

## SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

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The County of Lake has a responsibility to balance fiscal, environmental and social considerations into its operational decision making process. The County's commitment to green and sustainable practices and good environmental stewardship was memorialized by the Lake County Board in the County's 2013 Strategic Plan where sustainability is listed as a value and a goal. This was further strengthened in September 2020 by adopting a Net Zero Emissions goal through Joint Resolution. Therefore, we shall promote environmentally preferable purchasing, whenever practical, by procuring goods or services that lessen the destructive effects on the environment and the health and well-being of all citizens.

Consideration of the practices adopted by our contracted firms is key to magnifying the impact of the County's sustainability measures. Proposers are requested to provide a Statement of Sustainability demonstrating the methods they have incorporated into their firms. Sustainability may be one of the scoring criteria included the evaluation rubric for the award of this contract.

### INSTRUCTIONS

Please provide a narrative outlining any policies or practices implemented by your firm to reduce your carbon footprint. Your response should include, but need not be limited to:

- A copy of your firm's sustainability policy, awards and accolades.
- Practices such as waste minimization, energy/water efficiency, methods instituted to reduce pollution, green products utilized, staff education, community involvement and volunteerism.
  - Specifically include the percentage of your firm's energy that comes from renewable sources and percentage of your fleet that is non-emitting.
- Sustainable approaches your firm may have for this specific project.
- Cost variances to incorporate a more sustainable approach to this project and any calculated life cycle costs.