

The data center backlash is here — and Big Tech is spending big to combat it

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Companies backing data center construction are flooding Sacramento with cash, hoping to stop or defang seven bills that would regulate the facilities as they head toward approval in the California Legislature this week.

The pro-data-center spenders include Big Tech companies like Amazon and AI titan Anthropic. But they are led, dollar-wise, by old school utility giant Pacific Gas & Electric, which earlier this year clocked its second biggest lobbying quarter since 1999.

The financial push comes a year after four bills that attempted to regulate data centers died or were diluted after lobbying from the industry. But as artificial intelligence fuels an unprecedented facility buildout, public backlash is transforming data center construction into a major issue for candidates in upcoming elections.

A May Gallup poll found seven in 10 Americans oppose data center construction in their communities, while a Public Policy Institute of California poll in July found similar opposition statewide. Rising public anxiety over utility costs, water use, and grid strain has driven California lawmakers to propose strict new data center rules — igniting a high-stakes lobbying push by the industry.

Hundreds of cities have considered or passed project bans this year, including in Monterey Park, where voters passed a ballot measure to permanently ban data centers, and Bay Area cities like Pittsburg, which backtracked on approvals following public outcry.

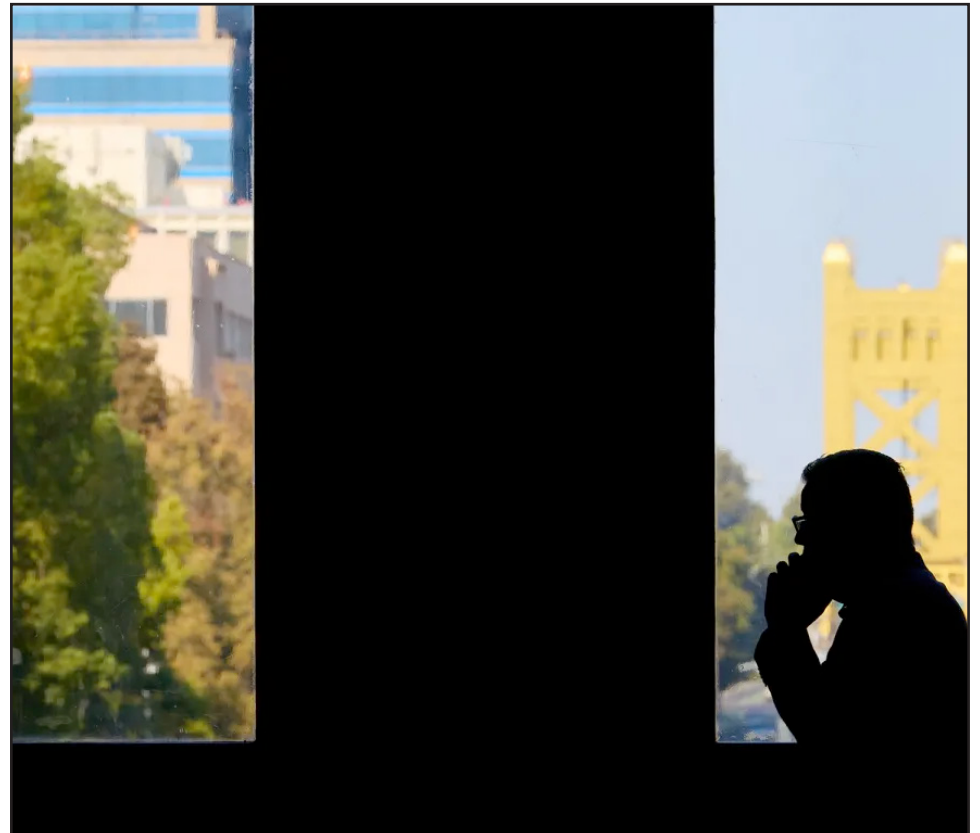
State law requires businesses and groups that engage in lobbying to report their overall quarterly spending, but does not require a breakdown of exactly how much is being spent on each bill. An analysis by CalMatters of lobbying activity for the first six months of 2026 found that utilities, tech companies and their proxies have spent millions of dollars lobbying state lawmakers, with data center bills emerging as a primary focus.

By Monday, it will be clear which bills made it out of the Legislature and onto Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk for signature or veto by the end of September.

The fate of the measures could have far-reaching consequences, affecting not only data center development but environmental regulation, utility rates, and how freely California's tech giants can operate in the state. Nationally, advocates and lawmakers agree that California's regulation around data centers could be an important bellwether for how similar fights will play out elsewhere.

"The level of awareness is through the roof, and the level of concern and sensitivity is through the roof — it's bipartisan, it's national, and it's across the board," California Sen. Steve Padilla,

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Polls show voters are turning sharply against data centers and several bills to regulate the facilities are advancing in the California Legislature. Utilities and tech companies, meanwhile, are spending millions lobbying state officials. A lobbyist talks on his phone at the state Capitol in Sacramento on Sept. 12, 2025.

Photo by Fred Greaves for CalMatters

Why Construction Firms Need Better Inspection History, Not Just More Project Data

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By Palak Sheth

Construction firms already collect valuable operational information. The opportunity is to make that information easier to use over time.

Construction firms collect large amounts of information every day. Superintendents complete site reports. Equipment teams document repairs. Safety teams record observations. Project managers review schedules, delays and subcontractor updates. Fleet managers track machinery use, inspections and maintenance. Yet much of this information is reviewed as individual project data rather than as part of a longer operational history.

That creates a practical problem. A recurring equipment issue, safety observation, site access problem or inspection finding may appear routine when viewed in isolation. When the same issue appears across multiple projects, crews, assets or jobsite conditions, it may point to a larger operational pattern.

For construction firms, better inspection history is not about collecting more data. It is about making the information already being collected useful enough to support better planning, maintenance, safety and operational decisions.

Recurring Problems Often Look Routine

Construction teams are used to solving problems quickly. A lift needs another repair. A generator fails during a critical phase. A pump needs attention again. A temporary access route creates repeated delays. A scaffold inspection identifies the same issue on multiple floors. A piece of heavy equipment requires the same adjustment on several jobs.

Each issue may be handled correctly at the time. The difficulty begins when repeat problems are treated as isolated events.

A single equipment repair may be routine. Repeated repairs on the same asset may suggest an operating issue, inspection gap, maintenance interval problem, operator training concern or replacement decision that needs to be reviewed. A single site inspection finding may be corrected quickly. Repeated findings across similar projects may in-

dicate a process issue, subcontractor coordination problem or documentation weakness.

Construction firms often operate with tight schedules, changing site conditions and pressure to keep crews productive. In that environment, teams may close out immediate problems without reviewing whether those problems keep returning.

Inspection history helps make those patterns visible.

Project Data and Asset Data Are Often Disconnected

Construction companies usually manage information across several systems. Project schedules may live in one platform. Equipment records may sit in another. Safety observations may be stored separately from maintenance reports. Inspection notes may be kept in spreadsheets, PDFs, mobile apps or shared folders.

- When this information is disconnected, teams may struggle to answer basic operational questions:
- Which assets keep generating maintenance issues?

- Which jobsite conditions create repeat inspection findings?
- Which corrective actions were completed but did not prevent recurrence?
- Which types of equipment cause the most downtime across projects?
- Which project phases produce the same safety or quality concerns?

Without connected history, teams often rely on memory, recent experience or the loudest current problem. That may be enough for day-to-day response, but it is not always enough for long-term improvement.

A more useful record connects inspection findings, photos, corrective actions, maintenance notes, jobsite location, responsible team and follow-up outcome. This gives managers a clearer view of what happened, what was done and whether the issue returned.

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CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS



Ames Construction, Inc. is seeking certified and qualified SBE/VSBE subcontractors and suppliers to meet the combined 27% goal for the following:

PROJECT: Pier B on Dock Rail Support Facility West Expansion & Pier B Street Realignment Project ID No. HD-S3135

OWNER: Port of Long Beach

BID DATE/TIME: September 15TH, 2026 @ 2:00 PM

PLEASE SUBMIT BID TO:
Ames Construction, Inc.
391 N. Main St., Ste 302 • Corona, CA 92880
Phone: (951) 356-1275 • Fax: (951) 549-9003

SBE/VSBE Subs/Suppliers required include but are not limited to: SCHEDULING SERVICES, JOBS COORDINATOR, CLEARING AND GRUBBING, CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDIES, CONSULTING SERVICES, ADMINISTRATIVE CONSULTING, ANALYTICAL STUDIES AND SURVEYS (CONSULTING), ENVIRONMENTAL, WASTE WATER TREATMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, AUDITING SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL, ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, IMPACT STUDIES, ENVIRONMENTAL, PERMITTING SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL, SITE ASSESSMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL, STORM WATER DISCHARGE TESTING SERVICES, CHEMICAL ANALYSIS SYSTEMS, AUTOMATED: ION-SENSING, CHEMICALS, LABORATORY (ACS, CP, PRACTICAL, REAGENT, ENERGY CONSERVATION CONSULTING, ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, PLANNING & ADVISORY SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL, WATER POLLUTION SERVICES, CONSERVATION/RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES, CHEMICAL LABORATORY SERVICES, SUBSURFACE TESTING, ENVIRONMENTAL, WATER/WASTEWATER CONSERVATION SERVICES, WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT (INCLUDING ENDANGERED SPECIES, WATER QUALITY MONITORING EQUIPMENT: BOD ANALYZERS, WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATING CHEMICALS, WILDLIFE/FISH MANAGEMENT SERVICES (Including Endangered Species and Wildlife Census) PERMITS (Not Otherwise Classified), CHEMICAL SAMPLING AND PREPARATION SERVICES, BIOLOGICAL TESTING SERVICES, CHEMICAL TESTING SERVICES AND TRAFFIC CONTROL. Ames Construction, Inc. will work with subcontractors and suppliers to break down items into feasible economical packages and to establish delivery/construction schedules to allow for maximum SBE/VSBE participation.

Ames will require bidder to provide performance and payment bonds for the full amount of the Subcontract values. Costs of the bonds are to be provided as a separate line item. Please call to discuss how Ames Construction can assist you in your bonding, credit and/or insurance needs. Also, let us know if you need assistance in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials or related assistance or services for this project. Please contact us for more information. Ames' Subcontract terms and conditions will apply to any contracts resulting from this request. The Subcontractor, by submission of its bid, agrees to the "Terms and Conditions" including all Exhibits and Attachments of Ames Subcontract Agreement. Ames reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotations. For questions about plans, specifications and other contract requirements please contact our office. Contact info provided below. Bids submitted to Ames in response to this RFQ shall remain open and valid until the contract is executed. Ames Construction, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Our contact for this project is Matthew Adams at (951) 356-1275 X 1292 or matthewadams@amesco.com. Please fax quotes to (951) 549-9003 or send by email to CABID@Amesco.com.



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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/m5i7d8y5irmma1s/AAAqGa-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.

Sub-Bids Requested from qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers for:

SECONDARY TREATMENT SYSTEM UPGRADES PROJECT
Owner: Town of Windsor
Location: Windsor, CA
Revised Bid Date: October 8, 2026 @ 2:00 P.M



667 Brea Canyon Road, Suite 30 • Walnut, CA 91789
Phone: (909) 595-4397, Fax: (909) 444-4268
Contact: Lori Olivas, lori.olivas@jfshea.com

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is soliciting your participation in the preparation of this bid. We are particularly interested in bids from subcontractors/suppliers for the following work items: **Demolition, Dewatering, Riprap, AC Paving, Landscaping, Ready-Mix Concrete, Reinforcing Steel, Miscellaneous Metals, Structural Steel, FRP Fabrications, Dampproofing, Metal Roof Panels, Sheet Metal, Roofing, Sealants, Steel Doors/Frames/Hardware, Overhead Coiling Doors, Aluminum Window Assemblies, Glazing, Louvers & Vents, Resinous Flooring, Painting & Coatings, Toilet Accessories, Precast Concrete Buildings, Water and Wastewater Equipment, HVAC, Electrical and Instrumentation**

Plans and Specifications: You may download a free copy of project documents from the Town of Windsor's website at: <https://www.townofwindsor.com/bids.aspx>. Plans may also be viewed at our office at 4309 Hacienda Drive, Suite 170, Pleasanton, CA 94588. J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer and intends to negotiate in good faith with interested DBE firms and intends to utilize the lowest responsive bidder. J.F. Shea expects potential subcontractors to be bondable. J.F. Shea will pay for up to 1% for subcontractor bond costs. Subcontractors and Suppliers are expected to bid per plans and specifications, including requirements for warranties. Standard manufacturer's warranties, if not in conformance with owner's specifications, will not be accepted.

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a Democrat from Chula Vista who is author of two pending data center bills, told CalMatters.

Who is lobbying on data centers

During the first half of 2026, Amazon paid more than \$500,000 to lobby lawmakers on 33 pieces of legislation, including several data center bills and matters related to antitrust and artificial intelligence. Amazon spent more than \$1.7 million lobbying in California last year.

Meanwhile, AI company Anthropic, which sent its first lobbyists to Sacramento last year, has spent nearly \$90,000 to influence decisions made by the California Legislature so far this year and, according to the Financial Times, nearly tripled its federal lobbying spend in the same time period. Last year, Anthropic spent over \$200,000 lobbying in the state.

Although Anthropic paid a lobbyist to influence lawmakers decisionmaking on data centers, a spokesperson said the company does not support or oppose any specific bills in California. The company, the spokesperson said, is also interested in working with lawmakers "on AI safety and other relevant issues." Representatives for Amazon did not respond to a request for comment from CalMatters.

Utility giant PG&E's latest filing shows that it spent \$2.86 million lobbying in California between April and June — its second highest quarter since 1999 (only surpassed since then by 2018, the year of the deadliest wildfire in state history, later linked to its equipment). A spokesperson for PG&E said the company has engaged on a "broad scope" of issues facing the industry during this legislative session, adding that "less than 5% of our spending was on data-center related issues," amounting to approximately \$143,000.

Other utilities, like Southern California Edison, and unions representing utility workers, like the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, have also invested in lobbying efforts on the bills.

Utilities providers are particularly motivated to influence bills because the development of new data centers represents a historic opportunity for expansion and grid upgrades, according to Matthew Freedman, senior staff attorney for The Utility Reform Network. Under the current regulatory framework, he said, the cost of expanding transmission lines is spread across all grid users, which means everyday consumers foot the bill.

Visit the link for the full article:
<https://tinyurl.com/32m338u6>

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Phone (707) 410-5070
License No. 594575, DIR No. 1000001063

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 subcontractors 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.townofwindsor.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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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 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.

100% performance/payment bonds will be required for the full amount of the subcontract price. Please contact FDCl for any assistance to this solicitation, including obtaining bonding, 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 & 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 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 & conditions. Copies are available for review on our Box.com ftp site upon email request.

To view and download projects docs for FREE from the Caltrans website you will need to "Create an Account" with Caltrans Bidding Connect. Use the following link: **DES-PPM&OE - Advertised Projects (ca.gov)** (<https://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des?q=03-3H5604>) select All Advertised Projects page and enter the Contract number: **03-0N4504**. Sign in is required to access project plans.

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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 September 28, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.
BID DATE: September 29th, 2026, at 9:00 am

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.

Project documents may be downloaded for **FREE** from our Box ftp site. Please send an email request to norcalbids@fdcorp.com

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CALIFORNIA SUB-BID REQUEST ADS



Mountain Cascade Inc.
555 Exchange Court, Livermore, CA 94550
(925) 373-8370, Fax (925) 373-0940

**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

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.

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**Project: California State Highway 156 Widening – Pipeline Realignment – Phase II
Owner: San Benito County Water District**
Bid Date: September 8th 2026 @ 2:00 P.M.

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
AGGREGATES, CONCRETE MATERIAL, PIPE SUPPLIERS, AIR-BLOWN MORTAR (SAND NOT MOTRAL), WELDED STEEL PIPE

Project Description:
SBCWD is seeking a qualified contractor to complete the relocation of water conveyance pipeline at the junction of Lucy Brown Road and Highway 156.

Project information, including plans & specifications can be found by contacting:
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**Project: CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY IN SACRAMENTO FROM 0.1 MILE NORTH OF FULTON AVENUE OVERCROSSING TO AUBURN BOULEVARD ON-RAMP OVERCROSSING
Contract No. 03-0N4504
Owner: Caltrans**
Bid Date: September 9th 2026 @ 2:00 P.M. ELECTRONIC BID

We are requesting quotes from all qualified Subcontractors and Suppliers but not limited to:
AGGREGATES, ASPHALT, CONCRETE MATERIALS, DRAINING SYSTEMS PIPE SUPPLIERS, STROM WATER SYSTEMS PIPE SUPPLIERS, PRECAST MATERIALS, EROS MATERIALS, AC OILS, AC DIKES, ANALYTICAL TESTING, CHIPSEAL/ SLURRY SEAL, CIDH PILES, CONCRETE STRUCTURESM CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, ELECTRICAL-STREET LIGHTS/ TRAFFIC SIGNALS/ LOOPS, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, EROSION CONTROL, FENCING, GEO-TECH ENGINEER, GUARDRAIL, REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE, K-RAIL, LANDSCAPING/ IRRIGATION, STRIPING, SWPP PLAN ONLY, TRAFFIC CONTROL, TRUCKING, GRATES, ROAD SIGN/ SIGNAGE.

Project Description:
The project includes, but not limited to, HMA, CI 2 AB, Rdwy Exc, Conc barrier and sign structures.

Engineers Estimate: \$5,800,000

Plans and specs can be obtained at:
<http://ppmoe.dot.ca.gov/des/oe/weekly-ads> Or contact: estimating@mountaincascade.com

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Equipment Reliability Depends on Better History

Construction equipment is often used across difficult conditions. Excavators, loaders, cranes, lifts, compressors, pumps, generators, trucks and smaller tools may move between jobsites, operators and operating environments. Dust, vibration, weather, heavy loads, uneven ground and long operating hours all affect equipment condition.

A completed inspection checklist confirms that equipment was reviewed. However, it does not always help the next team understand the asset's history.

For example, a lift that repeatedly shows hydraulic issues across several jobs should not be viewed only as a series of closed work orders. A generator that fails under similar site conditions may require more than another repair. A pump that repeatedly loses performance during certain phases of work may need a deeper review of operating conditions, maintenance practices or asset suitability.

When inspection and repair records are tied to the asset, fleet and maintenance teams can identify which equipment is reliable, which assets are becoming costly to maintain and which issues should influence rental, replacement or preventive maintenance decisions.

This is especially important when equipment moves between projects. A site team may only see the problem in front of it. The company needs a longer history to understand whether the asset has been creating problems elsewhere.

Corrective Actions Should Close the Loop

Corrective actions are essential in construction, but they are not always used as learning tools.

A deficiency is identified, a task is assigned, the issue is corrected and the record is closed. That process may satisfy the immediate requirement,

but it does not always show whether the underlying condition was resolved.

A stronger corrective-action record should show what was found, where it was found, who was responsible, what action was taken, whether the work was verified and whether follow-up was needed. If the same condition has appeared before, that should be visible.

This applies to equipment, safety, quality and site operations. If similar deficiencies keep appearing across projects, the organization may need to review training, sequencing, subcontractor expectations, inspection procedures, procurement decisions or project planning assumptions.

Closing the task is not the same as closing the loop. Construction firms gain more value when corrective actions become part of a searchable history that helps prevent the next repeat issue.

Inspection History Can Support Safer Jobsites

Safety programs depend on observation, follow-up and learning from repeated conditions. Many jobsite hazards do not appear as one major event. They appear as recurring minor findings that may not receive enough attention until something more serious happens.

Repeated housekeeping concerns, access issues, equipment condition findings, temporary power problems, fall protection observations, material storage concerns or traffic control issues can indicate patterns that deserve review.

When safety observations are reviewed only as individual records, the same problem may be corrected many times without the broader cause being addressed.

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