NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Due to the Coronavirus, all St Charles County bids will be received and opened on the first floor of the St Charles County Administrative Building, 201 North Second Street, Room 116, St. Charles, Missouri 63301. Sealed Bids will be received until **10:00 A.M.** (**prevailing Central Time**) **on October 22, 2020**. The bid will be opened publicly at 10:00 AM in Room 115/116. It is highly recommended that you mail or have your bid delivered via UPS, FedEx, courier, etc., with plenty of time to arrive prior to the day of the bid opening. If you are delivering your bid the day of the opening and intend to stay, you will be screened for temperature in the lobby on the first floor prior to admittance of the bid opening. If your bid is dropped off prior to the opening there will be someone in the lobby to receive it.

The proposed work includes the furnishing of materials, tools, equipment and labor necessary to construct **Route N at Hopewell Rd.** in St. Charles County, Missouri. Work includes:

The construction of the proposed Route N at Hopewell Rd. includes pavement, culverts, earthwork, removals and other appurtenances.

Plans and specifications, including the bid form, may be downloaded from St. Charles County's "Open Bids" webpage on the County website at http://www.sccmo.org/bids.aspx, beginning September 30, 2020. It is the Contractor's responsibility to check the County website to determine if any addendums have been posted.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Cashier's Check or Certified Check, or a Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an approved Surety Company and payable to the County, in an amount not less than Five Percent (5%) of the Sum Total of the Base Bid.

All labor used in the construction of this public improvement shall be paid a wage no less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages of work of a similar character in this locality as established by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (Federal Wage Rate), or state wage rate, whichever is higher.

The DBE goal for this letting is a minimum of 14% of the total contract amount.

TRAINEES: The number of trainee hours provided under this contract will be zero (0) hours.

All contractors and subcontractors are subject to and must comply with the Safety Program Training requirements of Section 292.675 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

All requests for clarifications on these bidding documents must be received in writing at least one week prior to the bid opening.

All bidders must meet the MoDOT requirements as a CONTRACTOR at least seven (7) days prior to bid opening in accordance with Section 102.2 of the St. Charles County Standard Specifications for Arterial Highway Construction.

A Performance Bond and Payment and Materials Bond are required.

No 2nd tier subcontracting will be allowed on this project.

The project will be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

The COUNTY reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive informalities therein to determine the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, and to approve the bond. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the specified time for receipt of Bids.

The COUNTY intends to issue the Notice to Proceed on or about November 30, 2020.

The County of St. Charles hereby notifies all BIDDERS that it will affirmatively ensure 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 an award.

St. Charles County

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