



# DAWSON

A Native Hawaiian Organization Certified 8(a) Small Business

## THE DAWSON ADVANTAGE

As a Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO) certified 8(a), we offer significant contracting efficiencies to help solve your urgent needs.

### Fast-track the Procurement Process

Contracting with DAWSON is often faster and less costly than traditional procurement methods. Before a solicitation is announced, contracting officers can reach out to DAWSON to contract directly via a sole source award. This will significantly shorten the procurement cycle, reduce the risk of protests, and allow you to begin projects more quickly.

The NHO 8(a) procurement process can accelerate the procurement cycle.

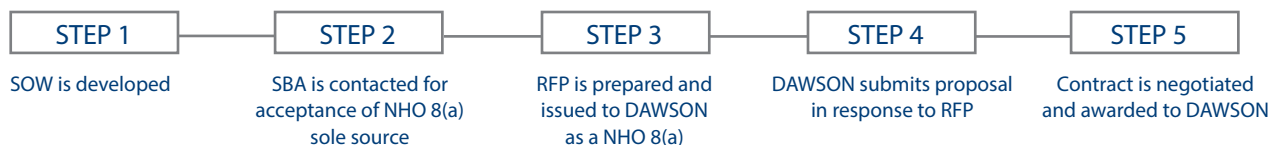


### Take Advantage of Unique NHO 8(a) Program Benefits

- ▶ Exemption from competitive bid limitations on DoD contracts
- ▶ Immunity from protests challenging eligibility for direct awards
- ▶ Eligibility for incentive payments of up to 5% of the total contract value (DoD)
- ▶ Fulfillment of socially and economically disadvantaged business requirements

### Benefit from the DAWSON Contracting Advantage

The Alpha contracting process virtually guarantees the ability to negotiate a fair and reasonable price with fewer uncertainties in less time than with the competitive bidding process.



## Applicable NHO 8(a) Federal Acquisition Regulations

Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO) certified 8(a) Firms owned by a qualifying Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO) and certified by the Small Business Administration as an 8(a) small business offer unique program benefits.

### Absence of a Sole Source Dollar Threshold

13CFR124.506(b)(2). DoD may award a sole source 8(a) contract to a Participant concern owned and controlled by an NHO where the anticipated value of the procurement exceeds the applicable competitive threshold if SBA has not accepted the requirement into the 8(a) BD program as a competitive procurement. There is no requirement that a procurement must be competed whenever possible before it can be accepted on a sole source basis for a NHO-owned concern, but a procurement may not be removed from competition to award it to a NHO-owned concern on a sole source basis.

### Non Challenged 8(a) Sole Source Award

13CFR124.517(a). The eligibility of a Participant for a sole source or competitive 8(a) requirement may not be challenged by another Participant or any other party, either to SBA or any administrative forum as part of a bid or other contract protest.

### The 5% Subcontracting Bonus DFARS 252.226-7001.

A DoD contractor that subcontracts with a firm that is 51% Native Hawaiian-owned and recognized Native Hawaiian as defined by 25 USC 4221(9) is entitled to receive an incentive payment equal to 5% of the amount of the subcontract award.

### Economically Disadvantaged 13CFR124.110(c).

An NHO that meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section is deemed economically disadvantaged.



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DAWSON is an NHO 8(a) small business that was established in 1994 and today is operating in more than a dozen countries that span four of seven continents. DAWSON's highly skilled and specialized staff, proven and in-place management systems, and responsive global reach brings a depth of expertise and versatility to provide Construction, Environmental, Munitions Response, IT/Cyber, and Logistics services to the Department of Defense, other federal agencies, and commercial clients at locations across the globe.

And integral to the exceptional quality of our performance on every project is our commitment to "Kūpono Ka Hana" – Excellence in Service.

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## Contact Us to Benefit from the DAWSON Advantage

Our team is prepared to help you benefit from all the advantages of DAWSON. Contact us today for more information.

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