



**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
FOR
DESIGN-BUILD TEAMS**

December 5, 2024

For

**Washington State University
Dodgen Nuclear Science Center Hot Cell Facility**

By

Facilities Services, Capital

Statement of Qualifications Deadline: January 2, 2025, 3:00 pm

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I. INTRODUCTION

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Washington State University is soliciting written Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from Design-Build Teams interested in providing design and construction services for the Washington State University Dodgen Nuclear Science Center (NSC) Hot Cell Facility. The University is utilizing the Design-Build alternative public works contracting procedures authorized under chapter 39.10 RCW.

- The Design-Build Method brings value to university projects, transforming the relationship between designers and builders into an alliance that fosters collaboration and teamwork.
- This delivery method provides the opportunity to assemble the ingenuity of the industry in proposing innovative solutions.
- Design-Build provides opportunities to realize efficiencies in the complete delivery of university projects.
- Components of this project are considered highly specialized and would benefit from a collaborative approach to design and construction methodologies.

Washington State University seeks collaborative partners who are committed to a progressive Design-Build process on the new Dodgen NSC Hot Cell facility. This process shall be truly integrated (design and construction mutually informing the development of the project) and shall engage university stakeholders in a process that will ensure a site- and campus-specific solution. NIST Standard Terms and Conditions for Extramural Construction Projects shall apply to all aspects of this project and shall be accepted prior to sub-award.

In addition to the specific scoring criteria noted below, WSU would also like to emphasize the following concepts to be considered during the selection process:

- Local and diverse Design-Build teams are encouraged to consider this project due to the estimated GMP amount along with the size and relative simplicity of the required building addition.
- Small business inclusion, expansion and development in public works and Design-Build.
- Design-Build Team's ideas to move through the scope development phase efficiently and effectively.
- Design-Build Team's that have thought of innovative ideas around prompt pay within the project structure.
- Contractors who are willing to think about innovation in all aspects of the project.
- Reducing and controlling the overall cost of construction. Challenging the assumptions of design and construction to make the most economical building possible.
- Firms who will build their team with small and diverse business success in mind.
- A building addition that is streamlined and efficient resulting in a facility that is robust, resilient, and easy to maintain.
- Experience successfully navigating the Code of Federal Regulations requirements and NIST requirements for federally funded construction projects will be critical to success in the proposed project.

Team members selected and identified in the SOQ response should be limited to the builder and the prime designer; further selection of sub-tier contractors and design professionals will occur after a finalist is selected and in consultation with the Owner.

POINT OF CONTACT

All questions regarding this Design-Build Procurement shall be addressed to:

Phil Johnson, Project Manager

philjohnson@wsu.edu

Phone: 509-335-9029

Design-Build Teams are cautioned that the 'Point of Contact' is the only person that shall be contacted throughout the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and Request for Proposals (RFP) Phases. Any contact by Design-Build Team members with any other individuals, including those from the Selection Committee and

their organizations and the Technical Consultants may result in the Team's SOQ and/or Proposal being declared non-responsive and ineligible for further consideration.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee for both the RFQ and RFP Phase may consist of representatives from Washington State University, Faculty, Staff, the Department of Facilities Services, Technical Consultants, outside Industry Partners, Community Members or other applicable user groups. At this time WSU has assembled the following individuals to serve on the selection committee to evaluate proposals. No contact with selection committee members other than the Point of Contact is permitted. Owner reserves the right to add or remove representatives at any time without notice.

Voting Participants

Phil Johnson, Project Manager, WSU Facilities Services

Phil is a Project Manager Lead at WSU and has been working for Facilities Services for the past 9 years. Prior to his time at WSU, he spent 13 years working for a structural engineering company in Seattle as an engineer, project manager and associate principal. Phil is licensed in the State of Washington as both a professional engineer and structural engineer. In addition to managing design and construction projects at WSU, Phil is also engaged in long-term capital planning and energy management initiatives. Phil will serve as the Project Manager for this project.

Jeremy Griffin, Construction Manager, WSU Facilities Services

Jeremy started with Facilities in 2012 as a project coordinator and was quickly promoted to a shop supervisor within the construction unit as a result of more than 15 years of experience in the field. In the 12 years that he has been with Facilities, Jeremy has diverse experience within the Operations division, thereby providing a perspective of a project's impact on our Operations staff needs in maintaining the completed project. In addition, he has worked with the Capital group in estimating, project coordination, and now as a Construction Manager with a focus on project completion emphasizing safety, budget, and schedule adhesion. Jeremy will serve as the Construction Manager for this project.

Corey Hines, Director, Nuclear Science Center

Corey Hines is the director of the Nuclear Science Center (NSC) at Washington State University. The NSC is a collaborative center that operates WSU's 1 MW TRIGA reactor, engages in applied and fundamental research, and seeks to advance students throughout their careers with opportunities in nuclear science. Corey has over 16 years of experience in research and test reactor management, maintains a senior reactor operator license, was responsible for leading the core fuel conversion in 2008, was a contributing team member to the facility operating relicensing activities completed in 2011, and is responsible for teaching and licensing over 60 reactor operators and senior reactor operators in the last ten years. He dedicates his time to facility safety, growth in innovative research, and the three-fold mission of the NSC – education, research, and operational excellence. Corey will serve as the primary stakeholder and nuclear expert for this project.

Zach Heiden, Associate Director, Nuclear Science Center

Zach is the associate director of the Nuclear Science Center (NSC). He started with the NSC in May of 2021 and is the main contact regarding the operations and usage of the nuclear research and instrumentation at the NSC. Zach currently operates and trains users in gamma and X-ray spectroscopy for usage of the gamma, eXAFS (X-ray Absorption Fine Structure), and SAXS (Small Angle X-ray Scattering) spectrometers, single crystal X-ray diffractometer, powder X-ray diffractometer, the dynamic light scattering instrument, and the NMR spectrometers. Zach has a background in chemistry (Ph.D. in 2008 from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign) and chemical engineering (B.S. in 2004 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison). Zach is motivated to grow the nuclear science research and development at WSU and promote the NSC's mission in Teaching and Research.

Jason Baerlocher, Project Manager, Facilities Services, Capital

Jason is currently a senior project manager for WSU, a position he has held for the past 12 years. Prior to

his time at WSU, he spent 14 years as a Project Manager for a commercial contractor focused mainly on negotiated, private sector projects. Jason has managed many Design-Build projects, since joining WSU he has been very involved in improving the way projects are procured, managed, and implemented at WSU. Jason will be involved throughout the project providing experienced leadership and helping create the culture necessary for a successful project.

Non-Voting Participants

Shawn Ringo, Director, Environmental Health and Safety

Shawn Ringo has worked since 1997 to provide environmental and industrial hygiene solutions for public and private sector clients. He began his career with Washington State University in 2014 as an industrial hygienist, and now directs the Occupational Health and Safety division for WSU EH&S. Shawn's programs include accident prevention, laboratory safety, asbestos, lead, respiratory protection, exposure monitoring, and fire safety. He regularly provides input on WSU Facilities new construction and renovation projects to ensure the built environment supports research, occupancy, and code requirements. Shawn is currently a member of WSU's reactor safeguards committee.

Jonathan Male, Assistant Vice President for Research and Director of National Laboratory Partnerships, Office of Research

Jonathan Male joined Washington State University (WSU) in February 2023 in the Office of Research and is also an affiliate professor with the Biological Systems Engineering Department. Prior to joining WSU Jonathan was a chief scientist in the Energy Processes and Materials Division of the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) from May 2020 through February 2023. While at PNNL Jonathan became the co-director of the WSU-PNNL Bioproducts Institute in June 2021. Jonathan is interested in developing affordable technologies for the multiple uses of carbon. Previously Jonathan was in the role of the Director of the Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) in the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) at the Department of Energy (DOE) for over six years. As Director of BETO, he led the Office's work to lower modeled costs, reduce technology uncertainty, and accelerate research and development of bioenergy and renewable chemicals technologies in the emerging bioeconomy which included design, construction, and operation of pilot- and demonstration-scale bioenergy facilities. Jonathan will serve as a reviewer of materials and a conduit for the support of the WSU Office of Research.

OWNER CONSULTANTS/TECHNICAL SUPPORT NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE

Due to their involvement in the preparation of the Pre-Design document the following consultants are not eligible to serve on a Design-Build Team; respondents are prohibited from contacting or communicating with any of the following consultants to solicit advice or information relating to the Project in any way, including but not limited to: technical, legal, financial, or contractual.

- NAC Architecture

ABOUT WSU FACILITIES SERVICES

Facilities Services is a service organization that plans, designs, constructs, operates, and maintains the physical facilities and environments of the University at its Pullman, Vancouver, Tri-Cities, Everett, and Spokane campus locations, as well as research stations throughout the state. With a dedicated staff of 390 individuals, they also operate, maintain, and improve the Pullman Campus's buildings, grounds, utilities, and related services.

The integration of the people maintaining and constructing the University's facilities is at the heart of Facilities Services. The whole of facilities strives for responsible stewardship, and future focused design and construction.

II. PROJECT INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION

Washington State University is seeking a design-build partner who is committed to collaboratively developing a unique and tailored solution with the University and Grant stakeholders. The University is

seeking a team which can develop a thoughtful, meaningful, and functional solution which serves all the program needs for the project and strengthens the WSU system.

The WSU progressive design-build process is to work with a committed team of skilled designers and builders to develop and successfully execute this project. The design-build team must be sufficiently familiar with the project parameters such that they are able to commit to achieving the programmatic goals working with the university team. WSU is not seeking a developed solution through the RFQ and RFP process, but rather is seeking a team with whom we can collaborate and develop the most successful building solution that meets the needs of the program. WSU is seeking teams who demonstrate a very clear understanding of the distinction between an immediate Design-Build solution versus a commitment to a process of exploration.

Much of the nuclear science related fundamental and applied research and development at WSU occurs within the Dodgen Research Facility (DRF), located in Pullman, WA. The DRF houses the Nuclear Science Center (NSC) which maintains oversight of WSU's 1.0 megawatt (MW) TRIGA research nuclear reactor, which is the only research nuclear reactor in Washington state and only one of four in the Pacific Northwest. The NSC at WSU has a mission of providing a collaborative environment where WSU faculty, staff, students, and clients can succeed in their basic and applied nuclear science research goals. The NSC accomplishes this mission through multidisciplinary teaching, research, and service endeavors designed to make high impact contributions to nuclear science, national and international security, nuclear non-proliferation, emergency readiness exercises and nuclear workforce training and development programs.

The proposed building addition (at least 5,000 gsf) is anticipated to be a concrete structure to match existing building materials and affix directly to the northeast portion of the DRF. This single-story addition will include a combination of space for up to three hot cells, a chemistry wet lab, and high bay storage, all serviced by an overhead crane. The building layout must maximize square footage on a single level with a concrete slab-on-grade floor system designed to accommodate up to three hot cells, each with a footprint of approximately 10' wide x 10' long, x 8' tall and a static load of 30,000 lbs. Additionally, the concrete slab-on-grade floor system must be able to accommodate material movement in 2,000 lb packages (totaling around 30 packages at any given time) throughout the new addition. The design and construction of the new facility will need to accommodate nuclear hot cells that will be installed with a future project.

The proposed building addition must include HVAC systems capable to provide conditioned space (heating and cooling) along with exhaust through a HEPA filtration system. The DB team shall ensure that all supporting infrastructure (electrical, HVAC, etc.) are sized to support the new building addition along with all future hot cells. Ease of operation and maintenance of critical systems shall be considered in the design. It is important that building operations and core capabilities be maintained while design and construction of the addition is underway and completed.

DB team shall demonstrate experience managing and executing federal/state capital construction projects and experience satisfying National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) T&Cs, expectations, and reporting requirements. This includes the Build America, Buy America requirements (see 2 CFR. 184). Additionally, the DB team shall demonstrate experience with design, permitting, construction, and quality control related to nuclear facilities and research equipment.

Once completed, this project (the facility addition) and the future hot cell installations will be reviewed and potentially licensed by either the State of Washington and/or the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other required agencies to contain, manipulate, package, and ship radioactive materials. As such, nuclear material licensing considerations, security, and access control (see 10 CFR. 37) at both the State and Federal level must be considered in the design, construction, and commissioning of the facility during this project.

SITE VISITS

WSU will provide reasonable access to the Project Site for Proposers (Site visits must be directly coordinated and scheduled with the WSU Project Manager).

PROCUREMENT AND PROJECT MILESTONE SCHEDULE

The anticipated schedule for procurement of the Project with construction completion date is indicated below:

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| 1. Issue Request for Qualifications (RFQ): | December 5, 2024 |
| a. Deadline for Questions and Clarifications: | December 18, 2024, 5:00pm |
| b. <u>Statements of Qualifications due:</u> | January 2, 2025, 3:00pm |
| c. Conduct Phone Interviews, as needed: | January 8-9, 2025 |
| d. Announce Shortlisted Proposers: | January 16, 2025 |
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2. Issue Request for Proposals (RFP): |
January 23, 2025 |
| a. RFP Informational Meeting: | January 28, 2025, 2:00pm |
| b. Finalists Interviews: | February 3-5, 2025 |
| c. <u>RFP Submittal deadline:</u> | February 12, 2025, 3:00pm |
| d. Announce Final Team: | February 17, 2025 |
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3. Execution of the Agreement: |
February 24, 2025 |
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4. Construction Completion: |
August 2026 |

GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE (GMP)

The Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Design-Build budget for this Project is \$6,350,000.00. The GMP shall include all design and construction costs, contingencies, indirect and reimbursable expenses, and fees to complete the Project. The GMP does not include Washington state sales tax, see Section 00 50 00 – Agreement between Owner and Design-Builder.

III. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA

The SOQ submitted by responding Design-Build proposers shall include information documenting how the Design-Build Team meets the evaluation criteria below to achieve the collaborative nature of WSU progressive Design-Build process. SOQ elements will be evaluated using the weighted distribution identified below. Each Team's SOQ shall be in PDF format, with the page size set to 8 1/2 X 11" and limited to twenty (20) single sided pages (when printed). All pages within the PDF (spacer pages, cover pages, content pages, etc.) will be applied towards the total page count, and any pages beyond the first 20 will not be reviewed. WSU values the ability of a proposer to be concise and to the point, so proposals under the 20 page limit are welcomed.

1. Cover Letter

- The letter shall state the Project for which consideration is requested. The letter shall clearly identify the Design-Build Team and any joint venture or association arrangements. The letter may also include supplemental information the Design-Builder would like to make known.
- Provide Design-Build Point of Contact name and address, including email and phone number, for correspondence throughout the procurement process.

2. Design-Build Team Organization and Responsibilities

- Describe the proposed Design-Build Team for both design and construction portions of the Project, including team members, the organization, and the responsibility of each Team member. Include a visual element that shows the relationships within the Design-Build Team.
- Provide abbreviated resumes of the key individuals working as the Design-Build Team along with three references for each individual.

3. Design-Build Team Experience

- Provide Design-Build Team members' specialized experience and competence with federally funded construction projects.
- Provide Team members specialized higher education research facilities.
- Provide relevant past performance of Team members working on a highly collaborative integrated

project team. Include type of project, budget, issues addressed during design and construction, construction duration, and what made this a highly functioning team. Clearly identify which proposed Team members were involved in these projects and their role.

- d. Demonstrate how the proposed members will work together to complement each other's strengths.

4. Project Approach

- a. Describe your overall approach to delivering this contract to meet the project goals, while engaging stakeholders and maximizing available resources.
- b. Approach to overall project management that includes preconstruction services, cost management, schedule adherence, team onboarding, risk management, and scope confirmation.
- c. Articulate how the Design-Build Team will deliver quality design management and coordination and how that effort will carry forward into the construction phase, turnover, and operation of the facility.
- d. Selection and contracting method with consultants, sub-contractors, and trade partners for this project. Including:
 - a.) How to select consultants and sub-contractors with appropriate nuclear experience (e.g., regulatory, design and construction).
- e. Approach to meeting energy, operations and maintenance performance, including compliance with the Washington State Clean Buildings Performance Standard.
- f. Demonstrate experience with or plan to meet Federal Acquisition Regulations and/or compliance with NIST Standard Terms and Conditions, including Build America, Buy America.
- g. Affirm that the terms and conditions of the Contract and General Conditions issued with the RFQ are acceptable, or if the Proposer takes exception to the documents the Proposer must specifically describe the reasons for the exceptions and provide alternative language for consideration by the University. The University makes no commitment that it will modify any of the terms of the Contract or General Conditions.

5. Business Equity and Diverse Business Inclusion History:

- a. Summarize the core concepts of your company internal and external diversity and inclusion plans. Briefly identify any strategies, resource commitments, and steps you take to address access to opportunities, capital and training for certified by OMWBE Small and Diverse Businesses (OMWBE), identified women owned business (WBE), identified minority owned business (MBE), identified small business (SBE), and veteran owned business (VBE) within your firm, sub consultants, subcontractors, suppliers, etc.
- b. Provide the following summary level data demonstrating the DB team's past performance in utilization of small business entities and office of minority and women's business enterprises certified business for a minimum of three projects within the last five years:
 - a. Project Data:
 - i. Total Project Cost (aka GMP, amount contracted to the project owner inclusive of DBs Work)
 - ii. Value of Work by OMWBE Certified Firms
 - iii. Value of Work by Qualified Firms (those firms who meet the definition but are not certified in the State of Washington and all other certification types).
 - iv. Date of Award and Date of Completion (if applicable).
- c. Provide three example case studies, which do not have to be part of the projects noted above, to represent the DB team's past performance in utilization of small business entities and office of minority and women's business enterprises certified businesses. Include as many of the items listed below in each case study as possible:
 - a. Firm Name
 - b. Subcontracted Tier
 - c. Type of Work Performed
 - d. Certification Type
 - e. Contract Value
 - f. Length of time in business at the time of the project.
 - g. How many times have you contracted with them previously and or since this project?
 - h. What did you do to make them successful? Or not?
 - i. Other items of interest.

- d. In addition to WSU's interest in business equity and diversity noted above. This project must also meet the federal requirements for contracting inclusion. Describe your compliance plan experience on past projects to meet 2 CFR 200.321 to affirmatively include small and minority businesses and women's businesses enterprises.

6. Safety, Financial, Legal – Pass/Fail

- a. Provide the safety and accident prevention record of the Design-Builder. Include other relevant information that documents their safety record, including TRIR and EMR ratings.
- b. Provide a list of all OSHA, L&I/DOSH, or other state safety agency citations and their dispositions for the past five (5) years.
- c. List the state of Washington design and construction licenses and registrations held by the Design-Build Team, the lead contractor, designer-of-record, and specialty sub-consultants.
- d. Provide evidence from a surety or insurance company (with a Best's Rating of A minus and VIII or better by A.M. Best Co.) stating that the Design-Builder is capable of obtaining separate performance and payment bonds in amounts not less than the GMP, which bonds will cover the Project and any warranty periods. If the Design-Builder is a limited liability company, joint venture or any form of partnership, specifically identify how bonds will be obtained and which member(s) and/or partner(s) will be providing such bonds.
- e. Describe any project that Design-Builder, lead contractor or designer-of-record were involved in within the past five (5) years that resulted in: (a) the assessment of liquidated damages against one of such parties; (b) one of such parties having received a notice to cure a default due to the party's non-performance or poor performance of the underlying contract; or (c) one of such parties being terminated for cause.
- f. Disclose past or current bankruptcies, convictions, debarments, or suspensions involving Design-Builder, the lead contractor and the designer-of-record.
- g. Provide your federal responsibility standing.

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS EVALUATION

The University, through a Selection Committee, will review SOQs submitted in response to this RFQ based on the evaluation criteria and weighting identified herein. The University reserves the right to reject any or all SOQs and may also check references from prior clients, contractors, suppliers, subcontractor, and consultants not explicitly identified within the SOQ.

If clear determination of the shortlist is not possible based solely upon SOQ's, the University may, at its discretion, invite the highest ranked respondents (no more than six) to a phone interview where Design-Build proposers will be asked to present more detailed information about their capabilities and qualifications. The pre-finalists will be responsible for paying for all their expenses in preparing for and attending this interview. Extensive preparations on the part of the Design-Builder are expressly discouraged for this potential interview.

Statements of Qualifications will be evaluated in accordance with the following weighted distribution:

1. Cover Letter	5 points
2. Design-Build Team Organization and Responsibilities	25 points
3. Team Experience	25 points
4. Project Approach	30 points
5. Business Equity and Diverse Business Inclusion History	15 points
6. Safety, Financial, Legal	Pass/Fail
Total	100 points

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

Any addenda issued for this RFQ will be published at the following website address:

<https://facilities.wsu.edu/alt-pub-works/>

Respondents are responsible for checking the website prior to the submission of their SOQ for any addenda. If you are unable to download the addenda notify the Point of Contact. SOQs must be submitted via email in PDF Format no later than **3:00 PM on January 2, 2025**. SOQs are to be emailed to contracts@wsu.edu and copied to philrjohnson@wsu.edu. A confirmation of receipt will be sent to the submitting party, and a list of responding firms will be posted at the website above shortly after the submission time has passed. Respondents are responsible for ensuring and confirming receipt of the SOQ by the deadline stated above. SOQs received after the deadline will not be considered.

SELECTION OF RFP SHORTLIST

The Selection Committee will select the three highest ranked finalist proposers after a thorough review. These candidates will be invited to proceed to the RFP phase of the selection process.

PROTEST PROCEDURES

Design-Builders shall provide written notification to the Vice President of Facilities Services, Capital of any protest within four (4) business days from the date the proposer was notified of the selection decision. Any protest received more than four (4) business days from the date notification was made shall not be considered.

IV. RFP SELECTION PROCESS

RFP RESPONSE PERIOD

The RFP will include a general description of the Project including programmatic, technical requirements and University standards; functional and operational elements; and target budget and schedule for design and construction of the Project. The RFP Response will place emphasis on the design-build teams' approach to the project including the following: design, contracting, cost control during design and construction, schedule management, quality control, along with subconsultant and trade partner selection.

An important element of this RFP stage of the selection will be the RFP Interview. For this project, the interview will be hosted in an available location on the WSU Pullman Campus selected by the shortlisted firm. The goal of this interview is to understand the working relationship and the design process of the design-build team. The interview session is anticipated to be approximately three hours in length.

Rendered images, sophisticated physical models, animations, or other forms of finely presented designs are specifically not to be a part of this charrette and are believed to be premature at this stage of the project. Rather, the University team wishes to understand the iterative, explorative nature of the design-build teams' process and how the design-build teams are able to do so within the established goals of the project. Issues relevant to this work session are an understanding of the breadth of critical issues and drivers that may influence the core understanding of the project; an exploration of programmatic elements that are seen as critical and opportunities for enriching the project; or other aspects of the program/site/context which may influence the evolution of a solution. The design-build teams' understanding of a project cost model, including opportunities within the model for meaningful alternatives and choices, is of great interest to the selection team. The design-build teams should be prepared to discuss cost and scope relationships during this exploratory process. This includes the team's approach to the design deliverables during the design progression to show the progress of the team's ability to deliver within the established GMP.

The Design-Build proposer will have limited time to prepare for this interview. This is intentional, as the University wishes to respect the investment made by proposers pursuing this project. The University believes that the dialogue and interaction at the interview should reflect the true iterative abilities and nature of the design-build proposer; to show a meaningful exploration of issues and ideas; to illustrate a process of establishing priorities through the consideration of choices and alternatives; and to demonstrate

how the design-build team will engage the university team and facilitate a meaningful stakeholder-driven design process. The University wishes to see how the design-build proposers frame issues and choices, how the stakeholder group is engaged, how priorities are established, and how the design process may truly be transparent and understood such that the university stakeholders feel invested in the design as it develops.

The University seeks to engage the specific individuals with whom we will be working with during the design-build process. Consequently, design-build proposers shall limit attendees at the interview to those team members who will truly be involved in the development of the project, with no more than 6 representatives from the Design-Build Team. WSU discourages the team from bringing specialized nuclear consultants to the interview at this stage of the process. At a minimum WSU will attend the interview with the entire Selection Committee, potentially bringing key stakeholders, Technical Consultants and Industry Partners as appropriate.

The finalist proposers will be responsible for paying all their own expenses associated with the Finalist Interview.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL EVALUATION

Proposals will be evaluated in total to determine which, in the opinion of the WSU Selection Committee represents the best overall fit for the university based on the requirements of the RFQ, RFP and any addenda published by WSU.

Proposals submitted by finalists will be evaluated in accordance with the following weighted distribution:

1. Team Dynamic	40 points
2. Design and Engineering Approach	30 points
3. Project Execution Plan	35 points
4. Project Specific Diverse Business Inclusion Plan	15 points
5. Project Schedule	10 points
6. Cost Analysis / Fee	10 points
7. Proposal Requirements	10 points
Total	150 points

HONORARIUM

Progressive Design-Build reduces the submittal efforts by the Design-Build team. The University acknowledges that there is a limited level of design required by the proposers to prepare for the Finalist Interview and would like to generate meaningful competition among proposers. Therefore, an honorarium in the amount of \$10,000 will be paid to each of the unsuccessful proposers upon award of the contract to the successful team.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The final Design-Build contract shall be awarded in accordance with the processes and requirements set forth in the RFP and based on the procedures outlined in RCW 39.10.330. The selected finalist team will be promptly awarded an agreement.

WSU's Design-Build Agreement is characterized by Design Review Packages authorizing Design-Builder to proceed with each phase of the Project:

- Agreement Execution (based upon Project Execution Plan)
Requires payment and performance bonds, insurance, and retention option for the entirety of the GMP (inclusive of sales tax). Design-Builder shall begin design in collaboration with Owner.

- Design Review Package: Project Confirmation Milestone
Milestone where the project intent, concept, program, goals, priorities, target value, and target schedule have been established to Owner's satisfaction. Project Manager authorized continuation to next phase of Design.
- Design Review Package: Design Documents Milestone
Milestone where the design has been completed to Owner's satisfaction. The trade partners are onboard, cost, scope and schedule have been defined, and the Design-Builder is ready to complete the Construction Documents. Project Manager authorizes continuation into the remainder of design and construction for the project.

V. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

CONTRACTING FORM

The University will use a Design-Build, Cost plus fee with a GMP which is included herein for Design-Builder's review.

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

This procurement will follow the newly approved Design-Build legislation amending RCW 39.10.330 and 39.10.470 pertaining to public disclosure:

"Proposals submitted by Design-Build finalists are exempt from disclosure until the notification of the highest scoring finalist is made in accordance with RCW 39.10.330(5) or the selection process is terminated."

END OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS