

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Award of Pre-Event Disaster Logistics Support Services
Contracts

DATE OF MEETING: July 14, 2026

Work
Session/Regular
Session

BUDGET IMPACT: None

FUNDING SOURCE:

- ☐ Annual
- ☐ Capital
- ☒ N/A
- ☐ SPLOST
- ☐ TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approve the award of pre-event disaster logistics support services contracts.

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Lowndes County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking qualified firms to provide pre-event disaster logistics support services for Lowndes County and participating municipalities. The purpose of the solicitation was to establish competitively procured contracts that would provide immediate access to personnel, equipment, commodities, facilities, and logistical support necessary to support emergency response and recovery operations following natural, technological, or man-made disasters.

The RFP was publicly advertised and distributed in accordance with County procurement requirements. Seven (7) proposals were received from qualified firms and evaluated using the criteria established within the solicitation. Evaluation criteria included technical approach and operational plan, disaster experience and qualifications, capacity and surge capability, response time and mobilization, pricing structure and reasonableness, and references and past performance.

Based on the evaluation process, staff recommends awarding contracts to MLU Services, LLC, AshBritt, Inc., and Safe Industries. The recommended firms were selected based on the overall value they provide to Lowndes County, considering their qualifications, experience, operational capabilities, available resources, and ability to support a wide range of emergency response and recovery missions.

The recommended contractors offer a diverse mix of capabilities that will provide the County with increased operational flexibility, redundancy, and surge capacity during disaster operations. Collectively, these firms provide access to large-scale national disaster response resources, regional operational support capabilities, and specialized equipment and services that may be required during complex incidents. The diversity of the recommended firms also provides flexibility to match contractor resources to the size, complexity, and duration of a particular incident while reducing dependence on any single vendor.

The proposed contracts are pre-event, on-call agreements and do not obligate the County to expend funds. Services will be utilized only as needed through task orders issued in support of emergency response, recovery, exercises, special events, or other authorized activities. Establishing these contracts in advance of a