

**NEW ALBANY WELCOME CENTER
GM & O RAILS TO TRAILS RECREATIONAL DISTRICT OF
NORTH MISSISSIPPI**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of NEW ALBANY WELCOME CENTER will be received by the GM&O Rails to Trails Recreational District of North Mississippi, c/o Three Rivers Planning & Development District, Attn: Ronnie Bell, 75 S Main Street, Pontotoc, MS 38863 until 10:00 a.m. on September 13th, 2018, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

Contract Documents and Plans can be viewed and/or purchased at Engineering Solutions, Inc. plan room at www.esiplans.com. Deposit is non-refundable. Should a bidder choose to submit a bid electronically in place of a sealed bid, it may be submitted at www.esiplans.com. Questions regarding website registration, online plan and document(s) purchase, or electronic bidding, please call Plan House Printing at (662) 407-0193.

This work consists of construction the New Albany Welcome Center including the installation of various drainage items , asphalt removal and pavement, curb and gutter, inlets and related items located within the City limits of New Albany, MS.

Each bid submitted must be marked on the outside "Bid for NEW ALBANY WELCOME CENTER". Any bid in excess of \$50,000 must contain on the outside of the envelope the contractor's current certificate of responsibility number, and no bid shall be opened or considered unless this number appears on the outside of the envelope or unless a statement is included on the outside of the envelope indicating that the bid enclosed does not exceed \$50,000. When bidders chose to submit bids electronically, the requirement for including a certificate of responsibility, or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), on the exterior of the bid envelope shall be deemed in compliance by including the same information as an attachment with the electronic bid submittal.

A satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an accepted Surety, a certified check, or bank draft payable to the GM&O Rails to Trails Recreational District of North Mississippi, on negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), shall be submitted with each bid in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs. The City of New Albany, Mississippi is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The GM&O Rails to Trails Recreational District of North Mississippi hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in a contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

The successful bidder must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act which requires that all laborers and mechanics shall be paid at rates not less than those determined by the Department of Labor to be the prevailing for the locality in which the project is located.

This project is being funded in part by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grant #MS-18489 and the rules and regulations therein apply.

Bids may be held up to 90 days from the date of opening for review of bids and qualifications of bidders prior to Contract award. The GM&O Rails to Trails Recreational District of North Mississippi reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Ray Collins
Chairman of the Board

August 16, 2018 and August 21, 2018