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Re: Regional Vulnerability Framework Study

Questions & Answers

- Q1. The RFP lists the project as a "Regional Vulnerability Framework," with Task 7 scoping the "Regional Vulnerability Assessment." The RFP also lists both Tasks 5 and 6 to include memos on risk assessment and cost-benefit analyses. The consultant is assuming the deliverable for these tasks is intended to build a methodology for conducting a regional vulnerability assessment based on industry best practices. It is also assumed the regional vulnerability assessment is a future project, and any assessments or analyses completed for this project will be done only to refine the methodology within the proposed scope. Please advise.
- A1. The deliverables associated with *Task 5*. Complete a Risk Assessment, Task 6. Identifying Systemic Best Practices, and Task 7. Looking to the Future are intended to build a methodology, or scope of work, for the development of the Regional Vulnerability Assessment. The completion of any work related to the Regional Vulnerability Assessment will be a future effort and not be completed as part of the current Regional Vulnerability Framework effort.
- Q2. Is it a correct assumption that no analysis of the vulnerability of specific assets will occur during this project?
- A2. The current Regional Vulnerability Framework effort will not include any analysis of specific assets identified in this study. The *Vulnerable Components*, as defined in the RFP as extreme climate trends impacting the region's infrastructure, will be further evaluated in the future effort divulged as the Regional Vulnerability Assessment.