THE IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

And

THE LOCAL HIGHWAY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE COUNCIL

And

FILER HIGHWAY DISTRICT

And

BUHL HIGHWAY DISTRICT

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING, INSPECTION, MATERIALS TESTING, AND PROJECT CLOSE-OUT SERVICES

4100 N: 2100 E to 2400E, FILER HIGHWAY DISTRICT & E 4100 N REHABILITATION PH 2

KEY NOs. 19672 & 20518

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PROPOSAL

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC), and the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District are seeking qualified and experienced respondents from interested firms to submit a proposal for providing construction engineering, inspection, and materials testing (CEI) services for the 4100 N: 2100 E to 2400 E and 4100 N Rehabilitation projects near Filer, Idaho.

GENERAL TERMS

This Request for Proposals (RFP) does not commit the ITD, the LHTAC, or the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District to enter into an agreement or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal or in subsequent negotiations.

REVISIONS TO RFP

All addenda to this solicitation will be posted on the Consultant Services web page. No notice will be given by mail.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS BY ITD

The issuance of this RFP does not constitute an assurance by the ITD, the LHTAC, or the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District that any contract will actually be entered into by the ITD, the LHTAC, or the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District, and expressly reserves the right to:

- Waive any immaterial defect or informality in any response or response procedure
- Reject any and all proposals
- Reissue the Request for Proposals
- Invite additional respondents to the proposal
- Request additional information and data from any or all respondents
- Extend the date for submission of responses
- Supplement, amend, or otherwise modify the RFP, and cancel this request with or without the substitution of another RFP
- Disqualify any respondent who fails to provide information or data requested herein or who provides inaccurate or misleading information or data
- Disqualify any respondent on the basis of any real or apparent conflict of interest

By responding to this solicitation, each respondent agrees that any finding by the ITD, the LHTAC, or the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District of any fact in dispute as to this solicitation or the responses thereto shall be final and conclusive, except as provided herein.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

By the submission of a proposal, the Consultant agrees to ensure that, at the time of contracting, the Consultant will have no interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the Consultant's obligations under the Agreement. The Consultant shall further covenant that, in the performance of the contract, the Consultant shall not employ any person, or subcontract with any entity, having any such known interest.

EEO REQUIREMENTS

Respondent, by submission of a proposal, agrees to not discriminate against any worker, employee, application subcontractor or any member of the public because of race, color, gender, age, national origin, or disability, or otherwise commit an unfair employment practice. Respondent further agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and Local equal employment opportunity requirements and the requirements of the ITD EEO Special Provisions, accessible at the following web site: http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/index.aspx.

All firms working for the Department area required to register on the Bidder's List with the Office of Civil Rights. If your firm has not registered, go to the following website for instructions: https://itd.dbesystem.com/. Please make sure your subconsultants are also registered. For further information regarding this requirement, call the ITD EEO Office at (208) 334-8884.

DBE PARTICIPATION:

In an effort to achieve ITD's DBE Annual Participation Goal (APG) of 10% utilization, ITD respectfully requests and encourages responder to consider utilizing subcontractors and suppliers listed on our DBE Directory located at: <u>https://itd.dbesystem.com</u>. For more information regarding ITD's DBE Program, call the ITD DBE coordinator at (208) 334-8567.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to negotiating an agreement, the selected consultant and their subconsultants will be required to submit certified hourly rates and their last years' financial information and overhead schedule in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FARs) and the most recent version of the AASHTO Audit Guide. More information can be found at the following web site: http://itd.idaho.gov/business/?target=consultant-agreements.

PROPRIETARY MATERIAL

The ITD, the LHTAC, and the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District assume no liability for disclosure of proprietary material submitted by respondents. Proposal submittals shall be considered public documents under applicable state law except to the extent portions of the submittals are otherwise protected under applicable law.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

All proposals must contain a signed Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters form for the prime and each subconsultant.

The certification form is located on the Consultant Services web page at <u>http://itd.idaho.gov/business/?target=consultant-agreements</u>.

IDAHO CODE CERTIFICATION FORM

All proposals must contain a signed Idaho Code Certification form for the prime.

The certification form is located on the Consultant Services web page at <u>http://itd.idaho.gov/business/?target=consultant-agreements</u>.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND SELECTION

An Evaluation Committee will evaluate and determine the individual and comparative merits of each of the proposals received. It is the responsibility of the Consultant to ensure that it complies with this RFP and provides the information requested. If the Consultant fails to provide any information requested in this RFP, such failure may result in either a lowered evaluation score of the proposal or disqualification of the proposal.

It is the intent of the department to take approximately 15 days, commencing on the submission date shown below, to evaluate the submitted proposals. The department intends to notify the successful and unsuccessful Consultants as soon as practicable after the evaluations have been completed, and after approval has been given on the Evaluation Committee's recommendations.

As part of the selection process, the top-ranked firms may be required, at their expense, to give a presentation and/or answer interview questions.

If your firm is selected and approved, negotiations will begin. If negotiations break down with a selected Consultant, they will be formally ended and negotiations will begin with the next ranked Consultant.

CONTRACT TYPE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

The contract for this work will be a professional services agreement. It is anticipated that the method of payment will be *Specific Rates of Compensation*.

CONTACT INFORMATION

All questions concerning the procedures of this request for proposal shall be directed to Christina Straub at ITD via email at <u>Christina.Straub@itd.idaho.gov</u>.

All project specific questions shall be directed by e-mail to Jayme Coonce at <u>JCoonce@lhtac.org</u>. No questions will be accepted by telephone. All questions will be responded to by e-mail, within two days of receipt of the question(s).

Interested firms are encouraged to submit a contact e-mail address to Ms. Coonce with a request to be included on an electronic mailing list. Firms on the mailing list will receive copies of the response to all project questions submitted. No firms will be identified in the responses. No project specific questions will be accepted after January 21, 2025.

PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Proposals must conform to the following instructions. Any non-conforming proposal will be rejected.

Proposals must be received by ITD by 4:00 p.m. MST on January 28, 2025. Proposals must be submitted via e-mail with the project name and the consultant's name clearly indicated in the subject line. Late proposals will not be considered.

E-Mail Address for proposal submittal is: <u>consultantadminunit@itd.idaho.gov</u>

FORMAT:

- Required File Format: pdf
- Maximum length of the submittal shall be five (5) pages.
- Cover pages are discouraged. If they are included, they will be counted in the proposal page total.
- > The introductory letter is limited to one (1) page.
- Except as otherwise noted, pages shall be 8 ½ x 11 inches, with minimum of ½" margins and a minimum font size of 11.

The following items do not count in the proposal page total.

- Introductory letter
- Certification Regarding Debarment
- > The 5-Year ITD/LHTAC CE&I Project Log does not count in the proposal page total.
- Idaho Code Certification Form

INTRODUCTORY LETTER

The introductory letter should be addressed to:

Christina Straub Contracts Officer Consultant Services Idaho Transportation Department P.O. Box 7129 Boise, Idaho 83707-1129

The introductory letter should introduce the Consultant's submittal, identify the Project Manager, list a contact telephone number, and contain a statement confirming the commitment of the key personnel identified in the submittal to meet the ITD's, the LHTAC's, and the Filer Highway District's and the Buhl Highway District's quality and schedule expectations. List each Subconsultant, their work tasks, and a contact name and telephone number. The Consultant shall include his/her acceptance of the terms and provisions of the Sample Agreement located at

http://itd.idaho.gov/business/?target=consultant-agreements, and indicate willingness to execute said agreement.

PROPOSAL

It is essential that the consultant provide an adequate staff of experienced personnel or subconsultants capable of and devoted to the successful accomplishment of work to be performed under this contract. The specific individuals or subconsultants listed in the proposal, including Project Manager and Lead On-Site Inspector, shall be assigned to the key positions and shall not be removed or replaced without the prior written approval of the ITD, the LHTAC, or the Filer Highway District and the Buhl Highway District. Replacement personnel submitted for approval must have at least equal qualifications, experience and expertise as those listed in the proposal.

The following criteria will be considered in the evaluation and selection, and apply only to the Consultant, except where specifically requested for the Consultant and each Subconsultant.

CRITERIA 1 – PROJECT MANAGER (Weight 3)

(Complete for Lead Consultant Project Manager Only)

- Identify the Project Manager who will be responsible for the quality, timeliness and delivery of the consultant's work, and for ensuring that adequate personnel and other resources are available for this project.
- Provide a brief summary of education, experience, and qualifications pertaining to the management of this project. CE&I experience in working on state and local Federal- aid construction projects within the past five (5) years should be included if available. List all CE&I experience on the 5-year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log included in this solicitation.
- List current IQP qualifications pertinent to this project.
- Provide Idaho registration (registration is required at the time of submittal) as a professional engineer.
- List all projects that the Project Manager is currently managing and the percent of time spent by him/her on each of those projects. Include estimated completion date for each of those projects. Identify availability.

CRITERIA 2 – LEAD ON-SITE INSPECTOR (Weight 4)

(Complete for the Lead Inspector only)

- Identify the Lead Inspector to be <u>assigned</u> to the project and describe the duties and qualifications (WAQTC & IQP) on this project. The Lead Inspector must be <u>on-site</u> for no less than 70% of the time worked by the Contractor.
- List the CE&I experience and role that this individual has had on state and local Federal-aid roadway construction projects. List that experience on the 5-year CE&I Project Log included in this solicitation. Include the estimated percentage of time spent on each completed Federal-aid construction project.
- Include Idaho professional registration (if applicable).
- List all projects that the Lead Inspector is currently working on and the percent of time spent by him/her on each of those projects. Include estimated completion date for each of those projects. Identify availability.

CRITERIA 3 – KEY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE PROJECT (Weight 2)

(Complete for Consultant and each Subconsultant)

- Identify the key personnel to be assigned to the project. Describe each person's role, duties and qualifications (WAQTC & IQP) on this project. Include their office and lab location.
- Key Personnel should have direct applicable CEI experience in working on state and local Federal-aid construction projects within the last five (5) years. List that experience on the 5-year CE&I Federal-aid Project Log included in this solicitation.
- Include Idaho professional registration (if applicable) for each person identified.
- List all projects that the key personnel are currently assigned to and the percent of time spent by him/her on each of those projects. Include estimated completion date for each of those projects. Identify availability.

CRITERIA 4 - PROJECT CONTROL & CLOSE-OUT (Weight 2)

- Describe the Consultant's procedures for scope change control, schedule and cost control and quality control. This should include a description of the Consultant's control measures regarding the Sub consultant's project related work and the ability to close-out the project in a timely and cost effective manner.
- List construction projects that have been closed out to Federal-aid standards in the last five (5) years.

CRITERIA 5 – PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN (Weight 3)

- Describe the Consultant's project management strategy. This should include, but not be limited to:
 - The number and type of field staff expected. How much involvement/time is expected from each member of field staff for the duration of the work. (Involvement/time should be expressed as a percentage of the whole project duration.).
 - Administrative personnel anticipated and their level of involvement.
 - Proposed Project Managers anticipated level of involvement including specific project duties, detailed as percentage.
 - Overall strategy to meet the project Scope of Work.
 - Strategy to maintain staffing continuity in light of project duration.
 - Any anticipated staffing concerns/considerations.
 - Additional project observations.

Describe your procedures for maintaining adequate and timely communications to project staff, LHTAC, ITD and interested stakeholders.

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Project Information							Assigned Staff		
Project Key Number	Project Name	Project Type*	Date Completed	Construction Contract Amount	Project Owner (Organization & Representative Name)	Contact Info (Phone & E-mail)	Project Manager	Lead Inspector	Other

*i.e. Bridge or Roadway

2. 3.

SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING, INSPECTION & SAMPLING (CEI&S) SERVICES

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

19672 - This project will rehabilitate approximately 3 miles of 4100 North Road, also known as Pole Line Road, from 2100 East to 2400 East Road in Twin Falls County. The project will widen the roadway to two (2) 12-foot-wide travel lanes and two (2) 2-foot wide paved and 1-foot-wide gravel shoulders for the majority of the project limits. The rehabilitation consists of pulverizing the existing pavement, performing Cement Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization (CRABS) work to strengthen the base layer, then paving 4 inches of new Hot Mix Asphalt. There is also a short section of Crack and Seat of existing concrete pavement with a 5-inch HMA overlay. Minor drainage improvements are anticipated as part of this project but no drainage structures (canals, ditches, irrigation structures, or canal structures) or utilities will be impacted by the project. As part of this project, the intersection of 4100 North Road and 2200 East Road will be redesigned and reconstructed to support traffic safely by including new left hand turn lanes for 4100 North Road and modifying an existing right turn lane for eastbound traffic turning south onto 2200 East Road.

20518 – This project will rehabilitate approximately 3.5 miles of E 4100 North Road, also known as Pole Line Road, from just east of the railroad crossing to N 2100 E in Twin Falls County. The project will widen the roadway to two (2) 13-foot-wide travel lanes and two (2) 1-foot-wide paved shoulders for the majority of the project limits. The rehabilitation consists of pulverizing the existing pavement, performing Cement Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization (CRABS) work to strengthen the base layer, then paving 4 inches of new Hot Mix Asphalt. There is also a short section of Crack and Seat of existing concrete pavement with a 4-inch HMA overlay. No drainage improvements are anticipated as part of this project and no drainage structures (canals, ditches, irrigation structures, or canal structures) or utilities will be impacted.

The two projects will be companioned and bid as one construction contract. The project will be advertised and bid in February 2025. Construction is anticipated to begin in May and run for approximately 65 working days.

The Consultant will coordinate with the Local Sponsor, Contractor and the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) to provide the following construction engineering services to construct the project including:

- Contract Administration
- Spot Check Survey Control
- Project Inspection
- Materials Sampling and Testing
- Project Close Out