

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

Regional Mobility and Freight Management Study: Reimagining IL 53 and Improving Regional Connectivity

Issued by the Joliet Arsenal Development Authority (JADA)

In partnership with the **Will County Governmental League (WCGL)**, **Will County**, **the City of Joliet**, and **Surrounding Municipalities**

Notice of Request for Proposals

The **Joliet Arsenal Development Authority (JADA)** is soliciting proposals from qualified consulting firms to conduct a **Regional Mobility and Freight Management Study** focused on reimagining Illinois Route 53, improving regional connectivity, and strengthening freight movement across Will County.

Proposals must be received by 5 p.m. Central Time on February 11, 2026. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Questions and Responses as of January 26, 2026

1. How is this project funded?

RESPONSE: *Locally with potential for private sector participation, no State or Federal funds have been awarded to the project.*

2. Are there templates for the Required Forms and Certifications?

RESPONSE: *They have been developed, see attached.*

3. Can the deadline be extended?

RESPONSE: *Yes, and the deadline is now February 11, 2026, at 5 p.m.*

4. Will the deadline for questions be extended as well?

5. **RESPONSE:** *Yes, the deadline for questions has been extended to January 27, 2026, at 5 p.m.*
6. Pages 9 and 10 of the RFQ list 6 "Forms and Certifications" that must be submitted. Please clarify whether JADA will provide these forms or if proposers are supposed to develop the forms/wording themselves.

RESPONSE: *See Number 2 above.*

7. May a proposer suggest alternative wording to the insurance requirements in its Insurance Attestation? If not, would JADA consider amending the additional insured requirement so that it reads: "JADA shall be named as additional insured on all policies except Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability." It is not customary to name additional insureds on professional liability coverage.

RESPONSE: *With this response JADA amends the additional insured requirement to read: "JADA shall be named as additional insured on all policies except Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability".*

8. Will a proposal cover page, cover letter, and/or table of contents counts towards the 25-page limit, or are they considered separate?

RESPONSE: *A proposal cover page, cover letter and table of contents do NOT count toward the 25-page limit and should be considered separate.*

9. Timeline and milestones are requested under Required Component #2 (Project Understanding & Approach) as well as #4 (Work Plan & Timeline). Should this information be provided in both places, or is there a preference as to where certain information should be placed?

RESPONSE: *A high-level timeline and key milestones should be included in Project Understanding & Approach. A more detailed work plan and timeline should be included in Work Plan & Timeline.*