



## **QBS Facilitator Council Achievements Report April, 2019-20**

The Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Facilitator Council has been in existence since 1999. We are a non-profit coalition of organizations partnering in our efforts to educate governmental entities on the value of qualification based selection practices. To contact us for information or assistance on QBS please call the QBS office at 208-321-1736 or email us at [tottens@clearwire.net](mailto:tottens@clearwire.net). Our website is [www.idahoqbs.com](http://www.idahoqbs.com).

### **Partners:**

Nine partners have committed their time, energy and/or funding for the eighteen-year period that began in the 1999 year. The partners include:

- American Council of Engineering Companies of Idaho (ACEC)
- American Institute of Architect, Idaho (AIA)
- Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors
- Idaho Society of Professional Engineers (ISPE)
- Structural Engineers Association of Idaho (SEAI)
- American Public Works Association/Association of Idaho Cities Public Works Association
- Idaho Montana Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
- Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC)
- Construction Managers

### **Technical Assistance**

Since June of 1999, our founding year, we have had 713 total requests for information or assistance for an average of 36 requests a year we have fielded. In 2019-20, we fielded 31 requests for assistance (compared to 34 in the same period last year). Of these:

- 14 of these were suspected violations of the law – 6 of the 11 were indeed violations and all changed their RFQ or bidding document. 7 of these were looked at and determined not to be violations (either because it was design build, QBS was used or violation of Brooks Act but not state law)
- 10 requests were from agencies asking for general information/interpretations or to help them comply before the RFQ was written or for interpretations. The majority had to do with a phased/associated project or a hiring roster.
- 2 requests were for education or a presentation
- 3 were for support of legislative efforts

Of these requests (details are available upon request):

- 17 concerned engineering services (56%)
- 4 concerned architectural services (13%)
- 5 concerned land surveying services (16%)
- 0 concerned landscape architectural services
- 1 concerned construction management (2%)
- 4 were general requests involving all disciplines (13%)
- 0 involved planning services (0%)

**Services:**

We provided QBS education to all those who contacted us

We offered services to two enquires for help in the hiring process

**Funding:**

In 2020 we had to increase the annual request from each of our partners. Currently we are funded by the following resources per year:

- ACEC - \$6000 (64%)
- AIA - \$1000 (11%)
- ISPLS - \$1200 (13%)
- ISPE - \$550 (6%)
- IMASLA - \$300 (3%)
- SEAI - \$300 (3%)

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