

## List of Questions Received from Potential Bidders to the <a href="RFP">RFP</a> and CPRC's Responses

1. Whether the foundational work—such as the GHG inventory, projections, targets, emissions reduction measures, authority to implement, costing, funding identification, Benefits and LIDAC analysis, and workforce analysis—has already been completed?

The report will not include LIDAC analysis at all.

The majority of the foundational work—such as the GHG inventory, projections, targets, emissions reduction measures, authority to implement, costing, funding identification, benefits analysis, and workforce analysis—is being completed now and should be available by the time the bidder is selected, and the contract is executed. The selected bidder will be responsible for analyzing the community engagement results, and some limited additional work too may be required to finalize certain sections and ensure that the report flows well.

2. The scope primarily involves consolidating and interpreting the data, drafting the narrative, and assembling the full report based on decisions that have already been made (with up to 2 rounds of revisions). Will any of these elements still need to be finalized as part of the scope of work?

The selected bidder will not simply compile individual sections but will review them holistically to ensure they flow together, avoid contradictions, and present a balanced, cohesive analysis. This requires a solid understanding of the 2-MSA region—its population, economy, and key dynamics—and the ability to synthesize individual inputs into clear, insightful commentary that adds value to the report beyond assembling the parts.

3. Is there any remaining stakeholder engagement, public outreach, or comment period that will need to be completed as part of this effort?

The comment period is not a part of the RFP. All public outreach and stakeholder engagement work has been completed for the purpose of CCAP and no additional engagement work is required as a part of this RFP.

4. Has the two-MSA region (or have the respective MSAs within) previously used a technology enabler to aid in climate action planning.

The technical staff (consultant) who is doing the greenhouse gas emission reduction estimates has used a mix of tools (such as Slope tool for energy data, EPA's Flight tool etc.) and methodologies to develop the ghg inventory and do the custom work on emission reduction measures.

5. As part of this scope, will CPRC require any public facing and designed documents, or is this scope of work intended to solely support submission for EPA requirements and compliance?

The scope of work is solely intended to fulfill CPRC's obligation under US EPA's CPRG planning grant.

6. Has CPRC already set CPRG-compliant near-term and long-term emissions reduction targets?

Yes- it has.

7. Has CPRC determined a set of emissions reduction measures with which to project alignment to emissions reduction targets?

Yes- it has.

8. Will there be an oral presentation period following submission of proposals, or will work commence immediately once the contract is awarded after the initial RFP stage?

Given the tight turnaround time, after the RFP closes, an internal selection committee will select the lowest responsive responsible bidder per CPRC's internal procurement policy. The work shall commence as soon as a contract is executed. Oral presentations will not be occurring.

9. What is the expected budget? Is CPRC already in possession of the funds required to execute the development of this CCAP, or do the funds still lie with the Treasury?

We are not disclosing the budget figure for this RFP. We encourage vendors to submit their most competitive and cost-effective proposals based on the RFP requirements, keeping the tight timeline in mind. The funds are with the US EPA as of now.

10. Is there an MWBE/DBE requirement associated with this RFP, and if so, can you please elucidate further?

CPRC's procurement policy requires that we take affirmative steps to solicit price quotes from M/WBE vendors and suppliers as required under 2 C.F.R. § 200.321.

11. Is an amendment expected and whether a due date extension is being considered for the response to the RFP?

A due date extension would not be happening; no amendment is planned.

12. When will responses for questions be available?

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