

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
FOR
MORGAN CREEK BIRD FAMILY PRESERVE
WETLAND CREATION
FOR
LINN COUNTY CONSERVATION
JEO Project No. 200324.02 / QuestCDN No. 83599457
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Sealed bids for the work comprising the improvement as stated below must be filed before 1:00 p.m. on February 6, 2023, at Linn County Conservation Headquarters, 10260 Morris Hills Road, Toddville, IA 52341. Bids received after the deadline for submission of bids as stated herein shall not be considered and shall be returned to the late bidder unopened.

Sealed proposals will be opened, and bids tabulated at 1:00 p.m. on February 6, 2023, at Linn County Conservation Headquarters for consideration by the Linn County Conservation Board at its meeting on February 27, 2023.

Work on the improvement shall be commenced immediately upon approval of the contract by the Linn County Conservation Board and be completed as stated below.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with Linn County Conservation for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com at no charge. An optional paper set of project documents is available at no charge by contacting JEO Consulting Group, Inc. at 1615 SW Main Street, Ste 205, Ankeny, IA 50023 or 515.964.5310. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder. The SUDAS Standard Specifications, 2022 Edition, as amended, are applicable to the project and can be purchased from the Institute for Transportation of Iowa State University, (515) 294-2869, or at www.iowasudas.org. Copies of the SUDAS Standard Specifications are not included in the contract documents but are incorporated by reference.

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

In accordance with Iowa statutes, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference, or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

General Nature of the Public Improvement:

Morgan Creek Bird Family Preserve - Wetland Creation
Linn County, Iowa
JEO Project No. 200324.02

Work consists of an excavated oxbow with a rip rap protected inlet and outlet, granular parking access and lot, roadway shouldering, and a mowed path around the oxbow. A temporary stream crossing will be installed to haul spoiled earthwork to a neighboring site.

Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, in a form acceptable to the Jurisdiction, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the contract. The bidder's security shall be in the amount fixed in the Instructions to Bidders and shall be in the form of a cashier's check or a certified check drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on an FDIC insured bank chartered under the laws of the United States; or a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States; or a bid bond on the form provided in the contract documents with corporate surety satisfactory to the Jurisdiction. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

Bidder shall not include sales tax in the bid. A sales tax exemption certificate will be available for all material purchased for incorporation in the project.

Linn County Conservation reserves the right to defer acceptance of any bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of bids and no bid may be withdrawn during this period.

Each successful bidder will be required to furnish a corporate surety bond in an amount equal to 100% of its contract price. Said bond shall be issued by a responsible surety approved by the Linn County Conservation Board and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment of all material and labor, and protect and save harmless the Linn County Conservation Board from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the contract and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvement caused by failures in materials and construction for a period of one year from and after acceptance of the contract.

Linn County Conservation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The contractor shall fully complete the project no later than June 30, 2023.

Linn County Conservation hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the Jurisdiction.

This notice is given by authority of the Linn County Conservation Board.

Hillary Hughes, President
Linn County Conservation Board

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