

INVITATION TO SITEWORK CONTRACTORS TO PRE-QUALIFY TO OFFER PROPOSALS

The University of Connecticut is accepting Pre-Qualification Applications limited to the following project:

Mirror Lake Dredging, Weir Modifications and Related Sitework

PROJECT NUMBER: #901392

For the
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
STORRS, CONNECTICUT

Completed Applications will be accepted until 2:00 PM, February 22, 2010. Applications received after the time and date specified shall be returned unopened.

Qualifications shall be submitted on forms and in the manner specified. Forms may be obtained from the Office of Capital Project and Contract Administration, 31 LeDoyt Road Unit 3047, Storrs, CT 06269-3047 by personal appearance, or by written, telephoned 860-486-2618, faxed 860-486-1953, or e-mail request to: uconnpcabuyer3@uconn.edu. Applicants shall provide a copy of their current approved pre-qualified status by the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, (DAS), with their Application as a pre-qualified Sitework Contractor.

Only Sitework Contractors pre-qualified by **both** the DAS, for the Classification of Sitework Contractor, and the University of Connecticut, for this specific project, will be invited to submit Proposals for this project, subject to the limitation noted in the preceding paragraph.

The Project:

The purpose of the project is to perform maintenance dredging of Mirror Lake. There is also related site work and spoils areas and to repair and modify Mirror Lake's spillway, including the construction of a V-Notch weir.

Scope of Work:

Work will include but will not be limited to the following:

- Analyses and bench testing of sediment to confirm dredging process and methodology.
- Dredging of approximately 17,100 cubic yards of sediments from Mirror Lake, including sediment disposal at an approved solid waste facility of approximately 20,000 cubic yards.
- Site work related to creation of upland spoils areas and site restoration upon completion of spoils areas
- Modification of the Mirror Lake spillway by the addition of a V-notch weir.
- Minor repairs to the Mirror Lake Dam.
- Installation of a toe-drain along the downstream bottom of the earthen embankment dam.
- Installation of up to three (3) aerating fountains, including associated electric provisions and appurtenances to the island.
- Landscape restoration and improvements
- Environmental Permit Compliance
- Construction of two access roads from two spoils sites to CT Rte 195, including DOT encroachment permit. Restoration of access road areas upon completion of the dredging project.
- Traffic Controls and management of access to CT Rt 195
- Management of environmental controls as needed to prevent tracking of dredge spoils off site.
- Coordination of the project with other ongoing University infrastructure projects which may be occurring at the same time.

The construction is planned to start in June 2010 and is anticipated to be completed in a six month period. It shall remain the responsibility of the Sitework Contractor to perform the Scope of Work as it is defined in the Contract Documents.

Contractor Qualifications:

The Sitework Contractors that are pre-qualified to submit bids on this project must demonstrate, through past experience, the highest degree of ability to successfully manage and complete projects of similar scope, size, complexity and duration. **Proposals are to include a minimum of five (5) representative projects showing that you were the Prime Contractor. They shall demonstrate significant performance history as a prime contractor in projects which included contracting the dredging or excavation, handling and disposal of sediment off site, dam repair work and related site preparation and restoration with tight coordination and management of subcontractors all in accordance with DEP permit requirements and oversight.**

This Project relevant experience shall be submitted on the Attachment A forms provided with the Proposal Documents. As stated, a minimum of five (5) examples must be submitted that are in progress (must be 50% or more completed) or completed preferably within the past ten (10) years that include the criteria listed above. All information requested on Attachment A needs to be provided. Line # 16 indicates to include a description of the work performed and how it relates in comparison to the work that is to be executed for this proposal. Please be clear and concise in showing this comparison.

Please be aware that all anticipated Subcontractors whose contracts will be greater than or equal to \$500,000 must be DAS prequalified at the time of the submitted proposal.

The Sitework Contractor that is ultimately awarded this contract will be required to staff the project with personnel with at least five (5) years experience pertaining to the scope, size, complexity and duration of the proposed project.

The Sitework Contractor must demonstrate the financial ability and bonding capacity to complete a renovation/repair construction project valued at **3.5 million dollars**.

In the bidding of most deferred maintenance, major renovation, and new construction projects, contractors are advised that they must award twenty-five (25%) or more of the values of their awarded contracts to certified SBE's; and, of that amount, twenty five percent (6.25% of the total award) or more must be awarded to SBE's who are also MBE's. The contractors are responsible for ensuring that they and the SBE's they have selected are eligible contractors, and that they meet State requirements.

The ability of the Sitework Contractor to staff the project with experienced personnel in construction will be required. A full time, dedicated Project Superintendent and Project Engineer/Safety Officer is mandatory and the Contractor must demonstrate adequate levels of staffing to oversee the project through completion.

The Sitework Contractor shall also demonstrate the ability to work safely and harmoniously with the owner and its agents in order to successfully complete this project. Additionally, the HVAC Contractor must show past compliance with the State of Connecticut CHRO and Department of Labor requirements and regulations.

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