

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids at the Franklin County Office of the Clerk of Court, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 (office: 850-653-8861) until 4:00 PM local time on April 28, 2023, for the Obstruction Removal project at Apalachicola Regional Airport. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 9:00 AM. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "BID ENCLOSED: OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL – APALACHICOLA REGIONAL AIRPORT." The project generally includes, but is not necessarily limited to the following tasks:

The project can generally be described: Survey, removal, and disposal of trees and other vegetation.

The time of completion for the work is anticipated to be up to 220 calendar days to achieve Substantial Completion. Exact time requirements are defined in the Instructions to Bidders.

On and after March 23, 2023, Bid Documents will be available electronically and may be obtained by contacting John Collins, P.E., AVCON INC, 320 Bayshore Drive, Suite A, Niceville Florida, 32578, 850-678-0050, jcollins@avconinc.com. A complete examination and understanding of the drawings and specifications contained in the Bid Documents is necessary in order for the Bidder to properly submit a Bid. The Bid Documents also include a detailed set of Instructions to Bidders. All Bids shall be prepared in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The failure to comply with any requirement contained in the Bid Documents may result in the rejection of the Bid as non- responsive or a finding that the Bidder is not qualified for this Project.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be conducted in the Franklin County Emergency Operations Center, conference room at 28 Airport Road, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 11:30 am eastern time. Questions related to the Bid Documents will be answered at that time. Attendance by prime contractors is encouraged but not required.

A Bid Security in the amount of five percent (**5%**) of the sum of the Total Bid Price will be required for this Project. Exact Bid Guarantee period requirements are defined in the Instructions to Bidders.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

All Bidders are hereby notified that they must comply with: 1) the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, as referenced in the Owner's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation Program and Affirmative Action requirements; 2) the Buy American requirements imposed by 49 USC § 50101; 3) the minimum prevailing wage rates established by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor (Davis Bacon requirements); 4) Certification Regarding Lobbying Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 20 for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements; 5) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility And Voluntary Exclusion (2 CFR Part 1200 and 2 CFR Part 180); and 6) Certification Regarding Foreign Trade Restriction.

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises and airport concessions disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The DBE Participation Goal for this Contract is 6.96%.

Funding for this project is being provided by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Florida Department of Transportation and will be subject to all applicable County requirements.

All bids shall be sealed and shall be addressed as follows:

Franklin County Office of the Clerk of Court

33 Market Street, Suite 203

Apalachicola, Florida 32320

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