



LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

## Small and Diverse Supplier Program Summary

LCRA recognizes the importance of small and diverse businesses, including minority- and women-owned, service-disabled veteran-owned and HUBZone businesses.

Our Small and Diverse Supplier Program aims to raise awareness of business opportunities and encourage participation in our solicitation process by:

- Inviting small and diverse businesses to participate in competitive bidding opportunities.
- Offering guidance through the inquiry and bid processes.
- Identifying and building relationships with small and diverse businesses.
- Hosting supplier forums.

### **Self-Reporting Status in LCRA's Vendor Database and Solicitation Responses**

A supplier may choose to self-report its small and diverse status to LCRA when it submits a response to solicitations. All qualified suppliers are encouraged to respond to LCRA's postings, regardless of diversity status. A supplier self-identifying as small or diverse may be asked to provide a copy of its certification to aid in our reporting efforts.

### **LCRA's Supplier Self-Classification Definitions**

LCRA defines small and diverse suppliers according to guidelines derived from the National Minority Supplier Development Council, the Women's Business Enterprise National Council, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and the [State of Texas' Historically Underutilized Business \(HUB\)](#) classification.

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