

NOTICE-TO-BIDDERS

**MIT971516B Nutrient Reduction Wetland Project
Section 16, Township 97 North, Range 15 West
Mitchell County, Iowa**

Sealed bids will be received by the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship, Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality (Division), 502 East 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319, until 2:00 PM local time, on Wednesday, March 17, 2021, and opened at a public teleconference meeting and read aloud at 3:30 PM on the date last mentioned (Call-in number: (866) 685-1580, Access Code: 5152815851). Bids must be submitted on the appropriate bid forms provided and shall include a bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%). Bidders must also be registered with the Iowa Division of Labor.

In general, the work involves, but is not limited to, selective clearing, excavation, grading, steel sheet pile weir construction, tile installation, CMP water control structure, and seeding. This project includes around 56,108 cubic yards of earthwork, 2,488 square feet of sheet pile, 4,222 linear feet of tile installation, 780 tons of riprap and erosion stone, 115 cubic yards of grout, and 36.2 acres of seeding. The estimated construction cost range for this project is \$430,000 to \$490,000.

A pre-bid conference will be held via video conference at 2:30 PM, on February 26, 2021. Attendees may join with computer, smart phone, or tablet to see documents and plans shared on screen by using the link: <https://www.gotomeet.me/MichelleBoyd807/21-03-mit971516b-prebid>, or join by phone for audio only by using call-in number (312) 757-3121, access code: 661-421-005. If you are joining by computer, smart phone, or tablet and you have not previously joined a GoToMeeting from that device, you must first download the free app using this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/661421005>. Additional details regarding the video conference platform are posted with the contract documents on the Division webpage (see next paragraph). Attendance at the pre-bid conference by prospective bidders is not mandatory, but is encouraged.

The Plans and Construction Specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by Louis Wehrspann, P.E., WHKS & Co., and are hereby made a part of this notice by reference and the proposed contract shall be executed in compliance therewith. Copies of the Contract Documents, including Plans, Construction Specifications, and Bid Package, are only available through the website link - <https://iowaagriculture.gov/dscwq/requests-proposals>. In order to be included on the plan holders list, which is required to be able to receive meeting minutes, addenda and an updated plan holders list, interested parties must make a written or verbal request to the Division by telephone: (515) 725-4119, or by e-mail: casey.judge@iowaagriculture.gov. Bidders who attend and sign-in to the pre-bid conference will be added to the plan holders list. A printed copy of plans and construction specifications can be viewed by appointment by contacting Casey Judge, Division (casey.judge@iowaagriculture.gov, or (515) 725-4119). Printed copies of specifications and plans will be provided to the successful bidder.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance/Payment Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Questions concerning the Plans and Construction Specifications should be in writing and addressed to Louis Wehrspann, P.E. (lwehrspann@whks.com), and must copy Casey Judge, Division (casey.judge@iowaagriculture.gov). All other questions concerning other Contract Documents should be addressed to Casey Judge, Division, casey.judge@iowaagriculture.gov or (515) 725-4119. In order to be considered in a final addendum, written questions must be received by 5:00 PM on March 4, 2021.

The Division reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities and irregularities.

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