

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**  
TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
THE RESEARCH CORPORATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII  
for the  
STATE OF HAWAII, MAUNA KEA STEWARDSHIP & OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY (MKSOA)

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued by the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) for Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA) on February 13, 2026. RCUH is hereby amending the RFP to update schedule of key dates and add oral presentation requirements. This Amendment No. 1 to the RFP is effective February 23, 2026.

The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) amends the RFP as follows:

1. **NOTICE TO OFFERORS, Questions About the RFP.** Delete and replace with the following:

All questions about the RFP must be directed to William Stormont at [william.t.stormont@hawaii.gov](mailto:william.t.stormont@hawaii.gov). Closing Date for Receipt of Offeror Questions is 4:30 PM (Hawaii Standard Time), March 3, 2026.

2. **NOTICE TO OFFERORS, Closing Date for Receipt of Proposals.** Delete and replace with the following:

Completed proposals must be received no later than 4:30 PM (Hawaii Standard Time), March 11, 2026, at the address listed in Section 1.10 of this RFP. Offerors may be required to give an oral presentation (refer to Section 4.5) tentatively scheduled for March 12 - 16, 2026. Email or mailed submissions will be accepted (email submittals are strongly preferred), but regardless of the submittal method, it is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure confirmation of proposal receipt prior to the Closing Date for Receipt of Proposals. Proposals received after the time and date fixed for submittal will not be considered.

3. **SECTION 1, ADMINISTRATIVE OVERVIEW, Section 1.2, SCHEDULE OF KEY DATES.** Delete and replace with the following:

The schedule of key dates set forth herein represents the RCUH's best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. Any of the dates listed below may be changed at any time at the sole discretion of the RCUH Procurement Officer or Delegated Procurement Officer.

Date of Notice (RFP Issued):... February 13, 2026  
Closing Date for Receipt of Offeror's Attachment A  
(Notice of Intent to Submit a Proposal):... February 27, 2026 at 1:30PM (HST)  
Closing Date for Receipt of Offeror Questions:..... March 3, 2026 at 4:30PM (HST)  
Closing Date for Posting Responses to Questions:... March 6, 2026 at 4:30PM (HST)  
Closing Date for Receipt of Proposals: ..... March 11, 2026 at 4:30PM (HST)  
Oral Presentations (tentative):..... March 12, 2026 – March 16, 2026  
Proposal Review Period: ..... March 12, 2026 – March 19, 2026  
Date of Contractor Selection and Award: ..... March 20, 2026  
Services Start Date (Tentative): ..... April 1, 2026

4. **SECTION 1, ADMINISTRATIVE OVERVIEW, Section 1.4, QUESTIONS BY OFFERORS AND POTENTIAL OFFERORS TO RCUH.** Delete the first paragraph and replace it with the following:

All questions by Offerors or potential Offerors should be submitted in writing via email to William Stormont at [william.t.stormont@hawaii.gov](mailto:william.t.stormont@hawaii.gov). RCUH reserves the right to only respond to questions regarding proposal requirements, contents, and details, that are received by 4:30 PM, HST March 3, 2026. All received questions and responses will be posted by 4:30 PM HST March 6, 2026 on the following website, [RCUH - Open RFPs/RFQs](https://www.rcuh.com/opportunities/rfps-rfqs/open-rfps-rfqs/) (<https://www.rcuh.com/opportunities/rfps-rfqs/open-rfps-rfqs/>).

5. **SECTION 1, ADMINISTRATIVE OVERVIEW, Section 1.14, OPENING OF PROPOSALS.** Delete the first sentence and replace it with the following:

Proposals will be opened after 4:30 P.M. Hawaii Standard Time, on March 11, 2026, or as amended, at the office to which the proposals are submitted.

6. **SECTION 2, STATEMENT OF WORK, Term of Agreement.** Delete and replace with the following:

The Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year and is intended to begin tentatively on April 1, 2026 and end on March 31, 2027. The Agreement may be extended with an amendment based on mutual agreement between RCUH and Contractor.

7. **SECTION 4, EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS AND BASIS FOR AWARD, Section 4.1, EVALUATION OF OFFEROR PROPOSALS.** Delete and replace with the following:

All responsive proposals received by the Closing Date for Receipt of Proposals of 4:30 PM Hawaii Standard Time, March 11, 2026, will be evaluated and scored.

8. **SECTION 4, EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS AND BASIS FOR AWARD, Section 4.5, ORAL PRESENTATIONS.** Delete and replace with the following:

At RCUH's discretion, in-person oral presentations of the proposal may be held at Mauna Kea Stewardship and Authority, 688 Kinoole Street, #212, Hilo, Hawaii 96720. These presentations are tentatively scheduled for March 12 – March 16, 2026. RCUH will coordinate presentation date and time with the Offerors. The inability of an Offeror to give an oral presentation to the Evaluation Committee may result in the Offeror's disqualification, at the discretion of RCUH.

No new information can be presented at the oral presentation. The oral presentations provide Offerors an opportunity to explain their proposal, to clarify any statements, and to respond to the Evaluation Committee's questions. The Offeror is also provided the opportunity to ask questions of RCUH.

If, after the Offerors' presentations, RCUH determines that an amendment to the RFP is needed, Offerors will allowed to submit a revised proposal or amend their original proposal. This submission will be considered their best and final offer (BAFO), and will be rescored.

The Evaluation Committee will submit its evaluations to the Delegated Procurement Officer. The Delegated Procurement Officer will review the RFP and the evaluations before the selection of a Contractor. The firm with the highest score according to the criteria shown in this section shall be awarded the contract.

It is understood that this Amendment to the Request for Proposals is supplemental to the Request for Application issued on February 13, 2026, and that all terms, conditions and provisions of the Request for Application remain in full force and effect unless specifically modified, altered or changed herein.