REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

KAUMUALII HIGHWAY, LIHUE MILL BRIDGE TO RICE STREET

PROJECT NO. ARR-050-1(036)

ISLAND OF KAUAI

Proposals will be received at the Contracts Office, Department of Transportation, 869 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation (HDOT), is requesting proposals for the KAUMUALII HIGHWAY, LIHUE MILL BRIDGE TO RICE STREET project. This is a Design-Build project. To be eligible for award, Proposers must possess a valid State of Hawaii General Engineering Contractor's "A" license at the time of award of the contract. Estimated project cost is over \$35,000,000.

A non-mandatory pre-qualification proposal meeting will be held on <u>August 3, 2011 at 1:30 P.M.</u> at the Highways Division, Oahu District Conference Room, 727 Kakoi Street, Honolulu, Hawaii and at the Office of the Kauai District Engineer, 1720 Haleukana Street, Lihue, Hawaii. Persons needing special accommodations at the pre-qualification proposal meeting due to a disability may contact Stanford Iwamoto, Project Manager, by phone at (808) 241-3015 or by email at Stanford.M.Iwamoto@hawaii.gov.

Scope of Work: The project includes design and construction services to widen Kaumualii Highway from the existing two (2) lanes to a four (4) lane divided highway and a new bridge structure spanning Nawiliwili Stream, rehabilitation and widening of the existing Lihue Mill Bridge and realignment of Hoomana Road as shown later in the Technical Provisions. Other work consists of, but is not limited to the design and construction of new pavements, drainage systems, sidewalks, pavement markings, traffic signs, guardrails, highway lighting, landscape planting, relocation/installation of utilities; and also addressing mitigation of archaeological sites within the project limits, providing temporary and permanent Best Management Practices (BMP), and processing permits required to complete the project in conformance with appropriate Federal, State, and local standards.

Award of Contract: This project will be awarded in a two-step process. Attention is directed to Section III – Qualifications Proposal and Section IV – Design Concept Documents and Price Proposal of the Technical Provisions.

<u>Step-I:</u> Submission of a Qualifications Proposal. Ten (10) copies of the Qualification Proposal must be received at the HDOT Contracts Office no later than 2:00 P.M., Hawaii Standard Time, <u>August</u>

22, 2011. It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure that the Contracts Office receives the Qualification Proposal on time.

HDOT's Review Committee ("Review Committee") will determine the top three Proposers based on qualifications contained in the Qualification Proposal. Proposers will be notified of their results until 2:00 P.M., Hawaii Standard Time, <u>September 16, 2011</u>.

<u>Step-II:</u> Submission of design concept documents and a price proposal. The top three Proposers shall submit proposals (design concept documents and prices) to the Contracts Office no later than 2:00 P.M., Hawaii Standard Time, <u>November 10, 2011</u>. Additionally, HDOT may conduct interviews with each Proposer to provide the Proposer an opportunity to present their design concept and to answer any questions HDOT may have.

A stipend payment of \$50,000 will be paid to each of the top three qualified Proposers for submitting a complete proposal under Step-II. If the stipend is accepted by the Proposer, they forgo any rights to challenge the process.

The successful Proposer selected in accordance with subsection IV. C of the Technical provisions will be awarded the Project.

Campaign Contributions by State and County Contractors: Contractors are hereby notified of the applicability of Section 11-355, HRS, which states that campaign contributions are prohibited from specified State or county government contractors during the term of the contract if the contractors are paid with funds appropriated by the legislative body. For more information, contact the Campaign Spending Commission at (808) 586-0285.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations of the Secretary of Labor implementing Executive Order 11246, as amended, shall be complied with on this project.

The U.S. Department of Transportation Regulation entitled "Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation," Title 59, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 21, is applicable to this project. Proposers are hereby notified that the Department of Transportation will affirmatively ensure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the most qualified Proposer without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin and sex (as directed by 23 CRF Part 200).

The U.S. Department of Transportation Regulations entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Department of Transportation Programs", Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26 is applicable to this project. Proposers are hereby notified that the Department of Transportation will strictly enforce full compliance with all of the requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program with respect to this project.

Proposers are directed to read and be familiar with the General Information Regarding Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) and Regulatory Requirements for Federal-Aid Projects regarding DBEs, which establishes the program requirements pursuant to Title 49 CFR Part 26 and particularly, the requirements of certification, method of award, and evidence of good faith.

The State reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any defects in said proposals for the best interest of the public.

Additionally, Proposers are directed to read the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Special Provisions which require monthly employment reporting of the general contractor and its subcontractors. Proposers are advised of the shortened award duration specified in Special Provision Section 103.02, the shortened Notice to Proceed date in Section 108.01, and the authority of the U.S. Comptroller General or Inspector General to interview the Contractor or its subcontractor's employees or officers, or to examine project rewards in Section 107.17.

Required Contract Provisions Federal-Aid Construction Contracts, Subsection VI: Record of Materials, Supplies, and Labor is not required for this project.

For additional information on this project, contact Stanford Iwamoto at (808) 241-3015.

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