

Interested in the \$1.6 Billion San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Projects?

You are invited to attend free outreach workshops being held in Oakland and San Francisco during the month of October 2001. These workshops are designed to inform the business community about the contracting opportunities associated with the Bay Bridge East Span Replacement project which consists of four major construction contracts with an estimated total value of \$1.6 billion.

The first project is Caltrans Contract 04-012024 (the "Skyway Project") which bids on November 14, 2001. This project has 130 bid items and is currently estimated at approximately \$746 million. The contract has a 20% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal. In addition to the goal, Caltrans is actively encouraging contractors bidding on this project to voluntarily seek certified small business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) participation as well.

The outreach workshops will provide a unique opportunity to learn about the scope of the project, the contract requirements, and will provide a forum for prime contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, manufacturers, and other businesses to meet and network. Firms who attend these workshops will be provided with an area where they can distribute information and meet with potential business partners.

In addition to industry attendees, the workshops will feature representatives from the Cities of Oakland and San Francisco, the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, Caltrans District 4 and Caltrans Headquarters in Sacramento and the California Department of General Services. Representatives from Caltrans will be available to answer questions about the four projects, about contracting with the Department, and about certification as a DBE. Representatives from General Services will be available to discuss the benefits of certification as a Small Business and/or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise.

The workshops are scheduled as follows:

Monday, October 8	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Caltrans District 4 Auditorium 111 Grand Avenue, 1 st Floor Oakland, CA
Tuesday, October 9	11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Hyatt Regency San Francisco Pacific Concourse Level 5 Embarcadero Center (cross streets - Market & Spear) BART station = Embarcadero
Tuesday, October 16	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Caltrans District 4 Auditorium 111 Grand Avenue, 1 st Floor Oakland, CA
Thursday, October 18	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	PUC State Building 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA

Please plan on attending these very worthwhile workshops. For additional information or any schedule changes, please call Stephen Williams in the Caltrans District 4 Public Information Office at (510) 286-7395 or visit this Website./ . If you need assistive services or alternative formats because of a disabling condition, please call Stephen Williams at the telephone number shown above.