



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SECRETARY

May 10, 2022

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract 12032479

County: Buncombe

Project Description: Long Arm Mowing Upon Request on Various Interstate, Primary, and Secondary Routes.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for performing long arm mowing on various interstate, primary, and secondary routes in Buncombe County.

The availability date for this renewable contract is **July 11, 2022.**

The completion date for this renewable contract is **July 10, 2023.**

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, June 1, 2022. 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 #12032479 – LONG ARM MOWING UPON REQUEST ON VARIOUS INTERSTATE, PRIMARY, AND SECONDARY ROUTES IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022.

ATTN: DAN JOHNSON

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.

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If you are unsure as to whether your firm is currently certified as an SBE Contractor 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>

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. **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.

Proposals may be obtained online at:

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

New requirement effective all lettings June 1, 2022 and later: Bidders must be registered on the **Interested Parties List** to be prequalified to bid no later than one business day prior to the advertised letting date for each contract that a bid is being submitted. Instructions on how to register as an Interested Party can be found at the following link:

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/InterestedPartiesHelp/Interested-Parties-step-by-step.pdf>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dan Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dan" and last name "Johnson" clearly distinguishable.

Dan Johnson
Division 13 Contract/Proposal Engineer

cc: Mark Gibbs, P.E., Division 13 Engineer
Tim Anderson, P.E., Division 13 Maintenance Engineer
Scott Killough, Assistant Division 13 Maintenance Engineer
Jeff Wait, Division 13 Roadside Environmental Engineer
Chris Medlin, P.E., District 2 Engineer