INVITATION TO BID

Bartow County P.I. No. 0015144

Bartow County will receive sealed bids for all materials, labor, tools, equipment and incidentals necessary for the construction of the Bartow County project Cass-White Road from Colonel Way to SR 61/US 411 – Phase 1 July 19, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. local time.

Bids will be opened to the public at 2:00 P.M. on said date at the Bartow County Commissioner's conference room located at 135 West Cherokee Avenue, Suite 251, Cartersville, GA 30120. Proposal can be mailed or delivered to the attention of Tom Sills located at 135 West Cherokee Ave. Suite 251, 2nd Floor, Cartersville, GA 30120 until 2:00 P.M. local time, July 19, 2018, and then at said place publicly opened and read aloud. Proposals received after the designated time will not be considered.

The Scope of Work includes:

Construction of improvements on Cass-White Road.

The proposed project would improve 1.4 miles of the eastern end of Cass-White Road in unincorporated Bartow County in order to provide a grade separation over CSX Railroad, correct geometric deficiencies of the existing roadway, reduce crash frequency and severity, and provide efficient truck access. The eastern 0.6 miles of the project will be on new location alignment to facilitate the grade separation over CSX Railroad and provide an improved intersection with US 411/SR 61. The existing Cass- White Road at-grade crossing of CSX Railroad will be closed. The horizontal alignment of the western end of the project will be improved, eliminating substandard curves. The project will construct two twelve-foot lanes and will include twelve-foot turn lanes where warranted. Roadway shoulders will be grassed and traversable open ditches will provide for drainage of the roadway and adjacent properties. The project will be constructed so as to facilitate the addition of two additional basic lanes with a median in the future. The project also includes two box culverts.

The Georgia Department of Transportation Standard Specifications Construction of Transportation Systems, 2013 Edition, and applicable Supplemental Specifications and applicable Special Provisions and Supplemental Specifications apply to this Project.

The Applicable GDOT Specifications govern over any conflicting requirements that may be found in the Sponsor/Contractor Construction Agreement, General Conditions and Supplemental General Provisions.

Bidders submitting bids of \$2,000,000 or less must be either a prequalified contractor or registered subcontractor with GDOT. Bidders submitting bids in excess of \$2,000,000 must be prequalified with GDOT.

Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond as required per Section 102.08 of the Georgia DOT Standard Specifications in an amount of no less than five percent (5%) of the total amount bid. All bonds must be countersigned by a Georgia Resident Agent. Both a performance and payment bond will be required by the County. The Performance Bond is required to be in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price in a form to be provided. A Payment Bond in the amount of 110% of the Performance Bond is also required to be submitted in the form provided. Proof of General Liability Insurance and Workman's Compensation Insurance will be required with the Bartow County Commissioner listed as an additional insured.

The DBE goal for this project is 12%.

All contractors and sub-contractors must comply with the provisions of O.C.G.A., sec. 13-10-19, and must register and participate in the federal work authorization program (also known as E-Verify (www.uscis.gov/everify)). A contractor must submit the required affidavit BEFORE ANY BID IS CONSIDERED. An affidavit form shall be provided with the bid package.

Bidders shall inform themselves of and comply with all conditions and specifications contained in the bid package, contract, related documents, State and Federal Laws, and moreover in specific to the Contract Conditions.

Payment for the work will be made on a monthly basis and within 30 days of the date in which billing is received. Applications for payment should be submitted on or before the first of each month and will be approved for payment by the OWNER on the basis of work in place.

Plans, specifications and CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be reviewed at the following locations:

Southland Engineering
114 Old Mill Road
Cartersville, GA 30120
770-387-0440
Or
Bartow County
135 West Cherokee Avenue
Suite 251 – 2nd Floor
Cartersville, Ga. 30120
770-387-5030

Bid Documents may be obtained from Southland Engineering for a non-refundable fee of \$400.00.

One contract shall be awarded covering all work and the maximum time for completion shall not exceed 730 consecutive calendar days from the start date specified in the Notice to Proceed. Bidders must agree to pay as liquidated damages as specified in section 108.08 of the Georgia DOT Standard Specifications. The anticipated Start Date will be September 10, 2018.

The right is reserved by the Owner to delay the award of the Contract for a period not to exceed One Hundred Twenty (120) Days from the date of opening of the bids. The right is also reserved to reject or accept any and all bids in whole or in part and to waive any and all technicalities of informalities.

Oral interpretations of the meaning of plans, specifications, or other contract documents shall not be binding over written material.

Every request for such interpretation should be in writing addressed to Southland Engineering at 114 Old Mill Road Cartersville, Georgia or via email to dmoore@southlandengineers.com and to be given consideration, must be received at least five days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. All requests for information will cease five days prior to the bid opening. Any and all such interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addenda to the specifications, which will be mailed by postal or electronically by email to all prospective bidders. Failure of any bidder to receive any such addendum or interpretations shall not relieve such bidder from any obligation under his bid as submitted. All addenda so issued shall become part of the contract documents.

Bartow County is in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 78 Stat. 252, 42 USC 2000d—42 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not discriminate against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.