

**Request for Proposals**  
**LONE TREE CORRIDOR PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGES STUDY**

**Questions & Answers**

*Updated 5/27/22*

**Q1: In the RFP the study area looked larger than what has been discussed. Is the PEL just for the section of Lone Tree that is between J.W. Powell and Zuni?**

A1: There is a probability of a roundabout at Lone Tree and Zuni therefore the study area may extend north of Zuni to accommodate that transition area. That's why it was included in the map. We are looking to clear a generous footprint for consideration of a final design. We are looking for the concept to be fairly generous in terms of the largest type of project we can imagine to ensure the final design will fit within the cleared area.

**Q2: What is the estimated budget and schedule for this project?**

A2: For the schedule, MetroPlan would like to finalize this project in time for FY23 appropriations. We are looking at a short window to submit the project for federal appropriations. While MetroPlan has budgeted \$30,000 for this project, we would encourage the Consultant(s) to provide us with a cost proposal that allows them to meet the requirements of the RFP.

**Q3: What are the expectations around committee involvement and stakeholder engagement?**

A3: MetroPlan has a robust list of stakeholders. We would request assistance from the Consultant(s) to help identify any missing stakeholders as it relates to this project. MetroPlan expects the Consultant(s) to provide information, maps, slides, etc. to MetroPlan staff as staff will conduct the majority of interfacing with committee members and stakeholders.

**Q4: What are the expectations for the conceptual designs?**

A4: MetroPlan is looking to the Consultant(s) to help develop the concept which may include the number of travel lanes, types of bike lanes, parkways and sidewalks, slope easements, etc. All of these can be presented as broad assumptions in an effort to determine the largest footprint for clearing. This may also include a temporary construction easement.

**Q5: Is the Purpose and Needs Statement anticipated for funding applications and/or future NEPA clearance?**

A5: MetroPlan is at the beginning stages of this project. There are no design or environmental documents. In a federal application, we need to demonstrate where we are in the process and we can assert initiation through this PEL. The purpose and needs statement will demonstrate that we have started the environmental process.



**METROPLAN**

GREATER + FLAGSTAFF

**Q6: Is this project more of a planning effort to get ready for the next steps?**

A6. Yes. In order to be competitive for federal grants, we want to be able to show the amount of environmental work that has been completed. This level of work is a step towards that. If we can say that we have reason to believe we will qualify for a categorical exclusion (if that's the case) then that makes the project more competitive. This project will help to document the steps regardless of the outcome.

**Q7: Do responses need to be ten pages in length? I noted the RFP says maximum, are more concise proposals welcome?**

Yes, we will accept proposals in the 3-4 page range. An addendum to the RFP will be posted online tomorrow (5/27/22) detailing this change.