

INVITATION TO BID

The Board of County Commissioners of Lewis and Clark County is soliciting competitive bids for the construction of the Lewis & Clark County Fueling and Mg/Cl Systems. The project is divided into a base bid and three additive alternates, and generally consists of demolition work, a new fueling facility, a new Mg/Cl facility, concrete foundations and slabs, fencing, gates, and electrical work in Lewis and Clark County, Montana.

All Bids must be in accordance with the contract documents. Complete details of the solicitation may be examined or obtained online at <https://www.lccountymt.gov/Government/Grants-and-Purchasing/Bids-and-Proposals-Current> or by contacting the designated point of contact in accordance with Article 2.01 of Instructions to Bidders. Contractors are encouraged to check for any addenda issued prior to submitting a bid. The designated point of contact for all communication regarding this solicitation is Josh Sommer, jsommer@greatwesteng.com or by calling (406) 604-7547. A cone of silence is established for this solicitation which prohibits any bidder, or entity with financial interest in the bid award, from communicating regarding the solicitation with any Lewis and Clark County elected official, employee, or agent other than the designated point of contact.

Sealed bids must be delivered to the Lewis and Clark County Commissioner's Office, 316 N. Park Ave., Room 345, Helena, MT 59623 on or before 4:00 PM local time on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. The envelope containing the sealed bids must be labeled, "Fueling and Mg/Cl Systems", Bid Enclosed." Responsive bids will be unsealed publicly and read aloud on Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 9:00 am in Room 330 of the City-County Administrative Building, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, MT.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. in the Public Works Weed District Conference Room, located at 3402 Cooney Drive, Helena, MT. Interested bidders are encouraged to attend.

Contractor and any of the Contractor's Subcontractors bidding or doing work on this project will be required to be registered with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, PO Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena MT 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling (406) 444-7734. All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractor or Subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as required by Montana Prevailing Wage Rates for Highway Construction Services 2024. The Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to Lewis & Clark County, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance, as required, shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a

certificate(s) of that insurance shall be provided.

This project is funded in whole or in part with a grant from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Award of the project will be contingent upon the Contractor providing or establishing a Unique Entity Identification (UEI) and passing a suspension and debarment verification per the requirements of Section 00900 Funding Agency Special Provisions.

Bids may only be withdrawn as provided in Section 16.02 of the Instructions to Bidders after the scheduled time for the public opening of bids. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid that is in the best interest of the Owner.

Lewis & Clark County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Publication Dates:

- Saturday, November 9, 2024
- Saturday November 16, 2024