MERCED COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Contract No. 300-975

RIVER ROAD AND VINEWOOD AVENUE ASPHALT CONCRETE OVERLAY PROJECT

SEALED PROPOSALS for this project will be received by MERCED COUNTY AT THE MERCED COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, located at 345 W. 7th Street, Merced, CA 95341-6685, until **3:00P.M. March 7, 2013**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read, for performing work as follows:

> Furnish all labor, materials, tools, equipment transportation and incidentals necessary to construct the River Road and Vinewood Avenue asphalt concrete overlay project.

Proposal forms for this work are included in a separate book entitled:

County of Merced
State of California
Department of Public Works
Bid Book
For

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No bid will be received unless it is made on a bid form furnished by the MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. Copies or facsimiles of the bidder's completed and executed bid forms submitted as a bid will be rejected. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bidder's bond made payable to the COUNTY OF MERCED for an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the amount of bid, such guaranty to be forfeited should the bidder to whom the contract is awarded fail to enter into the contract.

The bidder’s attention is directed to Section 2, “Bidding,” and Section 3, “Contract Award and Execution, “of the Special Provisions.

No pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this project.

Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

All bids are to be compared on the basis of the COUNTY OF MERCED'S estimated quantities of work to be done.

The Contractor shall possess either a Class A and/or, C-12 license at the time this contract is awarded.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

Copies of plans, special provisions and proposal forms may only be obtained at the office of the Merced County Department of Public Works, Road Division, located at 345 W. 7th Street, Merced, CA 95341-6685, (209) 385-7601, upon request and payment of **$25.00 per set, which is nonrefundable and includes sales tax**. Said material may be examined at the MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS Office and at various Builders Exchanges throughout California.

Inquires or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications or estimate must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to bid opening. Any such inquires or questions, submitted after bid opening, will not be treated as a bid protest.

Technical questions should be directed to:

Raul Dacanay
Associate Engineer
County of Merced
Department of Public Works
Professional Services Division
345 West 7th Street
Merced, CA 95341-6685

Phone: (209) 385-7601
Fax: (209) 722-7690
E-Mail: rdacanay@co.merced.ca.us

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the full amount of the Bid/Contract price.

Pursuant to Section 1773, of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is done have been determined by the Director of California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet Web Site at:

http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD

Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free “hotline” service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the “hotline” to report these activities. The “hotline” is part of the DOT’s continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

The COUNTY OF MERCED affirms 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.

The successful bidder will be required to obtain a Merced County Business License prior to the execution of the contract.

The COUNTY OF MERCED reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals and to waive any informalities or irregularities in any bid or in the bidding.

Dated this 29th day of January, 2013

County of Merced

Dana Hertfelder
Public Works Director / Road Commissioner