

July 1, 2022

To: All Potential Respondents  
From: Laura Shannon, Purchasing Agent  
Subject: RFP1722282008

### **Addendum Two**

**Please amend the subject RFP to include answers to the following timely received questions:**

- Q1. Would the DAS consider an extension of two weeks for the proposal deadline?  
A1. **The State does not wish to extend the due date.**
- Q2. Does this RFP have any disadvantaged business enterprise requirements (MBEDBE, WBE, etc)?  
A2. **No, the State does not have any disadvantaged business enterprise requirements.**
- Q3. Does DAS have any software requirements for the system in coordination with existing enterprise standards?  
A3. **Please see: <https://iso.iowa.gov/laws-rules-standards>**
- Q4. Does DAS have an existing enterprise mapping solution that should be utilized with the desired system?  
A4. **Respondents may partner with vendors that have existing contracts with the State of Iowa. <https://bidopportunities.iowa.gov/Home/AwardedContracts>**
- Q5. Are there any third-party agency or system integration requirements?  
A5. **There are no third-party agency or system integration requirements.**
- Q6. Will DAS clarify the anticipated deliverables for the selected consultant?  
A6. **Deliverables are solution-dependent.**
- Q7. Does DAS have a preferred cloud vendor (example AWS or Azure) and/or certified cloud vendor for the state?  
A7. **There is no preferred cloud-hosting vendor.**
- Q8. Can DAS provide any information on the number of schools that already have detailed floor plans in CAD, GIS, or any digital format?  
A8. **Respondents should not rely on any existing maps.**
- Q9. Is the solution expected to be available in a “offline” mode or in low bandwidth coverage areas?  
A9. **Yes, the solution shall be accessible in offline mode or in low bandwidth coverage areas.**

- Q10. Are there any security standards that the vendor must adhere to?
- A10. The solution security standards will be accessed in the evaluation of the proposals
- Q11. Is there a complete list of all of the features DAS would like to have represented?
- A11. There is no list of features for this RFP.
- Q12. Is there a availability level DAS is looking to achieve (ex. 99.999% uptime)?
- A12. The State is seeking the best availability/uptime level possible.
- Q13. Can DAS provide any reporting requirements? User endpoint reporting features or admin reporting features?
- A13. Reporting is solution-dependent. There are no requirements at this time.
- Q14. Does DAS have support SLA requirements? I.e. 2 hour response, 24/7 support, etc.
- A14. The State does not have Service Level Agreement requirements for this RFP.
- Q15. Requirement 4.1.1 states "Ability to survey, map and label each school building ..." Does this requirement mean that the selected vendors is expected to travel onsite to all 1500 schools in the State to collect onsite imagery and data for each school? Or does that data exist elsewhere and the vendor is expected to collate and import that data into a GIS system?
- A15. It is expected that the successful respondent will visit all schools. Please see Section 3.3 of the RFP for information on travel expenses.
- Q16. What is the expected number of users that will be logged into the system at the same time for day to day operations? Does that number change when an incident occurs? Will those users be accessing the system through the mobile app or through the website (on desktop, laptop, or mobile device)?
- A16. The number of users is unknown. The user device is unknown.
- Q17. Please clarify, how many users the vendor will need to train in the following categories: End-User, Customer Administrators, Train-the-Trainer?
- A17. The number of users is unknown.
- Q18. Do you prefer onsite instructor-led training, virtual training, or self-service training such as Training videos. Does Iowa Department of Education have a Learning Management System that it expects vendors to use for training courses or materials?
- A18. Training methodology is solution-dependent. The State does not have a Learning Management System that it expects vendors to use for training courses or materials.
- Q19. Does the Department of Education have existing GIS data sources that need imported or integrated into this platform? If so, could you please identify what that data is and what format the data is in (ESRI, GeoJSON, WMS, etc.)?
- A19. The State does not have existing GIS data for this RFP solution.
- Q20. Regarding Section 1.4 Objectives: The objective of this system is to provide GIS information to first responders. Does the Department of Education have a program or methodology identified for extending system access to first responders state-wide? If so, does the Dept. of Education require specific credentialing or authentication for first responders accessing the system via web browser

or mobile app? Managing accounts for many first responders could become very burdensome for Dept. of Education system admins.

A20. The State does not have a program or methodology identified for extending system access to first responders statewide. Local schools will likely make the decision for managing specific credentialing for their area. Statewide credentialing is to be determined.

Q21. Is a Letter of Intent required for this RFP? (mentioned on page 11 but not no date listed on the Cover Sheet)

A21. The Respondent may submit a letter of intent, but it is not required.

Q22. Please explain what you are looking for in the 1st bullet under Exhibit 4 – Respondent Background Information (page 13) - Does your state have a preference for instate Contractors? Yes or No. If yes, please include the details of the preference.

A22. Iowa's Reciprocal Preference Law:

A reciprocal preference statute states that the governmental entity will apply whatever preference statute the bidder or respondent would receive in their home state.

Iowa Code 8A.311 "Preference shall be given to purchasing Iowa products and purchases from Iowa-based businesses if the Iowa-based business bids submitted are comparable in price to bids submitted by out-of-state businesses and otherwise meet the required specifications. If the laws of another state mandate a percentage preference for businesses or products from that state, and the effect of the preference is that bids of Iowa businesses or products that are otherwise low and responsive are not selected in the other state, the same percentage preference shall be applied to Iowa businesses and products when businesses or products from that other state are bid to supply Iowa requirements."

Q23. Please clarify if a performance Bond or Retainage is a requirement for this contract.

A23. Please see Section 6.3.4 of the RFP.

Q24. Item 4.1.1 says "Ability to survey, map and label each school building (public or private) in the State of Iowa." Does the word survey mean the consultant will physically survey then map each school building? If so what is the output expected? A digital twin, 3d Model? Or is the intent initially show the building footprint and attributes about the building then at a later phase move into detailed building layouts? If the above question is that the consultant is not surveying and mapping the buildings how will this information be supplied to the system?

A24. It is expected that the successful respondent will visit all schools. Please see Section 3.3 of the RFP for information on travel expenses. Output/deliverables are solution-dependent.

Q25. Item 4.1.3 says "Ability to augment maps with multi-layered real-time tracking and deployment data" Please confirm that this means tracking sensors attached to persons in a building or equipment like mobile cameras, motion sensors, etc.

A25. The State seeks a solution that incorporates real-time tracking and deployment data. How that is achieved is part of the RFP solution.

Q26. Item 4.1.2 says "Ability to provide a visual representation of an emergency action plan." Do you have an example of what this plan looks like?

A26. There is no example of the solution.

- Q27. In Section 3.2 Exhibit 13 you ask us to “Describe how the solution is only accessed by authorized users.” Who are the authorized users and what is the quantity?
- A27. Authorized users will be designated by the local school and the State. The quantity of users is unknown.
- Q28. Based on the requirement to integrate in-building map data into the State of Iowa PSAPs AND various in-vehicle mobile data terminals, how many 9-1-1 workstations will need access to the map viewer? How many responders (logins) will need access to the viewer?
- A28. The quantity of workstations is unknown. The quantity of users is unknown.
- Q29. How many school districts are currently utilizing Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) within Iowa today for Readiness and Emergency Management. Are the interactive tools being utilized and is the expectation that the application in this RFP would integrate with these tools?
- A29. The answer to this question is currently being researched and the results will be posted in an additional addendum.
- Q30. Please provide details about the availability of building floor plan materials such as existing architectural drawings and high quality PDF renderings of the schools in the State. What percentage of schools have resource data in a high quality format as a PDF or CAD drawing?
- A30. The State does not have existing data for this RFP solution.

**Be sure to submit your response by the due date and time. July 15, 2022 at 2:00P.M. CT**

- Upload the response at [IMPACS Electronic Procurement System](#)
- Response submission is to be completed utilizing the IMPACS Electronic Procurement System.
- Please register as a vendor.
- At the time of submitting, allow for plenty of time – it is suggested to start a day or two in advance to identify any issues.
- Please do not wait until the last minute, other solicitations may be occurring at the same time that may cause the system to slow down. Other respondents may be uploading large files.
- File size limitations – 50MB. No quantity limit.
- The IMPACS Electronic Procurement System will cut you off at 2:00 P.M. on 7/15/2022. If you haven’t finalized the submission at that time, it will not go through.

Respondents will be required to acknowledge receipt of this addendum when entering their Proposal into the State’s IMPACS Electronic Procurement System.