

PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

METRO STRUCTURES AND FACILITIES INSPECTIONS/AE138681000

1.	Contract Number: AE138681000	
2.	Recommended Vendor: Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.	
3.	Type of Procurement (check one): ☐ IFB ☐ RFP ☒ RFP-A&E ☐ Non-Competitive ☐ Modification ☐ Task Order	
4.	Procurement Dates:	
	A. Issued: December 30, 2025	
	B. Advertised/Publicized: December 30, 2025	
	C. Pre-Proposal Conference: January 7, 2026	
	D. Proposals Due: February 19, 2026	
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: March 30, 2026	
	F. Ethics Declaration Forms submitted to Ethics: February 19, 2026	
	G. Protest Period End Date: July 21, 2026	
5.	Solicitations Downloaded: 109	Bids/Proposals Received: 2
6.	Contract Administrator: Greg Baker	Telephone Number: (213) 922-7577
7.	Project Manager: Vicente Pena	Telephone Number: (213) 922-5542

A. Procurement Background

This Board action is to approve Contract No. AE138681000 to provide comprehensive, detailed inspections of Metro's vital structural infrastructure, facilities and assets. Board approval of contract award is subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

On December 30, 2025, Request for Proposals (RFP) No. AE138681 was issued as a competitive procurement in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is a firm fixed price. The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) did not establish a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal for this procurement.

One (1) amendment was issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on January 14, 2026, extended the due date for questions and proposal submission; provided clarification regarding the submittal requirements and updated Appendix D (Base Contract Locations, Facilities & Assets) of Exhibit A - Scope of Services.

A total of 109 downloads of the RFP were included in the planholders' list. A virtual pre-proposal conference was held on January 7, 2026, and was attended by 32 participants representing 19 firms. There were 29 questions received, and responses were issued prior to the proposal due date.

A total of two proposals were received by the proposal due date of February 19, 2026, and are listed below in alphabetical order:

1. Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.
2. Morgner Construction Management

Staff conducted a market survey of the planholders to determine why no other proposals were received. Responses from firms included:

- The firm does not have a full-time engineer that can be dedicated to Metro's project. They considered subcontracting opportunities, but were unable to find a firm to team up with.
- Metro's project is too big for the firm to prime since they are a small business with 20 employees. Additionally, the firm is based in Fresno and have not been too involved with projects in LA; but they will be actively seeking subcontracting opportunities on future Metro projects.

B. Evaluation of Proposals

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of staff from Metro's Transit Asset Management, Planning, Construction Management, and Project Management was convened and conducted a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposals received.

The proposals were evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria:

Phase I: Minimum Qualifications Requirements: Proposers must meet the following minimum qualifications requirements at the time of proposal submittal:

1. Proposer must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and demonstrate compliance with Prevailing Wage requirements.
2. Proposer and/or each member of the Proposer's team must have a minimum of five years of experience conducting similar/comparable projects as described in the Scope of Services (SOS).
3. Proposer and/or the Proposer's team must have a structural engineer registered in California with ten years of civil structural design and inspection experience.

The PET deemed that both proposals met the Phase I Minimum Qualifications Requirements and continued with the Phase II Weighted Evaluation based on the following criteria:

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| • Work Plan and Approach | 45% |
| • Qualifications and Availability of Proposed Staff | 24% |
| • Quality of Safety Approach | 10% |

- Proposer's Inspection Experience 12%
- Software and Technology 9%

Several factors were considered when developing these weights, giving the greatest importance to the work plan and approach.

This is an Architectural and Engineering (A&E), qualifications-based procurement; therefore, price cannot and was not used as an evaluation factor pursuant to state and federal law.

From February 25, 2026, through March 9, 2026, the PET independently evaluated and scored the technical proposals. Both firms were invited to a virtual interview on March 9, 2026 and had an opportunity to present their team's qualifications, discuss their technical approach, and respond to the PET's questions.

At the conclusion of the evaluation process, the PET determined Atlas to be the highest ranked firm.

Qualifications Summary of Firms within the Competitive Range:

Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.

Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc. (Atlas) has been in business for over 15 years and provides professional testing, inspection, engineering, environmental and consulting services for California-based public works, environmental, and engineering projects. Atlas demonstrated a high level of competence and experience in the technical requirements of the scope of services. Atlas has assembled a specialized team of experts and partnered with subcontractors who demonstrate understanding of governing industry standards, including National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS), APTA, and FTA Transit Asset Management mandates. This regulatory expertise allows Atlas and its team to translate field observations into actionable rehabilitation and maintenance recommendations that will directly support Metro's state of good repair.

The Atlas team has supported infrastructure inspections and site assessments for transportation agencies and cities such as Caltrans, Brightline West High-Speed Rail, City of Portland, King County Metro, Seattle City Light Department, City of Tacoma, and Metro.

Morgner Construction Management

Morgner Construction Management, based in Los Angeles, CA, has been in business for over 15 years with expertise in structural inspections and facilities condition assessments. Public sector clients include Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), Caltrans, and Metro.

A summary of the PET scores is provided below:

1	Firm	Average Score	Factor Weight	Weighted Average Score	Rank
2	Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.				
3	Work Plan and Approach	85.51	45.00%	38.48	
4	Qualifications and Availability of Proposed Staff	83.33	24.00%	20.00	
5	Quality of Safety Approach	80.80	10.00%	8.08	
6	Proposer's Inspection Experience	81.67	12.00%	9.80	
7	Software and Technology	80.00	9.00%	7.20	
8	Total		100.00%	83.56	1
9	Morgner Construction Management				
10	Work Plan and Approach	72.51	45.00%	32.63	
11	Qualifications and Availability of Proposed Staff	78.75	24.00%	18.90	
12	Quality of Safety Approach	74.20	10.00%	7.42	
13	Proposer's Inspection Experience	82.50	12.00%	9.90	
14	Software and Technology	75.00	9.00%	6.75	
15	Total		100.00%	75.60	

C. Cost Analysis

The recommended price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon an Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), cost analysis, technical evaluation, fact finding, and negotiations. Staff successfully negotiated a savings of \$10,564,611 while maintaining the rigorous level of effort required to complete the mandated inspections and provide fully compliant deliverables.

	Proposer Name	Proposal Amount	Metro ICE	Negotiated Amount
	Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc.	\$37,527,724	\$25,067,267	\$26,963,113

During fact finding, Metro clarified its expectations and addressed specific areas of concern regarding the proposer's assumptions in relation to the scope of services. The initial proposal did not consider efficiencies that Metro had anticipated in combining inspection of facilities and infrastructure into one contract. For example, recognizing the reduced level of effort that can be achieved by inspecting a station and its corresponding elevated structure or tunnel simultaneously. This dual-inspection efficiency significantly reduces both field operation labor and administrative overhead. Additionally, the proposal overestimated the level of effort

for facility inspections for less complex locations, such as parking lots and at-grade rail locations. Subsequently, the proposer's final proposal substantially decreased both the project management and field inspections level of effort.

D. Background on Recommended Contractor

Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc., based in Rancho Cordova, CA, is a professional engineering, construction management, and environmental consulting firm. It provides a broad range of services including construction inspection and staff augmentation, materials testing and quality control, specialized engineering services and environmental and hazardous materials compliance. The proposed Lead Partner is a California-licensed Professional Engineer, NHI-certified Bridge Safety Inspector and Tunnel Safety Inspector and has over 19 years of structural inspection, fabrication oversight, tunnel evaluation, and quality management experience in complex transit programs.

Atlas Technical Consultants (CA), Inc. has provided structural inspection services to Metro and performance has been satisfactory.