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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for the work comprising "2024 Wastewater Treatment Facility Replacement for the City of Onawa," JEO Project No. 170570.01, QuestCDN No. 9404114, must be filed before 2:00 PM on December 10, 2026, in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 914 Diamond Street, Onawa, IA 51040. Bids received after the deadline for submission of bids shall not be considered and shall be returned to the late bidder unopened.

Sealed proposals will be opened and bids tabulated at 2:00 PM on December 10, 2026, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 914 Diamond Street, Onawa, IA 51040, for consideration by the City Council at its meeting at 7:00 PM on February 3, 2027, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 914 Diamond Street, Onawa, IA 51040. The City of Onawa reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities in the form of the bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City. The USDA has to concur in the award before the City can issue the Notice of Award for the project.

The general nature of the public improvement is: Improvements to the existing wastewater treatment facility located off of 6th Street in the south part of Onawa, IA, including: demolition of existing infrastructure, construction of a new headworks expansion including an automatic bar screen and grit classifier, rehab of existing lift station including dry well rehab and installation of new pumps and piping, construction of new admin building including sludge press system, electrical/controls, lab, office, and garage, construction of a vortex grit removal system, construction of an activated sludge treatment system including blowers, construction of an ultraviolet disinfection system, construction of control structures and manholes, site piping improvements, construction of an equalization basin, site grading improvements, installation of a standby electrical generator with automatic transfer switch, electrical and controls improvements, and appurtenances.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 AM on December 1, 2026, at City Hall, 914 Diamond Street, Onawa, IA 51040. A Site visit is scheduled following the pre-bid conference. Maps to the Site will be available at the pre-bid conference.

The work shall commence on the day indicated in the Notice to Proceed and shall be substantially complete on or before October 31, 2028, and completed and ready for final payment on or before December 31, 2028; or if Bid Alternate 1 is awarded, final completion shall be April 30, 2029. Should the Contractor fail to complete the work in this timeframe, liquidated damages of $1,500 per calendar day for substantial completion and $500 per calendar day for final completion will be assessed for work not completed within the designated contract terms.

Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Chapter 26, Section 26.8, and as specified by the City of Onawa, in the amount of 5% of the bid, as fixed in the Instructions to Bidders.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with the City of Onawa 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 lkasl@jeo.com.

In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

To the extent allowed by Federal law and regulation, by virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the state of Iowa. Pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.319, as adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture in 2 C.F.R. § 400.1, no such preference will be given except where applicable Federal statutes expressly mandate or encourage such preference.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish bonds in an amount equal to one-hundred percent (100 percent) of the contract price, said bonds to be issued by a responsible surety approved by the City Council and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment for all materials and labor and protect and save harmless the City from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of Contractor.

The project is partially funded by USDA Rural Development.

This project is subject to the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) requirements under Title IX of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Pub. L. 117-58, §§ 70901-70953. Absent an approved waiver, all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this project must be produced in the United States.

The following waivers apply to this contract:

BABAA De Minimis, Small Grants, and Minor Components

To the extent required by Iowa law, to the extent allowed by Federal law, 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. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the Proposal may result in the Proposal being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

This notice is given by authority of the City of Onawa.

/s/ Signature of responsible party for notification
David Sick, Mayor

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