PEER Transportation Systems Research Program

Request for Proposal 17-01

Proposal Submission Deadline: October 15, 2017

Questions submitted by 5PM, September 27, 2017, with Responses (posted October 2, 2017)

   The top two entries refer to “Topic number” and “Topic name”. Please clarify where is the list of those topics on your website.
   Response: The topic number (i.e. G1-G3, S1-S3, M1-M6, etc.) and descriptions are listed in Appendix A of “Solicitation TSRP-PEER 17-01” that is posted on the website. It is sufficient to list the topic number and leave the topic name blank.

2. How will the RFPs be evaluated?
   Response: The following criteria (listed in no particular order of importance) will be considered in the review of the proposals.
   1. Is the proposal innovative?
   2. If the project is successful, are the impacts significant?
   3. Qualitatively, what is the cost-benefit? For example, is this a high cost experimental research test with very narrow benefit? If it is high risk, does it also promise high reward?
   4. Is the proposal team qualified to conduct the proposed research?
   5. Is the proposal written in an organized manner with clear objectives, tasks and deliverables?
   6. How well does the proposal support PEER’s mission, TSRP goals, and impact the work of others?

In addition to the above criteria, a fair distribution of resources across different thrust areas, core institutions, academia and practitioner community, etc. will be considered to the best of the PEER research committee’s and PEER headquarters’ ability.