

**AMENDMENT NO. 3
CONTRACT NO. 455-24-1012 FOR
GEOPHYSICAL DATA ACQUISITION AND FAULT MAPPING
BETWEEN
THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN
BUREAU OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY**

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 3 to Contract No. 455-24-1012 (“Contract”) is entered into by and between the State of Texas, acting through the Railroad Commission of Texas (“RRC”), located at 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, Texas, 78701 and The University of Texas at Austin (“UT”) (“Performing Agency”), located at 3925 West Braker Lane Building 156, Suite 3.340, MC: A9000 Austin TX 78759-5316 (individually, “Party”; collectively, “Parties”).

WHEREAS, SECTION 5.3. AMENDMENT of the Contract provides the Parties may amend the Contract through written agreement; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2025, the Parties executed **Amendment No.1** to modify section **2.1 DESCRIPTION OF WORK.**, by adding reference to “*Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion*” and “*Attachment B-1: Scope of Work Expansion Budget*” and adding deliverables VII, VIII, and IX; and to modify Section **3.1 CONTRACT LIMIT, FEES AND EXPENSES.**, changing the not-to-exceed amount of the Contract from THREE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,793,750.00), to THREE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,893,749.00), as approved by the Commissioners on August 19, 2025, and to modify Section **5.1 TERM.**, to exercise renewal option one (1) of three (3) to continue the Contract through August 31, 2026.

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2026, the Parties executed **Amendment No.2** to the Contract to modify Section **2.1. DESCRIPTION OF WORK.**, by adding reference to “*Attachment A: Scope of Work, Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion, Attachment B: Research Proposal and Budget, Attachment B-1: Scope of Work Expansion Budget, Amd. 2_RRC_Addl Funds Budget V.1, Budget Justification_Lin_Amd.2, and SOW_InjectionCapacity*” and adding deliverables X and XI; and to modify Section **3.1 CONTRACT LIMIT, FEES AND EXPENSES.**, changing the not-to-exceed amount of the Contract from THREE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,893,749.00), to THREE MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,993,627.00), as approved by the Executive Director on February 18, 2026.

WHEREAS, the parties desire to further amend the Contract terms to their mutual benefit to reflect changed circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree to amend the Contract as follows:

I. SECTION 2.1 DESCRIPTION OF WORK., is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“DESCRIPTION OF WORK. UT in accordance with *Attachment A: Scope of Work, Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion, Attachment B: Research Proposal and Budget, Attachment B-1: Scope of Work Expansion Budget, Amd. 2_RRC_Addl Funds Budget V.1, Budget Justification_Lin_Amd.2, SOW_InjectionCapacity, and Scope of Work Extension – Produced Water Value Chain and Solution Readiness Assessment*, shall perform the following services as funding allows:

- I. Coordinate with RRC and procure on RRC’s behalf, as RRC’s purchasing agent, geophysical data in areas impacted by anthropogenic induced seismicity as identified and pre-approved by RRC in writing prior to purchase.

- II. Arrange for RRC's admission as a member of the Center for Injection and Seismicity Research ("CISR") via an in-kind contribution of the geophysical data as set forth in the previous paragraph.
- III. Own, hold, and safeguard third-party geophysical data for the benefit of RRC.
- IV. Execute all third-party agreements necessary for RRC to examine the raw geophysical data on UT's premises and obtain high-quality fault maps and data visualization derivative products.
- V. In coordination with CISR or other similarly qualified research institution, analyze the geophysical data procured under this Contract to identify faults in areas of increased seismicity linked to anthropogenic causes.
- VI. Produce high-quality fault maps and data visualization tools for use by RRC's seismologist as further described in ***Attachment A: Scope of Work***.
- VII. Research the technological and policy constraints and solutions pertaining to produced water management in Texas as further described in ***Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion***.
- VIII. Produce a written policy briefing paper summarizing key issues, analysis, and recommendations as further described in ***Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion***.
- IX. Produce presentation materials suitable for briefings to RRC leadership and external stakeholders as further described in ***Attachment A-1: Scope of Work Expansion***.
- X. Conduct research on the impacts of large-scale injection on subsurface reservoirs, applying geology, seismology, hydrogeology and geomechanics as further described in ***SOW_InjectionCapacity***.
- XI. Produce a written report and series of maps and model outputs as further described in ***SOW_InjectionCapacity***.
- XII. Provide a written assessment covering the value chain analysis, the readiness screening, the regulatory mechanisms, and the identified gaps as further described in ***Scope of Work Extension – Produced Water Value Chain and Solution Readiness Assessment***.
- XIII. Provide the screening matrix and process, documented for the Commission's own use as further described in ***Scope of Work Extension – Produced Water Value Chain and Solution Readiness Assessment***.
- XIV. Provide presentation materials for briefings to RRC leadership and external stakeholders for all of the above deliverables.

II. SECTION 3.1 CONTRACT AMOUNT., is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“CONTRACT AMOUNT. The total amount of fees to be paid by RRC to Contractor under the Contract through the Contract Term shall not exceed **FOUR MILLION NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$4,093,627.00)**, the total of which includes the current NTE amount of **THREE MILLION NINE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$3,993,627.00)**, plus the addition of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$100,000.00)**, as approved by the Executive Director effective as of the date executed by the Parties in this Amendment No.3.”

III. SECTION 5.1 TERM., is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“This Contract is effective as of August 22, 2023, through August 31, 2027 (the initial term of the Contract plus the exercised optional renewal term two of three; collectively, “Contract Term”) unless terminated earlier as provided in IAC No. 455-24-1012.

This contract may be renewed for one (1) additional one year renewal term until either party terminates this Contract for convenience upon (30) days written notice prior to the expiration of the current term.

3rd Renewal: September 1, 2027 – August 31, 2028”

Except as expressly amended above, all provisions of the Contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict among provisions of the Contract, the order of precedence shall be: this Amendment No. 3; then Amendment No. 2; then Amendment No. 1; and then the original Contract, therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Amendment No. 3 to the Contract to be effective as of the date of the last Party’s signature hereto. By signatures below, each signatory represents and warrants that they have the authority to amend the Contract on behalf of the respective Party.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Signed by:

Danny Sorrells for Wei Wang Director, Oil and Gas
Wei Wang
Executive Director

Date of Execution: 8/27/2026

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Signed by:

Jessica C. Fernandez
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Name: Jessica C. Fernandez

Title: Director of Contracting

Date of Execution: 8/26/2026

RRC use only below this line.

Division Director: DS

Chief Administrative Officer: CS

Director of Operations: tl

Office of General Counsel: rl

Date: 8/26/2026

Date: 8/25/2026

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