

**Request for Qualifications  
to Provide Geotechnical  
Engineering Services for the  
Ventura County Community  
College District**

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**Ventura County Community College District**

**333 Skyway Drive**

**Camarillo, CA 93010**

Statement of Qualifications due Monday, October 6, 2003, by 3 p.m.

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## **1. Introduction**

The Ventura County Community College District (District) invites qualified firms to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to provide geotechnical services in relation to the execution of Ventura County Bond Measure S. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) describes the Ventura County Community College District, the description of services to be provided by the geotechnical engineering firm, the minimum information that must be included in the submittal, and the selection process. Failure to submit information in accordance with the requirements and procedures of this RFQ may be cause for disqualification.

## **2. Description of Services**

Provide geotechnical engineering reports and design and construction services for Measure S bond projects.

Measure S, a bond passed by the voters in March of 2002, provides \$356,347,814 as financing for this program. The controlling language describes certain projects to be located at the three campuses and at the Camarillo Airport site to be funded from bond money. A complete list of projects and the bond language may be viewed on the VCCCD website, [www.vcccd.net](http://www.vcccd.net).

In undertaking the program, the District anticipates the issuance of bonds in four increments, which commenced in August 2002 with the final issuance in 2008.

## **3. Ventura County Community College District**

Ventura County Community College District is governed by a five member, locally-elected Board of Trustees and a student board member. The voters of Ventura County elect the five trustees in even-numbered years to four-year terms. Authority flows from the Governing Board through the Chancellor to the Presidents of the three colleges, Moorpark, Oxnard, and Ventura. Each President, as the chief executive officer, is responsible to the Chancellor for carrying out the District's policies.

Governance structure at Ventura, Oxnard and Moorpark Colleges includes strategic planning and operational committees composed of members from all employee constituencies. These committees make recommendations for important decisions, including planning, curriculum development, staffing and budgeting.

### ***Ventura College***

Ventura College, an accredited two-year institution of higher education, has been a part of this seaside community since 1925. It is located on 103 acres, approximately 60 miles north of Los Angeles and 30 miles south of Santa Barbara.

### ***Oxnard College***

Oxnard College was founded in 1975 on 118 acres and is easily accessible by the Ventura Freeway or the Pacific Coast Highway. The newest of three colleges in Ventura County, Oxnard College offers fully-accredited educational programs for students transferring to four-year colleges and universities, vocational programs for acquiring job skills and updating career skills through continuing education.

### ***Moorpark College***

Set on 150 acres at the city of Moorpark's northeast border, Moorpark College is midway between the cities of Los Angeles and Ventura. Moorpark College is a fully-accredited public community college providing quality academic and professional programs, as well as student services, since 1967.

### ***Camarillo Airport Site***

The Camarillo Airport site measures approximately 56 acres at the southeastern corner of the Camarillo Airport. The site is partially developed for use by the VCCCD and Ventura County Fire Department.

## **Potential Construction Projects**

### ***Countywide Projects for Public Safety Instruction***

*Estimated Cost: \$23,905,124*

- Construct Regional Fire, Sheriff & Police Education and Training Academy, including classroom and instructional facilities and equipment for Sheriff and Fire Training Academies.

### ***Moorpark College Projects***

*Estimated Costs: \$104,239,503*

- Add classrooms and lecture halls by converting old library space
- Construct Academic and Computer Center, including adding computer science labs and other classrooms

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- Construct classrooms for the new Conejo Education Center, a joint project with the Conejo Valley Unified School District, to serve the Thousand Oaks community
- Construct a Joint Instructional Center with Moorpark Unified School District for college classrooms accessible to high school students
- Construct a Simi Valley Education Center
- Construct Health Sciences and math classrooms and lecture halls
- Expand Student Services Facility for counseling, financial aid, other services
- Expand Student Center
- Construct Child Development Center
- Expand Animal Science Education Center
- Construct new operations and warehouse facilities
- Construct Fine Arts Building
- Expand Music Building

***Oxnard College Projects***

*Estimated Costs: \$110,983,187*

- Construct additional classrooms, labs, lecture halls; replace old portables (Buildings A, B, C)
- Renovate Library and Learning Resource Center
- Construct Health Sciences Building and Instructional Media Facility, including adding more classrooms and labs
- Construct High Tech Building, including classrooms, lecture halls, labs
- Refurbish student facilities; expand bookstore
- Construct Student Services Building
- Replace aging Child Development Center portables with improved, permanent facilities
- Construct Performing Arts Center
- Replace inadequate Student Health Center with safe facilities

- Renovate athletic fields for safety compliance
- Construct maintenance warehouse

***Ventura College Projects***  
***Estimated Costs: \$117,220,000***

- Replace outdated Health Science Building (Nursing, Paramedics, Emergency Medical Technician and Certified Nursing Assistant Programs), including adding labs, lecture halls, classrooms
- Replace portables and build General Purpose Education Building for permanent classrooms, labs, lecture halls
- Construct Advanced Technology Education Training Building by building permanent classrooms, lecture halls, computer labs
- Construct and upgrade science classrooms and labs
- Construct Santa Clara Valley Advanced Technology Education Center (Santa Paula Center), including classrooms, computer labs, library, and Child Care Center
- Improve Fine Arts lab, Art Classroom Building H
- Construct and renovate parking facilities
- Renovate auxiliary services and Student Counseling Center

The bond program is designed to provide facilities which will serve current and expected enrollment. In the event of an unexpected slowdown in development or enrollment of students at the three colleges, certain projects will be delayed or may not be completed. The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project.

#### **4. RFQ Timeline**

- VCCCD begins RFQ process on September 16, 2003.
- Candidates may submit questions regarding the RFQ to the Office of Capital Planning, Design and Construction at [facilities@vcccd.net](mailto:facilities@vcccd.net), no later than 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time, on Wednesday, October 1, 2003.
- SOQs are due no later than 3:00 p.m., Pacific Time, on Monday, October 6, 2003, at which time the submittal process will be closed.

- A screening committee will review submittals and determine which qualified candidates will be included on the District’s list of prequalified geotechnical engineering firms. This list will be posted on the District’s website.
- Selected engineering firms (from this list of prequalified firms) will be asked to submit proposals for individual projects as they are approved for development.

## **5. Reservations**

The District expressly reserves the right to cancel this RFQ at any time, to elect not to award any or all of the contracts cited in this RFQ, to reject any or all SOQs, to waive any informality or irregularity in any SOQ received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective SOQs received.

The RFQ does not commit the District, to defray any costs incurred in the preparation of an SOQ pursuant to this RFQ, or to procure or contract for work.

## **6. Public Records**

All SOQs submitted in response to this RFQ become the property of the District.

## **7. California Office and License**

Each applicant must maintain a permanent office in the State of California with an appropriate officer licensed to practice and to sign agreements on behalf of the firm. Firms with multiple offices must submit an individual application for each office. Furthermore, the District is particularly interested in participation of professionals from within Ventura County, although interested non-county professionals are encouraged to apply and/or collaborate with local firms where practicable.

## **8. Right to Delay or Cancel**

The District reserves the right to delay or cancel, in part or in its entirety, this RFQ including, but not limited to selection schedule, submittal date, and submittal requirements. If the District cancels or revises the RFQ prior to submittal of SOQs, all responders will be notified.

## **9. Additional Information**

The District reserves the right to request additional information and/or clarifications from any or all responders to this RFQ.

## **10. Conflict of Interest**

The District is sensitive to potential conflict of interest in project (program) management, design and construction consultants. This policy applies to all responders and their proposed subconsultants.

## **11. Public Information**

Release of public information, selection announcements, contract awards, and all data provided by the District shall be protected from public disclosure. Consultants desiring to release information to the public must receive prior written approval from the District's Contracts Office.

## **12. Insurance Requirements**

The District requires consultants doing business with it, to obtain insurance as shown below. The required insurance certificates must comply with all requirements as shown in the agreement and must be provided (original certificate required for each executed copy of the agreement) with the executed agreements prior to the commencement of any work on the project. The District and each of its directors, officers, agents and employees will be named as additional insured on the automobile and general liability policies.

Workers Compensation	In accordance with applicable law
Employers Liability	\$1,000,000
Commercial General Liability – Bodily Injury or Death/Property Damage	
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Personal & Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
Automobile Liability – Bodily Injury or Death	
Combined Single Limit	\$1,000,000
Professional Liability	\$1,000,000

### **13. Submission Requirements**

First, complete and submit the online Statement of Qualifications, which may be found on the District's website at [www.vcccd.net](http://www.vcccd.net) under the Bond Measure S section.

One hard copy of the entire submittal must be received by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday, October 6, 2003, at the following address:

Ventura County Community College District  
Office of Capital Planning, Design & Construction  
333 Skyway Drive  
Camarillo, CA 93010

Submittals received later than the above date and time by be rejected and returned unopened.

Submittals must include the following:

- A printed copy of the Statement of Qualifications that was submitted online.
- A letter of interest, including a brief description of the candidate's strengths to perform the work successfully.
- Your firm's schedule of rates.
- Additional exhibits, as appropriate, to demonstrate experience of firm. The intention of these exhibits is to educate a committee as to your firm's capabilities, expertise and experience. These exhibits will not be returned.

*Thank you for your interest in the Ventura County Community College District.*