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Insert Department or IHE’s Full Legal Name

**Department I.D.**

Insert Department identification

**Contract I.D. Number**

Insert CMS number or other contract number

**Project Number**

Insert OSC Project Number

**Project Name**

Insert Project as as provided by the State Controller's Office

**Consultant Name**

Insert Consultant's full Legal Name including "Inc.", "LLC" etc.

**Principal Representatives**

**For the State:**

Name

Department Name

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THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS AGREEMENT

Each person signing this Agreement represents and warrants that the signer is duly authorized to execute this Agreement and to bind the Party authorizing such signature.

In accordance with §24-30-202, C.R.S., this Contract is not valid until signed by the State Controller (or an authorized delegate) or the Title of IHE CFO per the Fiscal Rules of the individual Institution of Higher Education

Project Number/Name: Insert OSC Project Number followed by Project Name

Contract ID No.: Insert CMS Number & Encumbrance Number

CONSULTANT

INSERT: Legal Name of Consultant

By: Name & Title of Person Signing for Consultant

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF COLORADO

Jared S. Polis, Governor

INSERT: Name of Agency or IHE

INSERT: Name & Title of Head of Agency or IHE

By: Name & Title of Person Signing for Agency or IHE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE OF THE STATE ARCHITECT

State Buildings Program

By: Name & Title of Person Signing for State Buildings

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

STATE CONTROLLER

Robert Jaros, CPA, MBA, JD

By: Name of Agency or IHE Delegate

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Department ID: Insert Dept. Code Contract ID #: Insert Contract ID Project #:Insert Project #

**PARTIES**. THIS AGREEMENT is entered into by and between the STATE OF COLORADO, acting by and through the Insert Department's or IHE's Full Legal Name hereinafter referred to as the State or Principal Representative, and Insert Consultant's full Legal Name including "Inc.", "LLC" etc. having its offices at Street address, City, State and Zip Code hereinafter referred to as the Consultant.

**EFFECTIVE DATE AND NOTICE OF NONLIABILITY.** This Agreement shall not be effective or enforceable until it is approved and signed by the State Controller or its designee (hereinafter called the “Effective Date”), but shall be effective and enforceable thereafter in accordance with its provisions. The State shall not be bound by any provision of this Contract before the Effective Date, and shall have no obligation to pay Consultant for any Work performed or expense incurred before the Effective Date.

RECITALS:

**WHEREAS,** the Principal Representative intends to engage the services of a consultant for the Insert Project Name as provided by the State Controller's Office hereinafter called the Project; and

**WHEREAS,** authority exists in the Law and Funds have been budgeted, appropriated, and otherwise made available, and a sufficient unencumbered balance thereof remains available for payment In Fund Number Insert Fund Number Here, Account Number Insert Account Number here; and

**WHEREAS,** *funds are available for only a portion of the services defined herein, as more fully described in Article 2 Condition Precedent hereof; and*

**WHEREAS,** required approval, clearance and coordination has been accomplished from and with appropriate agencies; and

**WHEREAS,** the Consultant was selected and determined to be the most qualified, and fees negotiated in accordance with the provisions of Section C.R.S. § 24-30-1401, as amended.

**NOW THEREFORE,** it is hereby agreed that

# ARTICLE 1 SCOPE OF WORK

The Consultant, in consideration of State's promises hereinafter made, promises to perform and accomplish all the work and services proposed, and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the scope of work description and proposal dated      , which documents are attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference as **Exhibit A**, (including the Consultant’s Services Schedule). Consultant shall undertake and perform the necessary work and services (as detailed in the Consultant’s Services Schedule outlining the required time to perform such work and services and including Principal Representative review times) as is customarily done in the professional practice of Consulting in the community for undertakings of similar character, scope and magnitude.

# ARTICLE 2 COMPENSATION

In consideration for the performance of the said work and services including a not-to-exceed price for Reimbursable Expenses if applicable, Principal Representative agrees to pay to Consultant fees and charges not to exceed Insert dollar value written in words Dollars ($     ) as noted in Exhibit A. Payments to the Consultant shall be made monthly based upon Consultant’s performance and progress, through a properly executed Application for Payment (SC-7.1). Payments shall be due per C.R.S. § 24-30-202(24) (correct notice of amount due), within forty-five (45) days of receipt by the Principal Representative of the Applications for Payment.

**2.1 ARTICLE 2.1 CONDITION PRECEDENT**

### FUTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Financial obligations of the Principal Representative payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for the purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available.

### OBLIGATIONS

(At the time of the execution of this Agreement, there are sufficient funds budgeted and appropriated to compensate the Consultant only for performance of the Work through and including Define scope of work here. Therefore, it shall be a condition precedent to the Construction Manager’s performance of the remaining Work specified in Exhibit A, Proposal and the State’s liability to pay for such performance, sufficient funding must be made available to the Principal Representative for the Project prior to       and, as a further condition precedent, a written Amendment to this Agreement is entered into in accordance with the State of Colorado Fiscal Rules, stating that additional funds are lawfully available for the Project. If either condition precedent is not satisfied by      , the Construction Manager’s obligation to perform Work for (scope of work) and the State obligation to pay for such Work is discharged without liability to each other. If funding is eventually made available after      , the Construction Manager has no right to perform the additional Work described in Exhibit A, Proposal this Agreement and the State has no right to require the Consultant to perform said Work.)

# ARTICLE 3 REIMBURSABLE EXPENSE

## REIMBURSEMENT

### Reimbursable expenses are in addition to the compensation for said work and services and include actual expenditures made by the consultant and its employees and consultants in the interest of the Project. Pay requests for reimbursable expense shall be submitted with receipts, statements, or other acceptable supporting data. The consultant understands and agrees that a certain dollar amount as enumerated in EXHIBIT A, Consultant’s Proposal has been established as a maximum amount to be paid for all reimbursable expenses.

### The Consultant shall be reimbursed for:

1. Fees of consultants, if their employment is authorized in advance by the Principal Representative and any other services included in this Agreement;
2. Expense of data processing and photographic production techniques when used in connection with Additional Services;
3. Expense of long distance telecommunications related to the performance of the scope of services;
4. Expense of renderings, models and mock-ups requested by the Principal Representative other than those described in the designated services;
5. Reimbursement of travel expenses is to be based on reasonable and necessary travel costs within the limits of State/Federal per diem rates as published in the travel section of the State Controller’s Fiscal Rules, Meal and Incidental Per Diem Rates, Appendix A1;
6. Expense of any additional insurance coverage or limits, including professional liability insurance, requested by the Principal Representative in excess of that required in Article 7.

# ARTICLE 4 AGREEMENT EXPIRATION

Unless sooner terminated, this Agreement shall remain in effect until the work and services are completed and accepted by the Principal Representative.

# ARTICLE 5 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

## DEFAULT

Should the other party fail substantially to perform in accordance with its terms through no fault of the other, this Agreement may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice with copies filed with the State Controller.

## TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF STATE

The performance of the services under this Agreement may be terminated, in whole or from time to time in part, by the State whenever for any reason the Principal Representative shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the State. Termination of services hereunder shall be affected by delivery to the Consultant of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of services under this Agreement is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

After receipt of the Notice of Termination, the Consultant shall exercise all reasonable diligence to accomplish the cancellation of its outstanding commitments covering personal services and extending beyond the date of such termination to the extent that they relate to the performance of any services terminated by the Notice.

# ARTICLE 6 CONSULTANT’S ACCOUNTING RECORDS

Records of the Consultant’s Direct Personnel, Consultant, and reimbursable Expense pertaining to this Agreement and records of accounts between the Principal Representative and Consultant shall be kept on a generally recognized accounting basis and shall be available to the Principal Representative at mutually convenient times and extending to three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement.

# ARTICLE 7 INSURANCE

## GENERAL

The Consultant shall procure and maintain all insurance requirements and limits as set forth below, at their own expense, for the length of time set forth in Contract requirements. The Consultant shall continue to provide evidence of such coverage to State of Colorado on an annual basis during the aforementioned period including all of the terms of the insurance and indemnification requirements of this agreement. All below insurance policies shall include a provision preventing cancellation without thirty (30) days’ prior notice by certified mail. A completed Certificate of Insurance shall be filed with the Principal Representative and State Buildings Program within ten (10) days after the date of the Notice of Award, said Certificate to specifically state the inclusion of the coverages and provisions set forth herein and shall state whether the coverage is “claims made” or “per occurrence”.

## COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (CGL)

This insurance must protect the Consultant from all claims for bodily injury, including death and all claims for destruction of or damage to property (other than the Work itself), arising out of or in connection with any operations under this Agreement, whether such operations be by the Consultant or by any Subcontractor under them or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Consultant or by a Subcontractor. All such insurance shall be written with limits and coverages as specified below and shall be written on an occurrence form.

1. $1,000,000 each occurrence;
2. $1,000,000 general aggregate;
3. $1,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate; and
4. $50,000 any one fire.

The following coverages shall be included in the CGL:

1. Additional Insured status in favor of the State of Colorado.
2. The policy shall be endorsed to be primary and non-contributory with any insurance maintained by Additional Insureds.
3. A waiver of Subrogation in favor of all Additional Insured parties.

## AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

Automobile liability insurance covering any auto (including owned, hired and non-owned autos) with a minimum limit of $1,000,000 each accident combined single limit. Shall include specific waiver of subrogation.

## WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE

The Consultant shall procure and maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance at their own expense during the life of this Agreement, including occupational disease provisions for all employees per statutory requirements. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State of Colorado.

The Consultant shall also require each Subcontractor to furnish Workers' Compensation Insurance, including occupational disease provisions for all of the latter’s employees, and to the extent not furnished, the Consultant accepts full liability and responsibility for Subcontractor’s employees.

In cases where any class of employees engaged in hazardous work under this Agreement at the site of the Project is not protected under the Workers’ Compensation statute, the Consultant shall provide, and shall cause each Subcontractor to provide, adequate and suitable insurance for the protection of employees not otherwise protected

## PROFESSIONAL ERRORS AND OMISSIONS LIABILITY

(If this Agreement is for one of the following professional pre-design services such as; geotechnical investigation and reporting, environmental assessment or land surveying or for construction administrative services such as material testing, than the following Professional Errors and Omissions Liability Insurance coverage applies).

The Consultant promises and agrees to maintain in full force and effect an Errors and Omissions Professional Liability Insurance Policy in the amounts (indicated in the following table) as minimum coverage or such other minimum coverage as determined by the Principal Representative and approved by the State Buildings Program. The policy, including claims made forms, shall remain in effect for the duration of this Agreement and for at least three years beyond the completion and acceptance of the Work. The Consultant shall be responsible for all claims, damages, losses or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of Professional Services contemplated in this Agreement, provided that any such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused by any negligent act, error or omission of the Consultant, any consultant or associate thereof, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by Architect/ Engineer. The Consultant shall submit a Certificate of Insurance verifying said coverage at the signing of this Agreement and also any notices of Renewals of said policy as they occur.

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| For a Fixed Limit of Construction Cost | Minimum Coverage per Claim | Minimum Coverage in the Aggregate |
| $999,999 and under | $250,000 | $500,000 |
| $1,000,000 to $4,999,999 | $500,000 | $1,000,000 |
| $5,000,000 to $19,999,999 | $1,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| $20,000,000 and Above | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |

# ARTICLE 8 COLORADO SPECIAL PROVISIONS

## STATUTORY APPROVAL, C.R.S. § 24-30-202(1)

This Agreement shall not be valid until it has been approved by the Colorado State Controller or designee.

## FUND AVAILABILITY, C.R.S. § 24-30-202(5.5)

Financial obligations of the State payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available.

## GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY

Liability for claims for injuries to persons or property arising from the negligence of the State, its departments, boards, commissions committees, bureaus, offices, employees and officials shall be controlled and limited by the provisions of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, §24-10-101, et seq., C.R.S.; the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. Pt. VI, Ch. 171 and 28 U.S.C. 1346(b), and the State’s risk management statutes, §§24-30-1501, et seq. C.R.S. No term or condition of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as a waiver, express or implied, of any of the immunities, rights, benefits, protections, or other provisions, contained in these statutes.

## **I**NDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Consultant shall perform its duties hereunder as an independent Consultant and not as an employee. Neither Consultant nor any agent or employee of Consultant shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the State. Consultant shall not have authorization, express or implied, to bind the State to any agreement, liability or understanding, except as expressly set forth herein. Consultant and its employees and agents are not entitled to unemployment insurance or workers compensation benefits through the State and the State shall not pay for or otherwise provide such coverage for Consultant or any of its agents or employees. Consultant shall pay when due all applicable employment taxes and income taxes and local head taxes incurred pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant shall (i) provide and keep in force workers’ compensation and unemployment compensation insurance in the amounts required by law, (ii) provide proof thereof when requested by the State, and (iii) be solely responsible for its acts and those of its employees and agents.

## COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

Consultant shall comply with all applicable federal and State laws, rules, and regulations in effect or hereafter established, including, without limitation, laws applicable to discrimination and unfair employment practices.

## CHOICE OF LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

Colorado law, and rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto, shall be applied in the interpretation, execution, and enforcement of this Agreement. Any provision included or incorporated herein by reference which conflicts with said laws, rules, and regulations shall be null and void. All suits or actions related to this Agreement shall be filed and proceedings held in the State of Colorado and exclusive venue shall be in the City and County of Denver.

## PROHIBITED TERMS

Any term included in this Agreement that requires the State to indemnify or hold Consultant harmless; requires the State to agree to binding arbitration; limits Consultant’s liability for damages resulting from death, bodily injury, or damage to tangible property; or that conflicts with this provision in any way shall be void ab initio. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any provision of §24-106-109, C.R.S.

## SOFTWARE PIRACY PROHIBITION. SOFTWARE PIRACY PROHIBITION

State or other public funds payable under this Agreement shall not be used for the acquisition, operation, or maintenance of computer software in violation of federal copyright laws or applicable licensing restrictions. Consultant hereby certifies and warrants that, during the term of this Agreement and any extensions, Consultant has and shall maintain in place appropriate systems and controls to prevent such improper use of public funds. If the State determines that Consultant is in violation of this provision, the State may exercise any remedy available at law or in equity or under this Agreement, including, without limitation, immediate termination of this Agreement and any remedy consistent with federal copyright laws or applicable licensing restrictions.

## EMPLOYEE FINANCIAL INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C.R.S. § 24-18-201 and C.R.S. § 24-50-507

The signatories aver that to their knowledge, no employee of the State has any personal or beneficial interest whatsoever in the service or property described in this Agreement. Consultant has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of Consultant services and Consultant shall not employ any person having such known interests.

## VENDOR OFFSET AND ERRONEOUS PAYMENTS

C.R.S. § 24-30-202(1) & C.R.S. § 24-30-202.4

Subject to §24-30-202.4(3.5), C.R.S., the State Controller may withhold payment under the State’s vendor offset intercept system for debts owed to State agencies for: (i) unpaid child support debts or child support arrearages; (ii) unpaid balances of tax, accrued interest, or other charges specified in §§39-21-101, et seq., C.R.S.; (iii) unpaid loans due to the Student Loan Division of the Department of Higher Education; (iv) amounts required to be paid to the Unemployment Compensation Fund; and (v) other unpaid debts owing to the State as a result of final agency determination or judicial action. The State may also recover, at the State’s discretion, payments made to Consultant in error for any reason, including, but not limited to, overpayments or improper payments, and unexpended or excess funds received by Consultant by deduction from subsequent payments under this Agreement, deduction from any payment due under any other Agreements, grants or agreements between the State and Consultant, or by any other appropriate method for collecting debts owed to the State.

# ARTICLE 9 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

## DEFINITIONS

“CORA” means the Colorado Open Records Act, §§24-72-200.1, et seq., C.R.S.

“Incident” means any accidental or deliberate event that results in or constitutes an imminent threat of the unauthorized access, loss, disclosure, modification, disruption, or destruction of any communications or information resources of the State, which are included as part of the Work, as described in §§24-37.5-401, et seq., C.R.S. Incidents include, without limitation, (i) successful attempts to gain unauthorized access to a State system or State Records regardless of where such information is located; (ii) unwanted disruption or denial of service; (iii) the unauthorized use of a State system for the processing or storage of data; or (iv) changes to State system hardware, firmware, or software characteristics without the State’s knowledge, instruction, or consent.

“PII” means personally identifiable information including, without limitation, any information maintained by the State about an individual that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother’s maiden name, or biometric records; and any other information that is linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information. PII includes, but is not limited to, all information defined as personally identifiable information in §§24-72-501 and 24-73-101, C.R.S. “PII” shall also mean “personal identifying information” as set forth at § 24-74-102, et. seq., C.R.S.

“State Fiscal Rules” means the fiscal rules promulgated by the Colorado State Controller pursuant to §24-30-202(13)(a), C.R.S.

“State Confidential Information” means any and all State Records not subject to disclosure under CORA. State Confidential Information shall include, but is not limited to, PII, and State personnel records not subject to disclosure under CORA. State Confidential Information shall not include information or data concerning individuals that is not deemed confidential but nevertheless belongs to the State, which has been communicated, furnished, or disclosed by the State to Consultant which (i) is subject to disclosure pursuant to CORA; (ii) is already known to Consultant without restrictions at the time of its disclosure to Consultant; (iii) is or subsequently becomes publicly available without breach of any obligation owed by Consultant to the State; (iv) is disclosed to Consultant, without confidentiality obligations, by a third party who has the right to disclose such information; or (v) was independently developed without reliance on any State Confidential Information.

“State Records” means any and all State data, information, and records, regardless of physical form, including, but not limited to, information subject to disclosure under CORA.

“Subcontractors” means any third party engaged by Consultant to aid in performance of the Work.

“Work” means the goods delivered and services performed pursuant to this Agreement.

“Work Product” means the tangible and intangible results of the Work, whether finished or unfinished, including drafts. Work Product includes, but is not limited to, documents, text, software (including source code), research, reports, proposals, specifications, plans, notes, studies, data, images, photographs, negatives, pictures, drawings, designs, models, surveys, maps, materials, ideas, concepts, know-how, and any other results of the Work. “Work Product” does not include any material that was developed prior to the Effective Date that is used, without modification, in the performance of the Work.

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION PERMITTED

The Consultant may, with the prior written consent of the Principal Representative, join with them in the performance of this Agreement any other duly licensed Architect or Architects or registered Engineers with whom he may, in good faith, and enter into an association.

## DISSOLUTION OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

In the event there is dissolution of the association, other than by death of a member, the State of Colorado, acting by and through the Principal Representative, shall designate which former member shall continue with the work and may make all payments thereafter falling due in connection with the work directly to the person or persons so designated and without being required to look to the application of such payments as among the former members.

## WAGE RATES, in accordance with C.R.S. § 24-30-1404 (1)

As amended, the Consultant has executed a schedule, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference as **Exhibit B**, Wage Rates Schedule, and by doing so is certifying that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation paid by the State for these professional services are accurate, complete and current.

The original Agreement price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Principal Representative determines the Agreement price had been increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such Agreement adjustments shall be made within one year following the end of this Agreement.

## PUBLIC ART LAW

In recognition of the Public Art Law, C.R.S. § 24-48.5-312, as amended, if the State determines that this project is eligible for the acquisition of artworks in accordance with this law, the Consultant agrees to participate in the art selection process as an art jury member and to cooperate with and to advise the State in working with the commissioned artist(s) for this Capital Construction Project.

## ASSIGNMENT

Consultant’s rights and obligations under this Agreement are personal and may not be transferred or assigned without the prior, written consent of the State. Any attempt at assignment or transfer without such consent shall be void. Any assignment or transfer of Consultant’s rights and obligations approved by the State shall be subject to the provisions of this Agreement.

## SUBCONTRACTS

Consultant shall not enter into any subcontract in connection with its obligations under this Agreement without the prior, written approval of the State. Consultant shall submit to the State a copy of each such subcontract upon request by the State. All subcontracts entered into by Consultant in connection with this Agreement shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, shall provide that they are governed by the laws of the State of Colorado, and shall be subject to all provisions of this Agreement.

## BINDING EFFECT

Except as otherwise provided in §9.5, all provisions of this Agreement, including the benefits and burdens, shall extend to and be binding upon the Parties’ respective successors and assigns.

## AUTHORITY

Each Party represents and warrants to the other that the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of such Party’s obligations have been duly authorized.

## CAPTIONS AND REFERENCES

The captions and headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and shall not be used to interpret, define, or limit its provisions. All references in this Agreement to sections (whether spelled out or using the § symbol), subsections, exhibits or other attachments, are references to sections, subsections, exhibits or other attachments contained herein or incorporated as a part hereof, unless otherwise noted.

## COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in multiple, identical, original counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

## ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING

This Agreement represents the complete integration of all understandings between the Parties related to the Work, and all prior representations and understandings related to the Work, oral or written, are merged into this Agreement. Prior or contemporaneous additions, deletions, or other changes to this Agreement shall not have any force or effect whatsoever, unless embodied herein.

## INTENT OF THE DOCUMENTS

In the event any disagreement exists as to the requirements of this Agreement and its exhibits, or if a conflict occurs between or within the requirements of this Agreement and its exhibits, the following order of precedence shall be followed to resolve the disagreement or conflict:

1. The Supplementary General Conditions, if any;
2. The Colorado Special Provisions, Article 8 of this Agreement;
3. Any Amendment of this Agreement;
4. All other terms of this Agreement (other than the Special Provisions); and
5. The Consultant’s proposal letter.
6. Any other Exhibit to this Agreement.

Unless Federal Provisions are Applicable, the Colorado Special Provisions of this Agreement, Article 8, shall in all cases, and without exception, take precedence, rule and control over all other provisions of this Agreement, any exhibits or amendments.

## DIGITAL SIGNATURES

If any signatory signs this Agreement using a digital signature in accordance with the Colorado State Controller Agreement, Grant and Purchase Order Policies regarding the use of digital signatures issued under the State Fiscal Rules, then any agreement or consent to use digital signatures within the electronic system through which that signatory signed shall be incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

## MODIFICATION

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any modification to this Agreement shall only be effective if agreed to in a formal amendment to this Agreement, properly executed and approved in accordance with applicable Colorado State law and State Fiscal Rules. Modifications permitted under this Agreement, other than contract amendments, shall conform to the policies issued by the Colorado State Controller.

## STATUTES, REGULATIONS, FISCAL RULES AND OTHER AUTHORITY

Any reference in this Agreement to a statute, regulation, State Fiscal Rule, fiscal policy or other authority shall be interpreted to refer to such authority then current, as may have been changed or amended since the Effective Date of this Agreement.

## EXTERNAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the State shall not be subject to any provision included in any terms, conditions, or agreements appearing on Consultant’s or a Subconsultant’s website or any provision incorporated into any click-through or online agreements related to the Work unless that provision is specifically referenced in this Agreement.

## SEVERABILITY

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect, provided that the Parties can continue to perform their obligations under this Agreement in accordance with the intent of this Agreement.

## SURVIVIAL AND CERTAIN CONTRACT TERMS

Any provision of this Agreement that imposes an obligation on a Party after termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement and shall be enforceable by the other Party.

## TAXES

The State is exempt from federal excise taxes under I.R.C. Chapter 32 (26 U.S.C., Subtitle D, Ch. 32) (Federal Excise Tax Exemption Certificate of Registry No. 84-730123K) and from State and local government sales and use taxes under §§39-26-704(1), et seq., C.R.S. (Colorado Sales Tax Exemption Identification Number 98-02565). The State shall not be liable for the payment of any excise, sales, or use taxes, regardless of whether any political subdivision of the state imposes such taxes on Consultant. Consultant shall be solely responsible for any exemptions from the collection of excise, sales or use taxes that Consultant may wish to have in place in connection with this Agreement.

## THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

Except for the Parties’ respective successors and assigns described in § 9.5, this Agreement does not and is not intended to confer any rights or remedies upon any person or entity other than the Parties. Enforcement of this Agreement and all rights and obligations hereunder are reserved solely to the Parties. Any services or benefits which third parties receive as a result of this Agreement are incidental to this Agreement, and do not create any rights for such third parties.

## WAIVER

A Party’s failure or delay in exercising any right, power, or privilege under this Agreement, whether explicit or by lack of enforcement, shall not operate as a waiver, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power, or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of such right, power, or privilege.

## CORA DISCLOSURE

To the extent not prohibited by federal law, this Agreement and the performance measures and standards required under §24-106-107, C.R.S., if any, are subject to public release through the CORA.

## STANDARD AND MANNER OF PERFORMANCE

Consultant shall perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with the customary standards of care, skill and diligence in Consultant’s industry, trade, or profession.

## LICENSES, PERMITS, AND OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

Consultant shall secure, prior to the Effective Date, and maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement, at its sole expense, all licenses, certifications, permits, and other authorizations required to perform its obligations under this Agreement, and shall ensure that all employees, agents and Subconsultants secure and maintain at all times during the term of their employment, agency or subcontract, all license, certifications, permits and other authorizations required to perform their obligations in relation to this Agreement except as otherwise provided by Colorado law.

## INDEMNIFICATION

### General Indemnification

Consultant shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the State, its employees, agents and assignees (the “Indemnified Parties”), against any and all costs, expenses, claims, damages, liabilities, court awards and other amounts (including attorneys’ fees and related costs) incurred by any of the Indemnified Parties in relation to any negligent act or omission by Consultant, or its employees, agents, Subconsultants, or assignees in connection with this Agreement except as otherwise provided by Colorado law.

### Confidential Information Indemnification

Disclosure or use of State Confidential Information by Consultant in violation of Article 10 may be cause for legal action by third parties against Consultant, the State, or their respective agents. Consultant shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties, against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses (including attorneys’ fees and costs) incurred by the State in relation to any act or omission by Consultant, or its employees, agents, assigns, or Subconsultants in violation of Article 10.

### Intellectual Property Indemnification

Consultant shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties, against any and all costs, expenses, claims, damages, liabilities, and other amounts (including attorneys’ fees and costs) incurred by the Indemnified Parties in relation to any claim that any Deliverable, Good or Service, software, or Work Product provided by Consultant under this Agreement (collectively, “IP Deliverables”), or the use thereof, infringes a patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, or any other intellectual property right. Consultant’s obligations hereunder shall not extend to the combination of any IP Deliverables provided by Consultant with any other product, system, or method, unless the other product, system, or method is (a) provided by Consultant or Consultant’s subsidiaries or affiliates; (b) specified by Consultant to work with the IP Deliverables; (c) reasonably required in order to use the IP Deliverables in its intended manner and the infringement could not have been avoided by substituting another reasonably available product, system, or method capable of performing the same function; or (d) is reasonably expected to be used in combination with the IP Deliverables.

### Accessibility Indemnification

Consultant shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the state, its employees, agents and assignees (collectively, the “Indemnified Parties”), against any and all costs, expenses, claims, damages, liabilities, court awards and other amounts (including attorneys’ fees and related costs) incurred by any of the Indemnified Parties in relation to Consultant’s failure to comply with §§24-85-101, et seq., C.R.S., or the Accessibility Standards for Individuals with a Disability as established by the Office of Information Technology pursuant to Section §24-85-103 (2.5), C.R.S.

## ACCESSIBILITY

### Consultant shall comply with and the Work Product provided under this Agreement shall be in compliance with all applicable provisions of §§24-85-101, et seq., C.R.S., and the Accessibility Standards for Individuals with a Disability, as established by the Governor’s Office Of Information Technology (OIT), pursuant to Section §24-85-103 (2.5), C.R.S. Consultant shall also comply with all State of Colorado technology standards related to technology accessibility and with Level AA of the most current version of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG), incorporated in the State of Colorado technology standards.

### The State may require Consultant’s compliance to the State’s Accessibility Standards to be determined by a third party selected by the State to attest to Consultant’s Work Product and software is in compliance with §§24-85-101, et seq., C.R.S., and the Accessibility Standards for Individuals with a Disability as established by the Office of Information Technology pursuant to Section §24-85-103 (2.5), C.R.S.

# ARTICLE 13 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION-STATE RECORDS

## CONFIDENTIALITY

Consultant shall keep confidential, and cause all Subcontractors to keep confidential, all State Records, unless those State Records are publicly available. Consultant shall not, without prior written approval of the State, use, publish, copy, disclose to any third party, or permit the use by any third party of any State Records, except as otherwise stated in this Agreement, permitted by law or approved in writing by the State. Consultant shall provide for the security of all State Confidential Information in accordance with all policies promulgated by the Colorado Office of Information Security and all applicable laws, rules, policies, publications, and guidelines. Consultant shall immediately forward any request or demand for State Records to the State’s Principal Representative.

## OTHER ENTITY ACCESS AND NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS

Consultant may provide State Records to its agents, employees, assigns and Subcontractors as necessary to perform the Work, but shall restrict access to State Confidential Information to those agents, employees, assigns and Subcontractors who require access to perform their obligations under this Agreement. Consultant shall ensure all such agents, employees, assigns, and Subcontractors sign agreements containing nondisclosure provisions at least as protective as those in this Agreement, and that the nondisclosure provisions are in force at all times the agent, employee, assign or Subcontractor has access to any State Confidential Information. Consultant shall provide copies of those signed nondisclosure provisions to the State upon execution of the nondisclosure provisions if requested by the State.

## USE, SECURITY, AND RETENTION

Consultant shall use, hold, and maintain State Confidential Information in compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations only in facilities located within the United States, and shall maintain a secure environment that ensures confidentiality of all State Confidential Information. Consultant shall provide the State with access, subject to Consultant’s reasonable security requirements, for purposes of inspecting and monitoring access and use of State Confidential Information and evaluating security control effectiveness. Upon the expiration or termination of this Agreement, Consultant shall return State Records provided to Consultant or destroy such State Records and certify to the State that it has done so, as directed by the State. If Consultant is prevented by law or regulation from returning or destroying State Confidential Information, Consultant warrants it will guarantee the confidentiality of, and cease to use, such State Confidential Information.

## INCIDENT NOTICE AND REMEDIATION

If Consultant becomes aware of any Incident, Consultant shall notify the State immediately and cooperate with the State regarding recovery, remediation, and the necessity to involve law enforcement, as determined by the State. Unless Consultant can establish that Consultant and its Subcontractors are not the cause or source of the Incident, Consultant shall be responsible for the cost of notifying each person who may have been impacted by the Incident. After an Incident, Consultant shall take steps to reduce the risk of incurring a similar type of Incident in the future as directed by the State, which may include, but is not limited to, developing and implementing a remediation plan that is approved by the State at no additional cost to the State. The State may adjust or direct modifications to this plan in its sole discretion, and Consultant shall make all modifications as directed by the State. If Consultant cannot produce its analysis and plan within the allotted time, the State, in its discretion, may perform such analysis and produce a remediation plan, and Consultant shall reimburse the State for the actual costs thereof. The State may, in its sole discretion and at Consultant’s sole expense, require Consultant to engage the services of an independent, qualified, State-approved third party to conduct a security audit. Consultant shall provide the State with the results of such audit and evidence of Consultant’s planned remediation in response to any negative findings.

## DATA PROTECTION AND HANDLING

Consultant shall ensure that all State Records and Work Product in the possession of Consultant or any Subcontractors are protected and handled in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement, including the requirements of any Exhibits hereto, at all times.

## SAFEGUARDING PERSONAL IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION (PII)

If Consultant or any of its Subcontractors will or may receive Personal Identifiable Information (PII) under this Agreement, Consultant shall provide for the security of such PII, in a manner and form acceptable to the State, including, without limitation, State non-disclosure requirements, use of appropriate technology, security practices, computer access security, data access security, data storage encryption, data transmission encryption, security inspections, and audits. Consultant shall be a “Third-Party Service Provider” as defined in §24-73-103(1)(i), C.R.S. and shall maintain security procedures and practices consistent with §§24-73-101 et seq., C.R.S. In addition, as set forth in § 24-74-102, et. seq., C.R.S., Consultant, including, but not limited to, Consultant’s employees, agents and Subcontractors, agrees not to share any PII with any third parties for the purpose of investigating for, participating in, cooperating with, or assisting with Federal immigration enforcement. If Consultant is given direct access to any State databases containing PII, Consultant shall execute, on behalf of itself and its employees, a certification as provided by the Office of the State Controller on an annual basis Consultant’s duty and obligation to certify shall continue as long as Consultant has direct access to any State databases containing PII. If Consultant uses any Subcontractors to perform services requiring direct access to State databases containing PII, the Consultant shall require such Subcontractors to execute and deliver the certification to the State on an annual basis, so long as the Subcontractor has access to State databases containing PII.

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EXHIBIT A: CONSULTANT PROPOSAL

**CONSULTANT PROPOSAL**

(Including Insurance Certificate)

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EXHIBIT B: WAGE RATES SCHEDULE

**WAGE RATES SCHEDULE**

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EXHIBIT C: BUILDING CODE COMPLIANCE POLICY

BUILDING CODE COMPLIANCE POLICY: COORDINATION OF APPROVED BUILDING CODES, PLAN REVIEWS, BUILDING INSPECTIONS AND STATE DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Refer to the Office of the State Architect’s Building Codes Webpage for the *Building Code Compliance Policy* (Rev. July 2025)

**Exhibit A:** Approved Building Codes of the *Code Compliance Policy* dated July 2025 including the Amendments to the International Building Code and *Code Compliance Plan Review Procedures* (Rev. July 2025);

**Exhibit B:** Plan Review Procedures of the *Code Compliance Policy* dated July 2025

**Exhibit I**: State Development Requirements of the *Code Compliance Policy* dated July 2025

The State Buildings Program [Building Codes Webpage](https://osa.colorado.gov/state-buildings/building-codes) may be found at:

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