

Request for Qualifications (Registered Design Professional*)

State of Ohio Standard Forms and Documents

Administration of Project: Local Higher Education

Project Name	<u>Airport Apron Pavement Reconstruction</u>	Response Deadline	<u>October 10, 2025</u> <u>12:00pm</u> local time
Project Location	<u>Kent State University Airport</u>	Project Number	<u>KSU-26F038</u>
City / County	<u>Stow / Summit</u>	Project Manager	<u>Michael Wasowski</u>
Owner	<u>Kent State University</u>	Contracting Authority	<u>Local Higher Education</u>
Delivery Method	<u>General Contracting</u>	Prevailing Wages	<u>Federal</u>
No. of paper copies requested (stapled, not bound)	<u>0</u>	No. of electronic copies requested (PDF)	<u>1</u>

* "Registered Design Professional includes any architect holding a certificate issued under section 4703.10 of the Revised Code, any landscape architect holding a certificate issued under section 4703.36 of the Revised Code, or any engineer holding a certificate issued under section 4733.14 of the Revised Code." (Ohio Building Code section 4101:1-2-01 Definitions)

Submit the requested number of *Statements of Qualifications* (Form F110-330) directly to Michael Wasowski via <https://bidexpress.com>. See Section J of this RFQ for additional submittal instructions.

Submit all questions regarding this RFQ in writing to Michael Wasowski at mwasowsk@kent.edu with the project number included in the subject line (no phone calls please). Questions will be answered and posted via <https://bidexpress.com> on a regular basis until one week before the response deadline. The name of the party submitting a question will not be included on the Q&A document.

Interested parties may attend a pre-proposal meeting at the Kent State Airport Tuesday September 23, 2025, 11am in room 117 Fedex Aeronautics Academic Center 4020 Kent Road, Stow Ohio 44224.

Project Overview

A. Project Description

The Kent State University Airport was established in 1917 and is located within the lite residential and commercial properties of Stow Ohio. This facility functions as an airport for local individuals/businesses as well as a training facility for KSU students. This project will provide the design for pavement reconstruction for the apron area. It is being funded through an FAA AIP Grant for Fiscal Year 2026. This design will provide the bid documents/bid event for construction that is anticipated to be funded by a separate FAA AIP Grant for Fiscal Year 2027. Construction is anticipated for summer 2027 or 2028 depending on the timing of grant award. While this specific project and contract will be through design and bid documents only, this selection process will also be the basis for the selection of construction administration services for the project.

This design shall conform to all applicable FAA requirements and codes. All investigative work must be scheduled with the owner and coordinated with airport operations. Any disruption of airport operations or services must be scheduled with the airport in advance to allow permit proper notifications to be issued.

Kent State is currently in the process of selecting an AE team that will further develop the ALP (Airport Layout Plan) into a master siteplan. The selected apron reconstruction AE team will need to coordinate with this overall masterplan with regards to grading and site layout. Although full services for the apron reconstruction will not take place until FAA grant approval late in 2026, this team needs to be at the table to help inform the master siteplan.

The AE shall be an experienced consultant with first-hand experience working with the FAA and developing airport site and facility designs. Relevant experience with site design and pavement design that meet FAA requirements and standards are critical.

B. Scope of Services

Kent State University is requesting submissions of qualifications for the complete design for apron pavement rehabilitation and reconstruction. The design must meet current FAA standards. This will be an AIP grant funded project that must comply with all FAA DBE participation and State of Ohio EDGE participation.

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The selected A/E, as a portion of its required Scope of Services and prior to submitting its proposals, will discuss and clarify with the Owner and/or the Contracting Authority, the cost breakdown of the Architect/Engineer Agreement detailed cost components to address the Owner's project requirements. Participate in the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Encouraging Growth, Diversity & Equity (EDGE) Program as required by statute, FAA requirements and the Agreement. **Please note: EDGE goal is stated as 5% per Kent State University requirements. FAA DBE project requirements are 11.1%**

The base fee shall include the design study and all necessary testing measures including pavement samples and cores.

Refer to the *Ohio Facilities Construction Manual* for additional information about the type and extent of services required for each. A copy of the standard Agreement can be obtained at the OFCC website at <https://ofcc.ohio.gov>.

During the construction period, full time site observation and administration is anticipated to meet FAA requirements and regulations.

The major scopes of services include Pavement Design services and it is critical to have an engineer experienced in FAA regulations and pavement design. For purposes of completing the Relevant Project Experience Matrix in Section F of the Statement of Qualifications (Form F110-330), below is a list of relevant scope of work requirements for this RFQ:

1. Airfield pavement design -rehabilitation and reconstruction
2. FAA Regulations and Requirements
3. Airfield Operations and Safety Phasing
4. FAA Required Submissions & Approvals for construction at Airports
5. ODOT Grant Compliance
6. Survey -Layout and Design

C. Estimated Budget / Funding

State Funding: \$
Other Funding: \$350,000 (design phase)
Construction Cost: \$
Total Project Cost: \$tbd

D. Anticipated Schedule

Professional Services Start: 10 / 26
Construction Notice to Proceed: 06 / 27
Substantial Completion of all Work: 10 / 28
Professional Services Completed: 12 / 28

E. Estimated Basic Fee Range (see note below)

9% to 10%

F. EDGE Participation Goal

Percent of initial Total A/E Fee: 5.0%

NOTE: **Basic Services** include: (1) Program Verification, (2) Schematic Design, (3) Design Development, (4) Construction Documents, (5) Bidding and Award OR GMP Proposal and Amendment (as applicable), (6) Construction Administration, and (7) Closeout services. The **Basic Fee** includes all registered design professional services and consultant services necessary for proper completion of the Basic Services, including validation of existing conditions (but not subsurface or hidden conditions) and preparation of cost estimates and design schedules for the project. The **Estimated Basic Fee Range** is calculated as a percentage of the **Estimated Budget for Construction Cost** above, including the Owner's contingency. **The Basic Fee excludes any Additional Services required for the project.**

G. Basic Service Providers Required (see note below)

Lead A/E Discipline: Architecture or Engineering
Secondary
Disciplines:

H. Additional Service Providers Required

Survey
Geotechnical

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NOTE: The lead A/E shall be (1) any architect holding a certificate issued under section 4703.10 of the Revised Code, (2) any landscape architect holding a certificate issued under section 4703.36 of the Revised Code, or (3) any engineer holding a certificate issued under section 4733.14 of the Revised Code.

I. Evaluation Criteria for Selection

- Demonstrated ability to meet Owner's programmed project vision, scope, budget, and schedule on previous projects.
- Previous experience compatible with the proposed project (e.g., type, size).
- Relevant past work of prospective firm's proposed consultants.
- Past performance of prospective firm and its proposed consultants.
- Qualifications and experience of individuals directly involved with the project.
- Proposer's previous experience (numbers of projects, sizes of projects) when working with its proposed consultants.
- Specification writing credentials and experience.
- Experience and capabilities of creating or using Critical Path Method (CPM) schedules and of using CPM schedules as a project management resource.
- Proximity of prospective firms to the project site.
- Proposer's apparent resources and capacity to meet the needs of this project.
- The selected A/E and all its consultants must have the capability to use the Internet within their normal business location(s) during normal business hours.

Interested A/E firms are required to address how they will implement Building Information Modeling ("BIM") on the project, experience and level of training of staff related to BIM, incorporation of team partners that have previous BIM experience, and an understanding of collaborative BIM processes, including but not limited to the *State of Ohio BIM Protocol* available at the OFCC website at <https://ofcc.ohio.gov>.

Interested A/E firms are required to submit the *Commitment to Participate in the EDGE Business Assistance Program* form in its Statement of Qualifications (Form F110-330) submitted in response to the RFQ, to indicate its intent to contract with and use EDGE-certified Business Enterprise(s), as a part of the A/E's team. The *Intent to Contract and to Perform* and / or waiver request letter and *Demonstration of Good Faith Effort* form(s) with complete documentation must be attached to the A/E's Technical Proposal. Both forms can be accessed via the OFCC website at <https://ofcc.ohio.gov>. The *Intent to Contract and to Perform* form is again required at the Fee Proposal stage.

If the A/E firm intends to receive points for exceeding the EDGE Participation Goal, it must provide BOTH a completed *Commitment to Participate* form AND a completed *Statement of Intent to Contract and to Perform* forms signed by both parties with its *Statement of Qualifications*.

For all *Statements of Qualifications*, please identify the EDGE-certified Business Enterprises, by name, which will participate in the delivery of the proposed professional services solicited in the RFQ.

Interested A/E firms must indicate on their *Statement of Qualifications*, the locations where their services will be performed in the spaces provided or by attachment in accordance with the requirements of Executive Order 2019-12D related to providing services only within the United States and the requirements of Executive Order 2022-02D prohibiting purchases from or investment in any Russian institution or company. Failure to do so may cause their *Statement of Qualifications* to be rejected.

J. Submittal Instructions

Firms are required to submit the current version of *Statement of Qualifications* (Form F110-330) available via the OFCC website at <https://ofcc.ohio.gov>.

Electronic submittals should be combined into one PDF file named with the project number listed on the RFQ and your firm's name. Use the "print" feature of Adobe Acrobat or similar software for creating a PDF rather than using a scanner. If possible, please reduce the file size of the PDF. In Acrobat, go to Advanced, then PDF Optimizer. Provide the electronic submittal via <https://bidexpress.com>.

Emailed pdfs of the *Statement of Qualifications* will not be accepted.

Facsimile copies of the *Statement of Qualifications* will not be accepted.

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Firms are requested to identify professional registrations, memberships and credentials including: LEED GA, LEED AP, LEED AP+, CCCA, CCM, CCS, CDT, CPE, DBIA, and any other appropriate design and construction industry credentials. Identify that information on the resume page for individual in Block 22, Section E of the F110-330 form.

Registered Design Professional Selection Rating Form

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Project Name AIR Airport Apron Pavement Reconstruction Proposer Firm _____
 Project Number KSU-26F038 City, State, Zip _____

Selection Criteria		Value	Score
1. Primary Firm Location, Workload and Size (Maximum 10 points)			
a. Proximity of firm to project site	Less than 100 miles	5	
	100 miles to 150 miles	2	
	More than 150 miles	0	
b. Amount of fees awarded by Contracting Authority in previous 24 months	Less than \$500,000	2	
	\$500,000 to \$1,000,000	1	
	More than \$1,000,000	0	
c. Number of licensed professionals	Less than 5 professionals	0	Max = 3
	5 to 10 professionals	1	
	More than 10 professionals	2	
2. Primary Firm Qualifications (Maximum 30 points)			
a. Project management lead	Experience / ability of project manager to manage scope / budget / schedule / quality	0 - 10	Max = 20
b. Project design lead	Experience / creativity of project designer to achieve owner's vision and requirements	0 - 10	
c. Technical staff	Experience / ability of technical staff to create fully coordinated construction documents	0 - 10	
d. Construction administration staff	Experience / ability of field representative to identify and solve issues during construction	0 - 0	
3. Key Consultant Qualifications (Maximum 20 points)			
a. Key discipline leads	Experience / ability of key consultants to perform effectively and collaboratively	0 - 15	
b. Proposed EDGE-certified Consultant participation*	One point for every 2 percent increase in professional services over the EDGE participation goal	0 - 5	
4. Overall Team Qualifications (Maximum 10 points)			
a. Previous team collaboration	Less than 5 sample projects	1	Max = 3
	5 to 8 sample projects	2	
	More than 8 sample projects	3	
b. LEED** Registered / Certified project experience	Registered LEED v4.0 or v4.1 projects	1	Max = 2
	Certified LEED v4.0 or v4.1 projects	2	
c. BIM project experience	Training and knowledge	1	Max = 3
	Direct project experience	3	
d. Team organization	Clarity of responsibility / communication demonstrated by table of organization	0 - 2	
5. Overall Team Experience (Maximum 30 points)			
a. Previous team performance	Past performance as indicated by evaluations and letters of reference	0 - 10	
b. Experience with similar projects / delivery methods	Less than 5 projects	0 - 3	
	5 to 8 projects	4 - 6	
	More than 8 projects	7 - 10	
c. Budget and schedule management	Performance in completing projects within original construction budget and schedule	0 - 5	
d. Knowledge of Ohio Capital Improvements process	Less than 2 projects	0 - 1	
	2 to 4 projects	2 - 3	
	More than 4 projects	4 - 5	
* Must be comprised of registered professional design consulting firms and NOT the lead firm - For more information on scoring this and other criteria refer to Document F199-01 - PS Selection Rating Rubric . ** Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design administered by Green Business Certification Inc.™		Subtotal	

Notes:

Evaluator:

Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____