

Exhibit J

HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN

1. Introduction

TxDOT is committed to promoting full and equal business opportunities for businesses in state contracting in accordance with the goals specified in the State of Texas Disparity Study. TxDOT encourages the use of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) through race, ethnic and gender-neutral means.

Pursuant to [Texas Government Code §2161.181](#) and [§2161.182](#), and TxDOT's HUB policy and rules, TxDOT is required to make a good faith effort to increase HUB participation in its contracts. TxDOT may accomplish the goal of increased HUB participation by contracting directly with HUBs or indirectly through subcontracting opportunities.

2. TxDOT's Administrative Rules

TxDOT has adopted the CPA's HUB rules as its own. TxDOT's HUB rules are located in [Title 43, Chapter 9, Subchapter L](#) of the Texas Administrative Code, and the CPA rules are located in [Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 20, Subchapter B](#). If there are any discrepancies between TxDOT's administrative rules and this RFP, the rules shall take priority.

3. HUB Participation Goal

The CPA has established statewide HUB participation goals for different categories of contracts in [34 T.A.C. §20.13](#). The classification applicable for the portion of the Work performed under the Design-Build Agreement consisting of Professional Services has a HUB Annual Procurement Utilization Goal of 23.7% per fiscal year. In order to meet or exceed the HUB participation goals, TxDOT encourages outreach to certified HUBs. Proposers shall make a good faith effort to include certified HUBs in the procurement process.

4. Required HUB Subcontracting Plan

TxDOT has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable for this RFP. As a result, each Proposer must submit an HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with its Proposal. The HSP is required whether a Proposer intends to subcontract or not.

In the HSP, a Proposer must indicate whether it is a Texas certified HUB. Being a certified HUB does not exempt a Proposer from completing the HSP requirement.

5. CPA Centralized Master Bidder's List

Proposers may search for HUB subcontractors in the CPA's Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) HUB Directory, which is located on the CPA's website at <http://www2.cpa.state.tx.us/cmb/cmbhub.html>. For this procurement, TxDOT has identified the following class and item codes for potential subcontracting opportunities:

NIGP Class/Item Code:

- ***906-57: Development and Planning, Land (Architectural)***
- ***925-61: Development and Planning, Land (Engineering)***
- ***926-72: Environmental Planning and Advisory Services***
- ***961-44: Planning and Development, Industrial***
- ***925-86: Professional Land Surveying Services***
- ***992-26: Biological Testing Services***
- ***918-10: Air Pollution Consulting***
- ***906-64: State Urban Planning (Architectural)***
- ***918-92: Urban Planning Consulting***
- ***958-16: Planning Services, Soil and Land***

Proposers are not required to use, nor limited to using, the class and item codes identified above, and may identify other areas for subcontracting.

TxDOT does not endorse, recommend or attest to the capabilities of any company or individual listed on the CPA's CMBL. The list of certified HUBs is subject to change, so Proposers are encouraged to refer to the CMBL often to find the most current listing of HUBs.

6. HUB Subcontracting Procedures – If a Proposer Intends to Subcontract

An HSP must demonstrate that the Proposer made a good faith effort to comply with TxDOT's HUB policies and procedures. The following subparts outline the items that TxDOT will review in determining whether an HSP meets the good faith effort standard. A Proposer that intends to subcontract must complete the HSP to document its good faith efforts.

a. Identify Subcontracting Areas and Divide Them into Reasonable Lots

A Proposer should first identify each area of the Work it intends to subcontract. Then, to maximize HUB participation, it should divide the Work into reasonable lots or portions, to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices.

b. Notify Potential HUB Subcontractors

The HSP must demonstrate that the Proposer made a good faith effort to subcontract with HUBs. The Proposer's good faith efforts shall be shown through utilization of all methods in conformance with the development and submission of the HSP and by complying with the following steps:

- i. Divide the Work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices. The Proposer must determine which portions of Work, including goods and services, will be subcontracted.**
- ii. Use the appropriate method(s) to demonstrate good faith effort. The Proposer can use either method(s) 1, 2, 3, or 4:**

c. Method 1: Proposer Intends to Subcontract with only HUBs:

The Proposer must identify in the HSP the HUBs that will be utilized and submit written documentation that confirms **100%** of all available subcontracting opportunities will be performed by one or more HUBs; **or**,

d. Method 2: Proposer Intends to Subcontract with HUB Protégé(s):

The Proposer must identify in the HSP the HUB protégé(s) that will be utilized and should:

- Include a fully executed copy of the Mentor Protégé Agreement, which must be registered with the CPA prior to submission to TxDOT, and
- Identify areas of the HSP that will be performed by the protégé.

TxDOT will accept a Mentor Protégé Agreement that has been entered into by a Proposer (mentor) and a certified HUB (protégé) in accordance with [Texas Government Code §2161.065](#). When a Proposer proposes to subcontract with a protégé(s), it does not need to provide notice to three (3) HUB vendors for that subcontracted area.

Participation in the Mentor Protégé Program, along with the submission of a protégé as a subcontractor in an HSP, constitutes a good faith effort for the particular area subcontracted to the protégé; **or**,

e. Method 3: Proposer Intends to Subcontract with HUBs and Non-HUBs (Meet or Exceed the Goal):

The Proposer must identify in the HSP and submit written documentation that one or more HUB subcontractors will be utilized; and that the aggregate expected percentage of subcontracts with HUBs will meet or exceed the goal specified in the ITP. When utilizing this method, only HUB subcontractors that have existing contracts with the Proposer for five years or less may be used to comply with the good faith effort requirements.

When the aggregate expected percentage of subcontracts with HUBs meets or exceeds the goal specified in this solicitation, Proposers may also use non-HUB subcontractors; **or**,

f. Method 4: Proposer Intends to Subcontract with HUBs and Non-HUBs (Does Not Meet or Exceed the Goal):

The Proposer must identify in the HSP and submit documentation regarding both of the following requirements:

- written notification to minority or women trade organizations or development centers to assist in identifying potential HUBs of the subcontracting opportunities the Proposer intends to subcontract.

Proposers must give minority or women trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submission of the Proposer's

response for dissemination of the subcontracting opportunities to their members. A list of minority and women trade organizations is located on the CPA's website under the [Minority and Women Organization link](#).

- written notification to at least three (3) HUB businesses of the subcontracting opportunities that the Proposer intends to subcontract. The written notice must be sent to potential HUB subcontractors prior to submitting proposals and must include:
 - a description of the scope of work to be subcontracted,
 - information regarding the location to review project plans or specifications,
 - information about bonding and insurance requirements,
 - required qualifications and other contract requirements, and
 - a description of how the subcontractor can contact the Proposer.

Proposers must give potential HUB subcontractors a reasonable amount of time to respond to the notice, at least seven (7) working days prior to submission of the Proposer's response unless circumstances require a different time period, which is determined by the agency and documented in the contract file;

Proposers must also use the CMBL, the HUB Directory, and Internet resources when searching for HUB subcontractors. Proposers may rely on the services of contractor groups; local, state and federal business assistance offices; and other organizations that provide assistance in identifying qualified applicants for the HUB program.

g. **Written Justification of the Selection Process**

TxDOT will make a determination if a good faith effort was made by the Proposer in the development of the required HSP. One or more of the methods identified in the previous sections may be applicable to the Proposer's good faith efforts in developing and submission of the HSP. TxDOT may require the Proposer to submit additional documentation explaining how the Proposer made a good faith effort in accordance with the solicitation.

A Proposer must provide written justification of its selection process if it chooses a non-HUB subcontractor. The justification should demonstrate that the Proposer negotiated in good faith with qualified HUB bidders, and did not reject qualified HUBs who were the best value responsive bidders.

7. **Method 5: Proposer Does Not Intend to Subcontract**

When the Proposer plans to complete all DBA requirements with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees, it is still required to complete an HSP.

The Proposer must complete the "Self Performance Justification" portion of the HSP, and attest that it does not intend to subcontract for any goods or services, including the class and item codes identified in Section I.3.5. In addition, the Proposer must identify

the sections of the proposal that describe how it will complete the Work using its own resources or provide a statement explaining how it will complete the Work using its own resources. The Proposer must agree to comply with the following if requested by TxDOT:

- provide evidence of sufficient Proposer staffing to meet the DBA requirements,
- provide monthly payroll records showing the Proposer staff fully dedicated to the DBA,
- allow TxDOT to conduct an onsite review of company headquarters or work site where services are to be performed, and,
- provide documentation proving employment of qualified personnel holding the necessary licenses and certificates required to perform the Work.

8. Post-award HSP Requirements

The HSP shall be reviewed and evaluated prior to DBA award and, if accepted, the finalized HSP will become part of the DBA with the successful Proposer.

After DBA award, TxDOT will coordinate a post-award meeting with the successful Proposer to discuss HSP reporting requirements. The DB Contractor must maintain business records documenting compliance with the HSP, and must submit monthly subcontract reports to TxDOT by completing the HUB "[Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report](#)." This monthly report is required as a condition for payment to report to the agency the identity and the amount paid to all subcontractors.

As a condition of award the DB Contractor is required to send notification to all selected subcontractors as identified in the accepted/approved HSP. In addition, a copy of the notification must be provided to TxDOT's Project Manager and/or HUB Program Office within 10 days of the DBA award.

During the term of the DBA, if the parties amend the DBA to include a change to the scope of work or add additional funding, TxDOT will evaluate to determine the probability of additional subcontracting opportunities. When applicable, the Contractor must submit an HSP change request for TxDOT's review. The requirements for an HSP change request will be covered in the post-award meeting.

When making a change to an HSP, the DB Contractor will obtain prior written approval from TxDOT before making any changes to the HSP. Proposed changes must comply with the HUB Program good faith effort requirements relating to the development and submission of a HSP.

If the DB Contractor decides to subcontract any part of the Work after DBA award, it must follow the good faith effort procedures outlined in Section 6 above (e.g., divide work into reasonable lots, notify at least three (3) vendors per subcontracted area, provide written justification of the selection process, or participate in the Mentor Protégé Program).

For this reason, TxDOT encourages Proposers to identify, as part of their HSP, multiple subcontractors who are able to perform the Work in each area the Proposer plans to subcontract. Selecting additional subcontractors may help the DB Contractor make

changes to its original HSP, when needed, and will allow TxDOT to approve any necessary changes expeditiously.

Failure to meet the HSP and post-award requirements will constitute a breach of the DBA, and will be subject to remedial actions. TxDOT may also report noncompliance to the CPA in accordance with the provisions of the Vendor Performance and Debarment Program ([see 34 T.A.C. §20.108 relating to Debarment](#)) and ([see 34 T.A.C. §20.105 relating to Procedures for Investigations and Debarment](#)).



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

QUICK CHECKLIST

While this HSP Quick Checklist is being provided to merely assist you in readily identifying the sections of the HSP form that you will need to complete, it is very important that you adhere to the instructions in the HSP form and instructions provided by the contracting agency.

- If you will be awarding all of the subcontracting work you have to offer under the contract to only Texas certified HUB vendors, complete:
 - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors
 - Section 2 c. - Yes
 - Section 4 - Affirmation
 - GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a continuous contract in place for five (5) years or less meets or exceeds the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
 - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicate the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors
 - Section 2 c. - No
 - Section 2 d. - Yes
 - Section 4 - Affirmation
 - GFE Method A (Attachment A) - Complete an Attachment A for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will be subcontracting any portion of the contract to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors or only to Non-HUB vendors, and the aggregate percentage of all the subcontracting work you will be awarding to the Texas certified HUB vendors with which you have a continuous contract in place for five (5) years or less does not meet or exceed the HUB Goal the contracting agency identified in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements", complete:
 - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - Section 2 a. - Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract
 - Section 2 b. - List all the portions of work you will subcontract, and indicated the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUB vendors and Non-HUB vendors
 - Section 2 c. - No
 - Section 2 d. - No
 - Section 4 - Affirmation
 - GFE Method B (Attachment B) - Complete an Attachment B for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in Section 2 b.
- If you will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract and will be fulfilling the entire contract with your own resources, complete:
 - Section 1 - Respondent and Requisition Information
 - Section 2 a. - No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources
 - Section 3 - Self Performing Justification
 - Section 4 - Affirmation

***Continuous Contract:** Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.



HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.13 are:

- **11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,**
- **21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders' contracts,**
- **32.9 percent for all special trade construction contracts,**
- **23.7 percent for professional services contracts,**
- **26.0 percent for all other services contracts, and**
- **21.1 percent for commodities contracts.**

- - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14(d)(1)(D)(ii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only contracts that have been in place for five years or less shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.

SECTION-1: RESPONDENT AND REQUISITION INFORM

a. Respondent (Company) Name: _____ State of Texas VID #: _____
 Point of Contact: _____ Phone #: _____
 E-mail Address: _____ Fax #: _____

b. Is your company a State of Texas certified HUB? - Yes - No

c. Requisition #: _____ Bid Open Date: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Enter your company's name here: _____ Requisition #: _____

SECTION 2: SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including goods and services, will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.11., an "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

a. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:

- Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If Yes, complete Item b, of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
- No, I will not be subcontracting any portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources. (If No, continue to SECTION 3 and SECTION 4.)

b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place for five (5) years or less.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
1		%	%	%
2		%	%	%
3		%	%	%
4		%	%	%
5		%	%	%
6		%	%	%
7		%	%	%
8		%	%	%
9		%	%	%
10		%	%	%
11		%	%	%
12		%	%	%
13		%	%	%
14		%	%	%
15		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at <http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prop/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/>.)

c. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using **only** Texas certified HUBs to perform **all** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

- Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- No (If No, continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)

d. Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the aggregate expected percentage of the contract you will subcontract **with Texas certified** HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place with for five (5) years or less **meets or exceeds** the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements".

- Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 **and** complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)
- No (If No, continue to SECTION 4 **and** complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)

"Continuous Contract: Any existing written agreement (including any renewals that are exercised) between a prime contractor and a HUB vendor, where the HUB vendor provides the prime contractor with goods or service under the same contract for a specified period of time. The frequency the HUB vendor is utilized or paid during the term of the contract is not relevant to whether the contract is considered continuous. Two or more contracts that run concurrently or overlap one another for different periods of time are considered by CPA to be individual contracts rather than renewals or extensions to the original contract. In such situations the prime contractor and HUB vendor are entering (have entered) into "new" contracts.

Enter your company's name here: _____ Requisition #: _____

SECTION 2: SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS RESPONDENT (CONTINUATION SHEET)

a. This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, Section 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

Item #	Subcontracting Opportunity Description	HUBs		Non-HUBs
		Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place for five (5) years or less.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have a "continuous contract" in place for more than five (5) years.	Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs.
16		%	%	%
17		%	%	%
18		%	%	%
19		%	%	%
20		%	%	%
21		%	%	%
22		%	%	%
23		%	%	%
24		%	%	%
25		%	%	%
26		%	%	%
27		%	%	%
28		%	%	%
29		%	%	%
30		%	%	%
31		%	%	%
32		%	%	%
33		%	%	%
34		%	%	%
35		%	%	%
36		%	%	%
37		%	%	%
38		%	%	%
39		%	%	%
40		%	%	%
41		%	%	%
42		%	%	%
43		%	%	%
Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted:		%	%	%

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(Continuation Sheet)

Enter your company's name here: _____ Requisition #: _____

SECTION 3: SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded 'No' to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4)

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether your response/proposal contains an explanation demonstrating how your company will fulfill the entire contract with its own resources.

- Yes (If Yes, in the space provided below list the specific page(s)/section(s) of your proposal which explains how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)
- No (If No, in the space provided below explain how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)

SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report – PAR) to the contracting agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs). (The PAR is available at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or work-site where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

Signature Printed Name Title Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Reminder:

- If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.
- If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.

HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

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Enter your company's name here: _____	Requisition #: _____
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IMPORTANT: If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for **each** of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/hub-sbcont-plan-gfe-achm-b.pdf>.

SECTION B-1: SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

SECTION B-2: MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM

If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that specific portion of work.

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.

- Yes (If Yes, to continue to SECTION B-4.)
- No / Not Applicable (If No or Not Applicable, continue to SECTION B-3 and SECTION B-4.)

SECTION B-3: NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

When completing this section you **MUST** comply with items **a, b, c and d**, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person. When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan>.

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and trade organizations or development centers. Also, be mindful that a working day is considered a normal business day of a state agency, not including weekends, federal or state holidays, or days the agency is declared closed by its executive officer. The initial day the subcontracting opportunity notice is sent/provided to the HUBs and to the trade organizations or development centers is considered to be "day zero" and does not count as one of the seven (7) working days.

- a. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs **at least seven (7) working days** to respond to the notice prior to your submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) and Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Search directory located at <http://mycpa.state.tx.us/passcomblsearch/index.jsp>. HUB Status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b. List the **three (3)** Texas certified HUBs you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Vendor ID (VID) number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

Company Name	VID Number	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Did the HUB Respond?
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
			<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

- c. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to **two (2)** or more trade organizations or development centers in Texas to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to trade organizations or development centers **at least seven (7) working days** prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mwb-links-1/>.

- d. List **two (2)** trade organizations or development centers you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

Trade Organizations or Development Centers	Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy)	Was the Notice Accepted?
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No
		<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No

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Enter your company's name here: _____ Requisition #: _____

SECTION B-4: SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing the attachment.

- a. Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity for which you are completing this Attachment B continuation page.

Item Number: _____ Description: _____

- b. List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB.

Company Name	Texas certified HUB	VID Number <small>(Required if Texas certified HUB)</small>	Approximate Dollar Amount	Expected Percentage of Contract
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%
	<input type="checkbox"/> - Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - No		\$	%

- c. If any of the subcontractors you have selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 is **not** a Texas certified HUB, provide written justification for your selection process (attach additional page if necessary):

REMINDER: As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity it (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.

