

INVITATION TO BID

Sussex County will receive sealed bids **until 2:00 pm EDT, Thursday, March 14, 2024**, in the Sussex County Administrative Office Building, 2 The Circle, Georgetown, Delaware 19947, at which time they will be publicly opened in Council Chambers for the:

IBRWF – LOOP PROJECT **Contract Term: 365 Consecutive Calendar Days**

Work generally consists of all labor, materials, tools, equipment and services required for construction of approximately 8,300 LF of 24", 11,350 LF of 20", 11,850 LF of 18", 6,250 LF of 12" and 1,150 LF of 8" loop conduit piping; 75 LF of steel casing pipe installation by Bore & Jack; 630 LF of directionally drilled 24" loop conduit pipe; 78,000 LF of 2" conduit; 13 precast concrete vaults; various water valves, fittings, blowoffs and appurtenances; traffic control, alignment grubbing and mulching, pavement restoration and other work as necessary to complete the project.

Bid Documents may be obtained in an electronic format at no cost, or in hard copy for a charge of \$200.00, non-refundable. Contact Ms. Kaycee Widen of the Sussex County Engineering Department, 3rd Floor, Sussex County Administrative Office Building, 2 The Circle, Georgetown, Delaware, telephone 302-855-7718.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid guarantee equivalent to **ten (10) percent** of the amount of the base bid and all alternates. The bid guarantee may be a certified check, or a bid bond secured by a surety authorized to do business in Delaware. The bid guarantee shall be made payable to Sussex County Council.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held in the County Council Chambers at the Sussex County Administrative Building, 2 The Circle, Georgetown Delaware 19947 at **10:00 A.M. EDT on Wednesday, February 21, 2024**. All prospective Bidders are encouraged to attend.

All contractor questions must be submitted in writing to the County Engineer at hans.medlarz@sussexcountyde.gov no later than five (5) business days prior to the bid opening.

Neither Federal scale wage rates per the Davis-Bacon Act nor Delaware State prevailing wage rates are applicable on this Project.

The project will be completed utilizing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding, thus bidders on this work will be required to comply with all associated ARPA regulations.

Sussex County reserves the right to extend the time and place of the bid opening on not less than two (2) calendar days' notice by electronic means to those who have obtained copies of the Contract Documents. The County also reserves the right to waive any irregularities in the bids received and to reject any or all bids.

Hans M. Medlarz, P. E.
Sussex County Engineer