

**SECTION L – ATTACHMENT C  
SLAC QUESTION AND ANSWER LOG (RFI LOG)**

**RFP # 343431 Large Scale Collaboration (LSCC) Project  
Solicitation Clarifications from Industry Day  
Date RFI Issued: 2/22/24**

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1	2/15/2024	Are the documents mentioned (Design Guidelines) within the RFP draft that was uploaded on the SAM portal?	2/22/24	Yes, it is included in the SAM posting. The direct link is <a href="https://sam.gov/api/prod/opps/v3/opportunities/resources/files/4b7c2e0486504605ac9753f75b776d4d/download?&amp;token=">https://sam.gov/api/prod/opps/v3/opportunities/resources/files/4b7c2e0486504605ac9753f75b776d4d/download?&amp;token=</a>
2	2/15/2024	Is the design firm who collaborated on these diagrams (programming, conceptual, etc.) precluded from submitting in the RFP phase? Can SLAC mention who that design firm was?	2/22/24	Yes they are precluded, HOK was the design firm
3	2/15/2024	The Sources Sought advertisement that was posted on 2/9 required contractors to have DOE and DOD experience - is this mandatory?	2/22/24	The formal RFP will be revised to reflect the requirement for Federally Funded project experience.
4	2/15/2024	Are there any health & wellness goals in regard to the Gold Certification target? Air quality, indoor quality metrics, etc.?	2/22/24	The priority and minimum requirement is LEED Gold and HPSB; Net Zero/ Waste is highly desirable. Other than an all-electric building, we have not mandated what will get us to LEED Gold.

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5	2/15/2024	RE: Outdoor * Indoor Flows - how frozen are these concepts? Do we have to build around them or can we change the parameters if there is something that would add value to what we've already seen?	2/22/24	While the design guidelines narrative outlines the minimum number of certain spaces required, SLAC is open to and encourages a creative approach. Especially if the parameters add value and have expansion potential.
6	2/15/2024	How is program different from Kavli?	2/22/24	LSCC will not have an auditorium but will have a visualization lab that has a ~20 person capacity. The goal is to provide a centralized collaborative work environment. LSCC will integrate SLAC staff with visiting scientists that places cross functional teams together. There should be a level of flexibility for teams to collaborate.
7	2/15/2024	How many cars are expected in the parking lot of the 100 capacity building?	2/22/24	There is a parking study included under Design Guidelines Section 4 Site Development, 4.4. There are no plans for this contract to include additional parking lots. If a requirement for more parking is required off-site, this would be handled off the project and in a different location. As a reminder, SLAC is the AHJ for the project.
8	2/15/2024	Any security requirements?	2/22/24	The existing fence will need to be relocated around the LSCC site which extends into the secured side. Secured perimeter must be maintained at all times. Building security (reference Design Guidelines section 11) is

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9	2/15/2024	In regard to the IT communications, will there be a need to connect to a campus fiber or high pair copper system?	2/22/24	Yes, connections to existing campus fiber and telecommunications systems are included in the project scope.
10	2/15/2024	There was a statement that adjacent buildings are vibration sensitive. Is there any concerns about impacting air quality for neighboring buildings? Any labs that are concerned about airborne micro contaminants like VOC off-gassing from asphalt or paving?	2/22/24	The relevant environmental specifications have been provided and no air-borne contaminant concerns are present. B057, B006 and SSRL are vibration sensitive and multiple tests have been performed. Vibration monitoring should be performed by the awarded GC. Please refer to Appendices 15.5 and 15.5a for more information regarding Vibration and Acoustic analysis reports. The primary concern is heavy duty equipment which, if needed, may require planning around downtimes.
11	2/15/2024	Will a list of interested contractors and bidders be shared?	2/22/24	Yes, the attendees of this Industry Day will be shared
12	2/15/2024	Regarding consultants - are you looking for a full consultant team or piecemeal?	2/22/24	The contract will be between SLAC and the general contractor. The GC will choose their consultants; SLAC has no preferential list. SLAC

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				does not expect any subconsultants to be precluded, except for the current commissioning consultant, 3QC.
13	2/15/2024	Is the project 100% federally funded, is it eligible for inflation rebates via the Inflation Reduction Act?	2/22/24	The LSCC is a fully federally funded project. At this time, rebate eligibility under the Inflation Reduction Act is unknown.
14	2/15/2024	Are there any MWDBE requirements or desires on this project?	2/22/24	SLAC does include a small business subcontracting plan and has a small business requirement. Bidders are required to submit a small business subcontracting plan for this project. SLAC will work with the GC to ensure adherence to this plan. Bidders can see SLAC's small business goals on the website; please do your best to narrow those goals.
15	2/15/2024	Is the assumption that the existing utilities will not need to be expanded?	2/22/24	Yes, that is our assumption.
16	2/15/2024	Are all Selection Process Qualifications graded equally or is there a hierarchy?	2/22/24	Reference Sections L & M for the instructions and evaluation factors for more details. Also, note that the SAM.GOV posting is a draft RFP and there could be minor changes when the official RFP is released.

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17	2/15/2024	Are you able to share the scoring and what is the relative importance of the design team?	2/22/24	Reference Sections L & M for the instructions and evaluation factors for more details. Also, note that the SAM.GOV posting is a draft RFP and there could be minor changes when the official RFP is released.  The design partner is extremely important - what fits into the design and the program is a big highlight.
18	2/15/2024	Is the scoring accumulative from Step 1 to Step 2	2/22/24	No, the 3 most qualified move to Step 2, which will have different evaluation factors.
19	2/15/2024	Can you elaborate on what the extent is on taking the design criterion to conceptual design in Step 2?	2/22/24	For the step 2 proposal, SLAC would like to see preliminary design work towards the project, which is an opportunity to highlight the Bidders approach and creativity to the project.  Reference Specification Section 013000.01.01 which outlines the required documents to be included in the proposal.
20	2/15/2024	Buy American Act - can you define that model? -9? -11?	2/22/24	Compliance with Buy American ACT FAR 52.225-9 is required.
21	2/15/2024	Would the final RFP documents be issued in May or earlier?	2/22/24	The anticipated release date is May 7 <sup>th</sup> for the final RFP.

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22	2/15/2024	How would you like folks to address escalation given the time of the proposal due date and estimated 30-month duration of the project?	2/22/24	Escalation needs to be built into firm fixed price; there is no escalation clause. The 30- month design and construction duration is the assumption at this point. If schedule improvement is possible, please indicate as such. If a longer duration is required, please make this clear with explanation/mitigations in the schedule assumptions.
23	2/15/2024	Is Best value or low price given?	2/22/24	It is Best Value, Design to Cost at \$42 million.
24	2/15/2024	How many days must the Bidder hold their price from the time the LS Proposal goes in and SLAC awards?	2/22/24	The bid validity requirement is 180 days.
25	2/15/2024	During step 2 - will RFI questions from 1 bidder be shared with others or will there be proprietary discussions held?	2/22/24	Yes, all RFIs and responses will be shared to maintain fairness.
26	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Any scope related to temporary parking lots?	2/22/24	There is currently no scope in the project for other parking lots.
27	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Will the road stay between the parking lot and where the trailers were?	2/22/24	No, the road does not need to remain. The assumption is the new building will span over this existing roadway.

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28	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Clarify what all is to be included within \$42M, re: FFE, AV, etc.	2/22/24	Design of FF&E, Appliances, EV Chargers, and A/V needs to be included in the base bid of \$42M. Post award the project will seek a modification for the furnish and installation of said items.
29	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Has a site survey been completed?	2/22/24	Yes. In The Design Guidelines Narrative, please reference Section 4: Site Development - Civil & Landscape.
30	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Vibration Concerns - what scopes of work is of most concern? What mitigation did you discover? Other than periodic PAMM days or Downtimes?	2/22/24	Please refer to appendix 15.5 and 15.5a Vibration Reports for more information.
31	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	How soon does a similar secured fence need to be reestablished with the new project? Is temp fencing acceptable?	2/22/24	The secured perimeter needs to be maintained at all times. Contractor shall submit replacement fencing plan for review and approval. Temp fencing that cannot be passable may be acceptable.
32	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Is LSCC expected to offer any food service or cafeteria type function?	2/22/24	No. The expectation is a standard breakroom on level 1 and perhaps a coffee/water station on the 2nd floor (if applicable).
33	2/15/2024 (TOUR)	Will LSCC feature any housing?	2/22/24	There is no plan to include housing within LSCC.

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