



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION # 40100-51256  
AMENDMENT # 2  
FOR HITCH MOUNTED SAFETY BASKETS OR WORK  
PLATFORMS**

DATE: 05/17/2024

RFI # 40100-51256 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFI Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFI dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

RFI SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: EVENT		TIME (Central Time Zone)	DATE (all dates are State business days)
1.	RFI Issued		05/07/2024
2.	Comments and Questions Due	2:00 p.m.	05/10/2024
3.	State Responds to Comments and Questions		05/17/2024
4.	Responses Due		05/24/2024

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFI.

Any restatement of RFI text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFI document.

QUESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
1 What are the expected order quantities per month or per quarter?	Should this RFI proceed to a solicitation, the initial order is anticipated to be between 24-65 units with an annual order of 6-12 units or until projected statewide inventory is achieved.
2 How long will the Master Agreement remain in effect and what do contract extensions look like?	If this RFI proceeds to a solicitation, TDOT is considering a 4-year agreement as noted in the "Background" Section of the RFI document. No contract extensions are being discussed at this time but will be identified in future solicitation documents, should TDOT proceed with a solicitation event.
3 What are the preferred payment terms?	TDOT abides by the Prompt Pay Act as defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-701.
4 What is the lead time for each order?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address lead time projections in response to question 11 of the Technical Information Form. The initial order may be coordinated due to the

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	number of devices proposed. Subsequent orders requirements may be determined based on the responses outlined in the RFI.
5 Are delivery services required, or may we choose the most efficient shipping method?	Responses to Question 10 in the Technical Informational Form will assist TDOT in making this determination should this RFI proceed to a solicitation event.
6 Will meetings be required before a Master Agreement is made?	Meetings will not be performed as part of this RFI. If this RFI proceeds to a solicitation, that event will have its own schedule of events which will outline any meetings required. If the respondent believes meetings will be useful in the context of a competitive solicitation, the respondent should share that advice in the "Additional Considerations" section of the RFI response form with the reasons.
7 Will training be requested or deemed necessary?	Responses to Question 13 in the Technical Informational Form will assist TDOT in making this determination should this RFI proceed to a solicitation event. Initial setup and install demonstration may be required for each of the four Regions. No long-term, in-depth training needs are anticipated with this device. Product demonstration videos and availability of other product resources are encouraged.
8 Will all units be identical, or will there be varying requirements across different divisions? For instance, will sizes differ such as 6' or 8', and are there specific lighting requirements that vary across divisions?	It is anticipated that one size will be chosen as the statewide standard. All units are anticipated to be set up with identical functionality and capability across all four Regions.
9 The current product provides an option for Connected Technology. Should this be considered standard or an option?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address Connected Technology functionality specific to this device in response to question 5 on the Technical Informational Form. If the RFI proceeds to a solicitation, responses to the RFI will assist TDOT in making specification requirements.
10 Shall the units require aggressive slip resistant grip strut flooring?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address standard flooring and available flooring options in response to question 5 of the Technical Information Form. If this RFI proceeds to a solicitation, responses to the RFI will assist TDOT in making specification requirements.
11 Shall the units require integrated rear towing receiver for towing of arrow panel trailer?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address the availability of this option in response to question 5 of the Technical Information Form. If this RFI proceeds to a solicitation, responses to the RFI will assist TDOT in making specification requirements.
12 Shall the units require adjustable hydraulic 24" leveling arms to minimize sway while in use?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address the availability of this & any other options in response to question 5 of the Technical Information Form. If this RFI proceeds to a solicitation, responses to the RFI will assist TDOT in making specification requirements.
13 What class of commercial truck will the work platforms be mounted on?	TDOT is seeking minimum specifications from the respondents in Question 6 in the Technical Informational Form to make this determination.
14 The current product is powder-coated in Safety Orange. Will TDOT require alternative colors?	TDOT is using this RFI for information-seeking purposes. The respondent should address the availability of this & any other options in response to question 5 of the Technical Information Form. Product color consideration will be given to the manufacturer's standard product colors and industry standards utilized by other DOTs for this product, however any required colors or

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	markings will be made available in future specification documents, should this RFI proceed to a solicitation.
15 Are there safety documents available from TDOT that outline the requirements for products of this type?	TDOT is currently developing safety guidance for use of this product to coincide with receipt and distribution of the initial order of units. The guidance is anticipated to follow Temporary Traffic Control guidance outlined in Part 6 of the MUTCD.

3. **RFI Amendment Effective Date.** The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFI not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.