

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Administration Committee**

**January 14, 2026**

**Agenda Item 2b-25-1480**

**Contract – Pavement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP), Round 26 (Cumulative Total - \$2,906,395.00): Adhara Systems, Inc., (\$503,274.00); AMS Consulting, LLC, (\$509,776.00); Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc., (\$516,842.00); Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd., (\$844,156.00), Fugro USA Land, Inc., (\$295,163.00), and Applied Research Associates, Inc., (\$237,184.00)**

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**Subject:**

Staff requests the Committee's approval to enter into six contracts for a cumulative amount not to exceed **\$2,906,395** for the Pavement Management Technical Assistance Program (P-TAP) with the following six P-TAP consultants for the respective not to exceed (NTE) amounts listed below:

<b>Consultant Name, Location</b>	<b>NTE Contract Amount</b>
Adhara Systems Inc., San Jose, CA	\$503,274.00
AMS Consulting, LLC., Pleasanton, CA	\$509,776.00
Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc., Salem, OR	\$516,842.00
Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd., Richmond, CA	\$844,156.00
Fugro USA Land, Inc., Walnut Creek, CA	\$295,163.00
Applied Research Associates, Inc., Ventura, CA	\$237,184.00
<b>Total Contract Amount:</b>	
	<b><u>\$2,906,395.00</u></b>

**Background:**

Established in 1999, the Pavement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP) provides cities and counties within the Bay Area with consultant services and resources to help those local jurisdictions better manage and maintain their streets and roads. Projects eligible for funding include assistance with implementing and maintaining pavement management systems, and non-pavement asset management pilot projects. MTC has programmed over \$33 million in Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) funds during the last 25 rounds of P-TAP, which has funded over 1,100 projects and assisted all Bay Area jurisdictions with their pavement management needs. Funds are allocated to individual projects, typically ranging from \$15,000 to \$100,000, based on the scope and amount requested by the jurisdiction. The federal funds will cover 80% (or up to \$80,000, whichever is smaller) of the project cost with the remaining 20% or more of local funds coming from local jurisdictions.

On November 1, 2024, staff released a call for projects to all 109 Bay Area cities and counties to solicit projects for P-TAP Round 26. In response to the call, staff received requests totaling approximately \$3 million for 55 projects from 55 jurisdictions. On March 12, 2025, this Committee approved the awards for PTAP 26. Funding for the program (approximately \$2.5 million in Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds and approximately \$400,000 in local funds) is included in the FY 2025-26 agency budget.

In Spring 2025, MTC sought to procure a consultant to provide project management oversight of P-TAP and in June 2025, this Committee authorized the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a contract with Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd. for P-TAP Program Management Oversight (PMO) for the term of July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2032. However, due to uncertainty surrounding the federal programming and funding environment, the PMO contract was not executed. Instead, staff proposes to postpone the multi-year PMO approach to P-TAP program management and to continue to directly procure P-TAP consultants as has been done in previous rounds.

### **P-TAP 26 Procurement Process**

On November 20, 2025, MTC issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select multiple consultant firms to provide Pavement Management System implementation and maintenance technical assistance through P-TAP for one year, with options to extend in one-year increments for up to three additional years. The RFQ specified minimum qualifications for this P-TAP round, and firms wishing to be selected were required to pass a pre-qualification test to be considered.

On December 2, 2025, MTC hosted a virtual Proposers' Conference that was attended by 63 individuals representing 60 firms. On the closing date for responses on December 15, 2025, six firms had submitted Statements of Qualifications. All firms met the minimum qualifications, and were evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Qualifications and Experience of the Firm (35%)
2. Staff Qualification and Experience (30%)
3. Quality Control Plan (25%)
4. Ability to Adhere to Budget and Schedule (10%)

Of the six firms that applied and met the minimum qualifications to perform the work as listed in the RFQ, all six firms are being recommended for eligibility to award P-TAP contracts.

The firms were selected for the projects below and ranked as follows in descending order, with the highest-scoring firm listed first:

Ranking	Prime Consultant
<b>1</b>	Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd.
<b>2</b>	Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc.
<b>3</b>	Applied Research Associates, Inc.
<b>4</b>	Adhara Systems Inc.
<b>5</b>	Fugro USA Land, Inc.
<b>6</b>	AMS Consulting, LLC.

The firms listed below are the subconsultants identified by the ranked prime consultants:

Prime Consultant	Subconsultant
Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd.	Märker Geospatial, LLC
Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc.	AMS Consulting, LLC.
Applied Research Associates, Inc.	NIX Engineering
Fugro USA Land, Inc.	Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
AMS Consulting, LLC.	Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc.

None of these consultants are certified as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE).

As this Committee has already approved the award of projects to local jurisdictions through P-TAP 26, staff is requesting authorization through this item to enter into contracts for amounts not to exceed those specified above and in Attachment A for the performance of work associated with P-TAP.

**Issues:**

None identified.

**Recommendations:**

Staff recommends that the Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter contracts with the six P-TAP consultants listed above for a cumulative amount not to exceed \$2,906,395 for P-TAP 26 for the term of January 14, 2026, to June 30, 2027, with options to extend in one-year increments for up to three additional years.

**Attachments:**

- Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Contract



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Andrew B. Fremier

**Request for Committee Approval**

**Summary of Proposed Contract**

Work Item No.:	1233
Consultant:	Adhara Systems, Inc., San Jose, CA ( <u>\$503,274.00</u> ) AMS Consulting, LLC, Pleasanton, CA ( <u>\$509,776.00</u> ) Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc., Salem, OR ( <u>\$516,842.00</u> ) Nichols Consulting Engineering, Chtd, Richmond, CA ( <u>\$844,156.00</u> ) Fugro USA Land, Inc., Walnut Creek, CA ( <u>\$295,163.00</u> ) Applied Research Associates, Inc., Ventura, CA ( <u>\$237,184.00</u> )
Work Project Title:	Pavement Management Technical Assistance Program (PTAP), Round 26
Purpose of Project:	To provide technical assistance in implementing P-TAP for jurisdictions in the San Francisco Bay Area.
Brief Scope of Work:	Includes some or all the following: collecting pavement data, running Street Saver software, identifying budget impacts on pavement condition; providing plans, specifications, and estimates for constructing streets and roads.
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	<u>\$2,906,395.00</u>
	Breakdown for each consultant:
Consultant	Maximum Contract Amount
Adhara Systems, Inc	<u>\$503,274.00</u>
AMS Consulting, LLC	<u>\$509,776.00</u>
Capitol Asset & Pavement Services, Inc	<u>\$516,842.00</u>
Nichols Consulting Engineers, Chtd.	<u>\$844,156.00</u>
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<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$2,906,395.00</u></b>
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**Funding Source:** Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and local funds.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$2,906,395.00 of the funding for this contract is included in the FY2025-26 budget.

**Motion by Committee:** That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract with each of the firms listed above, in the respective amounts listed above, to provide technical assistance in implementing P-TAP for the jurisdictions in the San Francisco Bay Area as described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated January 14, 2026, and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$2,906,395.00 for such contracts.

**Administration Committee:**

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Gina Papan, Chair

**Approved:** January 14, 2026