

East Central Colorado BOCES WAN Consortium Request for Proposal



On February 12, 2019 the East Central BOCES is amending the “WAN Services RFP” as follows:

Page 5: The following paragraph has been added to the Scope of Services - Lit Services section:

The East Central BOCES will consider bids which contain wireless point to point services with the following constraints. 1) All wireless connections must meet the throughput requirements for the site served. 2) All wireless connections must meet the same Service Level Agreement metrics as described in this RFP document in Proposal Instructions for Respondents. This includes availability, throughput, and bit error rates. 3) No wireless link may be more than two wireless “hops” away from a fiber backhaul location.

Page 6: The following requirement has been removed from the General Terms for Leased Fiber section of the RFP:

Open Fiber Interconnection Policy

The ECBOCES Districts prefer that the vendor support “vendor neutral” or “open interconnection cross connect” requests within their facilities. It is possible that after the initial build, The ECBOCES Districts will require additional cross connects to the ECBOCES Districts Owned Fiber, to other regional education networks and/or to alternate carriers. Respondents must describe any cross-connect policies and all related cross-connect fees. The ECBOCES Districts prefers vendors that build cross-connect costs into the initial purchase arrangement.

Contract Terms for Lit Services:

Page 4, the paragraph beginning with “The Attached Pricing Table (Appendix C) asks for...” is amended as follows:

The attached pricing table (Appendix C) asks for pricing of lit services for 1.) Transport circuits and 2.) Optional internet access (with an option to also bid as a bundled service) at the 300 Mbps, 500 Mbps, 1 Gbps, and 10 Gbps levels. Contract terms shall conform to a 36 month contract with two 12 month extensions, and a 12 month contract with month to month extensions. All voluntary extensions shall be available at the ECBOCES’ sole discretion. The transport circuits shall attach each endpoint in Appendix A to an ECBOCES hub site (or vendor proposed hub site) and if applicable, from the ECBOCES Central Office hub (or vendor proposed hub site) to the nearest, most cost effective Internet Access Point. The ECBOCES Central Office Hub is proposed as a sample aggregation point, the vendor may propose an interconnect and design that is more cost effective and efficient.

Page 12, the paragraph beginning with “Contracts for Dark Fiber/IRU or Self Construction will...” is amended as follows:

Contracts for Dark Fiber/IRU or Self Construction will be for no less than 120 months and could be 240 months. Lit services contract(s) should be termed for 36 months with two 12 month voluntary extensions and for a 12 month contract with month to month extensions. Extensions shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the ECBOCES. Any contract(s) may be terminated by either party with a 60 day notice. The ECBOCES reserves the right to make single or multiple contract awards.

Page 13: Schedule of Activities

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RFP Released	January 25, 2019
RFP Questions Due	February 1, 2019
RFP Question Answers Posted	February 4, 2019
RFP Proposals Due—Electronic delivered by 4 pm	March 14, 2019
Finalist Announcement	March 15, 2019
Finalist Interviews	March 18, 2019
Best and Final Offers Due	March 22, 2019
Intent to Award Contract(s)	March 25, 2019