NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Chapter 103D, HRS) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

The receiving of SEALED BIDS for <u>HALEAKALA HIGWAY</u> <u>RECONSTRUCTION, NORTH FIREBREAK ROAD TO OLD HALEAKALA</u> <u>HIGHWAY, ISLAND OF MAUI, FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. NH-037-1(028)</u>, will begin as advertised on <u>June 30, 2022</u>, in HIePRO. Bidders are to register and submit bids through HIePro only. See the following HIePRO link for important information on registering: <u>https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html.</u>

Deadline to submit bids is <u>Thursday, July 28, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. Hawaii Standard</u> <u>Time (HST)</u>. Bids received after said due date and time shall not be considered.

Plans, specifications, proposal, contract forms, and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit documents may be obtained from HIePRO.

The scope of the work for this project consists of removing and disposing of existing ultra-thin whitetopping (UTW) and reconstructing with asphalt concrete, cold planing, resurfacing, replacing existing loop detectors, and installing pavement markings, striping, and milled rumble strips on the outbound lanes. The estimated cost of construction is between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000.

To be eligible for award, bidders must possess a valid State of Hawaii <u>General</u> <u>Engineering "A" or Specialty Contractor's "C-3"</u> license <u>prior to the award</u> of contract.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for <u>July 7, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. HST</u> on Microsoft Teams. All prospective bidders or their representatives (employees) are encouraged to attend, but attendance is not mandatory. Due to the impacts of COVID 19, the pre-bid meeting will be conducted virtually. Contact Jennifer Russell, Project Manager, by phone at (808) 692-7572, or email at jennifer.t.russell@hawaii.gov to obtain the venue for the pre-bid meeting.

ALL requests for information (RFI) shall be received in writing via HIePRO no less than 14 calendar days before bid opening. Questions received after the deadline will not be addressed. Verbal requests for information will not receive a response. Anything said at the conference is for clarification purposes and any changes to the bid documents will be made by addendum and posted in HIePRO.

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.

<u>Campaign contributions by State and County Contractors.</u> 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 kaitlyn.n.slade@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 <u>August 2, 2022, at 4:30 P.M HST</u>. Failure to provide these documents shall be cause for bid/proposal rejection.

<u>Driving While Impaired (DWI) Education.</u> 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.

For additional information, contact Jennifer Russell, Project Manager, by phone at (808) 692-7572, by fax at (808) 692-7590 or email at jennifer.t.russell@hawaii.gov.

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.

JADE T. BUTAY Director of Transportation