

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. 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.

**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:

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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**, letters of interest must be submitted by the end of business on the date indicated below. 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](http://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, in accordance with the terms governing use of the system, to confirm the employment eligibility of;

1. all persons employed by the Vendor/Contractor during the term of the contract to perform employment duties within Florida;  
and
2. all persons including subcontractors, assigned by the Vendor/Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract with the department.

**PROJECT NAME:** US 27 (SR 25) Interchange at SR 50

**CONTRACT NUMBER:** E-5R10

**FINANCIAL PROJECT NUMBER(S):** 238429-3-52-01

**FEDERAL PROJECT NUMBER(S):** 3612-033-P

**COUNTY:** Lake

**WORK MIX:** 0236 Interchange - Add Lanes

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** CONSTRUCTION and DESIGN consists of the reconstruction of the US 27 and SR 50 interchange, widening and reconstruction of US 27 and SR 50 from four-lanes to six-lanes, and a new alignment extension of Grand Highway from US 27 to Hooks Street. The project includes the replacement of the US 27 bridges over SR 50 and the reconfiguration of the ramps to loop ramps in each quadrant of the interchange. All construction shall be completed within Department-owned right-of-way as depicted on the right-of-way maps included as an attachment to the RFP. The Design/Build Firm shall comply with all right-of-way commitments made by the Department.

The project work includes replacing the existing bridges, new asphalt and concrete pavement, milling and resurfacing, pavement widening, curb and gutter, drainage system improvements, sidewalks, bridge construction, retaining walls, signing and pavement markings, Interchange lighting, signals, and maintenance of traffic.

**NOT TO EXCEED BUDGET AMOUNT OR MAXIMUM BUDGET AMOUNT OR BUDGET AMOUNT\*:** This section does not apply to this project

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

**ESTIMATED CONTRACT TIME:** Per Bid

**SELECTION PROCEDURE:** Adjusted Score

**RESPONSE REQUESTED:** Letter of Interest

**STIPEND AMOUNT:** \$70,000.00



**LETTER OF INTEREST PAGE LIMIT:** Not To Exceed 5 Pages In Length

**RESPONSE PROCEDURE:** Must submit 1 original and 21 copies of the Letter of Interest

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

**SPECIAL NOTES:** In accordance with Section 287.057(24), Florida Statutes, respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and the State holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the website provided for Technical Questions. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

The criteria for evaluating Letters of Interest will include: Past Performance Grades: Contractor and Designer; Joint experience of the firms working together; Design-Build experience of the firms; Similar type of work experience; The current capacity of the firms; Time delays on past projects; Experience of key personnel; Safety Record; Firm organization, resources, and location; Environmental Record; Contractor Cooperation and Dispute History; Other categories set forth in advertised project, and Other content in the Letter of Interest.

Please note CORZO CASTELLA CARBALLO THOMPSON, PA (C3TS, P.A.) was the Prime Engineer of Record for the conceptual design portion of this project prior to it becoming a Design Build. Therefore C3TS, P.A. cannot be a Prime Consultant or Sub Consultant on this Design Build project. Please see Procedure No. 375-030-006, also known as: "Restriction on Consultants' Eligibility to Compete for Department Contracts" for more information.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<b>ADVERTISEMENT DATE:</b>	MAR.17, 2011		
<b>RESPONSE DEADLINE:</b>	MAR. 31, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	5:00 PM
<b>*LONGLIST MEETING:</b>	APR. 18, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	10:00 AM
<b>POSTING OF LONGLIST:</b>	APR. 25, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	12:00 PM
<b>*SHORTLIST MEETING:</b>	APR. 25, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	8:15 AM
<b>POSTING OF SHORLIST:</b>	APR. 25, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	12:00 PM
<b>*PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING:</b>	MAY 12, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	10:00 AM
<b>*ATC MEETING NO. 1</b>		<b>Time:</b>	TBD
<b>*ATC MEETING NO. 2</b>		<b>Time:</b>	TBD
<b>TECHNICAL PROPSAL DUE DATE:</b>	JUN. 14, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	5:00 PM
<b>QUESTION &amp; ANSWER DATE:</b>	JUN. 29, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	11:00 AM
<b>PRICE PROPOSAL DUE DATE:</b>	JUL. 14, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	3:30 PM
<b>*PROPOSAL OPENING:</b>	JUL. 14, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	4:00 PM
<b>*SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING:</b>	JUL. 18, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	8:15 AM
<b>POSTING OF AWARD:</b>	JUL. 18, 2011	<b>Time:</b>	5:00 PM

\*Denotes Public Meeting

**RESPOND TO:**

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – DISTRICT 5

ADDRESS LINE – MS 524

DeLand, Florida 32720-

**ATTENTION:** Ms. Chela Wood

**PHONE:** 386-943-5526