DELTA CONVEYANCE
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY
PROTEST POLICY

A. **Applicability**. This Policy applies to the procurement of competitively solicited goods, materials, and services. Protests shall be handled in accordance with the following.

B. **Timeliness**. Any protest of a solicitation (e.g., Request for Bid, Request for Proposal, Request for Qualification) must be made in writing and received by the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority ("DCA") at 1121 L Street, Suite 1045 Sacramento, CA 95814 and to protests@dcdca.org.

1. Protests of award/selection must be received no later than five (5) working days after notification of protestor's selection status.

2. The protest must be made in writing (e.g., letter and e-mail) and must contain the following information:
   a) Name, address and phone number of the protestor
   b) The title and solicitation number and title of the solicitation being protested
   c) A detailed statement providing the basis for the protest and all supporting documentation

3. The DCA will respond after an investigation of the facts citing any actions that will or will not be taken regarding the solicitation.

4. Late protests shall be dismissed.

C. **Exclusive Remedy**. The procedure and time limits set forth in this section are mandatory and are the sole and exclusive remedy in the event of a Protest. A Protestor's failure to comply with these procedures will constitute a waiver of any right to further pursue a Protest, including filing a Government Code Claim or initiation of legal proceedings.

D. **Right to Award**. The DCA reserves the right to award the Contract to the Respondent it has determined to be the Respondent submitting the lowest responsive bid, in the case of a Request for Bid, or to the Respondent submitting the best value proposal or the Respondent that is the most qualified, in the case of a Request for Proposal or Statement of Qualifications, and to issue a notice to proceed with the Work notwithstanding any pending or continuing challenge to its determination.