

Questions and Responses: Visalia Short Range Transit Plan Request for Proposals

1. With respect to DBE: TCAG's RFP indicates a project DBE participation goal of at least 13.5 percent. Please explain how a bidder's effort/submittal will be evaluated (as it relates to possible award of five evaluation points). If a bidder includes a DBE participation of less than 13.5 percent, how will TCAG award the associated evaluation points? In other words, is this an "all or nothing" situation?
 - a. If a proposer meets the DBE goal the points are awarded. If the goal is not met points are not awarded. The description of attempt to meet the DBE goal is required documentation, without which a proposal could be disqualified.

2. Are the Sequoia National Park services included in the focus/scope of the SRTP? While the description of the existing service mentions these services, we note that they are not addressed in the previous SRTP specifically.
 - a. The Sequoia Shuttle is an important component of the Visalia Transit System but is very unique. The service is dependent on coordination with the park service and their needs, but is part of the funding composition of Visalia Transit. It should be discussed in the SRTP but is not expected to require a high level of analysis.

3. Is registering farebox data available for analysis?
 - a. Yes, farebox data is available.