NOTICE-TO-BIDDERS

Heartland East 23-24 Batch and Build Edge-of-Field Project Cedar, Scott, Johnson, and Muscatine County, Iowa

Sealed bids will be received by the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship, Division of Soil Conservation and Water Quality (Division), Wallace State Office Building, 502 East 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, until 3:00 PM local time, on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. The bid opening, open to the public, will be held in the Wallace Building at 3:15 PM local time, on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, when bids will be read aloud. Interested parties may call in to hear the bid opening using teleconference call-in number: 1-877-304-9269 access code 519321. 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.

This project includes 14 bioreactors and 25 saturated buffer structures located in Cedar, Scott, Johnson, and Muscatine Counties. The estimated cost range for this project is \$550,000 to \$565,000. Some of the materials required for this project include: 55 water control structures (WCS), 4136 cubic yards of woodchips, 2945 square yards of geotextile fabric, perforated and non-perforated piping, outlet structures, amidst other items. In general, the work involves, and is not limited to, excavation, earthwork, grading, mobilization, and seeding.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 AM, on May 16, 2024 at the West Branch Town Hall, 115 N 1st St, West Branch 52358. Attendance at the pre-bid conference by prospective bidders is not mandatory but is encouraged. If you cannot attend in person, please contact Tracy Bruun (tracy.Bruun@iowaagriculture.gov), for the meeting web link.

The Plans and Construction Specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by Andy Craig, P.E., Ecosystem Services Exchange, 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)-344-6279, or by e-mail: tracy.bruun@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 Tracy Bruun, Division (tracy.Bruun@iowaagriculture.gov), or (515)-344-6279. 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 Andy Craig, P.E., acraig@ecoexch.com, and must copy Tracy Bruun, Division, tracy.bruun@iowaagriculture.gov. All other questions concerning other Contract Documents should be addressed to Tracy Bruun, Division, tracy.bruun@iowaagriculture.gov or (515)-344-6279. To be considered in a final addendum, written questions must be received by 3:00 PM on May 23, 2024.

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

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