# MARIN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS OF BIDS

Notice is hereby given by order of the Marin County Board of Supervisors, that the Director of Public Works will receive bids for:

Project Name: LUCAS VALLEY ROAD MP 9.60 SLOPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

County Project No. 2019-13

Bid Opening Date: May 2, 2024 at 2:30 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 763 0769 1035, Password: DPWENG2024

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76307691035?pwd=9KDR3iLJlars1ZjtVwXav2BLTiQEOz.1

Bids must be submitted electronically through <u>Bid Express®</u>, or by submitting sealed paper bids to the Director of Public Works via the administration desk at 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 304, San Rafael, CA 94903, **on or before the date and time noted above**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on Zoom; Zoom meeting details noted above.

The Marin County Department of Public Works has transitioned its bidding processes to the <u>Bid Express®</u> online platform. Bidders can access current solicitations and a how-to guide for first-time Bid Express users by visiting the County of Marin Bid Express home page at <a href="https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/53528/home">https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/53528/home</a>.

Once registered with Bid Express, bidders will be able to view project solicitations, download bid documents, view and add themselves to the plan holders' list, and submit requests for information.

Bidders may request reasonable accommodation for auxiliary aids by contacting Sharon Ho at Sharon.ho@marincounty.gov or by calling (415) 473-6574.

#### **Project Description:**

Improvements for this project will generally include constructing a reinforced concrete wall supported by drilled shaft foundations and tieback ground anchors along approximately 36 feet of the eastbound shoulder of Lucas Valley Road at Mile Post 9.6. A rock buttress will be installed along the bank of Nicasio Creek to mitigate future slides. The construction will include a stream diversion, staging to maintain one lane of controlled traffic through the site at all times, and road reconstruction. Construction will take place in the daytime hours with traffic control. Construction for this project shall ONLY occur between June 15 and October 15 unless granted approval from the County. Nesting bird survey is required if work is to occur between February 15 to August 31. Coordination with the County will be required for nesting bird survey.

The Engineer's estimate for this project is \$722,000. Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

The Contractor shall possess a valid Class "A" License at time of bid submittal.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder and all subcontractors are required to be registered as a public works contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the Labor Code. The Bidder's and all subcontractors' registration must remain active throughout the term of the Contract.

A Bid Bond, cash, certified check, or cashier's check, in the amount of 10% of the total bid amount payable to the County of Marin shall accompany the Proposal.

Award of contract, if awarded, will be to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposal complies with prescribed requirements, and will be within thirty (30) days after receipt of proposals. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to waive any irregularities.

At the successful Contractor's option, securities may be substituted for the required retention, in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the State of California Public Contract Code.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Sections 7201 and 9203, the County of Marin shall retain 5 percent of the contract price until final completion and acceptance of the project.

This project is to be advertised pursuant to Public Contract Code 22037.

There is no pre-bid meeting scheduled for this project.

#### The DBE contract goal is <u>17%</u>.

Questions concerning the Bid should be submitted via <u>Bid Express</u> no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2024. Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications or estimate must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to bid opening.

**Bidder must visit the work site before submitting a bid.** Bidder shall thoroughly investigate the conditions which will be encountered in the project including, but not limited to, existing underground and overhead utilities, road grade, road width, space needed to flag traffic, staging and site access challenges.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

The County of Marin hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business and woman owned 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 or national origin in consideration for an award.

This is a public works contract subject to the provisions of Part 7 of Division 2 of the California Labor Code (Sections 1720 et seq.). In accordance with Labor Code Section 1771, Contractor and all subcontractors shall pay not less than current prevailing wage rates as determined by the California Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") to all workers employed on this project. Pursuant to Section 1773 of the California Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates for Marin County where the work is to be done have been determined by DIR. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at the Department of Public Works. Prevailing Wage rates are also available at the State of California Division of Labor Statistics and Research website:

### http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD/index.htm

In accordance with Labor Code Section 1815, Contractor and all subcontractors shall pay all workers employed on this project 1 ½ the basic rate of pay for work performed in excess of specified hour limitations. The work performed pursuant to this agreement is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. California Labor Code Sections 1777.1, 1775, and 1813, describe potential penalties contractors or subcontractors may be subject to for failure to comply with the prevailing wage law.

The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the project Special Provisions and can be found at <a href="https://sam.gov/content/wage-determinations">https://sam.gov/content/wage-determinations</a>. Future effective general prevailing wage rates which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed the Federal minimum wage rate requirements in the project Special Provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rages determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The Department will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal minimum wage rate which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

Equipment rental rates as determined by the State of California are listed in the Department of Transportation publication entitled "Labor Surcharges and Equipment Rental Rates," issued semi-monthly.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., eastern time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway

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construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially, and caller anonymity will be respected.

The County of Marin is committed to developing and supporting diverse, equitable, and inclusive values within all aspects of its operations. By conducting business for or with the County, you are representing your commitment to rejecting inequities in employment, services, and practices by ensuring fair and equitable treatment for all.

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