

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COUNTY OF EL DORADO, CALIFORNIA**

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the County of El Dorado, State of California that sealed bids for work in accordance with the Contract Documents designated:

**Asphalt Concrete Overlay of Cold Springs Road
CONTRACT NO. PW 08-227**

will be received by the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, at the Board of Supervisors Office, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, California, until **Thursday, September 4, 2008 at 2:00 PM**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read by the El Dorado County Department of Transportation.

No Bid may be withdrawn after the time established for receiving bids or before the award and execution of the Contract, unless the award is delayed for a period exceeding sixty (60) calendar days. Bids shall be executed in accordance with the instructions given and forms provided in the bound Contract Documents furnished by the El Dorado County Department of Transportation. The Proposal shall not be detached and shall be submitted with the Contract Documents bid package in its entirety. All bids must be clearly marked on the envelope:

"PROPOSAL FOR ASPHALT CONCRETE OVERLAY OF COLD SPRINGS ROAD"

CONTRACT NO. PW 08-227

TO BE OPENED ON Thursday, September 4, 2008 at 2:00 PM

LOCATION/DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: The project is located near the city limits of Placerville in El Dorado County. The work to be done generally consists of, but is not limited to:

- A. Construction of approximately 2.67 miles of two and a half (2 ½) inches of compacted AC placed at marked areas on Cold Springs Road from Woodridge Drive to Brown's Road and construction of two and a half (2 ½) inch deep conform grinds on Cold Springs Road from Woodridge Drive to Brown's Road at all marked intersections. The work also includes traffic control, installation of temporary pavement markers and construction area signing.
- B. Bids are required for the entire work described herein.
- C. The contract time shall be **TWENTY (20) WORKING DAYS**,
- D. For bonding purposes the anticipated project cost is less than \$ 500,000.

OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: The Contract Documents may be examined at the El Dorado County Department of Transportation or may be purchased in person or by mail from the Department of Transportation, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, California, 95667. The purchase price of each set of Contract Documents is Twenty dollars (\$20.00) and is not refundable. To receive Contract Documents by mail, send request and payment prior to shipping and include an additional Ten dollars (\$10.00), for a total of Thirty dollars (\$30.00), to include shipping and handling.

CONTRACTORS LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: Bidders shall be properly licensed to perform the work pursuant to the Contractors' State License Law (Business and Professions Code Section 7000 et seq.)

and shall possess a **CLASS A** license or equivalent combination of Classes required by the categories and type of work included in the Contract Documents at the time the Contract is awarded, and shall maintain a valid license through completion and acceptance of the work, including the guarantee and acceptance period. Failure of the successful Bidder to obtain proper adequate licensing for an award of the Contract shall constitute a failure to execute the Contract and shall result in the forfeiture of the Bidder's security.

BUSINESS LICENSE: The County Business License Ordinance provides that it is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services, or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of El Dorado County without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Ordinance Code Section 5.08.070. The Bidder to whom an award is made shall comply with all of the requirements of the County Business License Ordinance, where applicable, prior to beginning work under this Contract and at all times during the term of this Contract.

REQUIRED LISTING OF PROPOSED SUBCONTRACTORS: Each Proposal shall have listed therein the name and address of each subcontractor, including the percentage of each item on which the subcontractor will work, to whom the Bidder proposes to subcontract portions of the work in an amount in excess of 1/2 of one percent of its total bid or \$10,000, whichever is greater, in accordance with the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act, commencing with Section 4100 of the Public Contract Code. At the time the contract is awarded, all listed subcontractors shall be properly licensed to perform their designated portion of the work. The Bidder's attention is invited to other provisions of said Act related to the imposition of penalties for a failure to observe its provisions by using unauthorized subcontractors or by making unauthorized substitutions.

BUY AMERICA

This project is subject to the "BUY AMERICA" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982, as amended by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PARTICIPATION

Bidders are advised that, as required by federal law, the State of California has established a statewide overall DBE goal. This County federal-aid contract is considered to be part of the statewide overall DBE goal. The County is required to report to Caltrans on DBE participation for all Federal-aid contracts each year so that attainment efforts may be evaluated.

The County of El Dorado affirms that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation.

Bidder will take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 18.36(e) (2) (v), Bidder is required to contact the U.S. Small Business Administration, San Francisco District Office, Minority Enterprise Development Division, 455 Market Street, Sixth Floor, San Francisco, California 94105, Attn: Julie, Telephone - (415) 744-6808, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, Minority Business Development Agency, 221 Main Street, Suite 1280, San Francisco, California, 94105, Telephone - (415) 744-3001, for assistance in locating DBE firms.

A "LOCAL AGENCY BIDDER – DBE INFORMATION" form will be included in the Contract Documents to be executed by the successful bidder. The purpose of the form is to collect data required

under 49 CFR 26. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, the successful bidder must execute and return the form.

NONDISCRIMINATION: Attention is directed to the following Notice that is required by Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2, California Code of Regulations.

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR NONDISCRIMINATION PROGRAM
(GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 12990)

Attention is further directed to the "Nondiscrimination Clause", set forth in Section 7-1.01A (4), "Labor Nondiscrimination," of the Standard Specifications, which is applicable to all nonexempt State contracts and subcontracts, and to the "Standard California Nondiscrimination Construction Contract Specifications" set forth therein. The specifications are applicable to all nonexempt State construction contracts and subcontracts of \$5,000 or more.

This Contract is subject to federal and state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements including Government Code, Section 12990, and shall be construed and interpreted in compliance with said provisions.

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor and its subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age, or sex. The Contractor and its subcontractors shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination. The Contractor and its subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code Section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285.0 et seq.). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990, set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are incorporated into this Contract by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. The Contractor and its subcontractors shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other agreement.

The Department of Transportation hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any Contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for the award.

PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS:

- A. In accordance with the provisions of California Labor Code Sections 1770, 1773, 1773.1, 1773.2, 1773.6, and 1773.7, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the Work is to be done has been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wage rates appear in the California Department of Transportation publication entitled General Prevailing Wage Rates. Interested parties can obtain the current wage information by submitting their requests to the Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, PO Box 420603, San Francisco CA 94142-0603, Telephone (415) 703-4708 or by referring to the website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/PWD>. The rates at the time of the bid advertisement date of a project will remain in effect for the life of the project in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, as modified and effective

January 27, 1997.

- B. Copies of the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the Work is to be done are also on file at the Department of Transportation's principal office, and are available upon request, and in the case of projects involving federal funds, federal wage requirements have been included in the Contract Documents.
- C. In the case of federally funded projects, where federal and state prevailing wage requirements apply, compliance with both is required. This project is funded in whole or in part by federal funds. The Contractor's attention is directed to Section 14 of these Specifications and the requirements of, and compliance with, the Copeland Act (18 U.S.C. 874 and 29 CFR Part 3), the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a-7 and 29 CFR Part 5), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330 and 29 CFR Part 5)
- D. In accordance with the provisions of Labor Code 1810, eight (8) hours of labor shall constitute a legal day's work upon all work done hereunder, and Contractor and any subcontractor employed under this Contract shall conform to and be bound by the provisions of Labor Code Sections 1810 through 1815.

If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the 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 Department 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.

BID SECURITY: A bid security shall be provided with each bid. Bid security shall be in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the Bid and shall be cash, a certified check or cashier's check drawn to the order of the County of El Dorado or a Bidder's Bond executed by a surety satisfactory to the County of El Dorado **on the form provided in the Proposal section of these Contract Documents (do not detach the form).**

BID PROTEST PROCEDURE

The protest procedure is intended to handle and resolve disputes related to the bid award for this project pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 18 Section 18.36 (b) (12)(i)-(ii) and County of El Dorado policies and procedures. A protestor must exhaust all administrative remedies with the County of El Dorado before pursuing a protest with a Federal Agency. Reviews of protests by the Federal agency will be limited to:

- (i.) Violations of Federal law or regulations and the standards of 49 CFR Part 18 Section 18.36 (b) (12)(i)-(ii). Violations of State of California or local law will be under the jurisdiction of the State of California or the County of El Dorado; and

(ii.) Violation of the County of El Dorado's protest procedures for failure to review a complaint or protest. Protests received by the Federal agency other than those specified above will be referred to the County of El Dorado.

The protest procedure is an extension of the formal bid process and allows those who wish to protest the recommendation of an award after bid the opportunity to be heard. This procedure is available after the informal methods have failed to reach a solution.

Policy: Upon completion of the bid evaluation and concurrently with recommendation by the Department of Transportation to the Board of Supervisors for award, the Department of Transportation shall notify all bidders of the recommendation of award, the basis therefore, and the date and time on which the recommendation for award will be considered and acted upon by the Board of Supervisors. All bidders may attend the Board of Supervisors meeting at the time the agenda item is considered, address the Board of Supervisors and be heard.

Procedure: If a bidder wishes to protest the award, the procedure shall be as follows:

1. The Department of Transportation will review the bids received in a timely fashion under the terms and conditions of the Notice to Bidders, and notify the bidders in writing, at the address designated in the bid, of its recommendation including for award or rejection of bids ("All Bidders Letter").
2. Within five (5) working days from the date of the "All Bidders Letter," the bidder protesting the recommendation for award shall submit a letter of protest to the County of El Dorado, Department of Transportation, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667, and state in detail the basis and reasons for the protest. The bidder must provide facts to support the protest, including any evidence it wishes to be considered, together with the law, rule, regulation, or criteria on which the protest is based.
3. If the Department of Transportation finds the protest to be valid, it may modify its award recommendations and notify all bidders of that decision. If the Department of Transportation does not agree with the protest, or otherwise fails to resolve the protest, the Department of Transportation will notify the bid protestor and all interested parties of its decision and the date and time that the recommendation for award will be agendized for the Board of Supervisors' consideration and action. The Department of Transportation shall also include in its report the details of the bid protest.
4. The bidder may attend the Board of Supervisors meeting at which the recommendation and bid protest will be considered. In the event that the bidder is not in attendance at that time, the bid protest may be dismissed by the Board of Supervisors without further consideration. If the bidder is in attendance, the Board of Supervisors will take comment from the bidder, staff, and members of the public who wish to speak on the item.

In its discretion, the County of El Dorado may accept or reject any bids. The decision of the Board of Supervisors shall be final in accepting or rejecting the bid protest, awarding the bid, or rejecting any or all bids.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: Bids will be considered for award by the Board of Supervisors. The County of El Dorado reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity in a bid, or to make award to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder and reject all other bids, as it may best serve the interests of the County. As a condition of award, the successful Bidder will be required to submit bonds and evidence of insurance prior to execution of the Agreement by the County. Failure to meet this

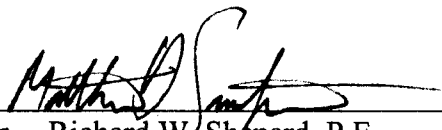
requirement shall constitute abandonment of the Bid by the Bidder and forfeiture of the Bidder's security. Award will then be made to the next lowest responsible Bidder.

RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS: Provided that federal regulations and policies applying to this Contract allow for substitution, the Contractor may elect to receive one hundred percent (100%) of payments due under the Contract from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payment by the County, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the County in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code. Securities eligible for deposit hereunder shall be limited to those listed in Section 16430 of the Government Code, or bank or savings and loan certificates of deposit.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: All communications relative to the Contract Documents shall be directed to Jennifer Maxwell at the El Dorado County Department of Transportation, 2850 Fairlane Ct., Placerville CA 95667, telephone: (530) 621-5987. No oral responses to any questions concerning the content of the Contract Documents will be given. All responses will be in the form of written addenda to the Contract Documents.

BY ORDER OF the Director of the Department of Transportation, County of El Dorado, State of California.

Executed by the Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2008, at Placerville, California.

By 
For Richard W. Shepard, P.E.
Director of Transportation
County of El Dorado