

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS Secretary

April 19, 2024

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract 12126598

County: Buncombe, Burke, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, and Yancey

Project Description: Specialized Mowing, Trimming, and Select Tree Removal upon Request on Various Interstate, Primary, and Secondary Routes.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for specialized mowing, trimming, and select tree removal upon request on various interstate, primary, and secondary routes in Buncombe, Burke, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, and Yancey Counties.

The availability date for this renewable contract is July 1, 2024.

The completion date for this renewable contract is June 30, 2025.

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 May 15, 2024. 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 #12126598 – SPECIALIZED MOWING, TRIMMING, AND SELECTIVE TREE REMOVAL UPON REQUEST ON VARIOUS INTERSTATE, PRIMARY, AND SECONDARY ROUTES IN BUNCOMBE, BURKE, MADISON, MCDOWELL, MITCHELL, RUTHERFORD, AND YANCEY COUNTIES TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024.

ATTN: GABRIEL JOHNSON

Firms that wish to perform work on Division Purchase Order Contracts as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified **prior to submitting a bid**. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified **prior to beginning work on the project**.

Any firm that wishes to bid as a prime contractor shall be pregualified as a Bidder or PO Prime Contractor prior to submitting a bid. Information regarding prequalification can be found at:

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

If you are unsure as to whether your firm is currently prequalified by the Department's Contractual Services Unit, a search of the Directory of Transportation Firms can be performed at the following website:

https://www.ebs.nc.gov/VendorDirectory/search.html?s=pbs&a=new

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to check our website for any addenda prior to submitting their bids. Bidders shall sign the addendum(s) acknowledgement form located in the contract proposal for each addendum issued. Bids submitted without signed acknowledgement for all project addendum(s) may be rejected.

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.

Statements of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises participation must be presented with the bids.

Proposals may be obtained online at:

https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=13&let_status=Advertised.

Sincerely,

Gabriel Johnson, P.E.

DocuSigned by: Have Johnson -7F4F95FB8895418 **Division Project Manager**

Tim Anderson, P.E., Division Engineer cc: Chris Deyton, P.E., Division Maintenance Engineer Scott Killough, Assistant Division Maintenance Engineer Jeff Wait, Division Roadside Environmental Supervisor Paul Roberts, Buncombe County Maintenance Engineer Josh Mashburn, Burke County Maintenance Engineer Jacob Zimmerman, Rutherford County Maintenance Engineer Tyler Shelton, P.E., Madison/Yancey County Maintenance Engineer Dustin Riddle, McDowell/Mitchell County Maintenance Engineer