NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 103D

The receiving of bids for <u>KULA HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT</u>
OMAOPIO ROAD, DISTRICT OF MAKAWAO, ISLAND OF MAUI,

<u>PROJECT NO. 37C-02-23</u>, 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.ehawaii.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 scheduled for June 3, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., Hawaii Standard Time (HST), is HEREBY POSTPONED until June 10, 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 the roadway widening of the existing Kula Highway in the vicinity of the intersection at Omaopio Road. The project includes the reconstruction of roadway asphalt concrete (AC) pavement; removal of existing pavement and guardrails; constructing a concrete retaining wall with soil nail, concrete lined ditch, and gutters; slope embankment widening; installing new guardrails and end treatments, highway lighting; a traffic signal control system, traffic signs and pavement markings, extending an existing highway culvert crossing and

inlet modification; cold planing; erosion control; and traffic control. The estimated cost of construction is between \$8,500,000 and \$10,500,000.

To be eligible for award, bidders shall possess a valid State of Hawaii General Engineering "A", license at the time of bidding.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for May 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., on Microsoft Teams. Due to the impacts of COVID-19, the pre-bid conference will be conducted virtually. Please call Microsoft Teams to join the pre-bid conference at 1-808-829-4853, Phone Conference ID: 529 873 339#. 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 HIePRO.

All Request for Information (RFI) questions and Substitution Requests shall be submitted in HIePRO no later than May 15, 2024, 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 HIePRO.

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.

<u>Apprenticeship Preference</u>. A five percent (5%) bid adjustment for bidders that are party to apprenticeship agreements pursuant to HRS § 103-55.6 is applicable to this project.

Employment of State Residents on Construction Procurement Contracts. Compliance with HRS § 103B-3 is a requirement for this project whereby a minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the bidder's work force on this project shall consist of Hawaii residents.

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.

<u>Protests</u>. 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).

<u>Driving While Impaired (DWI) Education</u>. 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 Larry D. Hail, Project Manager, by phone at (808) 873-3535, or by email at larry.d.hail@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: May 1, 2024