

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 5:00 PM Eastern time on the date indicated as the Response Deadline.

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.

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 Directive 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 Directive No. 375-030-006. This directive is available at the following link:
[Professional Services Publications Menu](#)

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, bonding 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, Design Consultant, 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 under the All Advertisements link. The short-listed 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. The award of the project will be determined on an adjusted total score based on both the price and technical proposal score.

For those projects designated as **LOW BID TYPE**, bid proposals must be submitted by close of business on the date indicated in the advertisement. For low bid type projects, an RFP may be requested by any interested party at the response address provided below. The technical proposal of the low bidder will then be reviewed to determine its responsiveness. If found to be non-responsive, the next lowest bidder will be considered. A proposal will be considered non-responsive if it does not contain all of the information and level of detail requested in the RFP. All bid openings and public meetings will be held in district headquarters unless otherwise noted. Changes to meeting dates and times will be updated under the All Advertisements link. The selection results will be posted on the Department's website(www.dot.state.fl.us/procurement) at the date and time indicated in the advertisement.

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.

**Department of Transportation
Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
Design/Build Advertisement – LOW BID**

PROJECT NAME:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT or Department) has issued this Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit competitive bids and proposals from Proposers for the following Low Bid Design-Build project:

Dynamic Message Sign Replacement Project Part 1 in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties

CONTRACT NUMBER: E8K53

FINANCIAL PROJECT NUMBER: 406121-2-93-04

MAXIMUM BUDGET AMOUNT: \$1,370,852

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Florida Department of Transportation (Department) has issued this Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit competitive bids and proposals from Proposers for the replacement of certain Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) located on Florida's Turnpike Mainline at various locations in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties. DMS replacements shall include a new DMS, new primary and auxiliary DMS controllers, new power and communication cables between the new DMS and the new primary controller in the existing DMS cabinet, and the utilization of existing DMS cabinets.

There are ten (10) DMS (excluding DMS 91-085.0-SB) mounted on eight (8) sign structures that are a part of this project. The intention of Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE) is to replace all ten (10) DMS; however, FTE has a maximum budget of \$1,370,852 for this project. For this contract, the Department will reject as non-responsive any bid in which the contractor submits a bid in excess of the maximum budget amount shown above and/or if the signs bid are not in the order of priority as shown in the RFP. Bids for 10 or less DMS replacements within budget with sign locations selected in priority order that are found to be in conformance with the requirements and instructions contained in this request for proposal will be determined responsive. The project shall be awarded to the responsive bidder with lowest bid within the maximum budget for the highest number of DMS replacements in the correct replacement priority order beginning with priority order number one (1).

PREQUALIFICATION:

Design Build Teams must meet all prequalification requirements listed within this advertisement by the due date of Price and Technical Proposals. Technical Proposals must clearly identify team members used to meet the prequalification requirements.

- (1)**CONTRACTORS** submitting as a lead or primary party with the design build team must be qualified in accordance with the provisions of **Rule Chapter 14-22, F.A.C.** by the due date for Price and Technical Proposals, in the following types of Work Classes:

Intelligent Transportation Systems

- (2)**DESIGN** team members involved in professional services, as identified in Chapter 287.055, Florida Statutes, must be pre-qualified under Rule 14-75, Florida Administrative Code, by the Contractual Services Office, by the due date for Price and Technical Proposals, in the following types of work. The Lead Designer and/or subconsultants may be utilized to meet these work type requirements:

- 4.1.1 Miscellaneous Structures**
- 6.3.1 Traffic Systems Analysis & Design**
- 6.3.2 Traffic Engineering Systems & Implementation**
- 6.3.3 Traffic Engineering Systems Communication**

DESIGN BUILD TEAM REQUIREMENTS:

The Contractor and Design professionals cannot be on more than one team. The secondary member (i.e., designer or contractor) of the design build team cannot change, after award, without the written approval of the FTE Chief Operating Officer.

A professional firm shall not submit a proposal for Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services, either as a Prime or a Sub, for a Design-Build contract for which the same firm or its affiliate is the Engineer of Record (EOR) or is Sub to the EOR.

A consultant firm, its affiliate, or sub consultant that is under contract with the Department to develop the Request for Proposal for a Design Build contract cannot be part of a Design Build Team proposing on that contract as a prime or a sub consultant. A consultant firm, its affiliate, or sub consultant, that is under contract with the Department to provide Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services on the Design Build contract cannot be part of a Design Build Team proposing on that contract as a prime or sub consultant.

RESPONSE PROCEDURE:

Prequalified firms interested in being considered for the project should request a project package (Request for Proposal including project criteria) by submitting a Fax Order Form found on the Turnpike District Contracts website located at:
<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministrationturnpike>.

Price proposal forms will be distributed at the Mandatory Pre-Proposal meeting.

MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING:

This Project has a Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference on **May 12, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.** at the Turnpike Enterprise Headquarters Building 5315, Turkey Lake Service Plaza, Turnpike Milepost 263, Ocoee, Florida. Plans, Specifications and Proposal Packages will no longer be available after the Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference.

All bidders must be present and signed in prior to the start of the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference. Anyone not signed in at the commencement of the meeting will be considered late and will not be allowed to bid on the project.

DUE DATE FOR PRICE PROPOSALS WITH TECHNICAL PROPOSALS:

Price proposals with technical proposals will be due to Turnpike Headquarters, Mile Post 263, Building 5315, Turkey Lake Service Plaza, Ocoee, Florida 34761 **on June 22, 2010, by 2:30 p.m.** No late bids with technical proposals will be accepted after the deadline of the bid due date.

SELECTION PROCEDURE:

Firms shall submit a price proposal and a technical proposal. All price proposals will be opened and the technical proposal of the lowest bidder within the maximum budget for the highest number of DMS replacements in the correct replacement priority order beginning with priority order number one (1) shall be evaluated by the FDOT to determine if it is responsive and responsible. If the proposal is deemed non-responsive or non responsible, the technical proposal of the next lowest bidder within the maximum budget for the highest number of DMS replacements in the correct replacement priority order beginning with priority order number one (1) will be evaluated. The Department shall reserve the right to reject any and all proposals and waive minor proposal irregularities.

DBE REQUIREMENTS:

The Florida Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the "Department"), in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-4 and related authorities and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that the Department will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises and disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation. Further, the Department will not discriminate against bidders on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability/handicap in consideration for an award. No company will be awarded a contract unless they have an approved DBE Affirmative Action Program Plan. **Please review the "DBE Bid Package" and the Special Provisions for instructions for submission of a DBE Affirmative Action Plan.**

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

Prior to letting, direct questions through:

<http://www2.dot.state.fl.us/construction/bidquestionmain.asp>. Bidders shall take responsibility to review and be familiar with all questions and responses posted on this website and make any necessary adjustments in the proposal accordingly.

BONDING REQUIREMENTS:

Firms submitting bids will be required to provide a 5% bid bond for each bid in excess of \$150,000.00.

The legal entity contracting with the Department will be required to provide the Department a performance and payment bond in the amount of the bid. The successful firm will be required to maintain in effect throughout the life of the contract a performance and payment bond for 100% of the contract amount. The Surety Company must be authorized to do business in the State of Florida.

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE:

The legal entity contracting with the Department must provide project specific Professional Liability Insurance covering errors and omissions in the amount of \$1,000,000 unless each team member providing professional services carries and maintains blanket Professional Liability Insurance covering errors and omissions in the amount of \$1,000,000. Project specific insurance is insurance covering only this project. Blanket insurance is insurance that covers all projects.

ACTUAL COMMITMENT AND FINAL EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT IS CONTINGENT UPON AN APPROVED LEGISLATIVE BUDGET AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Advertisement Date:	April 19, 2010	
*Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting:	May 12, 2010	Time: 11:00 AM
Price/Technical Proposals Due Date:	June 22, 2010	Time: 2:30 PM
*Price/Technical Proposals Opening:	June 22, 2010	Time: 2:30 PM
*Technical Review Committee Meeting:	July 8, 2010	Time: 10:00 AM
*Final Selection Meeting Date:	July 12, 2010	Time: 10:00 AM
Posting of Award (Final Selection Results):	July 12, 2010	Time: 4:00 PM

*Denotes Public Meeting

REQUESTING UNIT:

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