

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Project Name: Proposed Watershed Improvements - Clear Creek Watershed in Iowa &
Johnson Counties - Bid Package 3, Iowa County

CGA Project No. 8725

The work comprising the above referenced project shall be constructed in accordance with the NRCS Standard Specifications, as further modified by supplemental specifications and special provisions included in the Project Manual. The terms used in the contract revision of the documents are defined in said Standard Specifications. Before submitting your bid, please review the requirements of the General Provisions and Covenants, in particular the sections regarding proposal requirements, bonding, contract execution and insurance requirements. Please be certain that all documents have been completed properly, as failure to complete and sign all documents and to comply with the requirements listed below can cause your bid not to be read.

I. BID SECURITY

The bid security must be in the minimum amount of 5% of the total bid amount including all Divisions bid upon. Bid security shall be in the form of a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or drawn 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 executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in Iowa or satisfactory to the County. The bid bond must be submitted on the enclosed Bid Bond form as no other bid bond forms are acceptable. All signatures on the bid bond must be original signatures in ink; facsimile (fax) of any signature on the bid bond is not acceptable. Bid security other than said bid bond shall be made payable to Treasurer, Johnson County, Iowa. "Miscellaneous Bank Checks", and personal checks, as well as "Money Orders" and "Traveler's Checks" issued by persons, firms or corporations licensed under Chapter 533B of the Iowa Code, are not acceptable bid security. One Bid Security shall be submitted that covers all Divisions bid upon. It is not necessary to include a bid security for each division if multiple Divisions are being bid upon.

II. SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL AND IDENTITY OF BIDDER

- A. The proposal shall be sealed in an envelope, properly identified as the Proposal with the project title and the name and address of the bidder, and deposited with the County at or before the time and at the place provided in the Notice to Bidders. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to see that its proposal is delivered to the County prior to the time for opening bids, along with the appropriate bid security sealed in the separate envelope identified as Bid Security and attached to the outside of the bid proposal envelope. Any proposal received after the scheduled time for the receiving of proposals will be returned to the bidder unopened and will not be considered.

B. The following documents shall be completed, signed and returned in the Proposal envelope. The bid cannot be read if any of these documents are omitted from the Proposal envelope.

1. PROPOSAL – Complete each of the following parts:

- Part B – Acknowledgment of Addenda, if any have been issued;
- Part C – Bid Items, Quantities and Prices for one or both Divisions
- Part F – Proposal Attachments;

The following documents which are proposal attachments must be completed and attached:

<u>ITEM NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHMENT</u>
1.	<u>Bidder Status Form</u>
2.	_____
3.	_____
4.	_____
5.	_____
6.	_____

- Part G – Identity of Bidder;

Sign the proposal. The signature on the proposal and all proposal attachments must be an original signature in ink signed by the same individual who is the Company Owner or an authorized Officer of the Company; copies or facsimile of any signature will not be accepted. The Bidder Status Form is required by the Iowa Labor Commissioner, pursuant to the Iowa Administrative Code rule 875-156.2(1). The Bidder must complete and submit the Bidder Status Form, signed by an authorized representative of the Bidder, with their bid proposal. Under Iowa Administrative Code rule 875-156.2(1), failure to provide the Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and may result in the bid being rejected. The Worksheet: Authorized to Transact Business from the Labor Commissioner is including on the following page and can be used to assist Bidders in completing the Bidder Status Form.

This Worksheet is not required to be submitted with the Bid. It is intended to be used to assist the bidder in completing the Bidder Status Form.

Worksheet: Authorization to Transact Business

This worksheet may be used to help complete Part A of the Resident Bidder Status form. If at least one of the following describes your business, you are authorized to transact business in Iowa.

- Yes No My business is currently registered as a contractor with the Iowa Division of Labor.
- Yes No My business is a sole proprietorship and I am an Iowa resident for Iowa income tax purposes.
- Yes No My business is a general partnership or joint venture. More than 50 percent of the general partners or joint venture parties are residents of Iowa for Iowa income tax purposes.
- Yes No My business is an active corporation with the Iowa Secretary of State and has paid all fees required by the Secretary of State, has filed its most recent biennial report, and has not filed articles of dissolution.
- Yes No My business is a corporation whose articles of incorporation are filed in a state other than Iowa, the corporation has received a certificate of authority from the Iowa Secretary of State, has filed its most recent biennial report with the Secretary of State, and has neither received a certificate of withdrawal from the Secretary of state nor had its authority revoked.
- Yes No My business is a limited liability partnership which has filed a statement of qualification in this state and the statement has not been canceled.
- Yes No My business is a limited liability partnership which has filed a statement of qualification in a state other than Iowa, has filed a statement of foreign qualification in Iowa and a statement of cancellation has not been filed.
- Yes No My business is a limited partnership or limited liability limited partnership which has filed a certificate of limited partnership in this state, and has not filed a statement of termination.
- Yes No My business is a limited partnership or a limited liability limited partnership whose certificate of limited partnership is filed in a state other than Iowa, the limited partnership or limited liability limited partnership has received notification from the Iowa Secretary of state that the application for certificate of authority has been approved and no notice of cancellation has been filed by the limited partnership or the limited liability limited partnership.
- Yes No My business is a limited liability company whose certificate of organization is filed in Iowa and has not filed a statement of termination.
- Yes No My business is a limited liability company whose certificate of organization is filed in a state other than Iowa, has received a certificate of authority to transact business in Iowa and the certificate has not been revoked or canceled.