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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTING SERVICES

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The *Government of Belize* is in the process of entering into a technical cooperation agreement with the *Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)*, to support the development of feasibility studies for the Rehabilitation and Upgrading of Caracol Road and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") shall include undertaking the necessary environmental and social impact studies and investigations to develop an ESIA to permit the rehabilitation and upgrading of 94 km of the Caracol Road, inclusive of the two legs forming a "Y" intersecting the George Price Highway (i.e. Western Highway) at Santa Elena and Georgeville at its northern end, and ending at the Caracol Archeological Reserve in the south. The ESIA shall determine the Environmental and Social baseline and impacts of the project, guidelines for public consultations on the damage caused by the impacts, and develop the necessary Social and Environmental Management Plans *to set forth the actions and costs required to mitigate the project's impacts* to ensure minimum effect on local communities and the surrounding environment and cultural sites.

The *Ministry of Works and Transport (MOWT)* now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the above services. Interested consultants must provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: [Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank](#) GN-2350-9 and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the short list, the nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted and in the case of Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the "*Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants Financed By the Inter- American Development Bank*"- GN-2350-9 method set out in the Consultant Policies.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *0900 to 1700 hours*.

Firms seeking clarification to the Request for Expressions of Interest should send an email to chief_engineer@mow.gov.bz or fax 501-822-3282 or mail to the address below no less than five (5) days before the final submission date for the Expressions of Interest.

One (1) original and three (3) copies of the Expression of Interest in written form must be delivered no later than the following date and time: **3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2015.**

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The opening of the Expression of Interest is scheduled for **3:15 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2015** in the Ministry of Works and Transport Conference Room, Power Lane, Belmopan.

