AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR *(Number, street, county, State and ZIP Code)*

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(X) 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NUMBER
140L3626Q0043

[X] 9B. DATED *(SEE ITEM 11)*
07/22/2026

[ ] 10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NUMBER

10B. DATED *(SEE ITEM 13)*

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

[X] The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers [ ] is extended. [X] is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or electronic communication which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by letter or electronic communication, provided each letter or electronic communication makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA *(If required)*

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NUMBER AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

CHECK ONE

[ ] A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: *(Specify authority)* THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NUMBER IN ITEM 10A.

[ ] B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES *(such as changes in paying office, appropriation data, etc.)* SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).

[ ] C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:

[ ] D. OTHER *(Specify type of modification and authority)*

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor [ ] is not [ ] is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (*Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)*

See continuation page

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER *(Type or print)*		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER *(Type or print)*	
		Jorge Alvarez	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED
(Signature of person authorized to sign)		*(Signature of Contracting Officer)*	

NAME OF OFFEROR OR CONTRACTOR

ITEM NO. (A)	SUPPLIES/SERVICES (B)	QUANTITY (C)	UNIT (D)	UNIT PRICE (E)	AMOUNT (F)
	See the information below: Period of Performance: 09/02/2026 to 09/30/2027				

Description of Changes - This amendment incorporates the following:

1. The Government is providing new Questions received from interested offerors and the associated Answers provided by the Government.

New Questions and Answers

1. The **Filtration Equipment Flexibility:** Regarding the equipment specified in the solicitation: Is the use of an electric pump mandatory for contract performance, or is the contractor permitted to utilize alternative, scientifically validated manual filtration equipment to obtain the samples?

   The manual filtration equipment will be fine.

2. **Sample Preservation Mediums:** Regarding sample preservation: Does the BLM or the receiving laboratory require using silica desiccant or are standard, laboratory-compatible liquid preservation buffers acceptable for preserving the Sterivex cartridges?

   The receiving lab prefers to have samples from kits provided by them, which utilize silica desiccant to preserve the paper filters. Sample kits will be provided to contractors by the BLM.

1. In the SOL, page 8, in the "Quote Submittal" section, it states: "Quoter is to submit four volumes", but then only three are listed in the following table and text. Lower in the page, it lists VOLUME 4: FACTOR 2, PRICING, having skipped a volume 3. Can you please confirm that three volumes are required and they are: 1: Required Documentation, 2: Prior Demonstrated Experience, and 3: Pricing?

   Only three volumes. The required volumes are 1: Required Documentation, 2: Prior Demonstrated Experience, and 3: Pricing.

2. Are any field negative controls or field duplicates required for the eDNA sampling effort? Or are there any other quality assurance (QA) requirements for the contractor? If so, what are the acceptability requirements for any QA involved, particularly any requirements that, if failed, would require resampling?

   There are no QA requirements. This is just for baseline information that will help identify areas where further, on-the-ground analysis (i.e. electrofishing surveys) could be required.

3. What Occupation Codes/Titles are applicable under the attached Wage Determination – Lewis and Clark County schedule?

   Primary classification (field sampling):

- **30090 — Environmental Technician.**
  This classification fits the core duties: collecting and preparing environmental samples

(water), performing field measurements, calibrating/maintaining equipment, documenting data, and ensuring chain-of-custody for shipment—exactly what eDNA field teams do.
Supporting classifications (if used as part of performance):

- **23470 — Laborer.**
  For general physical tasks not requiring specialized technical skills—e.g., staging/hauling gear, moving supplies at trailheads or base camp, and similar manual support duties.

4. Within the QUOTE SUBMITAL sections, VOLUME 1: REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION includes Standard Form 1449 with Blocks 17, 24, 30a, 30b, and 30c completed. Then, VOLUME 4: PRICING includes the Price Schedule provided on page 6 along with SF 1449. Does the government require SF 1449 to be submitted with both Volumes?

   No. Provide the total proposed price on the SF 1449, this will be submitted with Volume 1, and the price schedule will be submitted with Volume 3.

5. Page 10, VOLUME 3, PRICING (a) states that the 'Government will evaluate quotes for award purposes by adding the total price of all line-items', but the Price Schedule on page 6 only has one line item (Dry Fork Blackfoot eDNA Sampling) as one lump sum. Can you please confirm whether the government only requires one total per the Price Schedule or a more detailed breakdown with additional line items?

   Only provide the lump sum price.

6. Should the contractor submit a cost basis for the lump sum bid?

   No.

Q1. Would the BLM permit the Contractor to conduct all required fieldwork and sample collection within the final low-water window prior to contract closeout — specifically between July 15, 2027, and September 30, 2027 — provided all deliverables are completed within that timeframe?

A1. Yes.

Q2. Is it possible to have an extension on the period of performance to November 1st, 2027, to allow for sampling for the low water periods?

A2. No.