Design and Construction of Levee Access Manholes for Fairfax-Jersey Creek Levee Unit (Kansas City, Kansas)

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District, intends to issue a two-phase design-build solicitation that will result in a firm-fixed-price construction contract for a requirement at the Fairfax-Jersey Creek Levee Unit on the Missouri River in Kansas City, Kansas.

This project will consist of design-build construction services to install access manholes on existing seepage lines on the levee. The contractor will be responsible for design and construction of manholes on the landside levee slope and berm. The access manholes are needed to facilitate regular inspection of the existing seepage collection system. Maximum hole depth is estimated to be 25 feet deep. The contractor will be required to conduct their own investigations and survey if they deem it necessary. Any drilling and/or excavations must be in accordance with USACE Engineering Regulation (ER) 1110-1-1807, *Drilling and Invasive Activities at Dams and Levees*. INVASIVE MASS EXCAVATION METHODS SUCH AS TRENCHING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. Minimally invasive excavation methods are required, to minimize excavations left unattended for more than 24 hours, that would risk stability of the levee.

This acquisition will be conducted as a negotiated procurement in accordance with Revolutionary Federal Acquisition Regulation Overhaul (RFO) part 15, using two-phase design-build selection procedures as described in RFO 36.101-2 and other applicable authorities.

- In Phase 1 of the procurement, interested offerors will submit proposals demonstrating their qualifications to successfully execute the work. The Government will evaluate the offerors' qualifications in accordance with the criteria described in the request for proposals (RFP) and will select the most highly qualified offerors to submit Phase 2 proposals.

- In Phase 2, a solicitation amendment will be issued only to the selected Phase 1 offerors, inviting them to submit a technical proposal and a price proposal. The Government will evaluate the proposals in accordance with the criteria described in the RFP. At the conclusion of Phase 2, the Government's intent is to award a single firm-fixed-price design-build construction contract to the offeror whose proposal offers the best value to the Government using a tradeoff process considering the evaluation factors from <u>both</u> phases.

This procurement will be conducted using full and open competition. The applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code is 237990 for Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction.

The estimated period of performance for completion of the awarded contract is 365 calendar days from the notice to proceed (NTP).

The estimated magnitude of this project, including all contract line items, is between $1,000,000 and $5,000,000.

The solicitation is expected to be available not less than 15 days of this notice, but within the next 60 days, and Phase 1 proposals are expected to be due at least 30 days after the solicitation release date unless solicitation amendments extend the due date and time. The due date and time will be specified in the solicitation. The due date and time for Phase 2 proposals will be specified in a subsequent amendment to the solicitation that will be issued only to the specific offerors who are selected for Phase 2.

There will be a site visit planned for this solicitation. The details to attend the site visit will be included in the solicitation.

Bid bonds will be required in Phase 2 in the amount of 20% of the offeror's proposed price or $3,000,000.00, whichever is less. Payment and performance bonds will be required for the full amount (100%) of the awarded contract before NTP can be issued.

Contact information to submit technical inquiries and questions relating to the solicitation will be provided in the solicitation when it is made available.

Offerors must have an active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM) website prior to submitting proposals. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements at https://sam.gov. (Instructions for new registration can be found at the following link: https://sam.gov/entity-registration.) It is highly encouraged that all prospective offerors start the SAM registration process as soon as possible. Proposals from contractors without an active SAM registration will NOT be considered for award. If the offeror is a Joint Venture (JV), the JV entity must have a valid SAM registration in the SAM database representing the JV as one business/firm/entity. SAM.GOV REGISTRATION IS FREE OF CHARGE.

If you have questions about Government procurements or need assistance with SAM.gov registration, assistance may be available through the APEX Accelerators program. To find an APEX Accelerator near you, please visit https://www.apexaccelerators.us/#/. THIS IS A FREE SERVICE BY A NONPROFIT PAID FOR BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

This requirement will be solicited, and proposals will be received, through the Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (PIEE) System Solicitation Portal. In order to submit a proposal for this requirement through the PIEE Solicitation Portal, contractors will first need to register for the PIEE 'Proposal Manager' role.

How to Register:

1. Navigate to https://piee.eb.mil/xhtml/unauth/help/newuser.xhtml
2. Select Register [bottom left]
3. Select Agree [bottom left]
4. Select Vendor from the role type list
5. Create a User ID and Password and follow the prompts [next]
6. Create Security Questions [next]
7. Complete your User Profile Information [next]
8. Complete your Supervisor or Approving Official Information [next]
9. Complete Roles - Step 1. Select SOL-Solicitation, Step 2. Select Proposal Manager, Step 3. Click Add Roles, Step 4. Fill in your Location Code (CAGE Code) [next]
10. Provide a justification for your registration [next]
11. Follow the remaining prompts to submit your registration

More detailed instructions on the PIEE vendor registration process can be found at: https://pieetraining.eb.mil/wbt//xhtml/wbt/portal/overview/vendorRegister.xhtml

For training/instructions on submitting a proposal in PIEE, please visit the web-based training page at: https://pieetraining.eb.mil/wbt/xhtml/wbt/sol/solicitation/proposals.xhtml

This procurement will not require offerors or their products or services to meet any "qualifications requirements" (as defined in RFO subpart 9.2) to be eligible for award.

All responsible sources may submit a proposal in response to the solicitation, which will be considered by the agency.

For any questions or inquiries on this notice, contact the primary point of contact listed on this announcement.