Questions from potential respondents with RCAA responses

1) **Question:** As lead agency, will Caltrans circulate and notice the CEQA document, or would the consultant handle circulation and noticing?

*Response:* The consultant will draft the CEQA document with Caltrans oversight, and RCAA will assist Caltrans with circulation and noticing. The consultant will not handle circulation and noticing.

2) **Question:** Will there be a public meeting or hearing for the project related to approving and adopting the CEQA document?

*Response:* Yes under Task 2 RCAA will assist Caltrans in hosting a public meeting to receive community input on the draft CEQA document. The consultant will be expected to help prepare any visuals for the meeting, attend the public meeting, and assist with any questions under Task 2. This role for the selected consultant will be updated in the subsequent contract/scope of work.

3) **Question:** Under Subtask 4.12, is the desired final report to be a “Cultural Resources Investigation?” Or, due to Caltrans’ role in the project, will an Archaeology Survey Report (ASR) and Historic Resources Evaluation Report (HPSR) be required? Is a Historic Property Survey Report (HPSR) also anticipated to be required?

*Response:* Upon further clarification with Caltrans staff the deliverables for subtask 4.12 will be an Archaeology Survey Report (ASR) as well as both a Historic Property Survey Report (HPSR) and a Historical Resources Compliance Report (HRCR) as it is unknown at this time if future project phases will have federal or state-only funding. Depending upon the outcomes of the ASR, additional studies may be required to be coordinated with Caltrans. A Historic Resources Evaluation Report (HPSR) is not anticipated as there is not expected to be impacts to the built environment. Subtask 4.12 and corresponding deliverables will be updated in the contract/scope of work for the selected consultant.
4) **Question:** Please confirm site access will be arranged by RCAA.

   **Response:** Yes RCAA will secure site access for the project team within Caltrans right-of-way and will also coordinate with other adjacent landowners (e.g. Trinidad Coastal Land Trust and State Parks) for site access.

5) **Question:** RFP item 3.3.B.6, Budget by Task and Labor Rates, does RCAA prefer the budget and rates be provided in a separate PDF or in hard copy form mailed in a sealed envelope?

   **Response:** RCAA would prefer the budget and rates to be included as a PDF and submitted electronically as detailed in section 3.1 of the RFQ.

6) **Question:** Under Subtask 3.1 Topographic Survey, could you please clarify what the “currently available” topographic data is that you are referring to?

   **Response:** RCAA has some topographic geodatabase files from the 2014 Little River Trail Feasibility Study that could be used to inform some initial work but likely a more detailed topographic survey may be needed to support the engineering studies and design. These existing files can be provided to the selected consultant at the start of the project.

7) **Question:** Are technical specifications required for the 15% and 35% deliverables under Task 8? Technical specifications are not typically developed at such a preliminary stage of project development.

   **Response:** Technical specifications will not be required for the 15% and 35% engineered designs. These preliminary designs should have cost estimates associated.