

Florida Department of Transportation
Notice to Contractors / Consultants:

The Department of Transportation is soliciting contracting and consulting services for the Design-Build projects identified below.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Design-Build firms must be qualified in accordance with Rule Chapter 14-91, Florida Administrative Code. Design-Build firms shall satisfy the technical qualification requirements of Rule 14-75, and all qualification requirements of Rule Chapter 14-22, Florida Administrative Code. The Contractor or Joint Venture must be qualified in the advertised Construction Contractor Work Classes. The Contractor or Joint Venture cannot utilize subcontractors to meet the qualification requirements for the Construction Work Classes. The Design Consultant may utilize subconsultants to meet the advertised Professional Services Work Type requirements. All qualification requirements must be met prior to the Response Deadline. Two or more qualified parties submitting as a Joint Venture must meet the Joint Venture requirements of Rule Chapter 14-22, specifically Rule 14-22.007, Florida Administrative Code. Parties to a joint venture must submit a Declaration of Joint Venture, Form No. 375-020-18, and receive approval from the Department prior to the Response Deadline for Letters of Interest or submittal of the Proposal, whichever occurs first.

CONSULTANT ELIGIBILITY: It is a basic tenet of the Department's contracting program that contracts are procured in a fair, open, and competitive manner. The Department requires that consultants representing the Department must be free of conflicting professional or personal interests. In order to prevent potential conflicts of interest, the Department has established guidelines to be followed by design consultants. Please familiarize yourself with the requirements of Procedure No. 375-030-006, also known as: "Restriction on Consultants' Eligibility to Compete for Department Contracts". By submitting a letter of interest or bid proposal as part of a Design-Build firm, or Joint Venture, the design consultant certifies that they are in compliance with Procedure No. 375-030-006. This procedure is available at the following link: [Professional Services Publications Menu](#)

SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES: Section 287.135, Florida Statutes prohibits agencies from contracting with companies for goods or services of \$1 million or more, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes. A company that is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List may not bid on, submit a proposal for, or enter into a contract with an agency or local government entity for goods or services of \$1 million or more.

A Proposal Guaranty of not less than five percent (5%) of the total actual bid in the form of either a certified check, cashier's check, trust company treasurer's check, bank draft of any national or state bank, or a Surety Bid Bond made payable to the Florida Department of Transportation must accompany each bid in excess of \$150,000.00. A check or draft in an amount less than five percent (5%) of the actual bid will invalidate the bid. Bid Bonds shall conform to DOT Form 375-020-34 furnished with the Proposal.

For those projects designated as **ADJUSTED SCORE TYPE**, Qualified Design-Build firms must submit a letter of interest, for each project in which they are interested, to the indicated requesting unit by the time and date indicated as the Response Deadline. It is the responsibility of the Design-Build firm to insure that the complete letter of interest is received timely. The letters of interest will be limited to the page limit indicated below and will clearly indicate a name, address, phone number, and e-mail address for a contact person; the key companies and personnel proposed as participating in the project; and the qualification status of the contractor and design consultant as part of the Design-Build firm. The Department will judge the relative ability of each submitting company to perform the required services based on qualification information, capacity, and the letter of interest. Unless otherwise noted in the specific Design-Build advertisement, the criteria for evaluating letters of interest will include:

- 1) Past Performance Grades: Contractor, Designer, and Construction Engineering Inspection(CEI) firm, if CEI is included in contract;
- 2) Joint experience of the firms working together;
- 3) Design-Build experience of the firms;
- 4) Similar type of work experience;
- 5) The current capacity of the firms;
- 6) Time delays on past projects;
- 7) Experience of key personnel;
- 8) Safety Record;
- 9) Firm organization, resources, and location;
- 10) Environmental record;
- 11) Contractor Cooperation and Dispute History;
- 12) Other content in the Letter of Interest; and
- 13) Other categories set forth in the advertised project.

At least three Design-Build firms will be shortlisted from the received responses at the date specified below and the results of the shortlisting process will be posted on the Department's web site (www.dot.state.fl.us/procurement) at the indicated date and time. Public meeting dates and times are provided with new listed projects. All public meetings will be held in District headquarters unless otherwise noted. Changes to meeting dates and times will be updated on the website. The shortlisted firms will be provided a Request for Proposal (RFP) containing a design criteria package and requested to provide a technical proposal and price bid proposal for the project. Unless otherwise specified in the RFP, the award of the project will be determined on an adjusted total score based on both the price and technical proposal score.

Note: The Department reserves the right to reject all proposals and/or to waive minor proposal irregularities.

Pursuant to Sections 120.57(3) and 337.11, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code, any person adversely affected by the agency decision or intended decision shall file with the agency both a notice of protest in writing and bond within 72 hours after the posting of the notice of decision or intended decision, or posting of the solicitation with respect to a protest of the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in a solicitation, and will file a formal written protest within ten days after the filing of the notice of protest. The required notice of protest and bond, and formal written protest must each be timely filed with the **Florida Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, 605 Suwannee St., Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0458**. Failure to file a notice of protest or formal written protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

E-VERIFY: The Department of Transportation shall require the following as a condition of all FDOT contracts:

Vendor/Contractor shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Contractor during the term of the Contract and shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the Contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the Contract term.

PROJECT NAME AND DESCRIPTION:

SR 9/I-95 South Hampton & Hendricks Avenue Overland Bridge #720153, Bridge Replacement. This project is located in the City of Jacksonville, Duval County. The project limits are from San Diego Road to the Fuller Warren Bridge, approximately 2.3 miles.

CONTRACT NUMBER: E2P14

FINANCIAL PROJECT NUMBER(S): 21330435201, 21330435601

FEDERAL PROJECT NUMBER(S): 0955 287 I

ADVERTISING BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$134,672,000 phase 52 & \$2,100,000 phase 56 (utilities)

*Actual commitment and final execution of this contract is contingent upon an approved legislative budget and availability of funds

ESTIMATED CONTRACT TIME: 1278 days (not to exceed)

SELECTION PROCEDURE: DESIGN BUILD ADJUSTED SCORE

RESPONSE REQUESTED: LETTER OF INTEREST WITH QUALIFICATIONS

EACH STIPEND AMOUNT: \$150,000.00

PREQUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

1) CONSTRUCTION - CONTRACTOR WORK CLASS REQUIREMENTS

Intermediate Bridges and Portland Cement Concrete and Grading

2) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – DESIGN WORK TYPE REQUIREMENTS

3.3 – Controlled Access Highway Design

4.2.1 – Major Bridge Design – Concrete

4.2.2 – Major Bridge Design – Steel*

*Prequalification in this category only required if this type of structure will be included in the Design-Build Firm’s proposal.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

<http://www2.dot.state.fl.us/construction/bidquestionmain.asp>.

Proposers are responsible for viewing the website and shall be familiar with questions and responses posted on the website up to the due date of the receipt of the Letters of Interest and continuing up to the due date of the Technical Proposal and again up to the due date of the price proposal. Proposers are responsible for making necessary adjustments to the information to be presented.

LETTER OF INTEREST PAGE LIMIT: 5 PAGES (Limited to)

Attachments are separate from the five pages of submittal. Examples: Organizational chart and Letter of Bond ability (no resumes please).

RESPONSE PROCEDURE: Must submit 1 original, 5 copies and 1 CD.

Letters of Interest are due on the date and time stated in the Calendar (Schedule) of Events, below.

DBE/MBE REQUIREMENTS: The Department has assigned 8.18% as a DBE availability goal to this project.

SPECIAL NOTES:

Websites where advertisement and posting of public information will be:

Vender Bid System: http://vbs.dms.state.fl.us/vbs/main_menu
And District Two District Contract website:
<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministrationdistrict2/>

PROCUREMENT CALENDAR (SCHEDULE) OF EVENTS:

- August 15, 2011 (Monday) 4:00 p.m. Advertisement of Project
- August 30, 2011 (Tuesday) 2:00 p.m. Letters of Interest w/qualification packages due
- September 16, 2011 (Friday) 10:00 a.m. Technical Review Committee Meeting
- September 20, 2011 (Tuesday) 8:30 a.m. Proposed Shortlist to be presented to Executive (Selection) Committee
- September 20, 2011 (Tuesday) 4:15 p.m. Posting period to begin
- September 23, 2011 (Friday) 5:00 p.m. Posting period to end
- September 26, 2011 (Monday) 10:00 a.m. Mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting for Shortlisted Firms
- November 15, 2011 (Tuesday) 8:30 a.m. Entire day set aside for each interested Proposer for an appointment of approx. 1 ½ hours for an Alternate Technical Concept (ATC) discussion. These meetings will be conducted as one on one meeting, exempted from public meeting requirements pursuant to Chapter 2011-140, Laws of Florida. ATC meetings will be recorded.
- December 13, 2011 (Tuesday) 8:30 a.m. Entire day set aside for each interested Proposer for an appointment of approx. 1 ½ hours for an Alternate Technical Concept (ATC) discussion. These meetings will be conducted as one on one meeting, exempted from public meeting requirements pursuant to Chapter 2011-140, Laws of Florida. ATC meetings will be recorded.
- March 26, 2012 (Monday) 8:00 a.m. Deadline for posting questions to website: www2.dot.state.fl.us/construction/bidquestionmain.asp Watch daily for questions as they come in - they will be answered.
- March 30, 2012 (Friday) 5:00 p.m. Deadline for FDOT to answer questions to website
- April 17, 2012 (Tuesday) 2:00 p.m. Deadline for receipt of Technical Proposals
- May 10, 2012 (Thursday) Technical Review Committee Meetings to be held to ask factfinding questions of each proposer in a one on one meeting. **Meetings for Technical (fact finding) questions shall be approx. 1 ½ hour.** Proposers will not be permitted to ask questions of the Department except to ask the meaning of a clarification question posed by the Department. No

additional time will be allowed to research answers. These one on one meetings are exempted from public meeting requirements pursuant to Chapter 2011-140, Laws of Florida. Fact Finding meetings will be recorded. One week will be given for the clarifying letter from each firm to be received after fact finding meeting.

May 24, 2012 (Thursday) 2:00 p.m. Technical Review Committee presents scores
Price package due/opened/added to scoring sheets

May 29, 2012 (Tuesday) 8:30 a.m. Executive (Selection) Committee meeting

May 29, 2012 Letter to FHWA for federal approval (if federal oversight)

June 12, 2012 (Tuesday) 4:15 p.m. Posting to begin

June 15, 2012 (Friday) 5:00 p.m. Posting to end

June 18, 2012 (Monday) Award of Project

July 9, 2012 (Thursday) Execution of Project

Meetings with shortlisted proposers for ATC or Technical Questions shall be in alphabetical order at following times on date specified with lead Design Build Engineer and Technical Review Committee members:

08:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
01:30 p.m.
03:30 p.m.

Meetings will be held at the Florida Department of Transportation, District 2 Office Complex, located at 1109 S. Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32025.

Anyone needing special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 should send an e-mail to: patsy.elkins@dot.state.fl.us or call telephone number (386)758-3703. Special accommodation requests under the Americans with Disabilities Act should be made at least seven days prior to the public meeting.

RESPOND TO:

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