

As LA prepares for the Olympics, a lot is riding on its transit system

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By Jim Newton, CalMatters

Everyone knows Los Angeles is addicted to the car, that traffic is unbearable and that public transit is a joke — with trains that go nowhere, buses that are crowded and filthy, connectors that are impossible to navigate and the inexplicable fact that a rail network stops just out of reach of the airport.

Since everyone knows those things as facts, they were certain that this year's FIFA World Cup would be a disaster, and that the Olympics, coming in 2028, will be a worse one.

Except the World Cup wasn't a disaster. And the trains do connect. And the transit system, though a source of exasperation for generations, is showing signs of delivering on its promise.

Whether LA's buses, people movers and trains will run on time during the Olympics is still in question. A lot rides on it. A successful Olympics could highlight LA's place on the world stage and deliver a victory to California's governor and LA's mayor. But if the transit system buckles, it could be a global embarrassment for the city and for California.

LA has had more than a head start. The expansion and modernization of the Los Angeles transit system has spanned decades and required efforts from local, state and federal agencies.

But the mayor who contributed most to it was Antonio Villaraigosa, who served from 2005 to 2013.

Villaraigosa did not come to office as a transit buff. He was a former union organizer whose driving messages revolved around social justice more than trains and buses. But he came to see public transit as a way of uniting a diffuse city, and he used his office to muscle the money and sew together the network.

Ever the salesman, Villaraigosa worked all the political levers. He persuaded voters to approve Measure R in 2008, creating a 30-year, half-cent sales tax that will ultimately generate some \$36 billion in revenue for the system.

That's a lot of money, but even that is nowhere near enough to meet LA's transit needs, so Villaraigosa organized labor and business leaders to lobby Congress for a funding strategy that pledged federal help to local jurisdictions that were demonstrating commitment by raising their own money.

The results were the Transportation Infrastructure and Innovation Act, TIFIA, and America Fast Forward, both of which rewarded federal support to local governments that were doing their part, using taxpayer commitments for transportation improvements.

Today, Villaraigosa is on the edge of the spotlight he once so enthusiastically commanded.

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A Metro shuttle bus transports fans after the FIFA World Cup match between USA and Paraguay at Los Angeles Stadium in Inglewood on June 12, 2026. Photo by Doug Zimmerman, Getty Images

AI in Preconstruction: Why Rewiring Matters More Than Speed

[Article originally appeared in www.constructconnect.com]

By Maila Kim

In short:

- AI speed alone isn't enough. AI must support accurate, confident decisions.
- Trustworthy AI is grounded in construction context, project data, and industry knowledge.
- AI in preconstruction should fit real workflows, reduce repetitive work, and keep professionals in control.
- ConstructConnect is building AI to create more capacity for higher-value work.

Before a commercial building can handle new equipment or more demand, its electrical system may need more than an extra outlet. A proper rewire starts with understanding the existing system. It requires planning around how the building is used and making sure everything works together.

AI in preconstruction needs the same approach. Adding a feature is not the same as rewiring the

work. AI is often sold on speed, but a fast wrong answer is worse than a slower right one. The best AI helps preconstruction teams move faster without sacrificing the context and judgement needed to understand scope, review changes, and make confident decisions before bid day.

That is the idea behind a recent Forbes article by ConstructConnect Chief Technology Officer Gaurav Singal. He describes rewiring for AI as changing the data, knowledge, and work processes underneath the tool, so AI becomes part of how work gets done. In preconstruction, that means building AI around project context, construction expertise, and the way professionals make decisions. The goal is not simply to add AI, but to make AI useful in the work.

Rewiring starts with construction context

A rewire begins with understanding the existing system. AI begins with the same foundation: reliable information and the context to interpret it.

Gaurav puts it plainly:

"An agent on an undocumented data model will fabricate. An agent on a semantic layer will reason."

A "semantic layer" is simply a clear map of what information means and how it connects to the rest of the project.

In preconstruction, that means more than recognizing lines, symbols, or objects in a plan set. AI also needs to account for the drawings, notes, details, revisions, and scope around them.

The data layer tells AI what is in the project. The knowledge layer helps it interpret what that information means in a construction setting. A revision can change a quantity. A note can change the meaning of a detail. An addendum can change the scope. Without that context, AI can miss changes or misread details, leading to rework, underbids, and lost margin.

That is why construction-focused AI must be grounded in project information and construction knowledge, not just trained to process documents.

Rewiring means fitting AI into the workflow

A building rewire has to be planned around the people and work that depend on it. The work may need to be phased and coordinated so the building can keep operating. AI should fit into

preconstruction in the same way.

That is the risk Gaurav describes:

"Most organizations are running AI on top of their existing operating model. They installed a tool, but they didn't 'rewire' for it first."

An AI feature will not improve the preconstruction process if it creates another disconnected step. If teams must export information, reformat it, re-enter it, and reconcile what changed, the AI technology has shifted work instead of eliminating it. That misses the point, entirely.

Gaurav makes the broader point directly:

"The operating model is the bottleneck, not the tool."

Making AI fit your workflow does not mean keeping everything exactly the same. It means using AI to cut repetitive work, make review easier, and help your team get from project information to the next decision with fewer steps.

Visit the link for the full article:

<https://www.constructconnect.com/blog/why-rewiring-matters-more-than-speed>

CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS

American Modular Systems, Inc.
We are soliciting bid quotations from qualified DVBE Subcontractors for the following project:

Hilmar Unified School District
Modular Building Contractor for New DSA Approved Concessions & Restroom Building
BID DATE: August 28, 2026 at 11 a.m.

DVBE Goal 3%

Project/Bid Documents can be found here:
<http://www.skwassociates.com/bidders/>
The username is: BIDDERS (all caps)
The password is: S888888kw (S is capital)

Here is a drop box link to the documents as well.
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/q3vm70uk9062621h1b11/ANrc7AeocZWsuHHPYqVGZv8?rlkey=mofh6ngeage4az60vzfazykz0&st=xgdnnzl8&dl=0>

PLEASE EMAIL US YOUR BID PROPOSAL
NO LATER THAN August 21, 2026 at NOON. THANK YOU!

American Modular Systems, Inc.
787 Spreckels Avenue, Manteca, CA 95336
Attn: Suzanne Willis • Email: suzanne.w@americanmodular.com
Phone: (209) 825-1921

American Modular Systems, Inc.
We are soliciting bid quotations from qualified DVBE Subcontractors for the following project:

Santa Maria-Bonita School District
BID NO. 2627-01
Modular Classroom Buildings for a New Middle School and New Elementary School on a Shared Campus
BID DATE: September 10, 2026 at 2pm

DVBE Goal 3%

Project/Bid Documents can be found here:
<https://vendors.planetbids.com/portal/29044/bo/bo-detail/145095>

PLEASE EMAIL US YOUR BID PROPOSAL
NO LATER THAN September 2nd, 2026 at NOON. THANK YOU!

American Modular Systems, Inc.
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Phone: (209) 825-1921



Silver Creek Modular, LLC
2830 Barrett Avenue, Perris, CA 92571
CONTACT: Sandra Adame • OFFICE: (951) 943-5393

Silver Creek is soliciting quotations from qualified DVBE Subcontractors for the project listed below:

OWNER: Santa Maria-Bonita School District
LOCATION: Santa Maria, CA 93454
PROJECT: Bid No. 2627-01 Modular Classroom Buildings for a New Middle School and New Elementary School on a Shared Campus at Santa Maria, CA
BID DATE: September 10, 2026 at 2:00 pm

DVBE Goal: 3%
Plans and Specs may be obtained via Procore
Please submit your bid **NO LATER THAN September 4, 2026**
to Sandra Adame via email
EMAIL: sadame@silvercreekmodular.com
This is part of a Good Faith Effort. Your response is appreciated.



James E. Roberts-Obayashi Corporation
20 Oak Ct. Danville, CA 94526
Ph: (925) 820-0600 Fax: (925) 820-1993

James E. Roberts-Obayashi Corporation is seeking proposals from all interested subcontractors and suppliers for the:

McKay Avenue Senior Living
Project Location: 1247 McKay Avenue, Alameda, CA
Bid Date: September 4, 2026, at 2:00pm
Start Date: December 2026 (Duration 18 months)

The scope of work includes the construction of an affordable senior housing development consisting of a two-story Type VA structure and will contain 106 units.

This project is covered by a Project Labor Agreement (PLA). All onsite labor must be union. The work performed on this project is subject to Prevailing Wages, Local Subcontracting, and HUD Section 3 requirements.

This project is also covered by BABA, Buy America Build America Requirements.

All subcontractors are strongly encouraged to utilize SBE, LBE, MBE, WBE, second tier subcontractors and/or suppliers.

Local Hire: 30% as measured by construction hours worked on the project by Alameda County residents. Alameda County local Subcontractors preferred.

If interested in bidding this work, please contact Hemali Desai via email @ hdesai@jerocorp.com



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DBE, MBE and WBE Subcontractor/Supplier Bids Requested For:

Town of Windsor
Secondary Treatment System Upgrades Project
BID DATE: Thursday, September 3rd, 2026 at 2pm
Quotes Due: Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026 @ 5pm

Total Project Value: \$64,300,000

Email quotes to jmiranda@shimmick.com and brian.miller@shimmick.com

Bid Items: Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. is requesting quotes from certified DBE, MBE and WBE sub-contractors and suppliers in the following scopes of work, including, but not limited to, the following. Please reach out to the lead estimator listed below for more details on scopes needed:

Remove Concrete; Grading; Structure Excavation; Structure Backfill; Embankment Construction; Imported Borrow; Finishing Roadway; Aggregate Subbase; Aggregate Base; Concrete Pumping; Asphalt Concrete; Concrete Structure; Minor Concrete Structure; Concrete Surface Finish; Erect Precast Concrete; Joint Seal; Reinforcing Steel; Waterproofing; Plastic Pipe; Welded Steel Pipe; Welding Contractor; Concrete Curb & Sidewalk; Misc. Iron & Steel Frame, Cover & Grate; Saw Cutting; Temporary Fencing; Land Surveyor; Trucking (Bottom Dump, Transfer Dump, Super 10 Dump, Flat Bed, Water, End Dump, Street Sweeping); Crane Work; Roofing; Plumbing; Low Voltage Electrical Systems; Door Installation; Heating & Air Conditioning; Insulation; Coring; Cutting; Heavy Equipment Rental; Demolition; Misc. Supplier; Safety Equipment Supplier; Sand & Gravel Supplier; Concrete & Cement Supplier; Steel Supplier; Doors & Frames Supplier; Lumber Supplier; Storm Water Systems Supplier; Electrical & Signal Supplier; Building Material Supplier; Tools Supplier; Construction Staking Supplier

All items of work listed above are made available, even items of work normally performed by Shimmick. Please contact the lead estimator for assistance with breaking down items of work into economically feasible units, assistance obtaining equipment, supplies, materials, bonding, insurance, estimating, or any additional assistance. Shimmick Construction's listing of a Subcontractor is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with the Subcontractor's price quote.

Plans and Specifications: Plans and specifications are available via the Town of Windsor website: <https://www.townofwindor.ca.gov/bids.aspx?bidID=120>. You may also contact Jamie Miranda at jmiranda@shimmick.com for a download link to view plans and specifications or to schedule an appointment via Teams to discuss the documents. Meetings are held during regular business hours.

Shimmick Contacts: Should you require assistance with your bid, please contact our chief estimator Brian Miller at brian.miller@shimmick.com.

Additional Information: 100% Performance and Payment bonds with a surety company subject to approval of Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. are required of subcontractors for this project. Shimmick Construction will pay bond premium up to 1.5%. Subcontractors will be required to abide by terms and conditions of the AGC Master Labor Agreements and to execute an agreement utilizing the latest SCCI Long Form Standard Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions. For assistance with bonding, insurance or lines of credit contact Todd Yoder at todd.yoder@shimmick.com.

This project is funded through the EPA State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program. Certified DBE firms are encouraged to submit quotes. The contractor is committed to taking all necessary affirmative steps to provide DBEs an equal opportunity to compete.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

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Estimator: QUINN HANCE • Website: www.gallagherandburk.com

Gallagher & Burk, Inc. (GBI) is preparing a bid as a Prime Contractor for the project listed below:

PROJECT: EMBARCADERO WEST RAIL SAFETY PROJECT-PHASE 1 (OVR/MARKET AND OAK)
Project No. 1007091, LOCAL AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL ASSIGNED IS 30%
OWNER: CITY OF OAKLAND, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 4314, Oakland, CA 94612
BID DATE: SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 @ 2:00 P.M.

GBI is soliciting quotations from certified Local Business Enterprises and Small Local Business Enterprises for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

ADJUST IRON, CLEARING AND GRUBBING/DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGN, ELECTRICAL, EMULSION SUPPLIER, FENCING, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL, LANDSCAPING, MINOR CONCRETE, ROADSIDE SIGNS, SIGN STRUCTURE, STRIPING, SURVEY/STAKING, SWPPP PREP/WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARE, TRAFFIC CONTROL/ENGINEER, UNDERGROUND, VIBRATION MONITORING, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS AND STREET SWEEPING.

Plans and specifications may be reviewed at our office located at 11555 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA or at your local Builders Exchange, or reviewed and downloaded from the Dropbox site at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/m5I7d8y5irrma1s/AAQAqGa-tcqZV8hFik9fw5Qofa?dl=0> or from the Owner's site at <https://apps.oaklandca.gov/ContractOpportunities/>.

Fax your bid to (510) 261-0478 to the attention of Estimator Quinn Hance. If you have questions for the Estimator, call at (510) 261-0466. When submitting any public works bid please include your DUNS number and DIR number. For questions regarding registration for DIR use the link at www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html

If you need LBE/SLBE support services and assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies or related assistance or services, for this project call the Estimator at (510) 261-0466, or contact your local Small Business Development Center Network (<http://californiasbdc.org>) or contact the California Southwest Transportation Resource Center (www.transportation.gov/osdbu/SBTRCs). GBI is willing to breakout portions of work to increase the expectation of meeting the LBE/SLBE goal.

At our discretion, 100% Payment and 100% Performance bonds may be required as a subcontract condition. This will be a PREVAILING WAGE JOB. GBI is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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REQUEST FOR QUOTES FROM DBE/SBE/MBE/WBE & Labor Surplus Area Firms
as SUBS/SUPPLIERS/SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR:

Town of Windsor – Secondary Treatment System Upgrades Project
Project No. 2025-25

BID DATE: September 3, 2026 at 2:00 PM
EE \$64,300,000

Quotes must be received no later than September 2nd by 12:00 pm for evaluation

We are soliciting quotes for the following Divisions and items of work:
For Divisions 01 thru 10, 13, 22, 23, 26, 31, 32, 33, 40, 43 & 46, including, but not limited to: CAS/Roadway Signs, Clear & Grub, Erosion Control, Landscaping & Irrigation, AC Paving, Rebar, Tie Back Anchors, Underground Utilities, Fencing, Electrical, Minor Concrete, Abandon Well, Welding, Aggregates, Ready Mix Concrete, Concrete Pumping, Welded Steel Pipe, Underground Pipe Products including: DIP/SS/PVC/HDPE, Valves and Gates, Misc. Metals Iron & Steel, Trucking, SWPP Plan & Materials, Geotextile Materials, Street Sweeping, Sheet Pile Installation, Dewatering, Mechanical Equipment (Furnish & Install), Rotating Scum Weir, Liquid Feed Chemical System, Rotary Screw Air Compressor, Fine Pore Diffused Aeration Equipment, Survey, Quality Control Testing, Shoring/Excavation, Demolition, Grouting, Epoxy Resin, Metal Railings & Grating, Rough Carpentry, FRP Fabrications, Damp Proofing, Metal Roof Panels, Sheet Metal, Joint Sealant, Steel Doors & Frames, Overhead Coiling doors, Aluminum Windows, Glass & Glazing, Louvers & Vents, Protective Coatings, Resinous Flooring, Toilet Accessories, Misc. Specialties, Precast Concrete Buildings, Plumbing, Basic Mechanical Building Systems Material & Methods, Submersible Sump & Sewage Pumps, HVAC, Electrical Equipment Installation, 600 Volt Class Motor Control Centers, Variable Frequency Drives, Bypass-Isolation Automatic Transfer Switch, Lighting Protection for Structures and Instrumentation & Controls

Signed EPA Form 4500-3 & Proof of Certification are Required from ANY Minority firms that Submit Quotes.

100% performance and payment bonds will be required for the full amount of the subcontract price. Please contact us for any assistance to this solicitation, including obtaining bonding, insurance, equipment, materials and/or supplies. Provide subcontractor and supplier scopes/quotes as early as possible to enable estimators to perform a thorough evaluation of all scopes/quotes received. Quotes will be broken down into comparable packages as reasonably necessary to facilitate participation. Quotes must be valid for the same duration as specified by the Owner for Contract Award. We are signatory to Operators, Laborers, Cement Masons, Carpenters & Pile Drivers Unions. Non-signatory subs will be required to sign an agreement for trades covered under our union agreements. We intend to work cooperatively with subcontractors/suppliers for all bid items you are licensed and qualified to perform. Bid items can be split to facilitate participation from all certified firms. We will reimburse for bond premium up to 2%. **Firms must possess & provide current contractor's license number & DIR Registration number on the quote.** Firms must possess insurance and workers compensation coverage meeting project requirements. Waiver of Subrogation is required. Please contact us for any assistance required by your firm. Subcontractors will be required to execute our standard subcontract agreement and agree to the standard general terms & conditions. Please contact us by email if you would like copies for review prior to bid day.

Electronic copies of the Contract Documents, including Proposal Forms, Plans, and Specifications at the Town of Windsor website at (<https://www.townofwindsor.com/bids.aspx>). Bidders will need to fill out a short informational form in order to gain access to the bid documents.

Contract Documents and related project information, including future Addenda, are available and can be downloaded for **FREE** from our Box ftp site by email request. Please send the email request to norcalbids@fdcorp.com for access. If you would like to speak to an estimator for a specific scope or work, please email us and we can schedule a virtual or in person appointment to review project docs.

Please email ALL Scopes/Quotes to: norcalbids@fdcorp.com

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REQUEST FOR QUOTES FROM CERTIFIED SDVOSB/SDBE/VOSB/HUBZone/WBE/SBE SUBS, SUPPLIERS & TRUCKERS:

US Army Corp of Engineers
PROJECT TITLE: NATOMAS REACH B PP5
PROJECT LOCATION: Sacramento
Project # W9123826S0018

The Corps of Engineers highly encourages all bidders to meet the recommended subcontracting goals as follows:
Small Businesses - 30.0%, Small Disadvantaged Businesses - 10.0%, Women-Owned Small Businesses - 5.0%,
HUBZone Small Business - 2.0%, Veteran-Owned Small Business - 4.0%, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business - 3.0%

SUB BIDS DUE NO LATER THAN August 31, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.
BID DATE: September 1, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

We are soliciting quotes for the following items of work including, but not limited to: **SUBCONTRACTORS:** CAS /Roadway Signs, Demo, Clear & Grub, Erosion Control, AC Paving, Cold Plane AC, Rebar, Erect Steel Structures, Painting & Concrete Stain, AC Dike & Curbs, Underground Utilities, Fencing, Metal Railing, Striping, Electrical, Minor Concrete, Masonry, PCC Paving, Grouting, Epoxy Resin, Misc. Metals, Wood & Plastics, Thermal & Moisture Protection, Openings, Thermal Moisture Protection, Finishes, HVAC, Electrical, Earthwork – Shoring & Dewatering, Exterior Improvements, Utilities, Waterway & Marine, Instrumentation & Controls.
SUPPLIERS: Aggregates Class 2, Ready Mix, Concrete Pumping, Furn. Structural Steel Bridge, Welded Steel Pipe, Misc. Metal, Trucking, SWPPP Plan, SWPPP Materials. Geotextile Materials, Street Sweeping, Traffic Control, Sheetpile Installation.
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: Vibration Monitoring, Survey, Quality Control, Pre/Post Survey

Non-Minority Subs/Suppliers: You will be expected to carry a proportionate percentage of 2nd-tier non-minority participation with your quote. 2nd-tier non-minority participation will be evaluated with your price.

100% performance/payment bonds will be required for the full amount of the subcontract price. Please contact Flatiron for any assistance to this solicitation, including obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, equipment, materials and/or supplies. Provide subcontractor/supplier scopes/quotes as early as possible to enable estimators to perform a thorough evaluation of all quotes received. Quotes will be broken down into comparable packages as reasonably necessary to facilitate participation. Quotes must be valid for the same duration as specified by the Owner for Contract Award. We are signatory to Operating Engineers, Laborers, Cement Masons, Carpenters and Pile Drivers Unions. Non-signatory subs will be required to sign an agreement for trades covered under our union agreements. Flatiron intends to work cooperatively with subcontractors and suppliers for all bid items you are licensed and qualified to perform. Bid items can be split to facilitate participation from all certified firms. Flatiron will reimburse for bond premium up to 2%. **Firms must possess and provide current contractor's license number and DIR Registration number on the quote.** Firms must possess insurance and workers compensation coverage meeting project requirements. Waiver of Subrogation is required. Please contact Flatiron for any assistance required by your firm. Subcontractors/Suppliers will be required to execute our standard agreements and agree to the standard general terms and conditions. Copies are available for review on our Box.com ftp site upon email request.

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REQUEST FOR SUBCONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS/SERVICE PROVIDERS

Caltrans Contract 03-0N4504
Fulton Avenue Overcrossing to Auburn Boulevard on-Ramp Overcrossing

General work description: HMA, CI 2 AB, Roadway Excavation, Concrete Barrier and Sign Structures.

EE: \$5.8 Million Bid Date: September 9, 2026 at 2:00 PM

Quotes not received by 11:00 AM on bid day may not be reviewed/evaluated

Flatiron Dragados Constructors, Inc. (FDCl), requests subcontractor/supplier/service participation for the following Items of work, but not limited to: Construction Area Signs & Roadway Signs, Clear & Grub, Erosion Control, Landscaping & Irrigation, AC Paving, Cold Plane AC, CIDH, Joint Seal Assemblies, Post Tensioning, Rebar, Erect Steel Structures, Overhead Signs, CIDH Concrete Pile (Sign Foundation), Asphalt Dike/Curbs, Underground Utilities, Fences & Gates, Metal Railing, Bridge Concrete Barrier, Striping & Markings, Electrical, Sign Illuminating System, Minor Concrete, Traffic Control, Aggregates including: CL4 AB & RSP, Ready Mix Concrete, Concrete Pumping Services, Furnish Structural Steel/Bridge, Welded Steel Pipe, Misc. Metals, Iron & Steel, Trucking Services, Lead Compliance Plan, Remove Traffic Stripe (Water Blasting), Street Sweeping, SWPPP Plan, SWPPP Materials.

Caltrans Spec Section 2-1.11 IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED VEHICLE LIST. CARB Certs required from listed Subs.

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Our firm, An Equal Opportunity Employer, is requesting quotations from all qualified Certified DBE sub-contractors and/or material suppliers to submit bids on the following project:

CITY OF COLUSA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Sanitary Sewer & Recycled Water Project
(Project No. 23-209)
Business Enterprise Goal & Fair Share DBE Participation
Bid Date: September 1, 2026 @ 3:00 P.M.
Email: bid@rados.com

Sub-Trades Suppliers Needed For The Following Work (but not limited to):
HIGHWAY, STREET, AND BRIDGE, SAND & GRAVEL SUPPLIER, BASE, ROCK, COBBLES, BOULDERS SUPPLIER, PIPE SUPPLIER, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM, RESET, ADJUST ROADWAY ITEMS, PLANE ASPHALT CONCRETE, REMOVE BRIDGE ITEM, CLEARING & GRUBBING, PLANTING/LANDSCAPING, IRRIGATION SYSTEM, HYDROSEEDING, AGGREGATE BASE, CONCRETE PUMPING, ASPHALT CONCRETE PAVING, PLACE ASPHALT CONCRETE DIKE & MISC. CONCRETE PAVEMENT, CAST-IN-DRILLED-HOLE CONCRETE PILING, PRESTRESSING CONCRETE CAST-IN-PLACE, MINOR CONCRETE STRUCTURE, PRECAST CONCRETE, ERECT PRECAST CONCRETE, JOINT SEAL, REINFORCING STEEL, STRUCTURAL STEEL, ROADSIDE SIGN, CONCRETE CURB/GUTTER/SIDEWALK/RAMP-MISC, MISC. BRIDGE METAL, PAINT & STAIN CONCRETE, FENCES AND GATES, METAL RAILING, CONCRETE BARRIER, METAL BEAM BARRIER, CRASH CUSHION, PAVEMENT MARKING & STRIPING, SIGNAL & LIGHTING, LEAD COMPLIANCE PLAN, SWPPP PLANNING, SUPER 10 DUMP TRUCK, WATER TRUCK, STREET SWEEPING TRUCK, DEMOLITION, POTHOLING

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S.P. Rados, Inc. is a Signatory Union Contractor. Subcontractors will be required to include by the terms and conditions of the AGC Standard Long Form Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions & insurance requirements. S.P. Rados, Inc.'s listing of a subcontractor is not to be construed as an acceptance of all the subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with the Subcontractor's price quote. Subcontractors will be required to provide a payment & performance bond from an approved surety company for 100% of the subcontracted work. S.P. Rados, Inc. will pay bond premium up to 1.5% (optional).

Please be advised, Contractors and Subcontractors must register with the D.I.R. (Department of Industrial Relations) in order to bid on public works projects. Registration with the D.I.R. costs \$300 and covers the fiscal year (July 1 to June 30th). To verify status of your D.I.R. number, please visit: <http://dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/Contractors.html>.

Assistance is available in obtaining bonds, lines of credit and/or insurance. We will consider dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit participation by DBE in the competitive process. We will assist in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials & related assistance or services. S.P. Rados, Inc. requires that Subcontractors and Suppliers price quotes be provided at a reasonable time prior to the bid deadline to enable a complete evaluation. If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact Lucy Gonzalez at Tel: (714) 835-4612 Fax: (714) 835-2186 or bid@rados.com.

Plans and Specifications and copies of the proposal are available free of charge <https://stevepradosinc.sharefile.com/d-s23186604c7944b09869700963572a714> also available for viewing at 2002 E. McFadden Ave., Ste. 200, Santa Ana, CA 92705 call our office to schedule a review of the plans and specifications (714) 835-4612.

CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS



Owner: Olivenhain Municipal Water District
Project Name: David C. McCollom Water Treatment Plant Membrane Basin Rehabilitation
Bid Date: September 1, 2026, at 2:00p.m.
Request for DBE, MBE, WBE, OBE sub-quotes

Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. (Kiewit) is seeking sub-quotes from qualified, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), including Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women Business Enterprise (WBE), Other Business Enterprise (OBE) firms; and all other business enterprises to perform as Subcontractors and Material Vendors/Suppliers. DBEs must be certified by one of the following agencies prior to bid opening: Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), Small Business Administration (SBA), California Unified Certification Program (CUCP), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Tribal, State and Local governments, or an independent certifying organization.

Kiewit is requesting quotes for various areas of work listed in, but not limited to, the scopes of work below:

Dumpster/trash services, demolition, concrete rehabilitation, metals, painting and coating, mechanical insulation and testing, adjusting and balancing

Firms interested in providing a sub-quote for this project must contact Kiewit and responding firms will be issued an "Invitation to Bid" through Kiewit's electronic use of Building Connected system (at no cost to bidder) with project information and bid instructions. Plans and specifications are also available for review at Kiewit's office located at 3090 Bristol Street, Suite 600, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Responsive bidders must possess a valid California Contractor's license (as appropriate) and provide acceptable insurance. Responsible subcontractors and material contractors will be required to provide bonding for 100% of their contract value. Kiewit will reimburse bond premiums. Kiewit is signatory to collective bargaining agreements with carpenters, laborers, cement masons, ironworkers, operating engineers and teamsters. Kiewit will consider quotes from any, and all bidders who demonstrate an ability to foster and maintain labor harmony on the Project.

Kiewit intends to conduct itself in good faith with all participants on this project. For further information regarding this project, licensing, insurance, bonding, related assistance with equipment, supplies, and materials, or the project schedule, please contact our Lead Estimator.

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Owner: North of River Sanitary District No. 1 (NORS)D
Project Name: NORS D WRRP Upgrades and Expansion
Location: Bakersfield, California
Bid Date: September 17, 2026, at 10:00a.m.
Request for DBE, SBE, MBE, WBE sub-quotes

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Kiewit is requesting quotes for various areas of work including but not limited to: **Aggregates, trucking and hauling, street sweeping, ductile iron pipe, plastic pipe (PVC), manhole materials, asphalt paving, curb and gutter, ready mix supply, concrete reinforcing installation, concrete pumping, masonry work, metals, welding services, stainless steel pipe, steel pipe, metal deck building insulation, membrane roofing, flashing and sheet metal, metal doors and frames, overhead door, plaster and gypsum board, flooring, painting and coating, louvers and vents, bolts and gaskets, valves, fiberglass reinforced plastic pipe and electrical work.**

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The Project is financed in part by federal funding sources such as the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act ("WIFIA") administered by the EPA and is therefore subject to the American Iron and Steel ("AIS") Provisions, DBE Program requirements and the Davis-Bacon Related Acts.

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Project: Primary Influent Pump Station (PIPS) Parallel Force Main Project
City Project No. C66502032
Owner: City of Petaluma
Bid Date: September 3rd, 2026 @ 2:00 P.M.
Engineers Estimate: \$46 Million
Project Duration: 410 wd's

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
AGGREGATES, ASPHALT, SLURRY, LOW DENSITY CELLULAR GROUT, PIPE SUPPLIERS, PRECAST MATERIALS, BYPASS PUMPING, CATHODIC PROTECTION, CCTV, CONCRETE FLATWORK/STRUCTURES, FENCING, GEOTECH ENGINEERS, LANDSCAPING/IRRIGATION, MICROTUNNELING, SHORING SUBS, STRIPING, SURVEYING, TREE REMOVAL/ARBORIST, TRUCKING, VIBRATION MONITORING, PAINTING/COATINGS, SETTLEMENT MONITORING.

Project Description:
The Project consists of but not limited to: installation of approximately 13,000LF of 42" High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe via open cut and trenchless construction methods, construction of a flow split valve vault, pavement surface restoration, implementation of a bypass pumping system, construction of a 10-ft wide approximately 2,000ft long concrete pathway, and other items associated with the project.

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting:
estimating@mountaincascade.com
Or
<https://cityofpetaluma.org/bid-opportunities-2/>

Subcontractors must possess a current contractor's license, DIR number, insurance and worker's compensation coverage. Subcontractors will be required to enter into our standard contract.

Mountain Cascade, Inc. is a Union Contractors and is signatory to:
Operating Engineers/Carpenters/Laborers/Teamsters.

Please feel free to contact Mountain Cascade, Inc. at 925.373.8370 with any questions concerning bonding, insurance, lines of credit, and job overview. We look forward to your response.

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Project: Sanitary Sewer & Recycled Water Project
No. 23-209
Owner: City of Colusa
Bid Date: September 1st, 2026 @ 3:00 P.M.
Engineers Estimate: \$6,900,000

We are requesting quotes from all qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
AGGREGATES, PIPE SUPPLIERS, ADJUST MH/WV, ELECTRICAL-STREET LIGHTS/TRAFFIC SIGNALS/LOOPS, SAW-CUTTING, STRIPING, TRUCKING

Project Description:
The scope of work includes but is not limited to; installation of new sewer gravity main, recycled water main and sewer force main, sewer manholes, pavement grinding and overlay approximately 13,000 linear feet.

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting:
estimating@mountaincascade.com
Or
mhewitt@cecusa.net

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As LA prepares for the Olympics, a lot is riding on its transit system

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He finished well out of the money in the June gubernatorial primary, losing to Xavier Becerra, whom he handily defeated in the 2001 Los Angeles mayor's race. Times change, and this year Villaraigosa had a hard time getting voter attention in the crowded gubernatorial campaign after being on the sidelines for a few years.

But Villaraigosa is irrepressible. When we spoke last week, he rattled off his transportation suc-

cesses with the same cheerful blend of data and tales that have always been at the core of his impossible-to-ignore personality.

I asked about where LA is on transportation and then sat back as he launched into a long list of achievements studded with observations about politics and progress.

Villaraigosa recalled clearing the federal blockade on tunneling through areas of the city that had methane, ending a long standoff with then-

Congressmember Henry Waxman.

"He endorsed me," Villaraigosa said. "I went back to him and said 'I would like you and I to select some experts to study this.' The experts said yes ... True to his word, he removed the federal prohibition."

Then there was the issue of money. As Villaraigosa recounted it, the late Sen. Dianne Feinstein was not particularly receptive to calls for a new

financing mechanism, but former Sen. Barbara Boxer was, so he worked with her. Feinstein eventually came around after what Villaraigosa described as gentle pressure.

"We had pickets outside her office," he said, relishing the memory.

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