

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 433 OF 2015

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Taylor, Monroe, Wood, Beaty and Strough

**AUTHORIZING MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS
ENTERPRISES - EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY
WITH REGARD TO THE FIRST WILDERNESS HERITAGE
CORRIDOR PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS GRANT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the First Wilderness Heritage Corridor Plan Implementation Projects grant (C1000561), the New York State Department of State is requiring that Warren County adopt a Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (“M/WBE”) and an Equal Employment Opportunity (“EEO”) Plan applicable to the contracts entered into pursuant to the grant which is attached hereto as Schedule “A”, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the M/WBE and EEO Plan attached hereto as Schedule “A” to be applicable to all current and future contracts entered into pursuant to the requirements of the First Wilderness Heritage Corridor Plan Implementation Projects grant (C1000561).

SCHEDULE “A”

For the purposes of administration of a grant award (C1000561) between the County of Warren and the New York State Department of State, and all current and future contracts with New York State, the following plan is adopted by Warren County:

M/WBE

This organization will and will cause its contractors and subcontractors to take good faith actions to achieve the M/WBE contract participation goals set by the State for that area in which the State-funded project is located, by taking the following steps:

- (1) Actively and affirmatively solicit bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State certified MBEs or WBEs, including solicitations to M/WBE contractor associations.
- (2) Request a list of State-certified M/WBEs from AGENCY and solicit bids from them directly.
- (3) Ensure that plans, specifications, request for proposals and other documents used to secure bids will be made available in sufficient time for review by prospective M/WBEs.
- (4) Where feasible, divide the work into smaller portions to enhanced participation by M/WBEs and encourage the formation of joint venture and other partnerships among M/WBE contractors to enhance their participation.
- (5) Document and maintain records of bid solicitation, including those to M/WBEs and the results thereof. Contractor will also maintain records of actions that its subcontractors have taken toward meeting M/WBE contract participation goals.
- (6) Ensure that progress payments to M/WBEs are made on a timely basis so that undue financial hardship is avoided, and that bonding and other credit requirements are waived or appropriate alternatives developed to encourage M/WBE participation.

EEO

- (a) This organization will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on state contracts.
- (b) This organization shall state in all solicitation or advertisements for employees that in the performance of the State contract all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex disability or marital status.

- (c) At the request of the contracting agency, this organization shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of this organization's obligations herein.
- (d) Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Contractor and subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to nondiscrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.
- (e) This organization will include the provisions of sections (a) through (d) of this agreement in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each subcontractor as to work in connection with the State contract.