



Request for Qualifications

LOWER LITTLE SALT WASH RIVERFRONT TRAIL CONNECTION

QUALITY ASSURANCE TESTING

September 16, 2015

**STE M505-006 (18643)
Fruita Project 130-791-77-4730**

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Introduction

The City of Fruita Engineering Department is soliciting Statement of Qualifications to provide Quality Assurance testing services for the Lower Little Salt Wash Riverfront Trail Connection (LLSW Trail) project. The successful firm is expected to provide all Form 250 testing in conformance with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) standards.

Background

The project is located along the Little Salt Wash crossing properties owned by the City of Fruita, Mesa County, CDOT and Union Pacific Railroad. The Project Construction Phase will be primarily managed by the City of Fruita Engineering Department with Local Agency oversight provided by CDOT.

This Project includes approximately 0.86 Mile of 10 foot wide concrete path with gravel shoulders. A pedestrian bridge approximately 70 feet long and a 20 foot cast in place concrete box culvert are included within this project. The concrete path will pass under 3 bridges and through 2 existing concrete box culverts. There are 2 areas requiring the design and construction of retaining walls on each side of the railroad crossing.

Mesa County employed River City Consultants to design the LLSW Trail which is currently out to bid. Construction is anticipated to start in mid-October, with completion by the end of the year, weather permitting.

Funding and Management

Funding sources for construction include a Federal Enhancement Grant, a Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Grant and City of Fruita funds. CDOT will administer the Federal Enhancement Grant for the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA). The trail construction must comply with CDOT specifications and guidelines.

The City of Fruita Engineering Department will provide Project Management as the Local Agency for CDOT. Local Agency administrative responsibilities include oversight of engineering, inspection, contracts, pay estimates, change orders, daily reports, certified payrolls, and all other CDOT and Federal required forms.

The Quality Assurance testing is being solely funded by the City of Fruita. The contract between the successful consultant and the City of Fruita therefore falls under the Municipal jurisdiction.

Scope of Services - RFQ

The selected firm will provide qualified associate(s), who must be on-site as necessary for Quality Assurance (QA) material testing and Inspection responsibilities. Flexible hours must follow construction scheduling as necessary. The consultant's associate will coordinate daily with the Local Agency Project Manager.

Inspection services shall cover checking in all materials that arrive on site and handling the materials paperwork. Completion of all Form 157's, Certificates of Compliance, Mill Tests, Lab Tests, Product Certifications, Materials Testing Reports and the Form 250 Manual are the successful firm's responsibility. These forms must be updated regularly as required following the progress of the Project. Inspection of materials placement is included in the expected tasks.

The primary geotechnical responsibilities will be soils and concrete testing for Local Agency Quality Assurance. This shall include all related lab work. Geotechnical services may include any of the following:

1. Soil proctors / classification
2. Soils compaction, observation, & density testing
3. Concrete placement, observation, & testing
4. Concrete lab testing
5. HMA pavement (patching) observation and testing
6. Aggregate quality assessments

Note: The Prime Construction Contractor will provide separate Quality Control (QC) testing. Independent Assurance Testing (IAT) by CDOT personnel may be included during construction of this Project.

Calendar Days

The construction contract calls for a 75 day Calendar Day construction period. The intent is to complete this project in the 2015 calendar year if possible. Weather delays and scheduling issues may affect this schedule.

Selection Criteria

A selection committee will evaluate the submitted proposals based on the following:

1. Company Background & General Qualifications
2. Past performance on similar projects.
3. Experience with CDOT projects including project inspection, QA Testing, Form 157, and Form 250.
4. Testing Firm's current AMRL, CCRL status.
5. Associate(s) current certifications – i.e. CDOT Inspector, ACI, WAQTC, NICET, CAPA, Stormwater, etc.
6. Completeness and Accuracy of Proposal
7. Firm's ability to meet the schedule
8. The Firm's fee schedule

Once a firm is selected, the local agency enters into negotiations with the firm to obtain a fair and reasonable price for the anticipated work. Final acceptance of any proposal is expressly contingent upon the execution of a satisfactory contract between Contractor and Local Agency.

Contractor is advised that such contract may include provisions concerning insurance, bonding, indemnification, and a provision concerning contracting with illegal aliens. Local Agency reserves the right to reject any proposal if a satisfactory contract is not agreed to and executed by all parties.

Fee Schedules

Fee Schedules shall be submitted with the SOQ. The firms will be ranked according to eight (8) factors listed in the Selection Criteria shown above which includes the Fee Schedule as one factor.

RFQ Submittal Requirements

1. Submit three (3) complete hard copies of the SOQ with an electronic copy on a flash drive or CD disc.
2. Add a narrative describing what uniquely distinguishes your firm as best able to complete this Project.
3. Provide a company background, including the organizational structure.
4. Include three references with familiarity of past project experience.
5. Complete the Proposal Form on the last page.

Timeline

- Proposals must be submitted before 5:00 PM, Wednesday, September 30, 2015.
- Proposals may be mailed or hand delivered to the following address:

City of Fruita
C/O John Vasey
325 East Aspen Street
Fruita, Colorado 81521

The City of Fruita reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request.

Questions

Questions regarding this request for qualifications, including the scope of services or any of the City's capital projects may be directed to:

John Vasey
970-858-8377
jvasey@fruita.org

PROPOSAL FORM

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

FAX: _____

CONTACT PERSON NAME: _____

CONTACT PERSON PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON E-MAIL: _____

Acknowledgment that the Contractor carries (or will carry) all license(s) required in the jurisdiction(s) of the project. _____ (YES/NO)

Acknowledgment that the firm meets or exceeds CDOT minimum insurance requirements. _____ (YES/NO)

Firms submitting a proposal to provide General Contractor/Construction Manager services shall describe what, if any, subcontract work it would propose to self-perform. Said firms shall submit a separate bid for such subcontract work at the time of subcontract bidding, so that said bid may be evaluated by the Owner against other competitive bids. List of all subcontract work anticipated to be self performed:

By submitting a proposal, each firm responding represents that it has inspected the site, familiarized itself with local conditions under which the work is to be performed, and has read and is thoroughly familiar with the preliminary project documents, including any clarifications. It is the intention of the Owner to enter into an agreement with the selected Construction Manager/General Contractor. This agreement will be in a form provided by Owner and be based on the AIA A121 subject to mutually agreeable modifications as required.