LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners for Lake County, Ohio at their office in the Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, Building A, 5th Floor, Suite 513, Painesville, Ohio 44077; up to the hour of **11:00 AM Local Time on Wednesday, February 28, 2024**, and read publicly thereafter in the Commissioners' Chambers at the above address, for the following improvement project:

RED CREEK SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 280-S

WPCLF FUNDED PROJECT

Engineer's Estimate of Cost: Contract A – Sewers: \$6,160,000.00 Contract B – Pump Station: \$2,172,800.00

Said improvements shall be in accordance with specifications and proposal forms on file with the Clerk of the Board of Lake County Commissioners. Copies of the Bidding Documents may be purchased at:

Northeast Blueprint & Supply 1230 E. 286th St. Cleveland, OH 4413 Phone: (216) 261-7500

Prospective Bidders must purchase a Bidder's Package [1 full size set (24"x36") of plans and 1 specification book] for **\$225.00**, exclusive of shipping charges, in order to be considered a BIDDER. PAYMENT FOR PACKAGES AND ADDITIONAL PLANS AND SPECIFICATION BOOKS WILL NOT BE REFUNDED.

The work covered by the plans and specifications includes: Contract A – Sewers – Installation of 20", 21", 27", & 30" gravity sewers; manholes; 16" force main; and 16" & 20" Conduit in Bored-In-Place Steel Casing. Contract B – Pump Station – Installation of a submersible pump station, valve vault, yard piping, generator building, and installation of a generator supplied by others.

All work under this contract shall be substantially completed within 350 days of Notice to Proceed and final completion and restoration within 392 days from Notice to Proceed.

Bids shall be addressed to the Board of Lake County Commissioners, Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, 5th Floor, Painesville, Ohio 44077, attention Jennifer Bell and marked **RED CREEK SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 280-S.**

Inquiries must be submitted in writing to Consulting Engineer, **Ryan Schuster**, **P.E.**, at **CT Consultants**, **Inc.**, <u>CT180304@ctconsultants.com</u> prior to February 21, 2024.

Pursuant to R.C. 153.01 et. seq., the bid must be accompanied by an original sealed document in the form of a bond for the full amount (100%) of the bid, **OR** by a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, drawn on a solvent bank located in Lake County and payable to the Treasurer of Lake County, Ohio, as surety that if the bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. Should any bid be rejected said surety shall forthwith be returned to the bidder and should any bid be accepted such bid bond, certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit will be returned to the bidder upon proper execution and securing of the contract.

No bidder shall be considered lowest and best or eligible to be awarded the contract to which this Notice or Bid Specifications apply, if the bidder is listed on the Auditor of State's Database as having a "Finding of Recovery" as that term is defined in R.C. 9.24.

Bids shall be subject to the conditions that the right is reserved to hold bids for a period not longer than ninety (90) days after date of bid opening and/or to award the contract at any time during said period.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award of the work to him/her, and he/she shall furnish acceptable bond or surety, if not filed previously to the satisfaction of the County of Lake, Ohio for the faithful performance of said contract in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid. In case of failure to execute the contract as stated or to furnish bond and/or surety, the bidder shall be considered to have abandoned the contract and is then liable for the difference between his/her bid and the next lowest bid, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the amount bid.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all non-conforming, nonresponsive or conditional bids, or to increase or decrease or omit any item or items. ORC 153.011 may apply. Each bid must contain the full name of every party or all parties submitting the proposal. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experience on projects of similar size and complexity. All contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972 and Governor's Executive Order 84-9. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder.

Wage Rates – The Contractor agrees that each individual employed by the Contractor or any Subcontractor and engaged in work on the project under this contract shall be paid the prevailing wage established by the U.S. Department of Labor under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts and the Contractor and any Subcontractor shall comply with all applicable provisions and requirements. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the Contractor and any individual or any Subcontractor and any individual. For further information, contact the Lake County Prevailing Wage Coordinator (440) 350-2770. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the contractor or any subcontractor and such employee.

Bidders may also access this Legal Notice to Bidders via the internet at <u>www.lakecountyohio.gov/commissioners-office/</u>, click on *Legal Notices to Bidders* on the left side of this page to link to the Legal Notice site and on the Ohio Newspaper Association public notices website, <u>www.publicnoticesohio.com</u>

This project will be funded by the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Program as administered by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority. The Contractor shall note that there are Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation goals for this project.

This procurement is subject to the EPA policy on encouraging the participation of small business in rural areas (SBRAs).

PRE-BID MEETING

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Administration Building, Building A, 5th Floor, Commissioners Chambers, 105 Main Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077.

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