

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE is hereby given that The Warren County Board of Supervisors will receive sealed bids from qualified Bidders for the following Project:

CASTLE ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

The work consists of removing and replacing existing storm drainage pipes, regrading channel, placement of riprap and restoring the surrounding area after the new drainage improvements have been made. The construction will consist of clearing and grubbing, demolition, pavement removal and replacement, pipe removal, installation of storm drainage pipe and sodding. The above outline of features of work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all parts, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

Deadline for receipt of Bids is 10:00 a.m. local time on August 25, 2021. Bids received after the stated deadline will not be considered. All bids properly received will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids will be received at the Warren County Purchasing Department, 913 Jackson Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183. Contractors have the option of submitting bids in a sealed envelope or through the County's electronic bid submission portal at www.bidnowsolutions.com. Registration and a valid email address are required for electronic bid submission. Any addenda issued shall be posted at the Bid Now Solutions site and emailed to registered contractors. Contractors are responsible for final check of addenda at the site prior to bid submission. Further instructions are provided in the Contract Documents package.

Contractors are encouraged to attend a **Pre-Bid Conference scheduled for August 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Neel-Schaffer Vicksburg Office Conference Room at 1100 Cherry Street, Vicksburg MS 39183.

The contract time for the work included in this contract is **Forty-Five (45) consecutive calendar days**. The Contract will be subject to Liquidated Damages of two hundred dollars (**\$200.00**) per calendar day for each day in default after the stipulated completion date. The contract time will begin on the date specified in the written Notice to Proceed.

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi State law and possess a Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors in a classification such as (a) Highway, Street and Bridge Construction, (b) Municipal and Public Works Construction, (c) Excavation, Grading & Drainage or another closely related classification. This Project is expected to exceed \$50,000, therefore the Certificate of Responsibility Number shall be written on the outside of the sealed bid envelope. For electronic bids, the COR information must be submitted as the first page of the PDF attachment with the electronic bid submittal.

Mississippi has a reciprocal preference law and Mississippi Code 31-3-21 requires that a copy of any non-resident bidder's current state law pertaining to its treatment of non-resident contractors be submitted at the time the bid is submitted, or that bid shall not be considered further. Any preference an out of state bidder would have had in his home state shall be applied in a reciprocal manner. All bids shall be in compliance with and subject to the guidelines and requirements of Mississippi Code of 1972 as annotated and amended. This project shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid payable to Warren County as bid security. Prior to the start of work, the successful bidder shall furnish a Proof of Insurance, along with Performance and Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their Power of Attorney. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement if requested by Warren County Board of Supervisors.

Neel-Schaffer, Inc. is the Engineer for this project. Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents (Bid Documents) are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Warren County Purchasing Department, 913 Jackson Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183, along with various Plan Room Services. Contractors may request bid documents by visiting www.bidnowsolutions.com/warrencounty/ and selecting the **Warren County Castle Road Drainage Improvements** tab and completing the online registration form under the **Request Contract Documents** tab. Upon registration, a PDF version of both the Plans and Specifications will be downloadable from the site. Bid Documents may also be picked up at no charge at the Neel-Schaffer office located at 1100 Cherry Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183. Questions may be addressed to **Chad Edwards, Project Manager** via chad.edwards@neel-schaffer.com. Bid Documents will contain instructions for bidding by both sealed envelope and electronic means. Bidders are cautioned to read all instructions carefully.

The Warren County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to determine responsible bidders, responsive bids, the lowest and best bid, reject any and all bids, award to the bidder believed most advantageous to Warren County, and to waive any informalities in the bids and bidding process. Published pursuant to Board Order dated the 21st day of June 2021.

The Warren County Board of Supervisors
By: Penny Evans, Purchasing Agent

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