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# 8 Reasons Why You Should Hire Service Veterans as Construction Workers



### By Rachel Burger,

As Americans, it is important that we take notice of the work and commitment of our military personnel and rightly honor and respect all that they do to protect and uphold our way of life.

They serve in a capacity that few are willing and able to do, and while they are enlisted they develop skills and habits that make them exceptional workers when they return to civilian life. This is particularly true in the construction industry, and we have eight reasons why you, as a construction company owner or manager, should seriously consider hiring service veterans to work for your construction company.

### #1 Veterans work well as part of a team.

Teamwork and carrying one's weight are vital skills learned in the military. Soldiers learn how to look after their fellows and work together to complete difficult tasks. They are trained to look out for the other members of their team in terms of safety, and they work relentlessly toward goals in a team environment. In fact, teamwork is the foundation of all successful military strategies, so it's no wonder that when a vet returns to civilian life, he or she almost always works better when there are other people around them working toward the same objective.

### #2 Veterans have a heightened sense of duty.

Service vets tend to have a more developed and focused work ethic than the average civilian. In the military there is simply no time to be lazy, and doing so could get you killed. They take things like project deadlines, safety standards, and even just getting to work on time very seriously.

If they mess up, they often feel as though they're letting the team down, and they do not like feeling like they're the weakest link. A service vet is much more likely than an average person to adhere to rules and follow schedules to the letter without cutting corners for his or her personal comfort

## #3 Veterans possess a high level of self-confidence.

Most vets love the idea of learning new things and proving to themselves and others just how capable they are. Military life is difficult, and some vets worry about losing their edge in civilian life. They are more prone to respond positively to being pushed to their limits, especially when they walk away from the experience with new skills that add to their self-value and their value to their team.

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CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY IN RICHMOND AT SCOFIELD AVENUE UNDERCROSSING. Bid Closing Date: April 11, 2018 @ 2:00 PM DBE GOAL: 9%

**CONTACT:** 

Robert Rosas

Brosamer & Wall Inc.

1777 Oakland Blvd, Suite 300 • Walnut Creek, California 94596 PH: 925-932-7900 • FAX: 925-279-2269

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- TEMPORARY SUPPORT
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http://www.epa.gov/http://www.sba.gov/ www.californiaucp.org

Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following project:

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THE RESURFACING OF PORTIONS
OF VARIOUS ROADWAYS IN
THE UNINCORPORATED CASTRO VALLEY
AREA OF ALAMEDA COUNTY

Specification No. 2355 Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 15% MBE and 5% WBE

OWNER:

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 951 Turner Court, Room 300, Hayward, CA 94545 BID DATE: MARCH 29TH, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

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ADJUST IRON, COLD PLANE, ELECTRICAL, PAVING FABRIC, ROADSIDE SIGNS, STRIPING, SURVEY/STAKING, SWPPP/WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARATION, TRUCKING, STREET SWEEPING, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MATERIAL.

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OF VARIOUS ROADWAYS IN
THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
HAYWARD AND SAN LEANDRO,
Specification No. 2356

Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 15% MBE and 5% WBE

OWNER:

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 951 Turner Court, Room 300, Hayward, CA 94545

BID DATE: MARCH 29, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

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ADJUST IRON, CONSTRUCTION SITE MANAGEMENT, CRACK SEALING, ELECTRICAL, PAVEMENT MILLING, PAVING FABRIC, ROADSIDE SIGNS, STRIPING, SURVEY/STAKING, SWPPP/WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARATION, TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS, STREET SWEEPING, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MATERIAL.

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THE RESURFACING OF DEL VALLE ROAD FROM MINES ROAD TO MILE MARKER 3.9 IN THE EASTERN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, Specification No. 2357 Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 15% MBE and 5% WBE

OWNER:

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 951 Turner Court, Room 300, Hayward, CA 94545 BID DATE: MARCH 29, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

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COLD PLANE, CRACK SEALING, PAVING FABRIC, ROADSIDE SIGNS, STRIPING, SURVEY/STAKING, SWPPP/WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARATION, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS, STREET SWEEPING, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MATERIAL.

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CALTRANS ROUTE 132
CONTRACT NO. 10-1H4604 – STATE HIGHWAY
IN STANISLAUS COUNTY NEAR VERNALIS
FROM SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY LINE
TO 0.1 MILE WEST OF CARPENTER ROAD
Federal Aid Project No. ACNH-P132(053)E
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal
Assigned is 11%

OWNER:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26,
Sacramento, CA 95816
BID DATE: April 5TH, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

AC Dike, Cold Plane, Construction Area Sign, Electrical, Lead Compliance Plan, Rumble Strip, Striping, SWPPP Prep/ Water Pollution Control Plan Prepare, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Shoulder Backing Material, Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material, Rubberized HMA (Gap Grade) Material.

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CALTRANS ROUTE 205
CONTRACT NO. 10-1G8104 - STATE HIGHWAY
IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY IN AND NEAR
TRACY FROM ALAMEDA COUNTY LINE TO
0.2 MILE EAST OF HANSEN ROAD
OVERCROSSING AND FROM 0.2 MILE WEST
OF GRANT LINE ROAD UNDERCROSSING TO
ROUTE 5

Federal Aid Project No. ACIM-205-6(348)E Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 13%

OWNER:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26,
Sacramento, CA 95816
BID DATE: April 3rd, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

AC Dike, Cold Plane, Construction Area Sign, Electrical, Lead Compliance Plan, Metal Beam Guardrail, Minor Concrete Structure, Roadside Signs, Delineators, Markers, Rumble Strip, Striping, SWPPP Prep/Water Pollution Control Plan Prepare, Vegetation Control, Trucking, Water Trucks, Street Sweeping, Shoulder Backing Material, Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) Material, Rubberized HMA (Gap Grade) Material

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## California Transportation Commission Adopts Infrastructure Improvement Plan



California roadwork California roadwork by John Sommers II for Transport Topics

By Eleanor Lamb,

The California Transportation Commission adopted the 2018 State Transportation Improvement Program, which is expected to fund more than \$3 billion in transportation projects over the next five years, at a March 21 meeting.

The commission, known as CTC, is an independent agency that allocates state and federal transportation funds. The transportation improvement program, which outlines financing plans for future highways, intercity rail and transit projects, is updated every two years. The 2018 program covers the period from fiscal 2018-19 to fiscal 2022-23.

Funding for the improvement program was made possible through the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, also known as Senate Bill 1. The legislation devotes millions for infrastructure improvements throughout the state.

"Just two years ago, a funding shortfall forced the Commission to delete and delay about \$1.5 billion in projects from the 2016 STIP," said Commissioner Lucy Dunn in a press release issued by CTC. "That was a blow to communities counting on traffic relief. The gas tax revenue stabilized by SB 1 will help us restore many projects that were cut and fund new projects for much-needed transportation improvements across California."

Some 75% of the program's funding goes to projects nominated by regional transportation agencies. Using a formula, the commission divides the money for each county. The remaining 25% of funds is made available for projects nominated by the California Department of Transportation.

During a February meeting, the commission announced that it will distribute \$173.4 million across 57 local and regional projects. The 57 projects represent submissions from 32 agencies.

SOURCE: http://www.ttnews.com



Requesting Quotes from Qualified **DBE/MBE/WBE/OBE**Subcontractors and Suppliers for:

## River Supply Conduit (Upper Reach) Improvement Project – Unit 7 (Contract No. 7207)

for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

Bid Date April 19, 2018\* (\*Current, may change) Quotes by April 16, 2018

This project requires the submittal of comprehensive documentation, thus we are requesting quotes in advance.

by General Contractor

### Obayashi/Dragados JV

An Obayashi Corporation / Dragados USA JV

577 Airport Blvd., Ste 600, Burlingame, CA 94010, Attn: Estimating; (650) 581-8517, Fax (650) 589-8384 Email: RSC7@obayashi-usa.com

For information on the availability of plans and specifications and the bidder's policy concerning assistance to subcontractors in obtaining bonds, lines of credit, and/or insurance, please contact our office.

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ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT
TUNNEL MODIFICATIONS
Bayshore Station to the
16th Street Grade Crossing, SF
CALTRAIN SOLICITATION #18-J-C-070
Bids: 04/19/2018 @ 2 PM
SUBCONTRACTING GOAL – DBE – 7%

Demolition; Site Clearing; Dewatering; Earthwork; Aggregate Base Course; Storm Drainage Systems; Station Platforms, Sidewalks, Curbs & Gutters; Asphalt Paving; CIP Concrete; Concrete Forming & Finishing; Concrete Rebar; Metal Fabrications; Timber Crossties & Switch Ties; Rail; Track Removal & Salvage; Track Construction; Thermite Rail Welding; Masonry; Shotcrete; Electrical, OCS Rigid Contact Rail System; OCS Signage; Painting OCS Poles; OCS Pole Foundations; Liner Grouting; Clearance Notching; Anchors; Instrumentation; Insulators

Bonding, insurance, lines of credit and any technical assistance or information related to the plans & specifications & requirements for the work will be made available to interested SBE certified suppliers & subcontractors. Assistance with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services for this project will also be offered to interested SBE certified suppliers, subcontractors, truckers. PMI is signatory to the Operating Engineers, Carpenters, and Laborers Collective Bargaining Agreements.

100% Payment & Performance bonds will be required from a single, Treasury-listed surety company subject to PMI's approval. PMI will pay bond premium up to 1.5%. Subcontractors awarded on any project will be on PMI's standard form for subcontract without any modifications. For questions or assistance required on the above, please call.

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### #4 Veterans are very organized and self-disciplined.

Vets have a tendency to be able to retain more information on things, especially processes and procedures. From their first day of boot camp they are taught how to maintain a body, a wardrobe, and a physical space that screams organization and attention to detail. These skills stick with the average vet and they are among some of the most valuable ones displayed on a construction site.

## #5 Veterans have a real follow-through attitude.

Most vets have learned to embrace difficulty and stress as part of their job, so presenting them with challenges often leads to a heightened degree of persistence and perseverance. It all goes back to that sense of duty; they want to please the boss and the people on their team, and they get a real sense of personal accomplishment from getting over some of the common hurdles one faces in a construction-related job.

## #6 Veterans obtain many specialized skills in the military.

Some vets walk away from their military service with skills sets that are exceptionally valuable in the construction field. They often leave with advanced skills with computers, software and technology, heavy equipment, and tools that are common to many construction jobs. They also learn how to interact with different types of people, and are often much more easy-going in a culturally—and ethnically—diverse population than the average civilian.

### **#7 Veterans are great problem solvers.**

A vet's problem-solving abilities are often learned in the field, where necessity makes it imperative that they come up with creative solutions to seemingly insoluble problems. This is the kind of worker you want on your team: one that doesn't accept that a solution to a problem is too big or doesn't exist, but rather works tirelessly to find it and implement it.

## #8 Veterans are often more flexible and accepting of change.

Finally, we all know how things can change in a construction project and how quickly it can happen. Vets tend to roll with the changes better than average and just shift their way of doing things to accommodate the current situation. This is another thing they learn in the field when faced with meeting a need that can't be met by any conventional means. They simply change how it gets done and then do it.

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