

INVITATION TO BID  
THE CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY  
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

Sealed Bids for the work generally described below will be received on July 31, 2018, in the headquarters office of the Central Florida Expressway Authority, 4974 ORL Tower Road, Orlando, Florida 32807 until 1:30 p.m., Orlando local time, as shown on the time/date stamp clock at the receptionist's desk in the lobby. The clock will serve as the official instrument to determine when a bid is received. A submittal that is received after the date/time specified will be rejected. Rejection of a submittal under those circumstances shall not be the basis of a protest pursuant to the CFX Procedure for Resolution of Protests.

**SYSTEMWIDE AQUATIC VEGETATION CONTROL SERVICES  
CONTRACT NO. 001412**

The work consists of providing all labor, materials, equipment and incidentals necessary to perform aquatic vegetation control services as described in the Scope of Services to keep CFX's waterways and ponds free from vegetation and debris.

The Contract time for this project will be one (1) year with four (4) one-year options for renewal.

At the time of Bid submittal, Bidder shall possess the Florida Department of Agriculture's Commercial Applicator Certification License for use of restricted pesticides with aquatic herbicide category and shall retain the license during the term of the Contract. The certified individual shall be a fulltime employee on the Bidder's payroll at the time of bid submittal. A copy of the Bidder's current certificate shall be submitted with the Bid. Failure to submit the certificate may result in rejection of the Bid.

Bidder shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

The Central Florida Expressway Authority, in accordance with the Provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, as amended, § 760.10 et seq., Fla. Stat. (1996), and other federal and state discrimination statutes, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, age, national origin, religion, and disability or handicap. CFX notifies all Bidders and individuals it requires and encourages equal employment opportunity for minority and women as employees and subcontractors.

CFX notifies all Bidders it encourages small, minority and women owned businesses to have full opportunity to submit Bids in response to this invitation and Bidders will not be discriminated against on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, religion or disability, or other protected status. CFX will require efforts be made to encourage participation of local minority and women business enterprises on contracts considered for an award. Bidders requiring assistance or information with regard to DBE/MBE/WBE certification and utilization may contact the CFX Supplier Diversity Department at (407) 690-5000.

From the first date of publication of this invitation, no person may contact any CFX Board Member, Officer or Employee with respect to this invitation or the services to be provided. Reference is made to the lobbying guidelines of CFX for further information regarding this Non-Solicitation Provision.

All work shall be done in accordance with the Bidding Documents of the Central Florida Expressway Authority.

It is CFX's intent to award the project to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder. CFX specifically reserves the right to take a Bidder's past performance with the CFX (and others) into consideration in determining whether the Bidder and Bid are responsive, responsible and qualified and most advantageous to CFX.

By submitting its Bid, the Bidder is signifying its awareness and understanding that the Bid process will be subject in all respects to the provisions of applicable laws, rules and regulations and the policies of CFX (as they may be amended or modified from time to time).

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 119.07(1), upon the earlier to occur of (i) CFX's Notice of Award of the contract, or (ii) thirty days after Bid opening, all Bids submitted pursuant to this Invitation to Bid (including all components thereof and all other materials submitted in connection therewith) shall become public records. Thereafter (with very limited exceptions) all Bids, proposals, documents, letters, software and other materials submitted to CFX by on behalf of any Bidder (including material that a Bidder may consider confidential or proprietary) may be inspected, examined and copied by any person desiring to do so in accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 119. It is not necessary for any person to obtain the consent of CFX, or the Bidder, to exercise its right under Chapter 119.

Any person who is adversely affected by: (i) bid specifications, (ii) a notice of an intent to award or CFX action making the selection at a public meeting of the CFX Board, or (iii) an outcome of Pre-Award meeting and who wants to protest the requirements, specifications, project plans or other materials, the intent to award decision, an outcome of a Pre-Award meeting, or selection decision must comply with the proper procedures in the Central Florida Expressway Authority's Policy for Resolution of Protests, Policy: PROC 3.1, which is available for review upon request at the CFX Office, 4974 ORL Tower Road, Orlando, Florida. Failure to comply with Policy: PROC 3.1 shall constitute a waiver of any protest proceedings. A protest bond in the amount of \$5,000.00 will be required to protest the Bid package or Bid solicitation. A protest bond in the amount of \$5,000.00, or

1% of the lowest bid submitted, whichever is greater, will be required to protest a Notice of Intent to Award, or the CFX Board's selection determination. No protest bond is required to protest an outcome of a Pre-Award meeting

The Bidding Documents for this Project consist of the specifications and the construction plans set which may be downloaded from Doing Business With Us at <https://apps.cfxway.com/Procurement/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fProcurement> commencing June 25, 2018. Registration is required in order to download.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on July 10, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in the CFX office at the address shown above. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss requirements of the project in an open forum. Although not mandatory, attendance at the pre-bid meeting is highly recommended.

Each Bid must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name of the Bidder, Bidder's address, and the project number written on the outside. For information and question submission concerning this project during the Bidding process, email:

[Itb001412@cfxway.com](mailto:Itb001412@cfxway.com)

All Bids shall remain open for acceptance by CFX for ninety (90) calendar days after the day of the Bid opening. The right is reserved by CFX to reject any or all Bids.

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