



**MEETING AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, August 6, 2025**  
**9:00 a.m.**  
**Woolfolk Office Building, Room 138**

**\*This Meeting will be held virtually. Public access to the meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/@MSPPRB> \***

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Minutes from the July 2, 2025 Public Procurement Review Board Meeting**
- III. Approval of per diem and expenses for the August 6, 2025 meeting and for any additional expenses incurred prior to the September 3, 2025 meeting**
- IV. Reports**
  - A. OPTFM Emergency Purchases Reported to the Board**
  - B. OPTFM Sole Source Purchases Reported to the Board**
  - C. OPTFM Staff Approvals Reported to the Board**
  - D. BOB Staff Approvals Reported to the Board**
  - E. OPSCR Emergency Contracts Reported to the Board**
  - F. OPSCR Sole Source Contracts Reported to the Board**
  - G. OPSCR Staff Approvals Reported to the Board**
  - H. OPSCR and OPTFM Quarterly Legislative Reports**

**Summary of Request:** OPSCR has prepared reports to be filed with the Committees on Accountability, Efficiency, and Transparency of the Mississippi State Senate and Mississippi House of Representatives, as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(o)(vi) and Sections 9.5 and 10.1.7 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations.

    - 1. Emergency and Sole Source Contracts Report**

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

## **V. DFA Office of Purchasing, Travel and Fleet Management (OPTFM)**

### **A. Consideration of State Agency Contracts for Board Action**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**Supplier:** TraxPlus, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200067399

**Term:** 09/01/2025 - 02/28/2026

**Total Value:** \$1,495,500.00

**Summary of Request:** MDOT solicited competitive sealed bids for the purchase of up to ten (10) industrial articulated front-end loaders. This contract was originally approved by PPRB on 3/1/2023 with the four previous extensions approved on 8/2/2023, 2/7/2024, 8/7/2024, and 2/5/2025. This is the fifth (5th) of nine (9) possible six (6) month extensions.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

**2. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**Supplier:** TraxPlus, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200067493

**Term:** 09/01/2025 - 02/28/2026

**Total Value:** \$1,999,000.00

**Summary of Request:** MDOT solicited competitive sealed bids for the purchase of a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of ten (10) 1.5 cubic yard, 54,000-pound, crawler mounted hydraulic excavators. This contract was originally approved by PPRB on 03/01/2023 with the four previous extensions approved on 08/02/2023, 02/07/2024, 08/07/2024, and 02/05/2025. This is the fifth (5th) of nine (9) possible six (6) month extensions.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

**3. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Health (MDOH)

**Supplier:** Abbott Laboratories, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200081959

**Term:** 09/01/2025 - 08/31/2030

**Total Value:** \$11,780,838.60

**Summary of Request:** MDOH solicited competitive sealed bids for Infant formula for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants & Children (WIC). MDOH received two (2) responses from the solicitation and requests to award Abbott Laboratories, Inc. based on specifications and highest rebates.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

**4. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Fire Academy

**Supplier:** KFT Fire Trainer, LLC

**Contract #:** 8800010021

**Term:** 08/06/2025 - 06/30/2026

**Total Value:** \$1,329,575.00

**Summary of Request:** Mississippi Fire Academy is requesting the purchase of a Gas-Fueled Live Fire Training. MSFA (Mississippi Fire Academy) is requiring upgraded props and software to their Fire Trainer T2000 to continue to facilitate training.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

**5. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Archives & History

**Supplier:** Creo Industrial Arts, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200082164

**Term:** 08/12/2025 - 06/30/2029

**Total Value:** \$3,500,000.00

**Summary of Request:** Mississippi Department of Archives and History is requesting research, design, fabrication, and installation of exhibits for Natchez Tribal History Center (NTHC). MDAH will be responsible for artifact selection and acquisition in coordination with the selected firm.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

**6. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**Supplier:** Landers South, LLC

**Purchase:** Thirty (30) 2025 Ford F-150's

**Contract #:** 8200081936, 8200081940, 8200081946, 8200081948

**Term:** One Time purchase

**Total Value:** \$1,027,830.00 (\$266,792.00, \$592,773.00, \$34,869.00, \$133,396.00)

**Summary of Request:** MDOT has issued four contracts to purchase a total of thirty (30) 2025 Ford F-150's from the state contract vendor Landers South. These vehicles are replacements for MDOT fleet.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

**VI. DFA Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management (BOB/RPM)**

**A. Consideration of Change Order for Board Action**

**1. Using Agency:** Bolton Building (DFA / Office of Capitol Facilities)

**Project Number:** GS # 374-010

**Project Title:** ARPA Mitigation

**General Contractor:** Universal Services, LLC

**Original Contract Sum:** \$3,200,000.00

**Net Change by Previous Change Orders:** \$791,081.34

**Total Value of Award before this Change Order:** \$3,991,081.34

**Total Value of this Change Order:** \$275,605.80

**Construction Days to Date [Term]:** 828 (including 90 days for this Change Order)

**Change Order Scope:** Remove all 6th floor designated FCUs for bagging and removal from the building. Remove any necessary sheetrock to facilitate the installation of new piping with insulation. Paint, patch and repair any removed or damaged sheetrock during removal and

installation of FCU and piping. Seal floor penetrations with fire rated spray foam. Cut access doors on column-fed FCUs to allow for the installation of new piping and insulation. Ensure the Mitigation Company cleans the spaces behind the new FCU locations prior to installation. Provide and install (4) additional FCU that are missing from original drawings.

**Note:** Board Action is required when Change Orders exceed \$1,000,000.00, when cumulative Change Orders exceed 25% of original bid or when total project exceeds \$5,000,000.00.

**Staff Recommendation:** BOB recommends PPRB approval contingent upon executable Change Order.

## **B. RPM Amended Leases**

### **1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Employment Security

**Lease #:** 260-621-27A

**Lessor:** Roger Wooten, LLC

**Term:** 11-01-2025 thru 10-31-2027

**Total Yearly Cost:** \$87,379.92

**Cost PSF:** \$12.85 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Previous Cost PSF:** \$12.85 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Federal Funds:** 0%

**Proposed Square Footage:** 6,800

**Previous Square Footage:** 6,800

**Address of Property:** 536 Deerfield Drive, Forest, MS

**Purpose of Lease:** This is a WIN Job Center for the Forest/Scott County area.

**Note:** This is a two-year lease with no renewals. The agency has been at this location since 11-01-2022.

**Staff Recommendation:** RPM recommends approval of this lease.

### **2. Requesting Agency:** Ellisville State School

**Lease #:** 534-331-30A

**Lessor:** Ten Buck Too, LLC

**Term:** 01-01-2026 thru 12-31-2030

**Total Yearly Cost:** \$16,044.00

**Cost PSF:** \$3.42 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Previous Yearly Cost:** \$16,044.00

**Previous Cost PSF:** \$3.42 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Federal Funds:** 0%

**Proposed Square Footage:** 4,685

**Address of Property:** 1822 Columbia Avenue, Prentiss, MS

**Purpose of Lease:** This lease will house the activity center for clients with developmental disabilities.

**Note:** This is a five-year lease with no renewals. The agency has been at this location since 07-23-2020.

**Staff Recommendation:** RPM recommends approval of this lease.

**3. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Revenue

**Lease #:** 800-412-27A

**Lessor:** OK Realty, Inc.

**Term:** 10-01-2025 thru 09-30-2030

**Total Yearly Cost:** \$31,200.00

**Cost PSF:** \$16.00 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Previous Yearly Cost:** \$29,250.00

**Previous Cost PSF:** \$15.00 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Total Space per Occupant:** 216

**Federal Funds:** 0%

**Proposed Square Footage:** 1,950

**Address of Property:** 3466 McCollough Blvd., Tupelo, MS

**Purpose of Lease:** This will be the Tupelo District Office.

**Note:** This amendment extends the lease for an additional five years. There are no renewals. The agency has been at this location since 10-01-2019.

**Staff Recommendation:** RPM recommends approval of this lease.

**C. RPM Non-Competitive Leases**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Revenue

**Lease #:** 800-614-27B

**Lessor:** Hide-Away Storage

**Term:** 08-06-2025 thru 08-05-2027

**Total Yearly Cost:** \$1,800.00

**Cost PSF:** \$3.46 Inclusive

**Federal Funds:** 0%

**Proposed Square Footage:** 520

**Address of Property:** 2579 Hwy 49S, Florence, MS

**Purpose of Lease:** This storage lease is for a utility trailer that is used by ABC personnel for alcohol awareness demonstrations. The trailer will be kept at the new ABC warehouse once the warehouse is finished.

**Note:** This is a month-to-month non-competitive storage lease with no renewals. MDOR ask PPRB for a waiver on section 300.9 (7) of the State leasing manual restricting the length of storage leases to 18 months. MDOR is asking for a 2-year space rental for the trailer.

**Staff Recommendation:** RPM recommends approval of this lease.

## D. RPM Emergency Leases

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Forestry Commission

**Lease #:** 330-151-26E

**Lessor:** WDG Properties, LLC

**Term:** 08-01-2025 thru 07-31-2026

**Proposed Total Yearly Cost:** \$12,000.00

**Proposed Cost PSF:** \$7.25 + Utilities & Janitorial

**Total Space per Occupant:** 248

**Federal Funds:** 0%

**Proposed Square Footage:** 1,656

**Address of Property:** 155 Gallatin Street, Hazlehurst, MS

**Purpose of Lease:** This is the district office for MFC.

**Note:** This is a one-year emergency lease that complies with 300.9(3) of the State Leasing Manual.

**Staff Recommendation:** RPM recommends ratification of this lease.

## VII. DFA Office of Personal Service Contract Review (OPSCR)

### A. Petition for Relief from Competitive Sealed Bidding

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Board of Pharmacy

**Rfx Number:** 3180002700

**Procurement Request:** Request for Proposals

**Anticipated Term:** Four Years with One Optional One-Year Renewal

**Summary of Request:** The Agency is seeking one Contractor to provide a recovery program to protect the public while encouraging and supporting the well-being of licensees including pharmacists, pharmacy students and pharmacy technicians in recovery from the diseases of substance abuse disorder or mental or physical illness that may impact a licensee's ability to practice with reasonable skills, confidence, and safety to the public. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on experience, and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Technical weighted at 25%, Management weighted at 25%, Cost (Price) weighted at 40%, and Quality Improvement and Governance weighted at 10%.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

### B. Consideration of Contracts for Board Action

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Hospital

**Supplier:** Trinity Rehabilitation, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200081558

**Term:** 08/15/2025 - 08/14/2029

**Total Value:** \$1,625,044.48

**New**  
**\$1,625,044.48**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor will provide professional rehabilitation services at the main campus located at Whitfield to all on-campus patient care divisions. The work shall consist of professional physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and hearing therapy management and treatment services. The Contractor was selected through an Invitations for Bids (IFB) with two respondents and was awarded to the lowest bidder.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$2,031,305.60 (four years with one one-year renewal)**

**Current Contractor:** Mid-South Rehab

**2. Requesting Agency:** East Mississippi State Hospital

**Term:** 08/06/2025 - 06/30/2026

**Total Value:** \$85,087.00 (per contract)

**New  
\$85,087.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of each contract is approximately eleven months with annual renewals. These Contract Workers are registered nurses who will provide nursing services at East Mississippi healthcare facility. The Contract Workers were selected through a Request for Applications (RFA) with twenty-nine respondents. All respondents were awarded a contract and will be paid \$38.00 per hour.

- a. **Supplier:** Cathryn Bidgood  
**Contract #:** 10137994
- b. **Supplier:** Cheryl Boyd  
**Contract #:** 10127697
- c. **Supplier:** Lekica Boyd  
**Contract #:** 10134015
- d. **Supplier:** Marquita Brewster  
**Contract #:** 10142116
- e. **Supplier:** Robert Brown  
**Contract #:** 10137335
- f. **Supplier:** Nathaniel Carstafhnur  
**Contract #:** 10128439
- g. **Supplier:** Shana Carter  
**Contract #:** 10136241
- h. **Supplier:** Brandie Culpepper  
**Contract #:** 10137314
- i. **Supplier:** Christina Dale

**Contract #:** 10136200

- j. **Supplier:** Chanece Denton  
**Contract #:** 10139429
- k. **Supplier:** Tyeshia Essix  
**Contract #:** 10137122
- l. **Supplier:** Linda Gibson  
**Contract #:** 10132074
- m. **Supplier:** Chardai Grant  
**Contract #:** 10136948
- n. **Supplier:** Escherica Gray  
**Contract #:** 10137339
- o. **Supplier:** Tomorra Harris  
**Contract #:** 10136227
- p. **Supplier:** Dorothy Hill  
**Contract #:** 10142817
- q. **Supplier:** Jennifer Hinds  
**Contract #:** 10142038
- r. **Supplier:** Parida Hopson-Serton  
**Contract #:** 10137134
- s. **Supplier:** Jada Jennings  
**Contract #:** 10138329
- t. **Supplier:** Anntoinette Krustrulovich  
**Contract #:** 10142115
- u. **Supplier:** Ellisha Lewis  
**Contract #:** 10142420
- v. **Supplier:** Vanlecia Miller  
**Contract #:** 10134844
- w. **Supplier:** Aeiprail Nobles  
**Contract #:** 10136940
- x. **Supplier:** Lynn Portis  
**Contract #:** 10142227
- y. **Supplier:** Kimberly Russell



**Contract #:** 10142455

**z. Supplier:** Katrina Stribling  
**Contract #:** 10142335

**aa. Supplier:** Kameron Stringfellow  
**Contract #:** 10133927

**bb. Supplier:** Harry Tucker  
**Contract #:** 10127802

**cc. Supplier:** Anita Williams  
**Contract #:** 10132734

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$85,087.00 per contract (annually)**

**3. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

**Supplier:** University of Mississippi Medical Center

**Contract #:** 8200081922

**Term:** 08/08/2025 – 08/07/2030

**Total Value:** \$125,000.00

**New**

**\$125,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is five years with no optional renewals. The Contractor will provide a physician specializing in the treatment and management of Pediatrics Tuberculosis (TB) for the agency. The services include evaluation and management of TB patients, medical consultation, treatment planning and oversight, case conferences and coordination, education and training, public health reporting and documentation, and on call availability. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(i), agencies under the purview of the PPRB may contract with Government Entities not under the purview of the PPRB, without bidding or other solicitation. The Agency has determined the price represents a fair market value for this service.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$125,000.00 (five years with no renewals)**

**Current Contractor:** University of Mississippi Medical Center

**4. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Warner, Inc. dba Service Master One Call

**Contract #:** 8200078979

**Term:** 03/01/2025 – 02/28/2026

**Total Value:** \$174,366.96

**Modification**

**\$87,183.48**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract is six months with no renewals. The Contractor provides on-site management of the overall day-to-day custodial services at the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum and the Mississippi History Museum on a scheduled basis. Amendment One has been submitted to modify the Consideration clause and extend the

contract term for an additional six months. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same. The Agency originally determined that exigent circumstances exist that prevented them from running a competitive solicitation due to legislation introduced during the 2025 Legislative Session related to these services at the museums that made it impossible to determine the length of a resulting contract from any solicitation at that time. The Governor of the State of Mississippi called for a Special Session for the 2025 Legislative Session that began on May 28, 2025, and ended May 29, 2025. Now due to the late date of the Special Session and the pending legislation not passing, DFA has determined it needs to issue a six-month extension for this exigent circumstance contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** Based on the Agency's determination that the requirements for exigent circumstances have been met, OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$ 174,366.96 (one year with no renewals)**

**5. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

**Term:** 08/07/2025 – 08/06/2030

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is five years with no optional renewals. The Contractors are trauma-informed providers that offer various emergency therapeutic placement and treatment services for complex children and youth who have experienced multiple placement changes. Services will be provided on an as-needed basis. The contractors were awarded a stand-by contract from an Invitation for Bids (IFB) with ten bidders. Contracts were awarded to the lowest bidding and most qualified responsive and responsible bidders. The Agency requests an exception to PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations effective September 6, 2024, because it used the previous version of the rules for this solicitation. OPSCR has reviewed the request and has no concerns that granting the exception would affect the competition, fairness, or transparency of the procurement as the agency complied with the requirements in the previous version of the rules.

**a. Supplier:** Centers for Youth and Families, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200081231

**Total Value:** \$21,778,498.80

**New**

**\$21,778,498.80**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$21,778,498.80 (five years with no renewals)**

**b. Supplier:** Piney Ridge Treatment Center dba Yellow Rock Behavioral Health

**Contract #:** 8200081237

**Total Value:** \$30,199,954.00

**New**

**\$30,199,954.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$30,199,954.00 (five years with no renewals)**

**c. Supplier:** Hughes Center, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200081236

**Total Value:** \$25,750,750.00

**New**

**\$25,750,750.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$25,750,750.00 (five years with no renewals)**

- d. **Supplier:** Nexus Children's Hospital - Dallas, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200081234

**Total Value:** \$80,170,425.00

**New**

**\$80,170,425.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$80,170,425.00 (five years with no renewals)**

- e. **Supplier:** Nexus Neurorecovery Center – San Antonio, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200081235

**Total Value:** \$28,820,400.00

**New**

**\$28,820,400.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$28,820,400.00 (five years with no renewals)**

- f. **Supplier:** Alliance Health Center, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200081230

**Total Value:** \$30,660,000.00

**New**

**\$30,660,000.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$30,660,000.00 (five years with no renewals)**

- g. **Supplier:** Habilitation Center, LLC dba Millcreek of Arkansas

**Contract #:** 8200081232

**Total Value:** \$30,099,141.00

**New**

**\$30,099,141.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$30,099,141.00 (five years with no renewals)**

- h. **Supplier:** Healthbridge Children's Hospital

**Contract #:** 8200081233

**Total Value:** \$80,170,425.00

**New**

**\$80,170,425.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$80,170,425.00 (five years with no renewals)**

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request, contingent upon the exception request being granted, receipt of required documentation of registration and good standing with the Mississippi Secretary of State and Certificate of Insurance.

**Current Contractor:** Alabama Clinical Schools, Habilitation Center, LLC, Healthbridge Children's Hospital, H.C Partnership, Beran Children's Home, Inc., Compass Intervention Center, Honey Lake Clinic, UHS of Laurel Heights LP Laurel Heights Hospital, Keystone Richland Center, LLC

6. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Public Safety

**Supplier:** Bode Cellmark Forensics, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200079360

**Term:** 03/19/2025 – 3/18/2026

**Total Value:** \$410,276.00

**Modification**

**\$110,276.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. The Contractor provides customized testing and reporting services for DNA Testing of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits for the Mississippi Forensic Laboratory. Modification One has been submitted to increase the spending authority and update the Consideration clause. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$410,276.00 (one year with four one-year renewals)**

**7. Requesting Agency:** Ellisville State School

**Supplier:** C and R Sanford, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200081891

**Term:** 08/07/2025 – 06/30/2026

**Total Value:** \$200,000.00

**New**

**\$200,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term is approximately 11 months with four optional one-year renewals. The Contractor will serve as the master plumber for the agency. This will include underground water & sewer infrastructure repair/maintenance, indoor water & sewer piping/appurtenances maintenances, lift stations, lagoon sewage treatment equipment maintenance, food service equipment maintenance, streamlines, and various other duties along with being knowledgeable of operating a backhoe/front end loader. The Contractor was selected through an Invitation for Bids (IFB) with two respondents. It was awarded to the lowest bidder. The Agency requests an exception to PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations 5.1 and 5.6 because certain required content was left out of the solicitation and the notice of intent to award. OPSCR has reviewed the request and has no concerns that granting the exception would affect the competition, fairness, or transparency of the procurement.

**Staff Recommendation:** OPSCR recommends approval of this request, contingent upon the exception request being granted and receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$1,000,000.00 (eleven months with four one-year renewals)**

**Current Contractor:** N/A

## **VIII. DFA Office of Statewide Strategic Sourcing (OSSS)**

### **A. Consideration of Contracts for Board Action**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration-BEAM

**Supplier:** Michael Baker International, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200076988

**Term:** 09/05/2024 – 09/04/2025

**Modification**

**Total Value:** \$400,000.00

**\$0.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract is one year with no renewals. Amendment One has been submitted as a no cost modification to modify the Scope of Services and list of deliverables to comply with a National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) June 6, 2025, Policy Notice that restructures the Broadband Equity, Access, and Development (BEAD) program. The Policy Notice in part, requires states to conduct engineering feasibility assessments to consider the feasibility of projects that do not use fiber as the primary technology for delivery of broadband services. In addition to fiber, Contractor will assess the feasibility, technical viability and long-term sustainability of alternative technology such as fixed wireless, low earth orbit satellite, coaxial cable, and hybrid models. This work must be completed within 90 days. As a result of the required BEAD program restructuring and the abbreviated schedule, the agency is requesting retroactive approval of the scope and to increase the Contractor's all-inclusive blended hourly rate from \$175.00 per hour to \$196.81 per hour effective July 1, 2025. The rate increase accounts for the additional services and technical expertise required to implement the new NTIA requirements in the abbreviated timeline.

**Staff Recommendation:** OSSS recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$400,000.00**

2. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration-BEAM

**Supplier:** Michael Baker International, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200076988

**Term:** 09/05/2024 - 12/31/2025

**Modification**

**Total Value:** \$400,000.00

**\$0.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract is one year with no renewals. The agency submits Amendment Two requesting a no-cost extension of the original contract end date from September 4, 2025, to December 31, 2025, to ensure the BEAM is able to meet the NTIA requirements stated in Amendment One. The Agency has determined that exigent circumstances exist that require an extension of their original contract because based on the original NTIA BEAD requirements and timeline, the Agency did not foresee the need for any renewals. As a result of the changes implemented by the NTIA stated in Amendment One, the BEAM has determined it needs to issue an approximately four-month extension for this contract in order to comply with the NTIA Policy Notice.

**Staff Recommendation:** Based on the Agency's determination that the requirements for exigent circumstances have been met, OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$400,000.00**

3. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Emergency Management Agency

**Supplier:** Witt O'Brien's, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200081559

**Term:** 08/06/2026 - 08/05/2026

**New**

**Total Value:** \$88,462.00

**\$88,462.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is one year with three optional renewals. The contractor will update the District 5 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Per FEMA planning regulations, the plan is required to be updated every five years and addresses mitigation of natural hazards, such as severe storms, hurricanes, tornados, winter weather, drought, water supply/system failures, and others. The District 5 Regional Hazard Mitigation plan update will include the following jurisdictions: Claiborne County, Port Gibson, Hinds County, Bolton, Edwards, Learned, Raymond, Utica, Issaquena County, Mayersville, Sharkey County, Anguilla, Cary, Rolling Fork, Simpson County, Braxton, D'Lo, Magee, Mendenhall, Canton, Crystal Springs, Madison, and Puckett. The contractor was selected through an Invitation for Bids (IFB) with four (4) bidders. The agency and the lowest cost bidder failed to reach agreement on contract terms. As a result, MEMA rejected the lowest bid and exercised its right to move to the next lowest bidder.

**Staff Recommendation:** OSSS recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$353,848.00 (one year with three one-year renewals)**

**Current Contractor:** N/A

4. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

**Supplier:** Gulfstream Transport & Salvage, LLC

**Contract #:** 8200082522

**Term:** 08/06/2026 - 06/30/2026

**Total Value:** \$249,500.00

**New  
\$249,500.00**

**Summary of Request:** The initial term of the contract is approximately eleven months with one optional renewal at no cost. The Contractor will transport and deploy concrete material by barge from the bulkhead at Bollinger Mississippi Repair to reef sites selected by the Agency. The material will create new reefs and/or enhance existing artificial reefs in need of replenishment due to storm damage or subsidence. The contractor was the sole respondent to the Invitation for Bids (IFB) and was deemed responsive and responsible. The Agency determined that other prospective bidders had a reasonable opportunity to respond and, to the best of the Agency's knowledge, the intended awardee reasonably anticipated competing bids may be submitted. The Agency further determined that the price submitted is reasonable. The Agency determined that it is in its best interest to award the contract to the single responsive, responsible bidder.

**Staff Recommendation:** OSSS recommends approval of this request.

**Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$249,500.00 (one year with one no cost renewal)**

**Current Contractor:** N/A

I. **Other Business**

A. **Next Regular PPRB Meeting September 3, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

## II. Adjournment