NOTICE TO BIDDERS

(Chapter 103D, HRS)

The receiving of SEALED BIDS for <u>FORT BARRETTE ROAD RAILROAD</u> CROSSING AND LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS, ROOSEVELT AVENUE TO <u>FARRINGTON HIGHWAY</u>, <u>FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. HSIP-RR-0901(017)</u>, will begin as advertised on July 5, 2023 in HIePRO. Bidders are to register and submit bids through HIePRO only. See the following HIePRO link for important information on registering: https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html.

Deadline to submit bids is Bid Opening Day, <u>August 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.</u>

Hawaii Standard Time (HST). Bids received after said due date and time shall not be considered.

The project entails upgrading of the existing railroad crossing and installation of highway and shared-use path lighting. The scope of work consists of, but is not limited to, installing a new crossing signal including providing new gates, flasher, and protective guardrail along with the controlling circuitry required for gates and flashers; upgrading the existing crossing by installing new running rail, new ties and ballast, and new concrete crossing panels; reconstruction of roadway and shared-use path pavement to address drainage and provide smooth transition and connection to new crossing; installation of pavement markings and striping, signs, traffic signal conduits, CCTV camera, and highway and shared-use path lighting. The estimated cost of construction is between \$5,000,000 and \$7,000,000.

To be eligible for award, bidders must possess a valid State of Hawaii General Engineering "A" license <u>prior to the award</u> of contract.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for July 10, 2023, 9:00 a.m. HST 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 conference will be conducted virtually. Please call Microsoft Teams to join the pre-bid conference at (808) 829-4853, Phone Conference ID: 299 449 75#.

Contact Li Nah Okita, Project Manager, by phone, at (808) 692-7581, or by email at li.nah.okita@hawaii.gov to obtain the link for the pre-bid conference.

ALL requests for information (RFI) shall be received in writing via HIePRO no later than <u>July 19</u>, <u>2023 at 2:00 p.m. HST</u>. 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.

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 li.nah.okita@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 August 9, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. HST. 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

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utilizing our State highways, and expects its contractors to do so as well.

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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