

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

MCKINNEY LINE PASSENGER RAIL STUDY

Pre-Proposal Conference
September 22, 2025

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General Project Overview

The North Central Texas Council of Governments is requesting consultant services to provide technical and planning and conceptual engineering for future passenger rail service in the corridor between Plano and McKinney, with a possible extension to Anna.

This study will review the results from the previously completed Conceptual Engineering and Funding Study for this corridor, evaluate existing conditions, analyze and confirm station locations, evaluate alternatives (including interim implementation options like high-capacity transit), and develop cost estimates for implementation.

Scope of Work Overview

In **Phase One**, the consultant will:

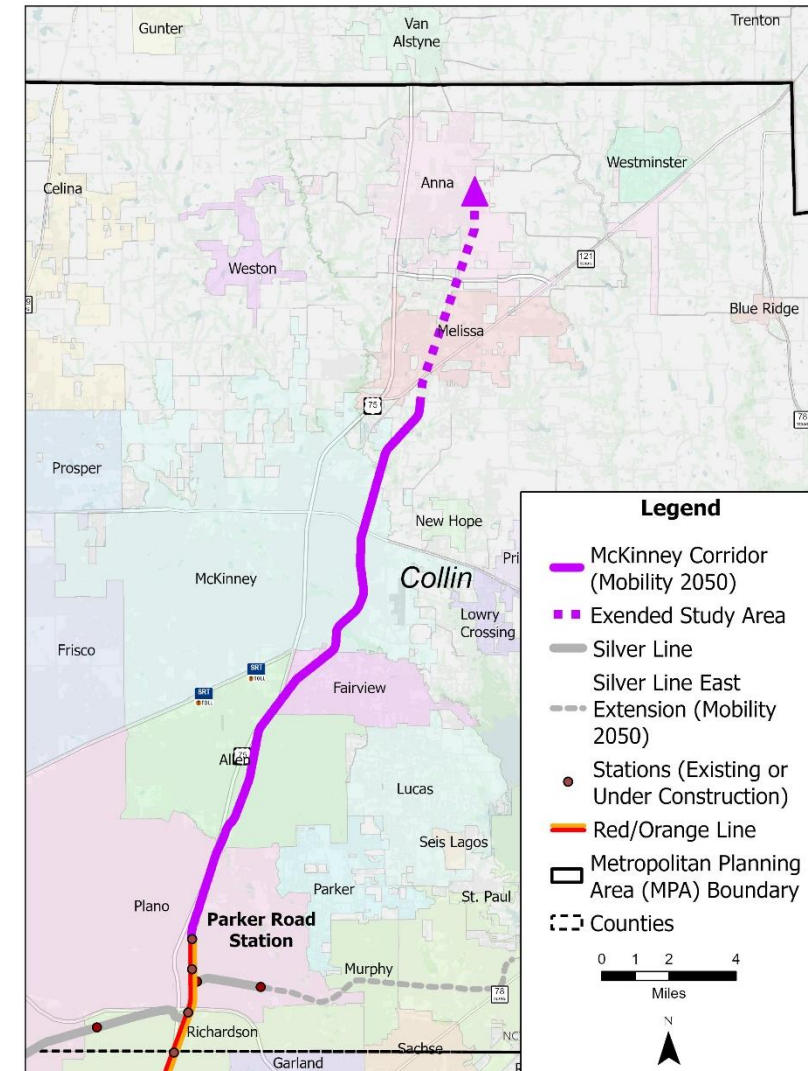
- Develop public involvement strategies
- Analyze existing transit, freight movements, and track conditions in the study corridor
- Analyze alternative station locations and transit modes
- Develop alternative demographic growth scenarios to contrast current growth patterns with dense growth patterns in the study corridor

In **Phase Two**, the consultant will:

- Examine land uses, bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure, and first/last mile access in the area of the proposed stations and develop strategies to promote connectivity and transit-oriented neighborhoods
- Develop strategies to implement the corridor, including identifying opportunities for corridor staging and alternative modes
- Produce a final report

Project Context & Study Area

- Continued growth in Collin County indicates need for additional transportation solutions parallel to US75 Corridor
- Updated forecasts and baseline assumptions for Collin County will be key in building upon previous studies of this corridor
- Regional travel model suggests potential for high ridership on McKinney Corridor, especially if service extends seamlessly through Plano to destinations to the south or southwest
- Study will consider opportunities for building project in stages
- Results of Phase One will drive a Go/No-Go decision on whether to proceed to Phase Two



Consultant Selection Criteria (Engineering)

Project Understanding	30%
Scope of Services	25%
Qualification of Project Manager and Staff	20%
Knowledge of the Dallas-Fort Worth Area	10%
Firm Qualifications/Consultant References	10%
Schedule	5%

DBE Participation Goal: 32%

Submittal Requirements

One hard copy or one flash drive submitted in-hand by **5:00 p.m., Central Time, on Friday, October 3, 2025**. In-hand submittal will count as the official submittal. In addition to the in-hand submittal, NCTCOG will be releasing this RFP through the Bidnet Direct system and will accept electronic submissions through the system. A Bidnet Direct link will be included when the RFP is published. The Bidnet Direct submittal only will **not** be evaluated. Requesting electronic submission of proposal documents to TransRFPs@nctcog.org. Electronic submissions only will **not** be evaluated.

Pages limited to fifteen (15) total pages. Cover letter and compliance requirements/required forms do not count towards page limit.

RFP Schedule

RFP Published	September 5, 2025
Written Questions Due	September 12, 2025
Written Response to Questions Posted	September 17, 2025
Pre-Proposal Meeting	September 22, 2025
Proposals Due	October 3, 2025
Interviews (if needed)	Week of November 3, 2025
Negotiations	November 3, 2025 – December 4, 2025
Executive Board (Contract Awards)	January 26, 2026
Contract Execution	February 2026

Questions and Responses

No questions were submitted by the September 12, 2025, deadline. Responses to questions asked during the pre-proposal conference will be posted on Bidnet Direct at www.bidnetdirect.com/Texas/nctcog and www.nctcog.org/rfp by end of day September 23, 2025.