

How To Do Business With Caltrans

Small Business Program District 4

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Title VI Civil Rights Act

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, prohibits discrimination based upon race, color, and national origin. Specifically, 42 USC 2000d states that “No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/civil-rights/documents/title-vi/caltrans-non-discrimination-policy-statement-a11y.pdf>

Department
Mission:
Provide a safe
and reliable
transportation
network that
serves all people
and respects the
environment.

Over 50,000 miles of state highway & freeway lanes managed, developed, and maintained, connecting local systems and neighborhoods

Managing major inter-city rail services

Permitting for over 400 public-use airports & heliports

Certifications
Recognized by
Caltrans

State Funded Projects

Small Business(SB)

25% Goal

Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise(DVBE)

5% Goal

Federally Funded Projects

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise(DBE)

22.2% Goal



Benefits of Certifications

SB/SB-PW and DVBE Benefits

- 5% Bid Preference (SB only)
- SB/DVBE Option
- DVBE Incentive (DVBE only)
- Listing in Statewide SB/DVBE Database on Cal eProcure
- Durable for all State departments
- Invitation to procurement fairs and pre-bid meetings

DBE Benefits

- Desired by Primes to fulfill their DBE goal requirements
- Listed in California Unified Cert. Program (CUCP) data
- Recognized by Local agencies
- Invitation to procurement fairs and pre-bids

Contractor's Corner

Caltrans electronic bidding provides flexibility to you. In case of an emergency due to natural circumstances causing electrical shut off or if you are simply away from your machine for any reason and need to submit your bid, the Digital ID for Project Bids can be distributed across several machines. You will be able to submit your project bids from the location of your choosing. Additionally, all projects are advertised for three to seven weeks and bids can be submitted and resubmitted at anytime prior to bid opening. To submit your bids from any of these machines at any time, the Digital ID for Project Bids would need be imported into the AASHTOWare Project Bids Bid software by following below steps:

- Open AASHTOWare Project Bids Bid
- Navigate to Tools > Manage Digital IDs
- Click the green + sign on the righthand side
- Find the digital ID.cer file on the machine
- Enter the Digital ID and password
- The Digital ID should now be successfully imported
- Check the Digital ID under Tools> Manage Digital IDs where it should be listed

Click [Internet Bidding Set Up link](#) for additional set up details.

California State Government Marketplace

Your home for California's State Procurement and Certification Programs

California State Contracts Register (CSCR)

Search Bid Opportunities

🔍 START SEARCH

How do I...

Sell to the State



Register in Cal eProcure to receive bid notifications. Search for bid opportunities in the California State Contracts Register (CSCR). >

Get Certified/Search for SB/DVBE



Learn about California's Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) certification program, apply for SB/DVBE certifications, and search for certified SB/DVBE firms. >

Find Public Procurement Information



Access records on what state agencies have purchased. Search for SB/DVBE suppliers, state contracts and bid opportunities. >

Find Training and Resources



Learn how to do business with the state of California. Access training resources, watch instructional videos, attend an outreach event. >

Cal eProcure

Caltrans Contractor Interest Registry

Help Caltrans with the Next Emergency

Emergency Work link

<https://ecr.dot.ca.gov>

Fill Out Form Now

*Route 140 damaged by the
1997 storm disaster (1997 photo)*

*Route 140 after emergency contract
repairs (1997 photo)
Caltrans partners with contractors
to perform emergency repairs
when washouts, landslides, slipouts,
earthquakes or other emergencies occur.*

All Contractors Are Invited To Tell Us What You Can Do.

Typical types of work:

- Hazardous Materials;
- Reconstruct **pavement** under emergency conditions;
- **Excavate** slopes or construct **embankment**;
- Rent **heavy equipment** to Caltrans on short notice;
- **Demolish** damaged structures;
- Remove and replace **culverts or drains**;
- Provide temporary **traffic control**; ...and others not listed

All contractors of all sizes are invited to express their interest in potentially performing emergency work for Caltrans.

When an emergency strikes, Caltrans may use emergency procedures to immediately select a contractor to reopen damaged facilities. The purpose of the registry is to provide a list of contractors potentially available for emergency work if needed.

Click here to enter your firm into the Registry

DISCLAIMER: Registering with Caltrans does not represent any express or implied promise by Caltrans to award emergency contracts now or in future. Caltrans is not bound to select contractors from the registry. Data entered will be held in confidence and will not be shared with other firms without the contractor's consent.



Contracts and Purchases

Public Works

- Major/Minor Highway Construction and Maintenance
- Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Consulting Services
- Emergency Maintenance

Goods and Services

- Supplies and Equipment
- Operations and Safety
- Office and IT equipment
- Supplies for Facility Maintenance



How To Get Certified

SB/SB-PW, DVBE Process

- Completed via Department of General Services' (DGS) Cal-eProcure system
- Apply online and submit supporting documents electronically
- SB renews every two years, DVBE annually unless also SB

DBE Process

- Completed via Caltrans or other certifying transportation agency
- Submitted after signing and notarizing
- Certification doesn't expire, but requires annual documentation verifying DBE meets requirements



General Resources





Thank You!

For questions or additional information, regarding the Small Business program please contact Caltrans D4 Small Business Program

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