

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS),
Chapter 103D

The receiving of bids for KAUMUALII HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, KIPU ROAD TO OMAO ROAD, DISTRICTS OF LIHUE AND KOLOA, ISLAND OF KAUAI, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. HSIP-050-1(044), will begin as of the HIePRO Release Date. Bidders shall register and submit complete bids through HIePRO only. Refer to the following HIePRO link for important information on Vendor Registration:

<https://hiepro.hawaii.gov/welcome.html>.

The solicitation plans, specifications, proposal, and additional documents designated or incorporated by reference shall be available in HIePRO.

HIePRO OFFER DUE DATE & TIME is July 11, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., Hawaii Standard Time (HST). **Bidders shall submit and upload the complete proposal to HIePRO prior to the offer due date and time. Proposals received after said due date and time shall not be considered. Any additional support documents explicitly designated as confidential and/or proprietary shall be uploaded as a separate file to HIePRO. Bidders shall not include confidential and/or proprietary documents as part of their proposal. The record of each bidder and their respective proposal shall be open to public inspection. FAILURE TO UPLOAD THE PROPOSAL TO HIePRO SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.**

The scope of work consists of widening the paved shoulder, removing and installing pavement marking and striping, traffic signs, reflector markers and object markers, relocating utility poles and hydro-mulch seeding of dressed shoulder. The estimated cost of construction is between \$1,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

To be eligible for award, bidders shall possess a valid State of Hawaii General Engineering "A" license **prior to the award of contract.**

A virtual pre-bid conference is scheduled for June 20, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., HST. Interested bidders shall contact Eric Fujikawa, Project Manager, directly at eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov, no later than five working days prior to the scheduled pre-bid conference to receive the meeting invitation. All prospective bidders and/or their respective representatives are encouraged to attend, however, attendance is not mandatory. All information presented at the pre-bid conference shall be provided for clarification and information only. Any amendments to the solicitation shall be made by formal addendum and posted in HlePRO.

All Request for Information (RFI) questions and Substitution Requests shall be submitted in HlePRO **no later than June 27, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., HST.** RFI questions received after the stated deadline shall not be addressed. Substitution Requests received after the stated deadline shall not be considered. Verbal RFI(s) shall not receive a response. All responses to RFI questions shall be provided for clarification and information only and issued by formal addendum. Any amendments to the solicitation shall be made by formal addendum and posted in HlePRO.

If there is a conflict between the solicitation and information stated in the pre-bid conference, the meeting minutes, and/or the responses to RFI questions, the solicitation shall govern and control, unless as amended by formal addendum.

Campaign contributions by State and County Contractors. Contractors are hereby notified of the applicability of HRS § 11-355 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 a legislative body. For more information, contact the Campaign Spending Commission at (808) 586-0285.

Protests. Any protest of this solicitation shall be submitted in writing to the Director of Transportation, in accordance with HRS § 103D-701 and Hawaii Administrative Rules § 3-126.

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 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 21, is applicable to this project. Bidders are hereby notified that the Department of Transportation shall affirmatively ensure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex (as directed by 23 CFR Part 200).

The U.S. Department of Transportation Regulations entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs", Title 49, CFR, Part 26, is applicable to this project. Bidders are hereby notified that the Department of Transportation shall strictly enforce full compliance with all the requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program with respect to this project.

Bidders shall read the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Requirements, included in this solicitation, which establishes the program requirements pursuant to Title 49, CFR, Part 26, and includes the requirements of certification, method of award, and evidence of good faith. All Bidders shall email Eric Fujikawa, Project Manager, at eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov, the following: “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Contract Goal Verification and Good Faith

Efforts Documentation for Construction”; “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Confirmation and Commitment Agreement – Trucking Company”; and “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Confirmation and Commitment Agreement – Subcontractor, Manufacturer, or Supplier”, **no later than July 16, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., HST**. Failure to provide the respective documents shall be grounds for rejection of bid.

Driving While Impaired (DWI) Education. The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) encourages all organizations contracted with HDOT to have an employee education program preventing DWI. DWI is defined as operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol or other legal or illegal substances. HDOT promotes this type of program to accomplish our mission to provide a safe environment for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians utilizing our State highways, and expects its contractors to do so as well.

For additional information, contact Eric Fujikawa, Project Manager, by phone at (808) 241-3015, or by email at eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov.

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



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HIePRO RELEASE DATE: June 10, 2024