

## **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

### **CEDAR VALLEY NATURE TRAIL STRUCTURES AND PAVING, DIVISION 2, BID PACKAGE 1, BLACK HAWK COUNTY BLACK HAWK COUNTY CONSERVATION**

#### **Time and Place for Filing Sealed Proposals**

Sealed bids for the work comprising the improvement as stated below must be filed before 10:00 a.m. on March 11, 2024, in the office of the Black Hawk County Conservation Board, 1346 W. Airline Hwy, Waterloo, IA 50703.

#### **Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered**

Sealed proposals will be opened and bids read and tabulated after 10:00 a.m. on March 11, 2024, in the office of the Black Hawk County Conservation Board, 1346 W. Airline Hwy, Waterloo, IA, for consideration by the Conservation Board at its meeting at 5:00 p.m. on March 14, 2024, at 1346 W. Airline Hwy, Waterloo, IA, and again on March 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Black Hawk County Board of Supervisors meeting at 316 E 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 201, Waterloo, IA.

#### **Time for Commencement and Completion of Work**

Work on the improvement shall commence on or before the date specified in the written "Notice to Proceed" and shall be fully completed and ready for acceptance by May 31, 2025. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,000 per calendar day will be assessed for each day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the end of the contract period, with due allowance for extension of contract period due to conditions beyond the control of the Contractor, as approved by Black Hawk County.

#### **Bid Security**

Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8 and as specified by Black Hawk County. The bid security shall be 10% of the total amount of the bid.

#### **Contract Documents**

Bidders' proposals, plans, specifications and contract documents prepared by Origin Design Co. may be obtained at no cost to interested parties. To obtain electronic copies click on the "Bids" tab on the Origin website at <https://origindesign.com/>. For paper copies, contact Tri-State Blueprint/Rapids Reproductions at <https://www.origindesignplanroom.com/> or phone at 563-556-3030.

#### **Preference for Iowa Products**

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

#### **Sales Tax**

The bidder should not include sales tax in the bid. Sales tax exemption certificates will be issued in accordance with Iowa Code 423.3, subsection 80, and provided to the contractor and subcontractors for all material purchased for incorporation in the project.

#### **Bidder Status Form**

Under Iowa law, Bidders are required to submit the Bidder Status Form that follows the Bid Form in the specifications. Failure to provide the form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive. This may result in the bid being rejected by the Owner.

#### Warranty Period

The improvements shall be kept and maintained in good repair for a period of two (2) years after final acceptance of the project by the Owner.

#### General Nature of Public Improvement

The extent of the work involved consists of construction of a 3-span slab trail bridge, a prefabricated truss trail bridge, and a concrete beam trail bridge. Asphalt resurfacing of trail segments, asphalt paving of three trail roadway crossings. Install concrete trail with detectable warnings at four road crossings.

Bid Tabulation - The bid totals will be available at and after the public bid opening. However, an itemized bid tabulation will not be publicly available until after the Owner awards the contract, pending funding agency approval.

#### Targeted Small Businesses

In order for a bid to be considered responsive, bidders are required to provide information showing that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firm contacts were made if subcontractors will be used on the project.

#### Contractor Registration

**Contractors must be registered with Sam.gov and will need to provide a unique identifier number on the Bid Form.**

#### Funding Agency Requirements

This project is being supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number 21.027 to the State of Iowa by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Black Hawk County hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities and award a contract as deemed to be in the best interest of Black Hawk County.

This Notice is given by authority of the Black Hawk County Conservation Board.