### AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, a political subdivision of the State of Nevada ("District") and Voz De La Sierra LLC ("Consultant"), collectively (the "Parties").

### WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS,** Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District desires to engage Voz De La Sierra LLC ("Consultant") to provide certain consulting services related to Spanish communications support (the "Services"); and

**WHEREAS,** Voz De La Sierra LLC represents that it is duly qualified, ready, willing, and able to provide the Services as required;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

# ARTICLE 1 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Agreement shall be July 14, 2025.

CONSULTANT shall begin performance of services as provided herein upon notice to proceed and shall complete all Services identified in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal in accordance with the Standard of Care as set forth in Article 5 herein and continues for one year, unless this Agreement is terminated sooner in accordance with its terms. Agreement may be renewed for an additional year upon mutual agreement.

### ARTICLE 2 - SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY CONSULTANT

Consultant agrees to perform and complete all Services identified in the attached Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal, under this Agreement, specifically related to Spanish communications support for Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.

Failure to provide major deliverables, including, but not limited to, Services identified in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal, shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement, unless waived in writing by the District.

### **ARTICLE 3 - COMPENSATION**

### 3.1 Compensation for Services

For Services defined in Section 1 above, Consultant's compensation shall be, in accordance with the Fee Schedule described in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as part of the Agreement, and shall not exceed the sum of \$1,100 monthly (\$13,200 annually). Consultant shall satisfy its obligations hereunder without additional cost or expense to District during the term of this Agreement other than the heretofore stated compensation and the fee schedule described in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal. The Fee Schedule may be renegotiated at the end of two (2) years upon request by either District or the Consultant. Renegotiated fees may be subject to approval by District's Board of Fire Commissioners. The actual costs charged for the work by Consultant in accordance with this provision shall be full compensation to Consultant for all Services and duties required by the Consultant Proposal, including, but not limited to: costs of supplies, facilities and

equipment; costs of labor and services of employees, consultants and sub-consultants engaged by Consultant; travel expenses, telephone charges, typing, duplicating, costs of insurance, and all items of general overhead. Consultant shall submit billings after each semi-annual report.

# 3.2 Compensation for Additional Services

If the District requests Consultant to perform additional services, other than those required to be performed under Services identified in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal, the cost of such additional services shall be determined prior to commencing additional work. All additional services and amount of payment must be authorized in writing by the District prior to commencing any work for such services.

# 3.3 Methods and Times of Payment

Consultant shall submit to District monthly progress invoices indicating the number of hours each employee provided services and other allowed direct expenses. Payment to Consultant for work on the Project shall be made within forty-five (45) days after receipt and approval of Consultant's invoice, said approval not to be unreasonably withheld. Payment by District of invoices or requests for payment shall not constitute acceptance by District of work performed on the Project by Consultant. No penalty shall be imposed upon the District for payment(s) received by Consultant after forty-five days.

# 3.4 Dispute of Work

District shall notify Consultant in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of the work, or portion of work, which is not approved. For work, or portions of the work, which are unapproved, District and Consultant shall develop a mutually acceptable method to resolve the dispute within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Consultant of notice from District. If District and Consultant cannot reasonably agree to remedy the dispute of unapproved work within the thirty-day period, the work shall be terminated or suspended per Article 12.

### ARTICLE 4 - TIME SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION

The Services identified in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal on the Project shall be diligently performed and be completed as requested by the Communications Manager. Consultant shall be granted time extensions for items within the phases of the Project in writing by District if the time schedules cannot be met because of delays beyond Consultant's reasonable control, including, but not limited to, the District's failure to furnish information, or to approve or disapprove Consultant's work promptly. Consultant will provide to District a monthly report including a schedule identifying progress or work completed, problems or difficulties being encountered, work to be initiated during the following month and other useful information. This report will be submitted on the first day of each month and will be in a format suitable for submittal to other interested agencies. Consultant's failure to submit promptly the monthly progress report may cause delay in payment from the District.

### ARTICLE 5 - STANDARD OF CARE

Consultant shall exercise the same degree of care, skill, and diligence in the performance of the Services as is ordinarily provided under similar circumstances and Consultant shall, at no cost to District, re-perform services which fail to satisfy the foregoing standard of care provided that Consultant is notified in writing by District of the deficiency within six (6) months of performance of the deficient

Services. Such re-performed Services may include, but not be limited to, correcting errors and omissions, or any other deficiencies in designs, drawings, specifications and reports. The District reserves the right to inspect, comment on, and request revision of, all Services performed by Consultant prior to acceptance, and Consultant warrants that Services shall be fit and sufficient for the purposes expressed in and intended by this Agreement and any amendments thereto. Failure to provide Services or re-performed Services in accordance with the foregoing standard of care shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement unless waived by the District. Review and approvals by the District do not relieve Consultant of its responsibilities under this Article. Except as is otherwise provided for in this Article, the re-performance of Services is the Consultant's entire responsibility and the District's exclusive remedy for Services rendered or to be rendered hereunder, and no additional warranties, guarantees or obligations are to be implied.

### ARTICLE 6 - LIMITATIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Consultant shall not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures, or safety precautions and programs in connection with the Project. In addition, Consultant shall not be responsible for the failure of any other consultant, subcontractor, vendor, or other project participant to fulfill contractual or other responsibilities to District or to comply with federal, state, or local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, codes, orders, criteria, or standards. Consultant shall notify District of any apparent unsafe conditions, methods or procedures that the Consultant may observe at the project site.

### ARTICLE 7 - OPINIONS OF COST AND SCHEDULE

Since Consultant has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others, including over any other consultants', subcontractors', or vendors' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Consultant's cost estimates shall be made on the basis of qualification and experience.

Since Consultant has no control over the resources provided by others to meet contract schedules, Consultant's forecast schedules for completion of Services shall be established based on generally acceptable schedules for and performance standards of similarly situated professionals qualified and experienced to perform the Services. Consultant cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids or actual project costs will not vary from its cost estimates or that actual schedules will not vary from its forecast schedules.

### ARTICLE 8 - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Consultant undertakes performance of the Services as an independent contractor and shall be wholly responsible for the methods of performance. District shall have no right to supervise the methods used by Consultant. District shall have the right to observe such performance. Consultant shall work closely with District in performing Services under this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 9 - PERMITS AND LICENSES**

Consultant shall procure the permits, certificates, and licenses necessary to allow Consultant to perform the Services. Consultant shall not be responsible for procuring permits, certificates, and licenses required for any construction unless such responsibilities are specifically assigned to Consultant in Exhibit A, Consultant Proposal.

### ARTICLE 10 - DISTRICT'S RESPONSIBILITY

District shall provide any information authorized by law in its possession that is requested by Consultant and is necessary to complete the Project. District shall assist Consultant in obtaining access to public and private lands so Consultant can perform the Services. District shall examine all studies, reports, sketches, estimates, specifications, drawings, proposals, and other documents presented by Consultant and shall render decisions pertaining thereto within a reasonable time so as not to delay the work of Consultant.

### ARTICLE 11 - REUSE OF DOCUMENTS

All documents, including computer files, drawings, specifications, and computer software, prepared by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement are instruments of service in respect to the Project. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by District or others on extensions of the Project or on any other project. Any reuse without written verification or adaptation by Consultant for the specific purpose intended will be at District's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Consultant; and District shall indemnify and hold harmless Consultant against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses including attorneys' fees arising out of or resulting from such reuse. Any such verification or adaptation will entitle Consultant to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon by District and Consultant.

Copies of all documents, including reports, computer files, drawings, specifications, and computer software, prepared by Consultant pursuant to this agreement will be provided to District in electronic format accompanied by the appropriate documentation necessary to catalog them in the context of this project.

When transferring data in electronic media format, Consultant makes no representation as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of documents resulting from the use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used by Consultant at the beginning of the Project.

Because the data stored in electronic media format can deteriorate or be modified inadvertently or otherwise without authorization of the data's creator, the party receiving electronic files agrees that it will perform acceptance tests or procedures within 60 days, after which the receiving party shall be deemed to have accepted the data thus transferred. Any errors detected within the 60-day acceptance period will be corrected by the party delivering the electronic files. Consultant shall not be responsible to maintain documents stored in electronic media format after acceptance by District.

# ARTICLE 12 - TERMINATION OR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

Either Party may terminate this Agreement by written notice to the other Party if the other Party is in material breach or default of any provision of this Agreement and does not remedy such breach or default, or provide satisfactory evidence that such default will be expeditiously remedied, within thirty (30) days after being given such notice. In the event of such termination, District shall pay Consultant for all Services satisfactorily performed to the date of termination.

District, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to terminate this Agreement or suspend performance thereof for District's convenience upon written notice to Consultant, and Consultant shall

terminate or suspend performance of services within thirty (30) days on a schedule acceptable to District. In the event of termination or suspension for District's convenience, District shall pay Consultant for all Services performed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

In the event that District's governing body fails to appropriate or budget funds for the purposes specified in this Agreement, or that District's governing body has been required, in its sole judgment, to amend previous appropriations or budgeted amounts to eliminate or reduce funding for the purposes of this Agreement, this Agreement shall be terminated without penalty, charge, or sanction.

### ARTICLE 13 - NONDISCLOSURE OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Consultant shall consider all information provided by District to be proprietary unless such information is available from public sources, was known to Consultant prior to the execution of this Agreement, was received by Consultant from a third-party source not under any obligation of confidentiality to the District, or is required by law or ordered to be disclosed in a regulatory or judicial proceeding. Consultant shall not publish or disclose proprietary information for any purpose other than the performance of the Services without the prior written authorization of District or in response to legal process or as required by the regulations of public entities.

### **ARTICLE 14 - NOTICE**

Any notice, demand, or request required by or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed properly made if personally delivered in writing or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, to the address specified below:

To District: Richard J. Edwards, Fire Chief Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District 3663 Barron Way Reno, NV 89511 To Consultant: Jose Ahumada Voz De La Sierra, LLC 1227 Lonedale Dr Sparks, NV 89436

Nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to restrict the transmission of routine communications between representatives of Consultant and District.

### ARTICLE 15 - UNCONTROLLABLE FORCES

Neither District nor Consultant shall be considered to be in default of this Agreement if delays in or failure of performance shall be due to uncontrollable forces the effect of which, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, the non-performing party could not avoid and is not reasonably foreseeable at the time of entering into this Agreement. The term "uncontrollable forces" shall mean any event which results in the prevention or delay of performance by a party of its obligations under this Agreement and which is beyond the control of the non-performing party. It includes, but is not limited to, fire, flood, earthquakes, storms, lightning, epidemic, war, riot, civil disturbance, sabotage, inability to procure permits, licenses, or authorizations from any state, local, or federal agency or person for any of the supplies, materials, accesses, or services required to be provided by either District or Consultant under this Agreement, strikes, work slowdowns or other labor disturbances, and judicial restraint. Consultant shall be paid for services performed prior to the delay plus related costs incurred attributable to the delay.

Neither Party shall, however, be excused from performance if nonperformance is due to uncontrollable forces which are removable or remediable nor which the non-performing Party could have, with reasonable dispatch removed or remedied. The provisions of this Article shall not be interpreted or construed to require Consultant or District to prevent, settle, or otherwise avoid a strike, work slowdown, or other labor action. The non-performing Party shall upon being prevented or delayed from performance by an uncontrollable force, immediately give written notice to the other Party describing the circumstances and uncontrollable forces preventing continued performance of the obligations of this Agreement.

### ARTICLE 16 - GOVERNING LAW-VENUE

Nevada law governs this Agreement and all adversarial proceedings arising out of this Agreement or arising out of planning or constructing the Project outlined in Article 2 – Services to be Performed by Consultant. Venue for all adversarial proceedings arising out of this Agreement or arising out of planning or constructing the Project outlined in Article 2 – Services to be Performed by Consultant shall be in state district court in Washoe County, Nevada.

### **ARTICLE 17 - MISCELLANEOUS**

### 17.1 Nonwaiver

A waiver by either District or Consultant of any breach of this Agreement shall not be binding upon the waiving Party unless such waiver is in writing. In the event of a written waiver, such a waiver shall not affect the waiving party's rights with respect to any other or further breach.

# 17.2 Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable, then that provision is to be construed either by modifying it to the minimum extent necessary to make it enforceable or disregarding it. If an unenforceable provision is modified or disregarded in accordance with this Article 17, the rest of the Agreement is to remain in effect as written, and the unenforceable provision is to remain as written in any circumstances other than those in which the provision is held to be unenforceable.

### 17.3 Attorney Fees

The prevailing party in any dispute arising out this Agreement or Consultant's work described in Exhibit A – Consultant Proposal, is entitled to reasonable costs and attorneys' fees.

### ARTICLE 18 - INTEGRATION AND MODIFICATION

This Agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument signed by each of the Parties. Unless otherwise specified in writing, if there is any inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and any other agreement between the Parties, the terms of this Agreement shall control.

In the event of any conflict between the documents that make up this Agreement, the documents will prevail in the following order: the Agreement for Professional Consulting Services Agreement, Insurance Exhibit "B" and then any other agreement / exhibits.

### ARTICLE 19 - SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

District and Consultant each binds itself and its directors, officers, partners, successors, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives to the other party to this Agreement and to the partners, successors, executors, administrators, assigns, and legal representatives of such other party, in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 20 - ASSIGNMENT**

Neither District nor Consultant shall assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest in (including, but without limitation, monies that may become due or monies that are due) this Agreement without the written consent of the other, except to the extent that the effect of this limitation may be restricted by law. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent Consultant from employing such independent consultants, associates, and subcontractors, as he may deem appropriate to assist him in the performance of the Services hereunder.

### ARTICLE 21 - THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

Nothing herein shall be construed to give any rights or benefits to anyone other than District and Consultant.

### ARTICLE 22 - INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District has established specific indemnification and insurance requirements for agreements/contracts with consultants, engineers, and architects to help assure that reasonable insurance coverage is maintained. Indemnification and hold harmless clauses are intended to assure that consultants accept and are able to pay for the loss or liability related to their activities. Exhibit "B" Insurance Specifications is included by reference. All conditions and requirements identified in this exhibit shall be completed prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 23 – LIMITED LIABILITY

District will not waive and intends to assert available defenses and limitations contained in Chapter 41 of the Nevada Revised Statues. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Actual damages for District's breach of this Agreement shall never exceed the amount of funds that have been appropriated for payment under this Agreement, but not yet paid, for the fiscal year budget in existence at the time of the breach.

Consultant agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend District and the employees, officers and agents of District from any liabilities, damages, losses, claims, actions or proceedings, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, to the extent that such liabilities, damages, losses, claims, actions or proceedings are caused by the negligence, errors, omissions, recklessness or intentional misconduct of Consultant or the employees or agents of the Consultant (1) in the performance of the contract, or (2) which are, or are not, based upon or arising out of the professional services of Consultant, to the full extent allowed by law.

More specifically and without limitation to the foregoing, in recognition of the limitations provided in NRS 338.155, Consultant is not required to defend District and the employees, officers and

agents of District with respect to the liabilities, damages, losses, claims, actions or proceedings caused by the negligence, errors, omissions, recklessness or intentional misconduct of Consultant or the employees or agents of Consultant which are based upon or arising out of the professional services of Consultant. However, if Consultant is adjudicated to be liable by a trier of fact, the trier of fact shall award reasonable attorney's fees and costs to be paid to the District, as reimbursement for the attorney's fees and costs incurred by District in defending the action, by Consultant in an amount which is proportionate to the liability of Consultant.

### ARTICLE 24 - ORGANIZATION'S CERTIFICATION

Consultant, its principals and agents, to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- a) not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal or state department or agency;
- b) Have not within a three year period preceding this Agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in (ii) above;
- d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this Agreement had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and
- e) Understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection or termination of this Agreement. In addition, under 18 USC Sec. 1001, a false statement may result in a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement.

# Dated this \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025 By Alexis Hill, Chair Board of Fire Commissioners Voz De La Sierra, LLC Dated this \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025 By Jose Ahumada, CEO

**Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District** 

### Exhibit A – Consultant Proposal Scope of Services for Voz De La Sierra LLC

As part of the agreement with Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District,

Voz De La Sierra LLC will provide Spanish-language communications support as outlined below:

### Scope of Work

- 1. Spanish Facebook Page Management
- Create and manage content for the District's Spanish-language Facebook page.
- Develop culturally relevant graphics and copy.
- Share content to Spanish-speaking community groups to increase visibility and engagement.

### 2. Media Translation and Distribution

- Translate District press releases into Spanish.
- Distribute translated press releases to Spanish-language media outlets in the region.

### 3. Media Coordination

- Coordinate interviews between District personnel and Spanish-language media.
- Serve as liaison for Spanish-speaking journalists and outlets.

### 4. Video Content Creation

- Film and edit short-form video content in Spanish for public information purposes.
- Share video content on the Spanish Facebook page and relevant community Facebook groups.

### 5. Social Media Management & Public Relations

- Monitor and respond to comments/messages on Spanish-language posts.
- Provide culturally competent public relations services to build trust and awareness among Spanish-speaking residents.

### Fee Schedule

- \$1,100 per month

### **EXHIBIT B**

# INSURANCE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS SPANISH COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

### **INDEMNIFICATION**

### **CONTRACTOR Liability**

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

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

### General Liability

As respects all acts or omissions which do not arise directly out of the performance of CONTRACTOR services, including but not limited to those acts or omissions normally covered by general and automobile liability insurance, CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend (at DISTRICT'S option), and hold harmless DISTRICT, 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 CONTRACTOR (or Sub-contractor, if any) while acting under the terms of this agreement; excepting those which arise out of the negligence of DISTRICT.

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

### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

DISTRICT requires that CONTRACTOR purchase Industrial Insurance (Workers' Compensation), General and Auto Liability, and Professional Errors and Omissions 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 CONTRACTOR, its agents, representatives, employees or Sub-contractors. The cost of all such insurance shall be borne by CONTRACTOR.

### INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE

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

If CONTRACTOR or Sub-contractor 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 CONTRACTOR be self-funded for Industrial insurance, CONTRACTOR shall so notify DISTRICT in writing prior to the signing of any agreement. DISTRICT 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

CONTRACTOR shall maintain coverages and limits no less than:

- 1. General Liability: \$\frac{\$2,000,000}{}\$ 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: <u>\$N/A</u> combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage. No aggregate limit may apply.
- 3. Professional Errors and Omissions Liability: \$1,000,000 per occurrence and as an annual aggregate. Premium costs incurred to increase CONTRACTOR'S insurance levels to meet minimum contract limits shall be borne by the CONTRACTOR at no cost to the DISTRICT.
  - CONTRACTOR 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 CONTRACTOR goes out of business during the term of this Agreement or the three (3) year period described above, CONTRACTOR shall purchase Extended Reporting Coverage for claims arising out of CONTRACTOR'S negligent acts, errors and omissions committed during the term of the Professional Liability Policy.
- 4. Technology Professional Liability and Network Security/Privacy Insurance:

Contractor shall maintain professional liability insurance applying to liability for a professional, error, act, or omission arising out of the scope of the Contractor's services provided under this Agreement. Limits shall be not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) each claim and annual aggregate.

Coverage shall be included, without limitation, for any form of infringement of copyright or other intellectual property misuse including software copyright infringement, as well as errors, omissions, or negligent acts in the performance or failure to perform technological services for others which result in claims for damage arising out of or alleging programming errors, software performance, or Contractor's failure to perform the services and provide the products that Contractor delivers.

Contractor shall maintain professional liability insurance during the term of this Agreement and, if coverage is provided on a "claims made" or "claims made and reported" basis, shall maintain coverage or purchase an extended reporting period for a period of at least three (3) years following the termination of this Agreement.

Contractor shall maintain network security and privacy liability insurance insuring against loss resulting from (1) privacy breaches [liability arising from the loss or disclosure of confidential information] (2) system breach (3) denial or loss of service (4) introduction, implantation, or spread of malicious software code (5) unauthorized access to or use of computer systems and (6) system failure. Coverage shall be provided with a limit of not less than Five Million dollars (\$5,000,000) per claim and annual aggregate.

### DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the DISTRICT Risk Management Division prior to the start of work under this Agreement. DISTRICT 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 DISTRICT 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. <u>General Liability Coverages</u>

- a. DISTRICT, 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 CONTRACTOR, including the insured's general supervision of CONTRACTOR; products and completed operations of CONTRACTOR; or premises owned, occupied or used by CONTRACTOR. 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. CONTRACTOR'S insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects DISTRICT, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by DISTRICT, its officers, agents, employees or volunteers shall be excess of CONTRACTOR'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 DISTRICT, its officers, agents, employees or volunteers.
- d. CONTRACTOR'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. CONTRACTOR'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 except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to DISTRICT 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. DISTRICT with the approval of the Risk Manager may accept coverage with carriers having lower Best's ratings upon review of financial information concerning CONTRACTOR and insurance carrier. DISTRICT reserves the right to require that the CONTRACTOR'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**

CONTRACTOR shall furnish DISTRICT 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 DISTRICT. All certificates and endorsements are to be addressed to the specific DISTRICT contracting department and be received and approved by DISTRICT before work commences.

DISTRICT reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time.

### **SUB-CONTRACTORS**

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

### MISCELLANEOUS CONDITIONS

- 1. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for and remedy all damage or loss to any property, including property of DISTRICT, caused in whole or in part by CONTRACTOR, any Sub-contractor, or anyone employed, directed or supervised by CONTRACTOR.
- 2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which CONTRACTOR may be held responsible for payment of damages to persons or property resulting from its operations or the operations of any Sub-contractors under it.
- 3. In addition to any other remedies DISTRICT may have if CONTRACTOR fails to provide or maintain any insurance policies or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, DISTRICT may, at its sole option:
  - a. Order CONTRACTOR to stop work under this Agreement and/or withhold any payments which become due CONTRACTOR here under until CONTRACTOR demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof;
  - b. Terminate the Agreement.