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To: Prospective Bidders
From: Neil Butler, Division Proposals Engineer
Subject: Invitation to Bid

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Let Date: July 15, 2026
Time: 2:00 PM
Public Reading NCDOT Division Conference Room
Location: 558 Gillespie Street, Fayetteville, North Caro

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for the project listed below. The availability date for this project is the **Date of Issued PO**. The completion date for this project is **July 31, 2027**.

All Prospective Bidders shall attend a **Mandatory Pre-bid Conference on Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 11:00 A.M** held in the **NCDOT Division Training Room, 558 Gillespie Street, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301**.

Contract: D6BR.SBE.025
Route: I-295
Federal Aid: State Funded
County: Cumberland & Robeson
WBS: 6RE.102614 & 6RE.102634
Description: Vegetation Removal & Litter Pickup - Bridges, Culverts, Pipes & Landscaping

Under the provisions of this Program, your firm is required to be certified as a SBE Contractor with the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT, and be listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms, prior to bidding on this contract. 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>.

Under the provisions of this Program, a NC General Contractor’s License, Contract Payment Bonds and Contract Performance Bonds are not required.

The Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this Invitation to Bid, Minority Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in compensation to this award.

Proposals, plans and any other supporting documentation, including addendums if needed, may be downloaded free of charge from the Division Six web site, located on the [Bidding and Letting Site](#).

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Electronic bidding is not available for this proposal. The entire, completed Proposal, with the itemized Contract Bid Form Sheet attached, shall be placed in a sealed envelope, and shall be delivered to, and received in the appropriate office as stated above. See *Instructions To Bidders* on page C-4 of the proposal for more detail.

Should you have questions, or need additional information, please contact Neil Butler, Division Proposals Engineer at jnbutler@ncdot.gov or Julio Williams, Assistant Division Proposals Engineer at jbwilliams7@ncdot.gov or either by phone at 910-364-0603.

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Notice Regarding Upcoming Buy America Changes

On January 14, 2025, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) terminated its General Waiver for Manufactured Products and established specific Buy America requirements for their use on Federal-aid highway projects.

This means that as of the following dates, materials defined as manufactured products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid highway projects will have to be manufactured in the United States.

Key Implementation Dates

- Phase 1: contracts obligated on or after **October 1, 2025**
 - Final assembly of all manufactured products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid highway projects must occur in the United States.
 - Phase 2: contracts obligated on or after **October 1, 2026**
 - Final assembly of all manufactured products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid highway projects must occur in the United States.
- AND
- The cost of U.S.-produced components in manufactured products must be greater than 55% of the total cost of all components.

Definition of Manufactured Products

Manufactured Products are defined as articles, materials, or supplies that:

- Have been processed into a specific form and shape, or
- Have been combined with other articles or supplies to create a product with different properties than the individual articles, materials, or supplies.

This places greater emphasis on using domestically produced materials on these projects and is consistent with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).