

# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR JAMES H. TROGDON, III Secretary

December 20, 2017

## NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

### SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract

County: Buncombe

Project Description: Long-Arm Mowing

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for long-arm mowing along various interstate and primary routes in Buncombe County.

The availability date for this project is February 12, 2018

The completion date for this project is February 8, 2019

Sealed bids must be received in the NC Department of Transportation Division Office at 55 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801 by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday January 17, 2018. Bids must be submitted on the official bid sheet included in the proposal and display the following statement on the front of the envelope:

#### QUOTATION FOR CONTRACT # 11755453; LONG-ARM MOWING ALONG VARIOUS INTERSTATE AND PRIMARY ROUTES IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2018.

#### ATTN: MIKE CALLOWAY, DIVISION PROJECT MANAGER

This is a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) contract. To qualify for the NCDOT SBE Program a firm must have an annual gross income of \$1,500,000 or less, exclusive of materials. Only contractors currently certified as an SBE Contractor by the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT and listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms at bid opening will be considered for award of this project.

Prospective bidders who qualify for the SBE Program and are not currently certified should submit a completed application packet prior to bid submittal to allow for review time. The application packet and additional information on the program may be obtained online at:

https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/SmallBusiness/Pages/default.aspx

Per G.S. 136-28.10, a NC General Contractor's license and contract payment and performance bonds may be waived for SBE contracts. For this project, the NC General Contractor's license and contract payment and performance bonds will be waived.

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to check our website for any addenda prior to submitting their bids. For each addendum issued, bidders are directed to sign the addendum acknowledgement form located in the contract proposal.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights of 1964 (78 Stat.252) and the Regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 C.F.R., Part 21), issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this notice will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, color, or national origin.

Proposals may be obtained online at: <u>https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let\_type=13&let\_status=Advertised</u>.

Cordially,

Dan John

Dan Johnson Division Proposal Engineer

cc: Mr. J.J. Swain, Jr., P.E., Division Engineer
Mr. M.T. Gibbs, P.E., Division Maintenance Engineer
Mr. T.S. Wilson, PLS, District Supervisor
Mr. S.H. Killough, Buncombe County Maintenance Engineer
Mr. M.K. Calloway, Division Project Manager