

**Exhibit B****INSURANCE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES  
INSPECTION & TESTING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR WASHOE COUNTY  
2019-2020 SEASONS****INDEMNIFICATION**ENGINEER Liability

As respects acts, errors or omissions in the performance of ENGINEER services, ENGINEER agrees to indemnify and hold harmless COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims, demands, defense costs, or liability to the extent caused by ENGINEER'S negligent acts, errors or omissions in the performance of its ENGINEER services under the terms of this agreement.

ENGINEER further agrees to defend COUNTY and assume all costs, expenses and liabilities of any nature to which COUNTY may be subjected as a result of any claim, demand, action or cause of action to the extent arising out of the negligent acts, errors or omissions of ENGINEER or its Sub-ENGINEER in the performance of their ENGINEER services under the Agreement.

General Liability

As respects all acts or omissions which do not arise directly out of the performance of ENGINEER services, including but not limited to those acts or omissions normally covered by general and automobile liability insurance, ENGINEER agrees to indemnify, defend (at COUNTY'S option), and hold harmless COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims, demands, defense costs, or liability arising out of any acts or omissions of ENGINEER while acting under the terms of this agreement; excepting those which arise out of the negligence of COUNTY.

In determining the nature of the claim against COUNTY, the incident underlying the claim shall determine the nature of the claim, notwithstanding the form of the allegations against COUNTY.

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

COUNTY requires that ENGINEER purchase Industrial Insurance (Workers' Compensation), General and Auto Liability, and ENGINEER'S Professional Liability Insurance as described below against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work here under by ENGINEER, its agents, representatives, employees or Sub-ENGINEERS. The cost of all such insurance shall be borne by ENGINEER.

**INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE**

It is understood and agreed that there shall be no Industrial Insurance coverage provided for ENGINEER or any Sub-ENGINEER by COUNTY. ENGINEER agrees, as a precondition to the performance of any work under this Agreement and as a precondition to any obligation of the COUNTY to make any payment under this Agreement to provide COUNTY with a certificate issued by an insurer in accordance with NRS 616B.627 and NRS 617.210.

If ENGINEER or Sub-ENGINEER is a sole proprietor, coverage for the sole proprietor must be purchased and evidence of coverage must appear on the Certificate of Insurance. Such requirement may be waived for a sole

proprietor who does not use the services of any employees, subcontractors, or independent contractors and completes an Affirmation of Compliance pursuant to NRS 616B627.

Should ENGINEER be self-funded for Industrial insurance, ENGINEER shall so notify COUNTY in writing prior to the signing of any agreement. COUNTY reserves the right to approve said retentions and may request additional documentation, financial or otherwise for review prior to the signing of any agreement.

### **MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE**

ENGINEER shall maintain coverages and limits no less than:

1. General Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, the general aggregate limit shall be increased to equal twice the required occurrence limit or revised to apply separately to this project or location.
2. Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage. No aggregate limit may apply.
3. ENGINEER Professional Liability: \$1,000,000 per claim and as an annual aggregate. Premium costs incurred to increase ENGINEER'S insurance levels to meet minimum contract limits shall be borne by the ENGINEER at no cost to the COUNTY.

ENGINEER will maintain professional liability insurance during the term of this Agreement and for a period of three (3) years from the date of substantial completion of the project. In the event that ENGINEER goes out of business during the term of this Agreement or the three (3) year period described above, ENGINEER shall purchase Extended Reporting Coverage for claims arising out of ENGINEER'S negligent acts, errors and omissions committed during the term of the Professional Liability Policy.

Should COUNTY and ENGINEER agree that higher ENGINEER Coverage limits are needed warranting a project policy, project coverage shall be purchased and the premium for limits exceeding the above amount shall be borne by COUNTY. COUNTY retains the option to purchase project insurance through ENGINEER'S insurer or its own source.

### **DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the COUNTY Risk Management Division prior to the start of work under this Agreement. COUNTY reserves the right to request additional documentation, financial or otherwise prior to giving its approval of the deductibles and self-insured retention and prior to executing the underlying agreement. Any changes to the deductibles or self-insured retentions made during the term of this Agreement or during the term of any policy must be approved by the COUNTY Risk Manager prior to the change taking effect.

### **OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS**

The policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. General Liability Coverages
  - a. COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of ENGINEER, including the insured's general supervision of ENGINEER; products and completed operations of ENGINEER; or premises owned, occupied or used by ENGINEER. The coverage shall contain no

special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the additional insureds, nor shall the rights of the additional insured be affected by the insured's duties after an accident or loss.

b. ENGINEER'S insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees or volunteers shall be excess of ENGINEER'S insurance and shall not contribute with it in any way.

c. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to COUNTY, its officers, agents, employees or volunteers.

d. ENGINEER'S insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

e. ENGINEER'S insurance coverage shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled or non-renewed by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits below that specified herein except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to COUNTY except for nonpayment of premium.

## **ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS**

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a Best's rating of no less than A-: VII. COUNTY with the approval of the Risk Manager may accept coverage with carriers having lower Best's ratings upon review of financial information concerning ENGINEER and insurance carrier. COUNTY reserves the right to require that the ENGINEER'S insurer be a licensed and admitted insurer in the State of Nevada, or on the Insurance Commissioner's approved but not admitted list.

## **VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE**

ENGINEER shall furnish COUNTY with certificates of insurance and with original endorsements affecting coverage required by this exhibit. The certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The certificates are to be on forms approved by COUNTY. **All certificates and endorsements are to be addressed to the specific COUNTY contracting department and be received and approved by COUNTY before work commences.** COUNTY reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time.

## **SUB-ENGINEERS**

ENGINEER shall include all Sub-ENGINEERS as insureds under its policies or furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each Sub-ENGINEER. Sub-ENGINEER shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

## **MISCELLANEOUS CONDITIONS**

1. ENGINEER shall be responsible for and remedy all damage or loss to any property, including property of COUNTY, caused in whole or in part by ENGINEER, any Sub-ENGINEER, or anyone employed, directed or supervised by ENGINEER.
2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which ENGINEER may be held responsible for payment of damages to persons or property resulting from its operations or the operations of any Sub-ENGINEERS under it.

3. In addition to any other remedies COUNTY may have if ENGINEER fails to provide or maintain any insurance policies or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, COUNTY may, at its sole option:
  - a. Order ENGINEER to stop work under this Agreement and/or withhold any payments which become due ENGINEER here under until ENGINEER demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof;
  - b. Terminate the Agreement.