



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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November 20, 2024

**NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS**

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract DM00453.

County: Buncombe

Project Description: Replacement of Overhead Sign Structure on Eastbound I-40 at Exit 53A

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for replacement of overhead sign structure on eastbound I-40 at exit 53A in Buncombe County to be let at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, December 18, 2024.

The availability date for this project is **January 27, 2025**.

The completion date for this project is **June 26, 2025**.

**Bids for this project must be submitted electronically. Refer to the Instructions to Bidders in the proposal for more information.**

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 your bid**. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified **prior to beginning work on the project**.

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Any firm that wishes to bid as a prime contractor shall be prequalified 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 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.

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.

**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,

Chad Loftis  
Division Contracts Engineer

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