STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SECRETARY

August 9, 2011

Notice to Prospective Bidders

Small Business Enterprise

Contracting Opportunity
Division Three

WBS ELEMENT: 3B.103111, 3B.203111, 3B.108211 & 3B.208211

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for the **Cutting and Removal of Vegetation Clippings and Debris at Designated Bridges, Culverts, Pipes and Guardrails in Duplin and Sampson Counties.** The contractor must furnish all labor, materials, personnel, equipment, and traffic control.

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE

In order to bid on this contract, all prospective bidders must attend the Pre-Bid Conference held on **Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 10:00 AM at the NCDOT Division 3 Office at 5501 Barbados Blvd., Castle Hayne, North Carolina 28429**. This meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 AM. Prospective bidders arriving after the 10:00 AM starting time **will not** be allowed to bid. The Conference will be conducted by Department personnel for the purpose of providing additional information about the project and to give all bidders an opportunity to ask any questions they may have. **Only bids received from the bidders who have attended and properly registered at the Pre-Bid Conference will be considered.**

The Department of Transportation does not exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by this program on the basis of race, color, sex, political affiliation/ influence or national origin.

SBE PROGRAM INFORMATION:

This is a SBE contract and to qualify for the NCDOT SBE Program a firm must have an annual gross Income of $1,500,000 or less, exclusive of materials. **Only contractors currently certified as a SBE Contractor by the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT and is listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms at bid opening will be eligible to bid on this project.**

Prospective bidders who qualify for the SBE Program and are not currently certified should submit a completed application packet prior to bid submittal to allow for review time. The application packet and additional information on the program may be obtained online at:

http://www.ncdot.org/business/ocs/sbe

5501 Barbados Blvd. Castle Hayne, N.C. 28429 Office (910) 341-2000 Fax (910) 675-0143

Per G.S. 136-28.10, a NC General Contractor's license may be waived for SBE contracts. For this Project, the NC General Contractor's license will be waived.

Per G.S. 136-28.10, contract payment and performance bonds may be waived. For this project, the Contract payment and performance bonds will be waived.

BID OPENING:

Sealed bids must be received at Division 3 Engineer's Office at 5501 Barbados Blvd., Castle Hayne, North Carolina 28429 by 2:00 PM on September 13, 2011. Bids must be submitted on the official bid form included in the contract proposal and shall display the following statement on the front of the bid envelope:

QUOTATION FOR: **CONTRACT PROPOSAL NO.2**, WBS ELEMENT: 3B.103111, 3B.203111, 3B.108211 & 3B.208211: CUTTING AND REMOVAL OF VEGETATION CLIPPINGS AND DEBRIS AT DESIGNATED BRIDGES, CULVERTS, PIPES AND GUARDRAILS IN DUPLIN AND SAMPSON COUNTIES TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM SEPTEMBER 13, 2011.

CONTRACT AVAILABILITY INFORMATION:

The Availability Date for this Project is October 31, 2011.
The Completion Date for this Project is August 27, 2012.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please refer to the WBS Element referenced when making requests or inquiries regarding this project. If you have questions, or need additional information concerning this project, you may contact me at (910) 341-2000.

Visit http://www.ncdot.org/doh/, select a division number from the state map for other projects in Division 3 and other divisions in the state.

Sincerely,

Amanda T. Glynn, P.E.
Division Bridge Program Manager

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cc: Lloyd Royal, PLS, Division Proposals Engineer
Tim Brewington, NCDOT Civil Rights, MB/WB Development Specialist
Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.
The HOTSHEET, Construction Data