



Summary of Opportunity

The Airport Parkway Project Jackson, Mississippi

Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) – Forthcoming in Early June 2008

Overview

The Request for Qualifications and additional materials will be posted at: www.theairportparkway.com

More information about MDOT and the Commission may be found at www.gomdot.com

Jackson Area Statistics

State Capital - Government, Education, and Medical Center

Bureau of Labor Statistics (Mar 08)

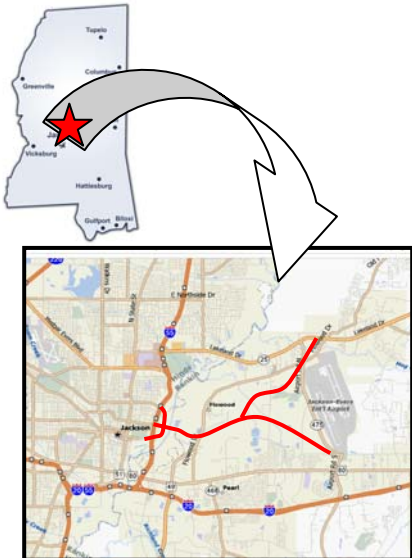
Employment in Jackson Area	
Government	55,400
Health Care	37,200
Education	21,500
Total	262,200

US Census Data (Feb 08)

17.8% Population Growth in Rankin County between 2000-2006

Central MS Planning and Development District (Jackson MPO) 2000 - 2030 Three County Growth Projection

Population	39%
Employment	73%



Jackson

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (“MDOT”), an agency of the State of Mississippi (the “State”), intends to advertise for entities (“Responders”) desiring to develop, construct, finance, operate and maintain a new, 12-mile toll road (“The Airport Parkway Project”). The Airport Parkway will be a direct connection from downtown Jackson to the rapidly growing cities east of Jackson, including Flowood, Pearl, and the Jackson-Evers International Airport. The Parkway will also serve the growing of community of Brandon and the Ross Barnett Reservoir area (northwest Rankin County).

First Time Opportunity in the State. Larry L. “Butch” Brown, Executive Director of MDOT said, “This will be the first time that MDOT has initiated a procurement for the construction, financing, operation and maintenance of a toll road in Mississippi, and thus presents a unique, ground-floor opportunity for Responders to work with MDOT in developing a project whose framework may serve as the basis for additional toll road projects elsewhere in the State.”

High Growth Area. The Jackson metropolitan area has been experiencing significant population and economic growth over the past decade. The demands created by this growth have created congestion on the roadways in the Jackson metropolitan area, including the corridors east of I-55 along MS 25 and I-20 in the cities of Flowood and Pearl. Given the anticipated future growth in residential and commercial development, these congested conditions are projected to worsen in the future. It is expected that the Airport Parkway Project will alleviate or mitigate that congestion and provide for direct connections to downtown Jackson.

Project Layout. The Project consists of an access-controlled, high-speed toll road to be constructed on new alignments due east of downtown Jackson. The proposed alignment will start at I-55 in the west, cross the Pearl River and extend to the east into the cities of Flowood and Pearl. The project will fork at the proposed West Rankin Parkway, and will terminate at MS 25, north of the Airport and at MS 475 to the south of the Airport. The Project will be comprised of approximately twelve (12) miles of roadway to be opened to traffic by the end of 2012.

Next Steps. MDOT anticipates issuing a RFQ in early June to evaluate and qualify prospective proposers interested in participating in this Public-Private Partnership opportunity. Further details with respect to the timing and qualification will be forthcoming from MDOT.

In addition, a mandatory **Pre-SOQ workshop** will be conducted in Jackson, Mississippi anticipated to be in late June or early July, 2008.

Contacts.

Until issuance of the RFQ, please direct questions to the project website: www.theairportparkway.com

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