2013 QBS

Request for Statement of Interest (SOI) STEARNS ROAD CORRIDOR ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE Section Number 13-00214-02-SM

The Kane County Division of Transportation is in need of professional services from a qualified engineering firm to provide Phase III Construction Observation Engineering Services for the Improvement project, as above referenced.

The attached *Preliminary Project Description, Construction Plans and Specifications* provide current information on the project that will require construction observation services.

The County anticipates starting this work in early 2013 with approximately 6-7 months to complete the work.

The Statement of Interest shall be submitted **VIA EMAIL** no later than 2:00 pm on February 22, 2013 and should be addressed to David Boesch, Chief of Construction. David Boesch's email address is: boeschdavid@co.kane.il.us.

If you plan to enter into a joint venture with another firm for this project please note this on your Statement of Interest, including the name of the firm you are entering into a joint venture with for this project.

Short-listed firms will be posted on our website at www.co.kane.il.us/dot. Click on the link labeled "Request for Consultant Services", then click on the link labeled "Summary Table".

Firms interested in providing services to Kane County are hereby notified of their required compliance with Kane County's Ethic Ordinance (Ordinance No. 10-206) in particular, Section 10, page 15 of Ordinance No. 10-206. The complete Ethics Ordinance is available online at: http://www.countyofkane.org/SiteCollectionDocuments/ethics.pdf.

Firms shall provide required information directly to the Kane County Purchasing Department at the following address:

Kane County Government Center Purchasing Department, Bldg A 719 S. Batavia Ave. Geneva, IL 60134

A Statement of Interest (SOI) received after the above noted deadline will not be used as part of our consultant selection process.

Please refer to the following Description of Project for more information on this project.

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Stearns Road Corridor Environmental Maintenance

- A. The Kane County Division of Transportation (KDOT) has approved the attached plans prepared by WBK Associates, LTD. and dated 12-05-2012 for the above mentioned project. A very brief outline of the project, intended to assist you in determining your general interest in the project, is listed below:
 - 1. The above improvement is located along Stearns Road between Randall Road and extends easterly to approximately 0.76 mile east of Dunham Road. The length of the improvement is 5.56 miles and involves the maintenance of the corridor landscaping including control burns and herbicide. The majority of the landscape plantings were installed during the 2012 season. This project has an anticipated start of early to mid April 2013 with an estimated duration of 6-7 months. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$150,000.
 - 2. Project items worth mentioning in the contract are: control burns over the mitigation areas (spring 2013), manual cutting of woody invasive species (spring 2013), herbicide applications (spring/summer 2013) and supplemental seeding (summer 2013). These activities will intermittently take place at certain times of the 2013 season as the need or timeframe arises.
 - 3. Open burn permits have been applied for as of 11/30/2012 for the areas identified on the plans proposed for a spring 2013 burn.
 - 4. It is the responsibility of the contractor to provide project traffic control as needed to perform the specific tasks.
 - 5. Maintenance challenges involve maintaining the project schedule of events, controlling added costs, addressing unforeseen field conditions, adapting design plans to site conditions, preserving existing trees and working around sensitive creeks and waterways.
 - 6. This project has a varied and rather specific scope which will be best served by a carefully chosen staff of professionals. The consultant shall assemble and provide a well-seasoned and knowledgeable team that will pro-actively manage a project of this particular environmental scope and sensitivity.

- 7. Challenges for this project will include review and enforcement of ongoing and future mitigation plans, on site mitigation reviews during maintenance operations to insure compliance with US Army Corp of Engineers permits and EIS commitments. The consultant will be responsible for overseeing the establishment of any installed plantings as well as periodic inspections regarding plant health, growth and germination until the completion of the contract.
- 8. The environmental commitments established for the Stearns Road Corridor and the permit requirements of the resource agencies will remain in force during the corridor landscaping contract.
- 9. This project will require an Annual Maintenance and Monitoring Report for the Stearns Road Corridor Direct Impact Wetland Mitigation (currently in its fourth year) and Environmental Commitment Adaptive Management Plan Sites (currently in its third year) USACE Permit # 199600199.
- 10. This is a QC/QA project involving Local funding.
- 11. Any additional details should be referenced in an attached plan set.