

Questions have been edited for clarity. Redundant questions have been re-written as a single question and answer.

- 1. I'm interested in the document referenced on page 21 of the competition brief: "A Landscape Level of Integrated Value Ecosystems (ALIVE) Program Memorandum of Understanding among the Colorado Dept of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, US Fish and Wildlife Service, the USDA Forest Service, US Bureau of Land Management, Colorado Dept of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife." Where I can find a copy of the memorandum?**

The memorandum and related information is available at <http://i70mtncorridorcss.com/working-groups-alive>. In Phase 2 of the competition, short-listed teams will be provided with a compendium of technical documents as an appendix to the Phase 2 Design Competition Brief.

- 2. I want to download the 'Call for Expressions of Interest' from the Competition website. How can I receive the 'Call for Expressions of Interest' without entering my personal information.**

The *Call for Expressions of Interest* can be downloaded at <http://www.arc-competition.com/register.php>. As an accepted practice in competitions of this type, we request basic contact information prior to downloading the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI). This allows us to track who is downloading the EOI and to assess whether our target audiences are hearing about the competition. ARC will not distribute, share or sell contact information. Anyone who enters basic contact information will be directed to the download page for the EOI.

- 3. I notice that the National Park Service is a sponsor of this competition. Can a team made up of NPS employees enter the competition?**

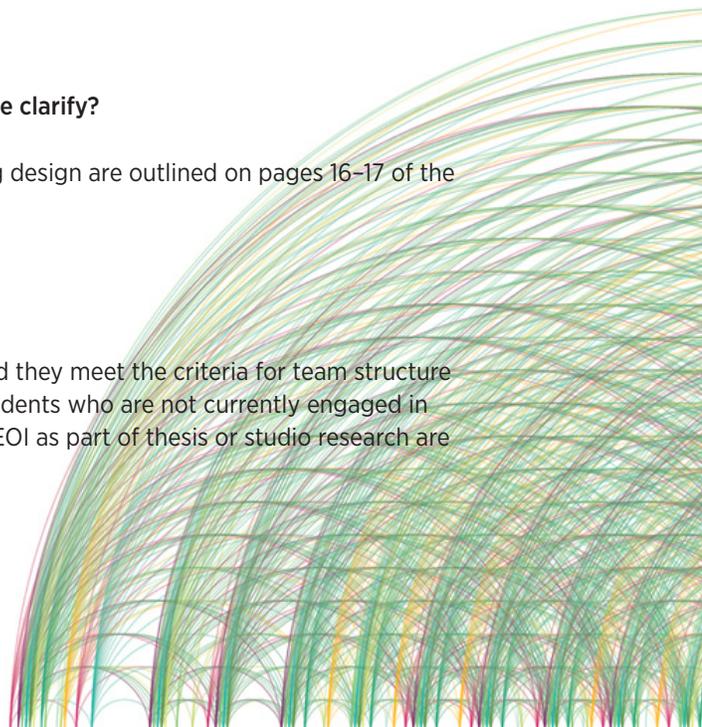
No one associated with ARC may enter the competition. This includes the ARC steering committee, advisors, jurors, sponsors, and their immediate family members. Requirements for team structure are described on page 15 of the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI).

- 4. There is no mention of the competition prize. Can you please clarify?**

The ARC competition honoraria, prize and plans for the winning design are outlined on pages 16-17 of the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI).

- 5. Can students submit ideas to or enter the competition?**

The design competition is open to teams of individuals provided they meet the criteria for team structure set out in the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI). Full-time students who are not currently engaged in professional practice who wish to use the competition brief or EOI as part of thesis or studio research are



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free to do so. Full-time students should check back to the ARC website in late August as Phase 2 of the ARC competition approaches. We are currently in the process of considering a separate student competition. If ARC deems a student competition to be feasible, the relevant details will be posted on the ARC website when Phase 2 launches in September.

## **6. What does the term ‘cover letter’ mean?**

A ‘cover letter’ is an optional letter of introduction, usually written by the team lead to the client or competition organizer. This is not a requirement of submission, but merely an option that reflects the custom of proposal submissions in North America.

## **7. The submission requirements include work samples of up to five completed projects in the past 15 years. Does “completed projects” refer to the completion of the design or to the completion of construction, execution or working drawings etc?**

Teams may elect to include completed projects of various types. For example, work samples may include completed concept design work, completed construction, completed master plans and other executed design work. Teams are expected to show a portfolio of work samples that reflect their ability to work at every stage of the design continuum from concept to construction and implementation.

## **8. Are submissions permitted on A4 size paper, 21cm x 29.7cm?**

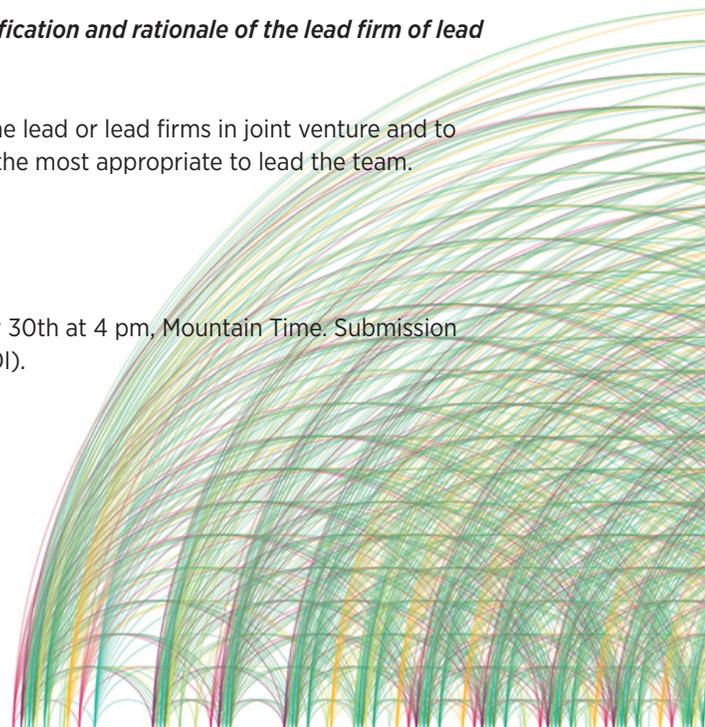
The competition requires a standard, consistent paper size for submissions to be used by all entrants. For the ARC competition the standard is US letter size (8.5”x11”). Most, if not all, international brands of commercial and home office printers allow paper selection for US letter size.

## **9. What does the word “rationale” mean in the phrase “*Identification and rationale of the lead firm of lead firms in joint venture*”?**

This component of the submission requires teams to identify the lead or lead firms in joint venture and to explain or justify why this firm is (or firms in joint venture are) the most appropriate to lead the team.

## **10. Has the deadline for the competition been extended?**

No. The deadline for Expressions of Interest submissions is July 30th at 4 pm, Mountain Time. Submission details are on page 18 of the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI).



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11. I registered for the competition several weeks ago, and I haven't received any news from the organizers. I have all the information for the competition because a friend sent it to me. Have you received my registration?

The registration page is a means for ARC to track who is downloading the *Call for Expressions of Interest* (EOI) and to assess if our target audience is hearing about the competition (see #2 above). Once you enter the basic required information, you will be directed to the download page for the EOI. You should receive an automatic email from ARC thanking you for your interest in the competition. This email will be sent to the email address you provided on the registration page. Teams are officially entered into the competition only when ARC receives your *Expression of Interest* (EOI) submission. Submissions are due on July 30th, 2010, by 4 pm Mountain Daylight Time as outlined under "Submissions" on page 18 of the EOI.

This document is the official ARC response to all questions received during the Q+A period, June 28th through July 9th, 2010. The Q+A period is now closed.

