

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SECRETARY

February 20, 2017

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

SUBJECT: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract

COUNTY: Buncombe

ROUTE: I-40 East/Westbound lanes and median areas at mile posts

45.6, 51.5, 52.3 and 53

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The North Carolina Department of Transportation is seeking the services of a Licensed Landscape Contractor/Grounds Maintenance Company to maintain a Preestablished Ornamental Landscape Planting. The work shall include: Litter and debris pick-up; Mowing and line/blade trimming; Post- emergence and pre-emergence herbicide treatment; Hand pulling of various grasses and broadleaf weeds; Plant bed repair; Removal of dead plant material; Pruning of native grasses; and Removal and off-site disposal of clipping debris.

The date of availability for this contract is April 10, 2017.

The completion date for this contract is October 31, 2017.

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 March 15, 2017. 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 11684548, LICENSED LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR/ GROUNDS MAINTENANCE COMPANY TO MAINTAIN PRE-ESTABLISHED ORNAMENTAL LANDSCAPE PLANTINGS IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY. TO BE OPENED AT 2:00PM ON MARCH 15, 2017 ATTN: MIKE CALLOWAY, DIVISION PROJECT MANAGER 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.

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 by the Contractual Services Unit, a search of the Directory of Transportation Firms can be performed at the following website: https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/directory/

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. Bids submitted without acknowledgement of receipt of all project addendum(s) included will not be considered for award.

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.

Statements of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises participation must be presented with the bids.

Proposals may be obtained online at: https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=13 or from the Division Engineer's office at 55 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801. To be considered for award, proposals obtained from the Departments website shall be printed in their entirety and submitted per the Instructions to Bidders directions. For all other request for proposals, please contact Mr. Mike Calloway., Division Project Manager at (828) 251-6171.

Cordially,

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M.K. Calloway

Division Project Manager

cc: Mr. J.J. Swain, Jr., P.E., Division Engineer

Mr. M.T. Gibbs, P.E., Division Maintenance Engineer

Mr. J.L. Wait, Division Roadside Engineer