

March 14, 2016

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Subject: Invitation to Bid

WBS: 6.102631, 6.102611, 6.202611, 6.202621, 6.104331, 6.104311, 6.204311

& 6.204321

County: Cumberland & Harnett

Description: Tree Removal, Stump Grinding and Overhang Clearing

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for the tree removal, stump grinding and overhang clearing in Cumberland & Harnett Counties. The Contractor is to furnish labor, materials, equipment, and traffic control.

The date of availability is the date of Purchase Order issue.

The completion date is one (1) year from the date of availability.

Sealed bids must be received in the Division Proposals Engineer's Office at 558 Gillespie Street, Fayetteville, NC, 28301 by 10:00 AM on Wednesday, April 6, 2016. Bids must be submitted on the official bid sheet included in the proposal and display the following statements on the front of the sealed envelope:

- 1. QUOTATION FOR SBE 6.102631, ETC. TREE REMOVAL, STUMP GRINDING AND OVERHANG CLEARING 10:00 AM ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2016.
- 2. THE BIDDING CONTRACTOR'S NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER.

SBE PROGRAM INFORMATION

This is a SBE contract and to qualify for the NCDOT SBE Program a firm must have an annual gross income of \$1,500,000.00 or less, exclusive of materials. Only contractors currently certified as a SBE Contractor by the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT and is listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms at bid opening will be eligible to bid on 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, a NC General Contractor's license may be waived for SBE contracts. For this project, the NC General Contractor's license will be waived.

Per G.S. 136-28.10, contract payment and performance bonds may be waived. For this project, the contract payment and performance bonds **will be** waived.

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 Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women Business Enterprise (WBE) participation must be presented with the bids.

Proposals may be obtained from the Division Six web site:

https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=6&let_status=Advertised

Should you have questions, need additional information concerning this project, or need additional information pertaining to the bidding or bidding process, please contact Allen Waddell, Division Proposals Engineer at (910)-486-1493.

Sincerely,

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R. Allen Waddell, P.E. Division Proposals Engineer

cc: Greg Burns, P.E. Ken Murphy, P.E. Randy Wise, P.E. Jerry Bradley, P.E. Scott Pridgen Earl Locklear