE Program Subcontractor Performance Form and **ARP Form 6100-4**—DBE Program Subcontractor Utilization Form may be obtained from EPA OSDBU's Home Page on the Internet or directly from EPA OSDBU.
- i) A recipient must ensure that each procurement contract it awards contains the term and condition specified in the Appendix A concerning compliance with the requirements of this part. A recipient must also ensure that this term and condition is included in each procurement contract awarded by an entity receiving a grant under federal financial assistance agreement.

§ 33.410 Can a recipient be penalized for failing to meet its fair share objectives?

A recipient cannot be penalized or treated by EPA as being in noncompliance with this subpart, solely because its MBE or WBE participation does not meet its applicable fair share objective. However, EPA may take remedial action under § 33.105 for a recipient's failure to comply with other provisions of this part, including, but not limited to, the good faith efforts requirements described in subpart C of this part.

***Source:** Federal Requirements and Contract Provisions for Special Appropriation Act Projects, US Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, June 2008*

**APPENDIX C: RESOURCE LISTING AND CONTACT INFORMATION
FOR UTILIZATION OF MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

Resource Listing	Contact Information	Website if applicable
<p>U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) In addition to the national office, the SBA has local district and regional offices to assist small businesses in contracting with the public and private sector.</p>	<p>US Small Business Administration 409 3rd St, SW Washington DC 20416 Phone: 800-827-5722</p>	<p>https://www.sba.gov/</p>
<p>U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) - OK. District Office</p>	<p>301 NW 6th St. Oklahoma City, OK 73102 Phone: 405.609.8000</p>	<p>https://www.sba.gov/offices/district/ok/oklahoma-city</p>
<p>Minority Business Development Administration (MBDA): The MBDA is an agency within the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, created to foster the development and growth of minority businesses in the U.S. and coordinates resources in the public and private sectors to help MBEs.</p>	<p>1401 Constitution Ave NW Washington, D.C. 20230 Email: support@mbda.gov Phone: (202) 482-2000</p>	<p>http://www.mbda.gov/</p>
<p>Standard Industrial Classification Codes (SIC) or North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes visit the websites.</p>	<p>U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE Washington, DC 20212-0001 Phone: 1-202-691-5200</p>	<p>http://www.bls.gov/iag/tgs/iag_index_naics.htm</p>
<p>Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the <u>Minority/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ODOT – MBE/DBE)</u>. Project Owners and bidders may locate qualified M/WBE's through the MBE/WBE Directory</p>	<p>200 NE 21st Street Oklahoma City, OK 73105 Phone: 405.521.2082</p>	<p>https://okdot.gob2g.com/Default.asp.</p>
<p>US EPA Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU): advocates and advances the business, regulatory, and environmental compliance concerns of small and socio-economically disadvantaged businesses. The Small Business Vendor Profile System contains information of number of small and disadvantaged companies registered with OSDBU.</p>	<p>USEPA Office of Small Programs 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Mail Code 1230T Washington, D.C. 20460 Phone: 202 566-2075</p>	<p>https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-office-small-and-disadvantaged-business-utilization-osdbu</p> <p>Select "search the OSBP Registry"</p> <p>Click on the search criteria of interest (ethnicity, size, SIC, etc.)</p>

<p>National Black Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p>4400 Jenifer St NW #331, Washington, DC 20015 Phone: 202 466-6888 Fax: 202 466-4918 Email: info@nationalbcc.org</p>	<p>http://www.nationalbcc.org</p>
<p>U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p>424 K St NW #401, Washington, DC 20005 Phone: (202) 842-1212</p>	<p>http://www.usbcc.com</p>
<p>National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC)</p>	<p>910 17th Street, NW, Suite 413 Washington, DC 20006 Phone: 202.296.1600 info@namcnational.org</p>	<p>http://namcnational.org/</p>
<p>National Association of Women’s Business Owners (NAWBO)</p>	<p>601 Pennsylvania Ave NW South Building, Ste 900 Washington, DC 20004 Phone: 800-556-2926 Fax: 202-403-3788</p>	<p>www.nawbo.org</p>
<p>National Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc. (NMSDC)</p>	<p>1359 Broadway, 10th Floor, Suite 1000 New York, NY 10018 Phone: (212) 944-2430 Fax: (212) 719-9611</p>	<p>http://www.nmsdc.org/</p>
<p>Native American Development Corporation (NADC) - provides technical assistance, financial lending opportunities, and champions small businesses</p>	<p>17 N. 26th St. Billings, MT 59101 Phone: (406) 259-3804 Fax: (406) 259-4569 Email: nadcptac@nadc-nabn.org</p>	<p>http://www.nadc-nabn.org/</p>
<p>City of Tulsa – Small Business Enterprise Program Maintains a list of Minority and Female business Enterprises that are certified through the “building Resources in Developing and Growing Enterprises</p>	<p>175 E. 2nd St. Tulsa, OK. 74103 Phone: (918) 596-7818</p>	<p>https://www.cityoftulsa.org/developmentbusiness/small-business-enterprise-program/ Click on the ‘member list’</p>
<p>Southwest Minority Supplier Development Council: Maintains lists of certified Minority Business Enterprises in Oklahoma</p>	<p>7301 Broadway Ext Ste 224, OKC, OK 73116 Phone: (405) 767-9900</p>	<p>http://www.smsdc.org/</p>

<p>National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)</p>	<p>327 S. Adams Street Fort Worth, TX 76104 Phone: 800-552-3506 817.877.5551 Fax: 817.877.0324</p>	<p>http://www.nawic.org/</p>
<p>Bureau of Indian Affairs - Maintains a list of Native American Contractors and Suppliers by Trade</p>	<p>P.O. Box 368 (1 Mile North on Hwy 281) Anadarko, OK 73005 Phone: (405) 247-6673 Fax: (405) 247-5611</p>	<p>https://www.bia.gov/as-ia/ieed/division-economic-development/native-american-business-development</p>
<p>Oklahoma Department of Commerce Certification Programs and information</p>	<p>900 N Stiles Ave. Oklahoma City, OK 73104 Phone: (405) 815-6552 Toll-Free: (800) 879-6552</p>	<p>https://www.okcommerce.gov/doing-business/#business-services</p>
<p>Cherokee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office - Maintains a directory of Indian-owned businesses</p>	<p>Cherokee Nation TERO Dept. P.O. Box 948 Tahlequah, OK 74465 Phone: (918) 453-5334 or Toll Free: 800-256-0671 ext. 5334</p>	<p>http://cherokeetero.com/</p>

ARP-249 BIDDERS/SUPPLIERS LIST

To be completed by Project Owner with documentation from all bidding Prime Contractors & Subcontractors
(List of all firms that bid or quote on Prime Contracts and Subcontracts on the project including Services and Supplies)

Project Name: _____ OWRB Project Number: ARP-__-__-__

Company Name:	
Address:	
Contact Name:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Quote/Bid Amount (\$)	
Date:	
Utilized: Yes No	If utilized and >\$10,000 then ARP 212a form is required (from all subcontractors and suppliers).
DBE: Yes No	If yes , MBE or WBE? _____ Check one: Construction _____ Equipment _____ Services _____ Supplies _____ ARP 6100-3 form is required for all DBEs that bid/quote, even if not utilized . Submit with Bidders List . If utilized submit the following with Bidders List: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of the companies MBE or WBE certificate is required. • ARP 6100-4 form is also required.

Company Name:	
Address:	
Contact Name:	
Phone:	
Email:	
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ARP-6100-2 DBE Subcontractor Participation Form

OWRB American Rescue Plan Act Grant Recipients must require prime contractors to provide this form to their DBE subcontractors. This form gives a DBE subcontractor the opportunity to describe work received and/or report any concerns regarding the project.

Subcontractor Name	Project Name
Bid/Proposal No.	Point of Contact
Address	
Telephone No.	Email address
Prime Contractor Name	Funding entity Oklahoma Water Resources Board

Contract Item Number	Description of Work Received from the Prime Contractor Involving Construction, Services , Equipment or Supplies	Amount Received by Prime Contractor

Please use the space below to report any concerns regarding the above OWRB-funded project:

Subcontractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

ARP-6100-3 DBE Subcontractor Performance Form

This form is intended to capture the DBE₁ subcontractor's₂ description of work to be performed and the price of the work submitted to the prime contractor. OWRB American Rescue Plan Act Grant Recipients must require prime contractors to provide this form to their DBE subcontractors.

Subcontractor Name	Project Name
Bid/Proposal No.	Point of Contact
Address	
Telephone No.	Email Address
Prime Contractor Name	Funding Entity Oklahoma Water Resources Board

Contract Item Number	Description of Work Received from the Prime Contractor Involving Construction, Services , Equipment or Supplies	Price of Work Submitted to the Prime Contractor
DBE Certified By: ___ DOT ___ SBA ___ Other: _____	Meets/ exceeds EPA certification standards? ___ YES ___ NO ___ Unknown	

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above. I am aware of that in the event of a replacement of a subcontractor, I will adhere to the replacement requirements set forth in 40 CFR Part 33 Section 33.302 (c).

Prime Contractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

Subcontractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

I certify under penalty of perjury that the forgoing statements are true and correct. Signing this form does not signify a commitment to utilize the subcontractors above. I am aware of that in the event of a replacement of a subcontractor, I will adhere to the replacement requirements set forth in 40 CFR Part 33 Section 33.302 (c).

Prime Contractor Signature	Print Name
Title	Date

Bidder's Statement about: **Equal Opportunity Clause (ARP-211)**

Mark **one**:

- I have participated in previous contract(s) or subcontract(s) subject to the equal opportunity clause under Executive Orders 11246 and 11375 or preceding Executive Orders 10925 and 11114. I have filed all reports due under the requirements contained in 40 CFR, Part C, 8.11.
- I have not participated in previous contract(s) subject to the equal opportunity clause under Executive Orders 11246 and 11375 or preceding Executive Orders 10925 and 11114.

- I will obtain a similar statement from any proposed subcontractor(s), when appropriate.

Bidder's Statement about: **Non-Segregated Facilities (ARP-212 and ARP-212a)**

- I hereby certify that I do not and will not maintain any facilities provided for my employees in a segregated manner or permit my employees to perform their services at any location under my control where segregated facilities are maintained; and that I will obtain a similar certification prior to the award of any subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempted from the equal opportunity clause.

Bidder's Statement about: **Bonds**

- I hereby certify that I will obtain and provide a Bid Bond along with my Bid.
- I hereby certify that, in the event of being awarded a Contract, I will provide a Performance Bond for 100% of the contract amount.
- I hereby certify that, in the event of being awarded a Contract, I will provide a Statutory/Payment Bond for 100% of the contract amount.
- I hereby certify that, in the event of being awarded a Contract, I will provide a Maintenance Bond for at least 1 year after construction completion, and 100% of the contract amount

Bidder's Statement about: **sam.gov registration**

Mark **one**:

- I have registered in SAM.gov and my status is "active".
- I am not currently registered in SAM.gov, but I will be registered and holding an "active" status prior to the beginning of any construction.

- I certify that I will actively review the SAM.gov status of all of the subcontractors in this work to verify they are registered and their status is "active".

Bidder's Statement about: **Davis Bacon Act**

If the total project cost exceeds \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars):

- I hereby certify that all of my employees will be paid according to the Davis Bacon Act.

Name and Title of Prospective Prime Contractor's Representative

Signature of Prospective Prime Contractor's Representative

Name and address of Prospective Prime Contractor

AFFIDAVITS

State of _____ ss.
County of _____

_____, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, on oath says that (s)he is the agent authorized by the bidder to submit the attached bid.

Non-Collusion

Affiant further states that the bidder has not been a party to any collusion among bidders in restraint of freedom of competition by agreement to bid at a fixed price or to refrain from bidding; or with any government official or employee as to quantity, quality, or price in the prospective contract, or any other terms of said prospective contract; or in any discussions between bidders and any government official concerning exchange of money or other value for special consideration in the letting of a contract; that the bidder/contractor had not paid, given or donated or agreed to pay, give or donate to any officer or employee of the _____ (or other entity) any money or other thing of value, either directly or indirectly in the procurement of a contract or pursuant to this bid.

Business Relationships

Affiant further states that the nature of any partnership, joint venture, or other business relationship presently in effect or which existed within one (1) year prior to the date of this statement with the architect, engineer, or other party to the project is as follows:

_____.

Affiant further states that any such business relationship presently in effect or which existed within one (1) year prior to the date of this statement between any officer or director of the bidding company and any officer or director of the architectural or engineering firm or other party to the project is as follows:

_____.

Affiant further states that the names of all persons having any such business relationships and the positions they hold with their respective companies or firms are as follows:

_____.

If none of the business relationship herein above mentioned exists, affiant should so state.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public Signature

My Commission Expires: _____

CLAIM OR INVOICE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____ ss.
County of _____

The undersigned (engineer or supervisory official), of lawful age, being first duly sworn, on oath says that this (invoice, claim, or contract) is true and correct. Affiant further states that the (work, services, or materials) as shown by this invoice or claim have been (completed or supplied) in accordance with the plans, specifications, orders, or requests furnished to the affiant. Affiant further states that (s)he has made no payment, given, or donated or agreed to pay, give, or donate, either directly or indirectly, to any elected official, officer, or employee of the State of Oklahoma, of money or any other thing of value to obtain payment or the award of this contract.

Engineer/Supervisory Official signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Notary Public signature

My Commission Expires: _____

AGREEMENT

This Agreement made this ___ day of _____, 20___ between _____
(hereinafter called the Owner) and _____ (hereinafter called the Contractor).

WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of the payments and agreements hereinafter mentioned:

1. The Contractor will commence and complete the work for:

_____.

2. The Contractor will furnish all of the materials, supplies, tools, equipment, labor, and other services necessary for the construction and completion of the project described herein.

3. The Contractor will commence the work required by the Contract documents within _____ calendar days after the date of the Notice to Proceed and will complete the same within _____ calendar days unless the period for completion is extended otherwise.

4. The Contractor agrees to perform all the work described in the Contract documents and comply with the terms therein for the sum of \$ _____ or as shown in the Bid Schedule.

5. The term "Contract documents" means and includes the following:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| (A) Advertisement for Bids | (I) Standard Requirements |
| (B) Information for Bidders | (J) Statutory Bond |
| (C) Bid Proposal | (K) Performance Bond |
| (D) Bid Schedule | (L) Maintenance Bond |
| (E) Business Relationships Affidavit | (M) Certificate of Insurance |
| (F) Non-collusion Affidavit | (N) Notice of Award |
| (G) Bid Bond | (O) Notice to Proceed |
| (H) Agreement | (P) Change Order |
| (Q) Drawings prepared by _____. | |

Numbers _____ through _____ and dated ___/___/____.

(R) Specifications prepared by _____, dated ___/___/____.

(S) ADDENDA:

No. _____, dated ___/___/____

No. _____, dated ___/___/____

No. _____, dated ___/___/____

No. _____, dated ___/___/____

6. The Owner will pay to the Contractor in the manner and at such times as set forth in the Standard Requirements such amounts as required by the Contract documents.

7. This Agreement shall be binding upon all parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.

8. It is understood that the following are also required of the Contractor in performance of this contract:

- a. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the work within the time specified shall be assessed at the rate of \$_____ per day for each additional calendar day until the work is completed.
- b. Contractor shall comply with the Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act (63 O.S. 42.1 et seq.).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed or caused to be executed by their duly authorized officials, this Agreement in _____ copies each of which shall be deemed an original on the date first above written.

_____	_____	_____	____/____/____
Owner's Authorized Representative	Title	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____	____/____/____
Attested by	Title	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____	____/____/____
Contractor's Authorized Representative	Title	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____	____/____/____
Attested by	Title	Signature	Date

NOTICE TO PROCEED

Date: ___/___/_____

Project: _____

Grant#: ARP-___-____-___

Notice is hereby given to _____ to commence work on the above
referenced project on or before ___/___/_____. In accordance with the Agreement dated
___/___/_____, you are to complete the work within ___ consecutive calendar days. The date of
completion of all work is ___/___/_____.

Owner's Authorized Representative signature

ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE

Receipt of the above Notice to Proceed is hereby acknowledged by _____,
Contractor's Representative name

Authorized Representative of _____.
Contractor

Contractor's Authorized Representative signature

___/___/_____
Date

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS AND BONDS BY LOCAL
ATTORNEY**

I, the undersigned _____,
the duly authorized and acting legal representative of the _____,
after careful examination of the Contract between this Entity and
_____, and the surety bonds given by the contractor in
connection with the performance of said contract, do hereby certify that:

1. Each of the aforesaid agreements has been duly executed by the proper parties thereto, acting through their duly authorized representatives.
2. Said representatives have full power and authority to execute said agreements on behalf of the respective parties named therein.
3. The foregoing contract and surety bonds, as applicable, constitute valid and legally binding obligations upon the parties executing the same in accordance with the terms, conditions, and provisions thereof.

Dated this ___ day of _____, 20__.

Attorney's signature

PROJECT SIGN

- The general contractor shall erect and maintain for the life of the construction contract a suitable sign, 4' x 6' in size, and detailed hereon, lettered black on white background. Sign shall be professionally painted. Lettering to be appropriate size. No separate bid item. Sign shall be the general obligation of the Contractor.
- The OWRB logo is required on the project sign if the project is funded in part with OWRB Financial Assistance Program funds. The OWRB logo is available at <http://www.owrb.ok.gov/about/index.php> or may be provided directly by OWRB.
- Redwood Posts shall be 4" x 4" x 10' buried securely a minimum of 3 feet below ground.
- Sign face shall be constructed of 3/4" x 4' x 6' – 5 ply Dura-plywood board & mounted to Posts with four (4) 5/8" x 6" Carriage Bolts.

