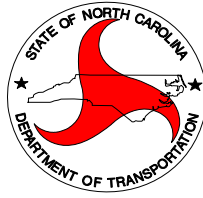


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



DIVISION FIVE

CONTRACT PROPOSAL
SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

WBS: Various
ROUTES: Various
COUNTY: Wake
DESCRIPTION: Dead Animal Removal and Disposal from Various State System Routes
BID OPENING: Monday, November 5, 2012 at 2:00 pm

NAME OF BIDDER

N.C. CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

ADDRESS OF BIDDER

RETURN BIDS TO:

**DIVISION ENGINEER
NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
2612 NORTH DUKE STREET
DURHAM, NC 27704**

ATTENTION: Michael J. Kneis, PE

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY
BEFORE PREPARING AND SUBMITTING YOUR BID.

All bids shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the following requirements. Failure to comply with any requirement shall cause the bid to be considered irregular and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid.

1. The bid sheet furnished by NCDOT with the proposal shall be used and shall not be altered in any manner. **DO NOT SEPARATE THE BID SHEET FROM THE PROPOSAL!**
2. All entries on the bid sheet, including signatures, shall be written in ink.
3. The Bidder shall submit a unit price for every item on the bid form. The unit prices for the various contract items shall be written in figures.
4. An amount bid shall be entered on the bid sheet for every item. The amount bid for each item shall be determined by multiplying each unit bid by the quantity for that item, and shall be written in figures in the "Amount Bid" column of the sheet.
5. The total amount bid shall be written in figures in the proper place on the bid sheet. The total amount shall be determined by adding the amounts bid for each item.
6. Changes in any entry shall be made by marking through the entry in ink and making the correct entry adjacent thereto in ink. A representative of the Bidder shall initial the change in ink.
7. The bid shall be properly executed. All bids shall show the following information:
 - a. Name of individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or joint venture submitting bid.
 - b. Name of individual or representative submitting bid and position or title.
 - c. Name, signature, and position or title of witness.
 - d. Federal Identification Number (or Social Security Number of Individual)
 - e. Contractor's License Number (if Applicable)
8. Bids submitted by corporations shall bear the seal of the corporation.
9. The bid shall not contain any unauthorized additions, deletions, or conditional bids.
10. The bidder shall not add any provision reserving the right to accept or reject an award, or to enter into a contract pursuant to an award.
11. **THE PROPOSAL WITH THE BID SHEET STILL ATTACHED SHALL BE PLACED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND SHALL HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO AND RECEIVED IN THE DIVISION ENGINEER'S OFFICE AT 2612 North Duke Street Durham, NC 27704 BY 2:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2012.**
12. The sealed bid must display the following statement on the front of the sealed envelope:

Quotation for Dead Animal Removal and Disposal from Various State System Routes in Wake County to be opened at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2012.

13. If delivered by mail, the sealed envelope shall be placed in another sealed envelope and the outer envelope shall be addressed as follows:

**Division Engineer
North Carolina Department Of Transportation
ATTENTION: Michael J. Kneis, PE
2612 North Duke Street
Durham, NC 27704**

AWARD OF CONTRACT

The award of the contract, if it be awarded, will be made to the lowest responsible Bidder in accordance with Section 102 (excluding 102-2 and 102-10) of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures 2012. The lowest responsible will be notified that his bid has been accepted and that he has been awarded the contract. NCDOT reserves the right to reject all bids.

PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT

Standard Provisions

GENERAL

This contract is for the removal and proper disposal of dead animals from various state system routes in Wake County. The Engineer will notify the contractor of each dead animal location throughout the life of the contract.

All work and materials shall be in accordance with the provisions of the General Guidelines of this contract, the Project Special Provisions, the North Carolina Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures 2012, the North Carolina Department of Transportation 2012 Roadway Standards Drawings, and the current edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), with the exception that bid bonds are *not* required.

The Contractor shall keep himself fully informed of all Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, and regulations, and shall comply with the provisions of Section 107 of the Standard Specifications.

The quantities stated in the Bid Form are estimates and are not guaranteed.

SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

To be eligible to bid on a project advertised under the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program, a business must have an annual gross income of \$1,500,000 or less, excluding materials. Bidders must be certified as an SBE contractor prior to bidding on an SBE project. Certification requirements may be found at: <http://www.ncdot.org/business/ocs/sbe/>. SBE contracts are limited to \$500,000 per year.

CONTRACT TIME

The date of availability for this project is November 13, 2012. The Contractor may begin work prior to this date upon approval of the Engineer or his duly authorized representative. If such approval is given, and the Contractor begins work prior to the date of availability, the Department of Transportation will assume no responsibility for any delays caused prior to the date of availability by any reason whatsoever, and such delays, if any, will not constitute a valid reason for extending the completion date.

No work will be permitted and no purchase order will be issued until all required bonds and prerequisite conditions and certifications have been satisfied.

The completion date for this project is December 31, 2013 or at the limit of \$500,000 dollars. The Contractor shall submit his bid for one year.

TERM OF THE CONTRACT

The Contractor shall submit his bid for one year. At the option of the Department, this contract may be extended for two (2) additional periods of one (1) year each (maximum three year total). The year for the renewal periods shall begin January 1 and end December 31 of the following year. No changes in the terms, conditions, etc. of this contract will be made when an extension to the contract is implemented. The Engineer will notify the Contractor in writing by November 1 if the contract may be extended. The Contractor must notify the Engineer in writing by November 15 of his acceptance or rejection of this offer. Failure on the part of the Contractor to reply will be received as a rejection of contract extension.

AUTHORITY OF THE ENGINEER

The Engineer for this project shall be the Division Engineer, Division 5, Division of Highways, North Carolina Department of Transportation, acting directly or through his duly authorized representatives.

The Engineer will decide all questions which may arise as to the quality and acceptability of work performed and as to the rate of progress of the work; all questions which may arise as to the interpretation of the contract; and all questions as to the acceptable fulfillment of the contract on the part of the Contractor. His decision shall be final and he shall have executive authority to enforce and make effective such decisions and orders as the Contractor fails to carry out promptly.

NOTIFICATION OF WORK

The NCDOT will notify the Contractor of each location on the state highway system where a dead animal is to be picked up. Notification will be done by fax and phone. **The Contractor will have until the end of the calendar day following the day of notification to remove the dead animal.**

The contractor shall only pick up dead animals as directed by the Engineer.

PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS

The Contractor shall pursue the work diligently with workmen in sufficient numbers, abilities, and supervision, and with equipment, materials, and methods of construction as may be required to complete the work described in the contract by the completion date and in accordance with Section 108 of the Standard Specifications

The Contractor's vehicles and equipment shall not be parked within the State Highway System right of way overnight or at other times when work has been suspended unless approved by the Engineer, and in no case within 30 feet of the edge of pavement. The Engineer may designate specific locations for parking equipment.

The Contractor shall furnish the applicable certifications and documentation for all materials as required by the Standard Specifications. Material which is not properly certified will not be accepted.

TRAFFIC CONTROL AND WORK ZONE SAFETY

All traffic control shall be done in accordance with the latest edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and NCDOT policies. All personnel when working in traffic areas or areas in close proximity to traffic shall wear an approved safety vest, or shirt or jacket which meets the color requirements of the MUTCD.

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations governing safety, health, and sanitation, and shall provide all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment, and shall take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility that are reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public, and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

Failure to comply with any of the requirements for safety and traffic control of this contract shall result in suspension of work as provided in subarticle 108-7(2) of the Standard Specifications.

SAFETY VESTS

All Contractors' personnel, all subcontractors and their personnel, and any material suppliers and their personnel must wear an OSHA approved reflective vest or outer garment at all times while on the project.

SUPERVISION BY CONTRACTOR

At all times during the life of the project the Contractor shall provide one permanent employee who shall have the authority and capability for overall responsibility of the project and who shall be personally available at the work site within 24 hours notice. Such employee shall be fully authorized to conduct all business with the subcontractors, to negotiate and execute all supplemental agreements, and to execute the orders or directions of the Engineer.

At all times that work is actually being performed, the Contractor shall have present on the project one competent individual who is authorized to act in a supervisory capacity over all work on the project, including work subcontracted. The individual who has been so authorized shall be experienced in the type of work being performed and shall be fully capable of managing, directing, and coordinating the work; of reading and thoroughly understanding the contract; and receiving and carrying out directions from the Engineer or his authorized representatives. He shall be an employee of the Contractor unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

The Contractor may, at his option, designate one employee to meet the requirements of both positions. However, whenever the designated employee is absent from the work site, an authorized individual qualified to act in a supervisory capacity on the project shall be present.

CONTRACT PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BOND

Due to the nature of this project, no performance or payments bonds will be required.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Contractor shall provide liability insurance conforming to the requirements of Article of 107-15 of the Standard Specifications.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 97-19, all contractors of the Department of Transportation are required, prior to beginning services, to show proof of coverage issued by a workers' compensation insurance carrier, or a certificate of compliance issued by the Department of Insurance for self-insured subcontractors stating that it has complied with N.C.G.S. § 97-93 irrespective of whether subcontractors have regularly in service fewer than three employees in the same business within the State of North Carolina, and subcontractors shall be hereinafter liable under the Workers' Compensation Act for payment of compensation and other benefits to its employees for any injury or death due to an accident arising out of and in the course of performance of the work insured by the subcontractor.

SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT

The Contractor shall not sublet, sell, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of this contract or any portion thereof; or his right, title, or interest therein; without written consent of the Engineer. Subletting of this contract or any portion of the contract shall conform to the requirements of Article of 108-6 of the Standard Specifications

DEFAULT OF CONTRACT

The Department of Transportation shall have the right to declare a default of contract for breach by the Contractor of any material term or condition of the contract. Default of contract shall be in accordance with the terms, conditions, and procedures of Article 108-9 of the Standard Specifications.

BANKRUPTCY

The Department of Transportation, at its option, may terminate the contract upon filing by the Contractor of any petition for protection under the provisions of the Federal Bankruptcy Act.

CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION OR EXTENSION OF TIME

Any claims for additional compensation and/or extensions of the completion date shall be submitted to the Division Engineer in writing, with detailed justification, **prior** to submitting the final invoice payment. Once an invoice is received and accepted that is marked as "Final", the Contractor shall be barred from recovery.

DEBARMENT STATEMENT

The Contractor certifies and understands that by his/her signature on the Bid Form that he/she and the contracting firm he/she represents has not been banned, debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency.

PROMPT PAYMENT

Prompt Payment of Monies Due Subcontractors, Second Tier Subcontractors and Material Suppliers

Contractors at all levels, prime, subcontractor, or second tier contractor, shall within seven calendar days of receipt of monies, resulting from work performed on the project or services rendered, pay subcontractors, second tier subcontractors, or material suppliers, as appropriate. This seven-day period begins upon knowledgeable receipt by the contracting firm obligated to make a subsequent periodic payment or final payment. These prompt payment requirements will be met if each firm mails the payment to the next level firm by evidence of postmark within the seven-day period.

This provision for prompt payment shall be incorporated into each subcontract or second tier subcontract issued for work performed on the project or for services provided.

Failure of any entity to make prompt payment as defined herein may result in (1) withholding of money due to that entity in the next partial payment until such assurances are made satisfactory to this provision; or (2) removal of an approved contractor from the pre-qualified bidders list or the removal of other entities from the approved subcontractors list.

PAYMENT AND RETAINAGE

The Contractor may submit requests for partial payments on a monthly basis, or other interval as approved by the Engineer. Compensation for all pay items shall be in accordance with the Standard Specifications. The amount of partial payments will be based on the work accomplished and accepted by the last day of the approved pay period.

Upon satisfactory completion of the work and acceptance by the Department, the contractor shall submit invoices in triplicate for each job site according to materials used. All invoices shall have a separate invoice number and include the Requisition and Purchase Order Number of the appropriate contract. All invoice items and unit costs shall correspond to contract pay items. In the event of error or discrepancy in items or unit costs, the Department may return the invoice to the contractor for correction. The invoice shall be completely and legibly filled out with all appropriate information and shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Contractor.

All requests for payment shall be submitted to the Wake Maintenance Engineer's Office.

**Wake County Maintenance Engineer
N.C. Department of Transportation
1579 Mail Service Center (Mail)
1301 Blue Ridge Road (Delivery)
Raleigh, NC 27606**

Due to the nature of the contract, no retainage will be withheld. However, the Department reserves the right to withhold payment for a specific location until after successful completion of the work as verified by the final inspection of that location.

GIFTS FROM VENDORS AND CONTRACTORS

(12-15-09)

SP1 G152

By Executive Order 24, issued by Governor Perdue, and *N.C. G.S. § 133-32*, it is unlawful for any vendor or contractor (i.e. architect, bidder, contractor, construction manager, design professional, engineer, landlord, offeror, seller, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor), to make gifts or to give favors to any State employee of the Governor's Cabinet Agencies (i.e. Administration, Commerce, Correction, Crime Control and Public Safety, Cultural Resources, Environment and Natural Resources, Health and Human Services, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Revenue, Transportation, and the Office of the Governor). This prohibition covers those vendors and contractors who:

- (1) have a contract with a governmental agency; or
- (2) have performed under such a contract within the past year; or
- (3) anticipate bidding on such a contract in the future.

For additional information regarding the specific requirements and exemptions, vendors and contractors are encouraged to review Executive Order 24 and *G.S. § 133-32*.

Executive Order 24 also encouraged and invited other State Agencies to implement the requirements and prohibitions of the Executive Order to their agencies. Vendors and contractors should contact other State Agencies to determine if those agencies have adopted Executive Order 24

EMPLOYMENT

(11-15-11) (Rev. 1-17-12)

108, 102

RG184

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 1-20, Subarticle 102-15(O), delete and replace with the following:

- (O) Failure to restrict a former Department employee as prohibited by Article 108-5.

Page 1-65, Article 108-5 Character of Workmen, Methods, and Equipment, line 32, delete all of line 32, the first sentence of the second paragraph and the first word of the second sentence of the second paragraph.

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE CHANGE

(9-18-12)

SP1 G185

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Replace all references to "State Highway Administrator" with "Chief Engineer".

Special Provisions

DEAD ANIMAL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL

The Division of Highways is responsible for the removal and proper disposal of any and all dead animals found on the state's highways. Animals can be domestic or wild and can range in size from a cat to a deer.

The work covered by this provision consists of the removal and disposal of all types of dead animals from within the right of way limits of the state highway system in Wake County. Domestic dead animals that have a collar must be picked up also, the Contractor will record the information off of the tags on the collar and give to the Department. The number of dead animals indicated on the bid form is an estimate for bidding purposes only and is intended to cover an entire calendar year. The actual amount may be higher or lower.

In order to account for all dead animals disposed of, the Contractor shall photograph each dead animal on site. The Contractor shall submit the photographs to the Department either by hard copy or on CD. Each photograph shall be numbered to correspond the order in which the dead animals were picked up, also the date and time shall be listed on the photograph. One photograph shall be taken at approximately 5 to 10 feet from the carcass to identify the animal. A second photograph shall be taken from 50 to 100 feet from the carcass to identify the location. Both photographs shall include the carcass. **The photographs must accompany all invoices (see Basis of Payment).**

The Contractor shall fill out a log sheet for each day's work. The log sheet will show the number of the dead animal that will correspond with the photograph, date and time dead animal was picked up, the location of the dead animal and type of dead animal. **The log sheet shall be turned in to the Department the following business day. The Contractor will be charged one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day late fee for logs received after the following business day. The Department will provide the log sheets.**

All animals must be taken to a Sanitary Landfill for disposal *on the same day* that they are removed from the right of way. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to be aware of all requirements for disposal of dead animals at the landfill. **A weigh ticket must be obtained and must accompany all invoices (see Basis of Payment).** Animals shall not be disposed of on public rights of way or on private property.

BASIS OF PAYMENT

The quantity of dead animal removals and disposals to be paid for will be the actual number of dead animals removed and disposed from the highway. A separate line item will be used for site visits where an animal cannot be found. **Only those dead animals that have been faxed or called to the Contractor by the Engineer or his representative will be counted. If the Contractor comes across a dead animal that has not been reported they must contact the Department for the approval to remove**

the dead animal. Any dead animal pick up without the Department’s knowledge will not be paid.

Bid prices and payments will be full compensation for all work, including but not limited to supervision, labor, disposal fees, transportation, traffic control, fuels, lubricants, repair parts, equipment, machinery, and tools, necessary for the prosecution and completion of the work.

The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the District Engineer’s office by the fifth day of each month for the previous months work completed. **The invoice must also include weigh tickets from a sanitary landfill and photographs of the carcasses.** The landfill weigh ticket must indicate the tonnage of the load and the date of disposal. Invoices that are not accompanied by the respective photographs and/or weigh tickets will not be paid.

The quantity of dead animals removed and disposed, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the contract unit price per each animal for **“Dead Animal Removal and Disposal”** for the various highway systems. The quantity of site visits that do not yield a dead animal will be paid for at the contract unit price per each site visit under **“Site Visits - No Dead Animal”**. Invoices shall be submitted to the following:

N. C. Department of Transportation
1579 Mail Service Center (MAIL)
Raleigh, NC 27699-1579
1301 Blue Ridge Rd. (DELIVERY)
Raleigh, NC 27607

Payment for this item will be made for as follows:

Dead Animal Removal and Disposal..... Each
Site Visit – No Dead Animal..... Each

INSPECTION

All work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer at any time. Routinely, the Engineer or designated representative will make periodic (next day) inspections of the completed work. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to keep the Engineer informed of work accomplished on a frequency to be determined by the Engineer.

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

(To Be Executed and Returned with Quotation)

The person executing this bid solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent, or employee of the bidder has entered into any agreement, restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this bid.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR _____

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR _____

NOTE – AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED

Subscribed and sworn to me this the _____
Day of _____ 20 ____ .

NOTARY SEAL

(SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC)

Of _____ County.

State of _____ .

My Commission Expires: _____ .

North Carolina Department of Transportation PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT BID FORM

Work Order: Various

Description: 2013 Dead Animal Removal and Disposal from Various State System Routes

County: Wake

ITEM	SECT	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (\$)	AMOUNT BID (\$)
1	SP	DEAD ANIMAL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL	4100	EA		
2	SP	SITE VISITS - NO DEAD ANIMAL	50	EA		

TOTAL BID FOR PROJECT: _____

CONTRACTOR _____

ADDRESS _____

FEDERAL I.D. NO. _____

CONTRACTOR LICENSE NO. _____

AUTHORIZED AGENT _____

TITLE _____

SIGNATURE _____

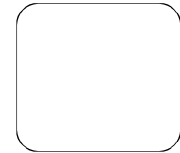
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WITNESS _____

TITLE _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____



CORPORATE SEAL