

COUNTY OF INYO
ROAD DEPARTMENT
NOTICE INVITING BIDS
PROJECT NO. ESPL-5948(069)

The Inyo County Road Department is soliciting bids for:

NORTH BARLOW/DIXON LANES IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The project location is briefly described below:

On North Barlow Lane from the intersection with U.S. 395 north approximately 0.6 mile to the intersection with Shoshone Lane; on Dixon Lane from 0.3 miles east of Brockman Lane approximately 1.6 miles east to the intersection with U.S. 6; and on Saniger Lane from the intersection with Dixon Lane south approximately 0.2 miles to the intersection with Juniper Lane.

Bid packages, which include the notice inviting bids, bid proposal forms, contract and bond forms, special provisions, and plans may be obtained only from the Inyo County Public Works Department, 168 North Edwards Street, P.O. Drawer Q, Independence, CA 93526, telephone (760) 878-0201. The bid packages are also available for inspection at the department offices during regular business hours. There will be a non-refundable charge of \$25.00 for plans and specifications. Checks are to be made out to the Inyo County Public Works Department.

Bids must be delivered in a sealed envelope clearly marked thereon with the bidder's name and address, the word BID, and the project title -

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To be considered, **bids must be received by the assistant clerk to the Inyo County Board of Supervisors, 224 N. Edwards Street (mailing address: P.O. Box N), Independence, CA 93526 at or before 3:30 P.M., on August 19, 2009** at which time they will be publicly opened and read. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or fax proposals or modifications will be accepted.

General Work Description: The scope of work for the project generally consists of the placement and maintenance of construction area signs; the preparation and implementation of a traffic control plan; the preparation and implementation of a storm water pollution prevention plan; installation of crack-sealing material on Dixon and Saniger Lanes; installation of an asphalt concrete leveling course on Dixon Lane; the installation of a 2-inch thick asphalt concrete overlay on Dixon and Saniger Lanes; cold in-place recycling (pulverization of existing pavement) and the installation of 3 inches of new asphalt concrete pavement on North Barlow Lane; the installation of concrete ADA ramps on Barlow Lane at the intersection of Bar L, Bar M, Silvercreek and Shoshone Lanes; installing shoulder backing; replacing roadside signs; and painting striping and pavement markings on each lane as shown on the plans and as described in the special provisions.

Bids shall conform to and be responsive to the contract documents, which include the notice inviting bids, bid proposal forms, contract and bond forms, *Department of Transportation Standard Specifications*, dated May, 2006, *Department of Transportation Standard Plans*, dated May, 2006, special provisions, project plans, and current edition of the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices*, and any other documents incorporated therein by reference. Bids are required for the entire work described in the contract documents. Each bid must be submitted on the bid proposal forms furnished as part of the bid package.

General requests for information, such as how to order bid packages or soils reports, or information such as the engineer's estimate, plan holders list, bid results or summaries, subcontractor lists, or similar information should be directed to the receptionist at the Inyo County Public Works Department at 760-878-0201.

Technical questions related to engineering, site conditions, materials, construction methods, or testing should be directed to Lynn Flanigan of the Public Works Department at lflanigan@inyocounty.us.

No prebid meeting has been scheduled for this project.

Each bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check, a certified check, or a bidder's bond from an admitted corporate surety on the form provided in the bid package, in an amount not less than 10% of the amount of the bid, and made payable to the County of Inyo. If the notice inviting bids and bid proposal forms require or permit each bid to include additive item prices, the amount of the bid bond or check must be not less than 10% of the amount of the bid plus all of the additive bid items. The check or bidder's bond shall be given as security that the bidder will enter into the contract with the county and furnish the required labor and materials payment bond, faithful performance bond, certificates of insurance, or other required documents, if the bid is accepted. The check or bond will be forfeited to the county if the bidder fails to timely enter into said contract or furnish the required bonds, certificates of insurance, or other required documents. The check or bidder's bond may be retained by the county for sixty (60) days or until the contract is fully executed by the successful bidder and the county, whichever occurs first.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a faithful performance bond and a labor and materials payment bond on the forms provided in the bid package in the amount of 100% of the maximum contract amount.

BUY AMERICA

This project is subject to the "Buy America" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (Section 165), and the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) Sections 1041(a) and 1048(a), and the regulations adopted pursuant hereto.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

This project is subject to Title 49 CFR 26. **The project has a Underutilized Disadvantaged Business Enterprise contract goal of 0.5 percent.**

The contractor, sub-recipient of subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nation origin, or sex in the performance of the contract.

The contract is subject to, and incorporates by reference, the provisions of **Public Contract Code Section 22300**, pursuant to which the contractor is permitted to substitute securities for earned retentions or have them placed in escrow at the contractor's expense.

The contract is also subject to the State Contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to **Government Code Section 12990, et seq.**

Pursuant to **Section 1773** of the **Labor Code**, to which this contract is subject, the prevailing wage per diem rates in Inyo County have been determined by the Director of the State Department of Industrial Relations. These wage rates appear in the Department of Transportation publication entitled *General Prevailing Wage Rates* in effect at the time the project is advertised. Future effective wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the State Department of Industrial Relations, are referenced, but not printed, in said publication. Such rates of wages are also on file with the State Department of Industrial Relations and the offices of the Public Works Department of the County of Inyo and are available to any interested party upon request.

Attention is directed to the federal minimum wage rate requirements of this project. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates 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 county 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.

The bidder must be licensed as required by law at the time the contract is awarded. Failure of the bidder to obtain proper and adequate licensing for an award of a contract shall constitute a failure to execute the contract and shall result in the forfeiture of the security of the bidder. The contractor license classification required for this project is Class A or a combination of all of the specialty classifications that will be required for the complete performance of all of the work in accordance with the contract documents. In addition, the bidder, if a joint venture, must have a current joint venture license at the time of award of the contract in accordance with **Business and Professions Code Section 7029.1**.

The Bidder is further advised, pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20103.5, that the first payment for work or material under this Contract shall not be made unless and until the Registrar of Contractors verifies to the County that the records of the Contractors' State License Board indicate that the Contractor was properly licensed at the time the contract was awarded. Any bidder or contractor not so licensed shall be subject to all legal penalties imposed by law, including, but not limited to, any appropriate disciplinary action by the Contractors' State License Board.

Inyo County reserves the right at any stage of these proceedings to reject any or all bids or to waive any immaterial defect in any bid if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the County.

The meanings of words used in this notice inviting bids are the same as those set forth in Section 1-1.02, "Definitions and Terms," of the special provisions relating to this project, and Section 1 of the Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, dated May, 2006.

Each bidder must supply all the information required by the contract documents, special provisions and the standard specifications.

County of Inyo
Public Works Department

Bernard T. Pedersen, P.E.
Director of Public Works

Dated: July 2009