

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
(Chapter 103D, HRS)

SEALED BIDS for KUHIO HIGHWAY GUARDRAIL AND SHOULDER IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, PART 7, DISTRICTS OF KAWAIHAU AND HANAIEI, ISLAND OF KAUAI, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. STP-0700(090), will begin as advertised in HiePRO. Bidders are to register and submit bids through HiePro only. Refer to the following HiePRO link for important information on registering: <https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html>.

Deadline to submit bids is Bid Opening Day, September 13, 2023, at 2:00 P.M., Hawaii Standard Time (HST). **Bidders shall submit and upload the complete proposal to HiePRO prior to the bid opening 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. Do not include confidential and/or proprietary documents with the proposal. The record of each bidder and respective bid shall be open to public inspection. FAILURE TO UPLOAD THE PROPOSAL TO HiePRO SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION OF THE BID.**

The scope of work consists of removing existing guardrail and end treatments, installing new metal guardrail and end treatments. The estimated cost of construction is between \$1,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

To be eligible for award, bidders must possess a valid State of Hawaii General Engineering Contractor's "A" license prior to the award of contract.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for **August 24, 2023 at 10:00 A.M HST on Microsoft Teams**. All prospective bidders or their representatives (employees) are encouraged to attend, but attendance is not mandatory. All information presented at the pre-bid conference is for clarification and information only, as any amendments to the bid documents shall be made by formal addendum and posted in HiePRO. Due to the impacts of COVID 19, the pre-bid meeting will be conducted virtually. Please call Microsoft Teams to join the Pre-bid meeting at (808) 829-4853, Phone Conference ID: 970 952 086#.

Contact Eric Fujikawa, Project Manager, by phone, at (808) 241-3015, by facsimile at (808) 241-3011 or email at [eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov](mailto:eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov) to obtain the venue for the pre-bid meeting.

ALL requests for information (RFI) shall be received in writing via HiePRO no later than August 30, 2023, at 2:00 P.M. HST. Questions received after the deadline will not be addressed. Verbal requests for information will not receive a response.

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

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 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 will affirmatively ensure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will 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 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 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. Bidders 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.

Bidders are directed to read and be familiar with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements, which establishes the program requirements pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 26 and, particularly, the requirements of certification, method of award, and evidence of good faith. All Bidders must e-mail the Engineer at [eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov](mailto:eric.i.fujikawa@hawaii.gov), the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Contract Goal Verification and Good Faith Efforts (GFE) Documentation for Construction, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Confirmation and Commitment Agreement – Trucking Company and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Confirmation and Commitment Agreement –Subcontractor, Manufacturer, or Supplier by September 18, 2023, 4:30 P.M. HST. Failure to provide these documents shall be

cause for bid/proposal rejection.

Driving While Impaired (DWI) Education. HDOT encourages all organizations contracted with the DOT 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.

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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.



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