



March 11, 2021

Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority  
c/o Gary Gehbauer  
BGE, Inc.  
10777 Westheimer, Suite 400  
Houston, TX 77042

Re: Environmental Services for the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority  
Segment B2 – Fort Bend County Toll Road

Dear Mr. Gehbauer:

BIO-WEST, Inc. (BIO-WEST) is pleased to provide the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority (FBCTRA) this proposal and cost estimate to provide environmental services as they relate to an amendment to USACE Permit SWG-2009-00650. BIO-WEST will provide these services on an as needed to complete the work as directed by FBCTRA.

### **Project History and Background**

In 2017-2018 BIO-WEST worked with FBCTRA to obtain authorization from the USACE to impact and fill 1.17 acres of jurisdictional wetlands. On May 18, 2018 FBCTRA received permit authorization to impact and fill said wetlands under USACE Galveston District Permit SWG-2009-00650. At this time, it is BIO-WEST's understanding that all wetlands previously authorized for impact have been filled and brought to final construction grade elevations in preparation for road construction. Prior to filling wetlands, all applicable mitigation credits were purchased, and a copy of the purchase agreement and ledger were sent to the USACE Chief of Compliance. Currently, BIO-WEST understands that due to changes in Fort Bend County drainage requirements, previously avoided impacts to waters of the U.S. (Flat Bank Creek) are now unavoidable.

### **Project Approach**

#### **Task 1 – Project Management and Permit Amendment**

BIO-WEST will work with FBCTRA and their engineering representative to determine the impacts to waters of the U.S. based upon the previously authorized permit and preliminary jurisdictional determination (PJD). BIO-WEST will then submit a request for permit amendment to the USACE documenting the specifics of the proposed changes and impacts to waters of the U.S.

The request for permit amendment will include similar information as to the original permit documents, including but not limited to:

- Applicant and Applicant's Agent Name and Contact Information
- Detailed Project Description
- Detailed Project Location Information
- Detailed Description of Proposed Impacts
- Previous Waters of the U.S. Delineation
- Previous Threatened and Endangered Species Determination
- Previous Cultural Resource Assessment and Recommendation
- UPDATED Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Tier I Checklist
- Figures and Exhibits Depicting Proposed Impacts

Once the permit amendment request is completed, BIO-WEST will forward FBCTRA an electronic copy for review and comment. Following the incorporation of comments, BIO-WEST will submit the completed application to the USACE – Galveston District for review. BIO-WEST will coordinate the amendment throughout the remainder of the permitting process.

The permit amendment will most likely have to be posted on Public Notice for a period of 30 days, after which BIO-WEST will respond to all comments generated.

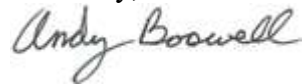
It is estimated that this permit amendment may take up to 12 months for complete authorization from the USACE and no less than 4 months from date submitted to the USACE.

### **ESTIMATED COSTS**

BIO-WEST proposes to conduct this scope of work under an time and materials contract with expenses not to exceed \$12,000. If unforeseen circumstances arise and expenses are expected to go beyond this threshold, BIO-WEST will submit a change order request to that effect. Non-labor charges will incur a 10% mark-up as a handling service fee.

If you have any questions or comments, please call the BIO-WEST office at (832) 595-9064.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andy Boswell".

Andy Boswell

Senior Project Manager & Senior Ecologist

# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

**FORM 1295**

1 of 1

Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.  
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

**OFFICE USE ONLY  
CERTIFICATION OF FILING****1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.**

BIO-WEST, Inc.  
Rosenberg, TX United States

**Certificate Number:**  
2021-726138

**Date Filed:**  
03/11/2021

**Date Acknowledged:**  
03/31/2021

**2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.**

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**3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.**

TBD  
Environmental Consulting Services

4	Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of interest (check applicable)	
			Controlling	Intermediary

**5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.****6 UNSWORN DECLARATION**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and my date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_.

My address is \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(street) (city) (state) (zip code) (country)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.  
(month) (year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity  
(Declarant)