



QBS Facilitator Council Achievements Report April, 2020-21

The Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Facilitator Council has been in existence since 1999. We are a non-profit coalition of organizations partnering in our efforts to educate governmental entities on the value of qualification-based selection practices.

To contact us for information or assistance on QBS please call the QBS office at 208-321-1736 or email us at facilitator@idahogbs.com. Our website is www.idahogbs.com.

Partners:

Nine partners have committed their time, energy and/or funding for over 20 years to the education of the benefits and process of QBS in Idaho. The partners include:

- American Council of Engineering Companies of Idaho (ACEC)
- American Institute of Architect, Idaho (AIA)
- Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors
- Idaho Society of Professional Engineers (ISPE)
- Structural Engineers Association of Idaho (SEAI)
- American Public Works Association/Association of Idaho Cities Public Works Association
- Idaho Montana Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
- Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC)
- Association of General Contractors - Construction Managers

Technical Assistance

Since June of 1999, our founding year, we have had 713 total requests for information or assistance for an average of 36 requests a year we have fielded. In 2020-21, we fielded 24 requests for assistance (compared to 31 in the same period last year). Of these:

- 15 of these were suspected violations of the law – 13 of the 15 were indeed violations and all changed their RFQ or bidding document. 2 were dismissed due to lack of documentation.
- 7 requests were from agencies asking for general information/interpretations or to help them comply before the RFQ was written or for interpretations. The majority had to do with a phased/associated project or a hiring roster.
- 2 were for support of legislative efforts and an article submitted to NSPE/PE magazines or periodicals.

Of these requests (details are available upon request):

- 16 concerned engineering services (67%)
- 2 concerned architectural services (8%)
- 2 concerned land surveying services (8%)
- 0 concerned landscape architectural services
- 1 concerned construction management (4%)
- 3 were general requests involving all disciplines (13%)
- 0 involved planning services (0%)

Services:

We provided QBS education to all those who contacted us.

Funding:

In 2020 we had to increase the annual request from each of our partners. Currently we are funded by the following resources per year:

- ACEC - \$6000 (64%)
- AIA - \$1000 (11%)
- ISPLS - \$1200 (13%)
- ISPE - \$550 (6%)
- IMASLA - \$300 (3%)
- SEAI - \$300 (3%)