



QBS Facilitator Council Achievements Report 2012-13

The Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Facilitator Council has been in existence since 1999. We are a non-profit coalition of organizations partnering in our efforts to educate governmental entities on the value of qualification based selection practices. To contact us for information or assistance on QBS please call the QBS office at 208-321-1736 or email us at tottens@clearwire.net. Our website is www.idahoqbs.com.

Partners:

Ten partners have committed their time, energy and/or funding for the ten-year period that began in the 1999 year. The partners include those listed at the top of the stationary and two additional - Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) and the Construction Managers.

Technical Assistance

Since June of 1999, our founding year, we have had 487 total requests for information or assistance for an average of 35 requests a year we have fielded.. In 2013, we fielded 32 requests for assistance (compared to 38 in the same period last year). Of these:

- 8 of these were actual violations of the law - 7 of these agencies responded to our offer of assistance and changed their RFP to comply with the law. The one left involved a federal agency that declined to respond to our complaint. This is down from last year, we believe due to our increased visibility and education efforts..
- 15 requests were from agencies asking us to help them comply before the RFP was written
- 6 were requests for information from firms
- 3 were requests for training

Of these requests (details are available upon request):

- 22 concerned engineering services
- 3 concerned architectural services
- 4 concerned land surveying services
- 0 concerned construction management
- 3 was a general request, for planning services and for special inspection services

Training/Services:

- We provided one presentation on QBS to the City of Wendell
- We have provided training and interviewing services to the City of New Meadows.
- We met with and negotiated an agreement with the Department of Lands concerning the procurement of Land Surveying services

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