

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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November 4, 2024

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract D13POC.D1.9000.01.

County: Burke, McDowell, Mitchell, and Rutherford

Project Description: Flagging Services for Maintenance Operations Upon Request

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for flagging services for maintenance operations upon request in Burke, McDowell, Mitchell, and Rutherford Counties to be let at 2:00 PM on Thursday, November 7, 2024.

The availability date for this project is **November 14, 2024.**

The completion date for this project is **November 13, 2025.**

EMERGENCY BID REQUIREMENTS

This is an Emergency Response contract and as such, the Department has determined that it is not feasible nor in the public's interest to comply with statutory bidding requirements in obtaining equipment and/or contractors for assistance in our cleanup efforts. This is being done pursuant to the authority granted by G.S. 136-28.1 (e). As a result, the following changes apply to this contract:

Liability insurance requirements per Standard Specification 107-15 shall be reduced from \$5million to \$1million.

The Department's normal licensing requirements are waived for this Emergency project. A minimum of 3 contractors will be solicited to bid for work on this contract.

Bids shall be emailed to Chad Loftis at the following email address <u>celoftis@ncdot.gov</u> and must be time stamped in the inbox no later than 2:00 P.M. on Friday, November 7, 2024.

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, an 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:

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

Sincerely, Docusigned by:

Chad Loftis
Chad Loftis
Division Contracts Engineer

cc: Tim Anderson, P.E., Division Engineer
Chris Deyton, P.E., Deputy Division Engineer
Scott Killough, Division Maintenance Engineer
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Chad Young, District 1 Engineer
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