

NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE INTENTION OF NORTH HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO LET CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A 10" WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

SEALED PROPOSALS addressed to Kevin Smith, Judge, Howard County, Arkansas, 421 North Main Street, Nashville, AR 71852 will be received until **2:00 P.M., on November 18, 2021** for furnishing all labor, equipment, materials, supplies, and supervision necessary for the construction of:

10" WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

Bids will be opened and read aloud at such time at Howard County, Arkansas, 421 North Main Street, Nashville, AR 71852.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS may be examined without charge at Howard County, Arkansas, 421 North Main Street, Nashville, AR 71852 or at the office of A.L. Franks Engineering, 118 East Broad Street, Texarkana, AR 71854. One copy of the set of documents may be purchased from A.L. Franks Engineering for \$75.00. Proposals must be submitted on forms purchased from the Owner's Engineer, A.L. Franks Engineering, and endorsed as provided in the Contract Documents. **No refunds will be made.** Plans and specs may be ordered online at alfranksengineering.com.

A CERTIFIED OR CASHIER'S CHECK, or an acceptable bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid shall accompany each bid as a guaranty that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will promptly enter into contract with the Howard County, Arkansas and furnish bonds on the forms provided.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER OR BIDDERS will be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of Arkansas that is satisfactory to the Owner.

BIDDERS ARE expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves of all local conditions. The time of completion shall be **90 calendar days** including Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

An Arkansas Contractor's License is not required to bid the job, however at the time the contract is signed, the Contractor must be licensed.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER will be required to furnish evidence of registration with the State Department of Finance and Administration in compliance with Act 125 of 1965 prior to engaging in the performance of this Contract.

NO BID may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least 30 calendar days.

IN CASE of ambiguity or lack of clearness stating the price in the bids, the City of Camden, Arkansas reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid.

NORTH HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any or all informalities, and to award the contract to the bidder or bidders who, in the opinion of the Owner, offers the proposal to the best interest of same. Award of the contract may be denied if the Statement of Qualifications is not appropriately completed.

CONTRACTORS are cautioned that qualified bids will be subject to rejection.

CONTRACTORS are specifically advised that any person, firm, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a subcontract under this contract must be acceptable to the Owner.

CONTRACTORS are required to be registered with SAM (System Award Management).

CONTRACTORS are required to provide Domestic Preferences during the performance of this contract.

NORTH HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS hereby notifies all bidders that this contract is subject to applicable labor laws, non-discrimination provisions, wage rate laws and other federal laws including the Fair Labor Standards Acts of 1938. The Work Hours Act of 1962, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 also apply. Domestic Preference provisions, as set forth in the Uniform Grant Guidance §200.322, applies to this project. Registration and good standing in the System for Award Management (SAM) will be required prior to contract execution. Project is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 (excluded parties both contractors and sub-contractors) and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

Howard County, Arkansas