

SECTION C – LIMITATION ON LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION, AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. **LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY.** By submitting a Proposal, the Proposer acknowledges and agrees that the services will be provided without any limitation on Proposer's liability. The County objects to and shall not be bound by any term or provision that purports to limit the Proposer's liability to any specified amount in the performance of the services. Proposer shall state any exceptions to this provision in its response, including specifying the proposed limits of liability in the stated exception to be included in the Services Agreement. Proposer is deemed to have accepted and agreed to provide the services without any limitation on Proposer's liability that Proposer does not take exception to in its response. Notwithstanding any exceptions by Proposer, the County reserves the right to declare its prohibition on any limitation on Proposer's liability as non-negotiable, to disqualify any Proposal that includes exceptions to this prohibition on any limitation on Proposer's liability, and to proceed with another responsive, responsible proposal, as determined by the County in its sole discretion.

2. **INDEMNIFICATION.** By submitting a Proposal, the Proposer acknowledges and agrees to be bound by and subject to the County's indemnification provisions as set out in the Services Agreement. The County objects to and shall not be bound by any term or provision that purports to modify or amend the Proposer's indemnification obligations in the Services Agreement, or requires the County to indemnify and/or hold the Proposer harmless in any way related to the services. Proposer shall state any exceptions to this provision in the response, including specifying the proposed revisions to the Services Agreement indemnification provisions, or the proposed indemnification from the County to the Proposer to be included in the Services Agreement. Proposer is deemed to have accepted and agreed to provide the services subject to the Services Agreement indemnification provisions that Proposer does not take exception to in its response. Notwithstanding any exceptions by Proposer, the County reserves the right to declare its indemnification requirements as non-negotiable, to disqualify any Proposal that includes exceptions to this paragraph, and to proceed with another responsive, responsible proposal, as determined by the County in its sole discretion.

3. **INSURANCE:**

The recommended Proposer must provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below, prior to award of contract. Failure to provide the required insurance within the requested timeframe may result in your submittal being deemed non-responsive.

The contracted Proposer shall obtain and maintain, and require any sub-contractors to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth. For projects with a Completed Operations exposure, Contractor shall maintain coverage and provide evidence of insurance for two (2) years beyond final acceptance. All insurance policies shall be from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida and have an AM Best rating of A- VIII or better.

- a) Proposal submittals should include, the Proposer's current Certificate(s) of Insurance in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below. If Proposer does not currently meet insurance requirements, Proposer shall also include verification from their broker or agent that any required insurance not provided at that time of submittal will be in place prior to the award of contract.

- b) Proposer shall email certificate that is compliant with the insurance requirements to Sue Steele at ssteele@pinellascounty.org .If certificate received with bid was a compliant certificate no further action may be necessary. The Certificate(s) of Insurance shall be signed by authorized representatives of the insurance companies shown on the Certificate(s). **A copy of the endorsement(s) referenced in paragraph d) for Additional Insured shall be attached to the certificate(s) referenced in this paragraph.**

- c) No work shall commence at any project site unless and until the required Certificate(s) of Insurance are received and approved by the County. Approval by the County of any Certificate(s) of Insurance does not constitute verification by the County that the insurance requirements have been satisfied or that the insurance policy shown on the Certificate(s) of Insurance is in compliance with the requirements of the Agreement. County reserves the right to require a certified copy of the entire insurance policy, including endorsement(s), at any time during the RFP and/or contract period.

- d) All policies providing liability coverage(s), other than professional liability and workers compensation policies, obtained by the Proposer and any subcontractors to meet the requirements of the Agreement shall be endorsed to include **Pinellas County a Political subdivision of the State of Florida** as an Additional Insured.

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- e) If any insurance provided pursuant to the Agreement expires, or cancels prior to the completion of the work you will be notified by CTrax, the authorized vendor of Pinellas County. Upon notification, renewal certificate(s) of Insurance and endorsement(s) should be furnished to Pinellas County Risk Management at InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org and to CTrax c/o JDi Data at PinellasSupport@jdidata.com by the proposer or their agent prior to the expiration date.
- (1) Proposer shall also notify County within twenty-four (24) hours after receipt, of any notices of expiration, cancellation, nonrenewal or adverse material change in coverage received by said Proposer from its insurer. Notice shall be given by email to Pinellas County Risk Management at InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org. Nothing contained herein shall absolve Proposer of this requirement to provide notice.
 - (2) Should the Proposer, at any time, not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the County may terminate the Agreement, or at its sole discretion may purchase such coverages necessary for the protection of the County and charge the Proposer for such purchase or offset the cost against amounts due to proposer for services completed. The County shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance, nor shall it be responsible for the coverages purchased or the insurance company or companies used. The decision of the County to purchase such insurance shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of any of its rights under the Agreement.
- f) The County reserves the right, but not the duty, to review and request a copy of the Contractor's most recent annual report or audited financial statement when a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible exceeds \$50,000.
- g) If subcontracting is allowed under this RFP, the Prime Proposer shall obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth; and require any subcontractors to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance limits as it may apply to the portion of the Work performed by the subcontractor; *but in no event will the insurance limits be less than \$500,000 for Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability, and \$1,000,000 for General Liability and Auto Liability if required below.*
- (1) All subcontracts between Proposer and its subcontractors shall be in writing and are subject to the County's prior written approval. Further, all subcontracts shall (1) require each subcontractor to be bound to Proposer to the same extent Proposer is bound to the County by the terms of the Contract Documents, as those terms may apply to the portion of the Work to be performed by the subcontractor; (2) provide for the assignment of the subcontracts from Proposer to the County at the election of Owner upon termination of the Contract; (3) provide that County will be an additional indemnified party of the subcontract; (4) provide that the County will be an additional insured on all insurance policies required to be provided by the subcontractor except workers compensation and professional liability; (5) provide waiver of subrogation in favor of the County and other insurance terms and/or conditions as outlined below; (6) assign all warranties directly to the County; and (7) identify the County as an intended third-party beneficiary of the subcontract. Proposer shall make available to each proposed subcontractor, prior to the execution of the subcontract, copies of the Contract Documents to which the subcontractor will be bound by this Section C and identify to the subcontractor any terms and conditions of the proposed subcontract which may be at variance with the Contract Documents.
- h) Each insurance policy and/or certificate shall include the following terms and/or conditions:
- (1) The Named Insured on the Certificate of Insurance and insurance policy must match the entity's name that responded to the solicitation and/or is signing the agreement with the County. If Proposer is a Joint Venture per Section A. titled Joint Venture of this RFP, Certificate of Insurance and Named Insured must show Joint Venture Legal Entity name and the Joint Venture must comply with the requirements of Section C with regard to limits, terms and conditions, including completed operations coverage.
 - (2) Companies issuing the insurance policy, or policies, shall have no recourse against County for payment of premiums or assessments for any deductibles which all are at the sole responsibility and risk of Contractor.
 - (3) The term "County" or "Pinellas County" shall include all Authorities, Boards, Bureaus, Commissions, Divisions, Departments and Constitutional offices of County and individual members, employees thereof in their official capacities, and/or while acting on behalf of Pinellas County.

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- (4) The policy clause "Other Insurance" shall not apply to any insurance coverage currently held by County or any such future coverage, or to County's Self-Insured Retentions of whatever nature.
- (5) All policies shall be written on a primary, non-contributory basis.
- (6) Any Certificate(s) of Insurance evidencing coverage provided by a leasing company for either workers compensation or commercial general liability shall have a list of covered employees certified by the leasing company attached to the Certificate(s) of Insurance. The County shall have the right, but not the obligation to determine that the Proposer is only using employees named on such list to perform work for the County. Should employees not named be utilized by Proposer, the County, at its option may stop work without penalty to the County until proof of coverage or removal of the employee by the contractor occurs, or alternatively find the Proposer to be in default and take such other protective measures as necessary.
- (7) Insurance policies, other than Professional Liability, shall include waivers of subrogation in favor of Pinellas County from both the Proposer and subcontractor(s).

i) The minimum insurance requirements and limits for this Agreement, which shall remain in effect throughout its duration and for two (2) years beyond final acceptance for projects with a Completed Operations exposure, are as follows:

(1) Workers' Compensation Insurance

Limit	Florida Statutory
Employers' Liability Limits	
Per Employee	\$ 500,000
Per Employee Disease	\$ 500,000
Policy Limit Disease	\$ 500,000

(2) Commercial General Liability Insurance including, but not limited to, Independent Contractor, Contractual Liability Premises/Operations, Products/Completed Operations, and Personal Injury. No explosion, collapse, underground damage exclusions allowed.

Limits	
Combined Single Limit Per Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000
Personal Injury and Advertising Injury	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

(3) Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions) Insurance with at least minimum limits as follows. If "claims made" coverage is provided, "tail coverage" extending three (3) years beyond completion and acceptance of the project with proof of "tail coverage" to be submitted with the invoice for final payment. In lieu of "tail coverage", Proposer may submit annually to the County, for a three (3) year period, a current certificate of insurance providing "claims made" insurance with prior acts coverage in force with a retroactive date no later than commencement date of this contract. Policy shall not contain a pollution exclusion.

Limits	
Each Occurrence or Claim	\$ 2,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

For acceptance of Professional Liability coverage included within another policy required herein, a statement notifying the certificate holder must be included on the certificate of insurance and the total amount of said coverage per occurrence must be greater than or equal to the amount of Professional Liability and other coverage combined.

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(4) Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability Insurance for pollution losses arising from all services performed to comply with this contract. Coverage shall apply to sudden and gradual pollution conditions including the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or any watercourse or body of water, which results in Bodily Injury or Property Damage. If policy is written on a Claims Made form, a retroactive date is required, and coverage must be maintained for 3 years after completion of contract or "tail coverage must be purchased. Coverage should include and be for the at least the minimum limits listed below:

- 1) Bodily injury, sickness, disease, mental anguish or shock sustained by any person, including death; property damage including physical injury to or destruction of tangible property including the resulting loss of use thereof, clean up costs, and the loss of use of tangible property that has not been physically injured or destroyed;
- 2) Defense including costs, charges and expenses incurred in the investigation, adjustment or defense of claims for such compensation damages.
- 3) Cost of Cleanup/Remediation.

Limits

Per Claim or Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 1,000,000

For acceptance of Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability coverage included within another policy coverage required herein, a statement notifying the certificate holder must be included on the certificate of insurance and the total amount of said coverage per occurrence must be greater than or equal to the amount of Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability and other coverage combined.

For herbicide and pesticide spraying operations only, an endorsement to the Commercial General Liability policy that provides Pollution Liability coverage for herbicide and pesticide spraying is acceptable.

(5) Property Insurance Proposer will be responsible for all damage to its own property, equipment and/or materials.