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New Royal Alberta Museum advances to the next stage

Teams asked to submit proposals to create memorable, identifiable venue

Edmonton... Four teams have been invited by the Alberta government to submit their proposal for designing and building the new Royal Alberta Museum in downtown Edmonton.

“We are challenging these architects and engineers to provide a design that captivates and inspires its visitors,” said Ray Danyluk, Minister of Infrastructure. “This is a rare opportunity to deliver an accessible landmark building in the heart of our capital city; one that defines our Alberta identity, has the flexibility to adapt with us as we grow, and welcomes generations of Albertans and visitors to come again and again.”

The Request for Proposals (RFP) stage follows the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Design-Builders which was advertised publicly on June 6. From the seven RFQ submissions received, four design-build teams were pre-qualified through a rigorous evaluation process and invited to participate in the RFP. The design-build teams, comprised largely of Alberta-based construction and design teams, are:

- EllisDon Construction Services Inc.;
- Graham Design Builders, a JV (joint venture);
- Ledcor Design Build (Alberta) Inc.; and
- PCL Construction Management Inc.

Working with basic requirements and a fixed construction budget, proponents will compete on the innovation, visual impact, and enhancements they bring to the project. Meeting the necessary requirements and offering the best value for the budget, the successful proponent and their museum design will be announced this fall.

The new museum is projected to open in 2015 and is expected to cost a total of \$340 million. Additional project information can be found on Alberta Infrastructure’s website at infrastructure.alberta.ca.

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Royal Alberta Museum RFP design-build teams

- EllisDon Construction Services Inc. team is comprised of:
 - Diamond & Schmitt Architects of Ontario
 - HIP Architects of Edmonton
 - Haley Sharpe Design (Museum Planner) of the United Kingdom
- Graham Design Builders (a joint venture comprised of Graham Design Builders LP (by its general partner Graham Design Ltd) and Jardeg Construction Services Ltd) team is comprised of:
 - Laing O'Rourke of the United Kingdom
 - IBI Group Architects Engineers of Alberta
 - Richard Meier & Partners of New York
 - Solomon & Bauer (Museum Planners) of Watertown, MA
- Ledcor Design Build (Alberta) Inc. team comprised of:
 - Dialog of Alberta
 - Lundholm Associates Architects of Ontario (Museum Planner)
- PCL Construction Management Inc. team is comprised of:
 - a joint venture between Moriyama & Teshima Architects of Ontario and Architecture/Arndt Tkalcic Bengert of Alberta
 - Maki & Associates of Japan (Architecture)
 - Museum Planning Partners of Ontario

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