# **INVITATION TO BID**

## GENERAL

### SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for construction of Eastanollee Creek WPCP Improvements – Phase II will be received until <u>November 16, 2023 at 2:00 PM</u>. Bids must be submitted electronically through QuestCDN.com. No paper submissions will be accepted. Any bid received after said time and date will not be considered by the Owner. No bid may be withdrawn after the closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days except as specifically provided in the Instructions to Bidders and/or by State Law. Base bid cost of all Bids submitted will be published to the QuestCDN website approximately 30 minutes after the closing time and can be viewed by the Bidder.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The work to be done shall consist of furnishing all equipment and materials and performing all labor necessary to remove and replace existing process equipment including aeration basin aeration and mixing systems, RAS pumps, polymer feed systems, UV disinfection system, digester aeration and mixing systems, sludge transfer pumps and slide gates, utility washwater pumps; plus completion of building & laboratory modifications, electrical system modifications, and construction & installation of a new sludge dewatering system, pre-engineered metal building, and electrical; plus process instrumentation, SCADA, yard and stormwater piping, temporary bypass pumping, concrete, asphalt, and gravel paving, earthwork, NPDES monitoring, soil erosion & sediment control, valves, coatings, HVAC, mobilization and demobilization, insurance, bonds, and all other appurtenances necessary to place the new treatment process equipment into operation.

Time allotted for completion of work is <u>480</u> calendar days. All Work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Work will be awarded in one (1) Contract.

#### PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A Pre-Bid Conference will not be held.

#### PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Complete digital Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are available at <u>http://cartersloope.com/outforbid</u>. Bidders may view the digital plan documents for free by entering the Quest project number 8783188 on the website's project search page. Bidders may download the digital documents for a fee of \$750 payable through the website. Bids must be submitted electronically at QuestCDN.com. There will be an additional \$42.00 submittal fee. Please contact QuestCDN customer support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance with membership registration, downloading and working with digital project information. All other questions may be directed to

## CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders must complete the Qualifications of Bidders (Section 00470) in order to be evaluated for award of the Contract. Refer to the specific requirements outlined in the referenced Section.

## CONTRACTOR LICENSE

The Scope of Work as described herein is defined as "utility contracting" in accordance with O.C.G.A 43-14-2(17) so the Contractor performing the work must provide proof of a valid license by the State of Georgia as a "Utility Contractor" and must also employ a "Utility Manager" certification holder who will have oversight of all the utility work. Therefore, the Contractor submitting a bid must list the license number of the Contractor performing the utility contracting on the bid form and provide proof of a valid license. See Instruction to Bidders for additional bidding requirements.

#### BONDS

Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability". Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

#### PERMITS

The Status of Federal, State, and/or Local permits for this project are as follows:

Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan	Submitted
Local Land Disturbance Permit	To be submitted by Contractor
NPDES GAR 100001 (Stormwater)	To be Submitted by Contractor
GA EPD DDR Concurrence	Approved
GA EPD Plan and Spec Concurrence	Submitted

# GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the City of Thomson must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed and submitted with the Bid.

## EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY

None required.

### FUNDING SOURCES

Funding is to be provided by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund administered by the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority. This project will be subject to the Davis-Bacon Labor Standards, DBE Subcontract requirements, and the American Iron and Steel Act.

### **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

# **CITY OF TOCCOA**

OWNER

# END OF SECTION