## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 103D

SEALED BIDS for <u>INTERSTATE ROUTE H-1 AND H-201 DESTINATION</u>

<u>SIGN UPGRADE/REPLACEMENT, PHASE 3B, DISTRICT OF HONOLULU,</u>

<u>ISLAND OF OAHU, Federal Aid Project No. NH-0300(205),</u> will begin as advertised in HIePRO. Bidders shall register and submit complete bids through HIePRO only. Refer to the following HIePRO link for important information on registering:

<a href="https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html">https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html</a>.

Plans, specifications, proposal, and other documents designated or incorporated by reference shall be available in HIePRO. The following documents are made part of the Contract Documents and are included in HIePRO; Variance for Community Noise Control, Community Noise Permit, Community Noise Permit extension, Community Noise Permit amendment, and Geotechnical Engineering Exploration report dated February 3, 2022 with an Amendment to Geotechnical Report dated July 24, 2023.

Deadline to submit bids is <u>February 15, 2024</u>, at 2:00 p.m., Hawaii Standard

Time (HST). Bidders shall submit and <u>upload the complete proposal to HIePRO</u> 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 <u>confidential and/or</u>

<u>proprietary</u> shall be uploaded as a <u>separate file</u> 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. <u>FAILURE TO UPLOAD THE PROPOSAL TO</u>

<u>HIEPRO SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION OF THE BID.</u>

The scope of work consists of construction of overhead sign structures, sign frames, and drilled shafts; reconstruction of concrete barriers, glare screens; grading; installation of destination sign panels, pavement markings; modifications to the electrical conduits and pullboxes; maintenance and removal of temporary erosion control measures; and traffic control. The six overhead sign structures to be replaced are located on various highway routes on Oahu. These are shown on the Title Sheet of the plans. The estimated cost of construction is between \$10,000,000.00 and \$12,000,000.00.

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

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for Pre-bid meeting <u>January 19, 2024</u>, at 10:00 a.m. HST on Microsoft Teams. All prospective bidders and/or their respective representatives are encouraged to attend, however, attendance is not mandatory. 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: 634 946 923#.

Contact James Fu, Project Manager, by phone, at (808) 692-7611, by facsimile at (808) 692-7617 or email at james.fu@hawaii.gov to obtain the venue for the pre-bid meeting. All information presented at the pre-bid conference is provided for clarification and information only. Any amendments to the bid documents shall be made by formal addendum and posted in HIePRO.

All Request for Information (RFI) questions and substitution requests shall be submitted via HIePRO <u>no later than January 24, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., HST.</u> RFI questions received after the stated deadline will not be addressed. Verbal RFIs will not receive a response. All responses to RFI questions shall be issued by formal addendum and posted in HIePRO.

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 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 (DBE) in Department of Transportation Programs",

Title 49, CFR, 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 DBE program with respect to this project.

Bidders are directed to read and be familiar with the DBE Requirements, 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. All Bidders may

email the Engineer at james.fu@hawaii.gov, the "DBE Contract Goal Verification and

Good Faith Efforts (GFE) Documentation for Construction", "DBE Confirmation and

Commitment Agreement – Trucking Company" and "DBE Confirmation and Commitment

Agreement – Subcontractor, Manufacturer, or Supplier" by February 22, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., HST.

Failure to provide these documents shall be cause for rejection of bid.

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 in the best interest of the public.

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