

Washington State DES Washington State DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES

# Rulemaking: WAC 200-330

Public Works Contracting - Addressing equity and efficiencies, including small works roster requirements

## **Discussion Questions**

### **Contract cap**

"to award contracts...with an estimated cost of \$350,000/\$150,000 or less excluding state sales tax."

- 1. What if the agency estimate is \$340,000 and all bids come in at \$360,000?
- 2. What if there is a change order exceeding the limits?

#### **Direct contracting – rotation**

"[Agencies] ... must rotate through the contractors on the appropriate small works roster."

- 1. What does "rotation" mean?
- 2. How do we provide direction in the rules?
- 3. What happens if a contractor fails to respond to a solicitation for a Direct Contract?
- 4. How does this affect rotation?
- 5. What happens if an agency and contractor cannot agree on a price for a Direct Contractor?
- 6. How does this affect rotation?

### **Responsibility criteria**

RCW 39.04.350

- 1. Should the rules direct agencies to the responsibility criteria?
- 2. How do we ensure contractors are set up to be successful?

#### **Record keeping**

- 1. Should the rules require specific records be kept?
- 2. On rotation?
- 3. Contractors who fail to respond to a solicitation for a direct contract?

4. Agency and contractor negotiations for a direct contract?

#### Other

1. What are other topics that need clarity or direction through this DES rulemaking?