

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, is soliciting bids for the following: **BID #24-463, Simmers-Young Park Water Quality Improvement Project.**

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid meeting will be held Thursday, August 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Parks and Natural Resources Conference Room located at 4177 Ben Durrance Rd, Bartow, FL 33830. A mandatory site visit will immediately follow.

An authorized representative or agent of the Bidder must be present at these meetings in person, as evidenced by their attendance on the meeting's sign-in sheets. Attendance will be taken prior to the start and end of the meeting. If the Bidder does not sign-in or provide information before or after the meeting, the Bidder's submittal will be considered non-responsive.

Bid packages may be obtained from the Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida, 33830, (863) 534-6757 or downloaded from our website at <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/>.

Respondents must submit one (1) original copy of the bid submittal prior to 2:00 p.m. on the bid receiving date. Bids must be submitted in a "sealed" parcel or electronically through Polk County's secure website, Kiteworks. Bids will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on receiving date.

To receive a copy of the **Attachment A - Constructions Plans, Attachment B - Technical Provisions, Attachment C - Utility Adjustment Sheets, Excel Bid Sheet, Exhibits VI-A and XI**, please go to the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 24-463, Simmers-Young Park Water Quality Improvement Project.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Brad Howard at bradhoward@polk-county.net.

Scope of Work: The purpose of the Simmers-Young Park Water Quality Improvement project is to reduce nutrients leaving the existing pond and therefore improve the water quality of Lena Run. Simmers-Young Park (SYP) is a multi-use recreation park located in unincorporated Polk County and owned by Polk County. Stormwater runoff from SYP, as well as an off-site area to the east, flows to an existing pond on the north side of the park and eventually discharges to Lena Run. Lena Run is a 7.3-mile freshwater stream originating at Lake Lena and ultimately discharging to Lake Hancock. This stream is currently listed as impaired and has a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Total Nitrogen (TN), Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD), and fecal coliform. The SYP existing stormwater pond does not have an outfall consistent with traditional water quality control practices, and simply outfalls via a pipe. Through this project the County will improve water quality through the addition of an improved pond outfall, floating wetlands, a nanobubbler, and several best management practices (BMPs) upstream of the pond.

The construction cost estimate for the project is \$2,532,636.00.

Qualification Requirements: Bidder shall be a State of Florida licensed General Contractor or Certified Underground Utility and Excavation Contractor with experience of similar nature in large excavation (10,000 cubic yards or more) projects specifically dealing with muck and soil conditions as the prime vendor. Bidder must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience as the prime bidder.

Receiving Date: Prior to 2:00 pm., **Wednesday, September 18, 2024**, NO EXCEPTIONS

BID OPENING: Bidders may attend the Bid Opening via conference call by dialing (646) 558-8656 and enter Meeting ID: 327 647 2818. Vendors may also attend in person. A listing of all bidders will be posted to Procurement's website as soon as possible after bid opening.

QUESTIONS: Questions regarding this bid should be in writing and should reference the above Bid. Submit all questions to Brad Howard, Senior Procurement Analyst, via email at bradhoward@polk-county.net or via fax at (863) 534-6789 by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4, 2024.

STATEMENT OF NO BID

BID #24-463, Simmers-Young Park Water Quality Improvement Project.

If submitting a "NO BID", Bidder shall return this form to the Polk County Board of County Commissioners Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830; or fax it to (863) 534-6789.

We have declined to bid on the above-mentioned bid for the following reasons (Please Circle all that apply):

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| Specifications too "restrictive." | Insufficient time to respond to invitation for bid |
| Do not offer this product/service | Our schedule would not permit us to perform |
| Unable to meet specifications | Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements |
| Specifications unclear | |
| Other (please specify): | |

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Date:
