

August 4, 2017

RE: SP 6284-180 I-35W North MNPASS

From County Road C in the City of Roseville, Ramsey County to 0.1 mile north of Sunset Ave. (CR 53) in the City of Lino Lakes, Anoka County, Minnesota, about 12 miles.

Request for Letters of Interest for a Design Build Contract

## Greetings,

The Minnesota Department of Transportation – Metropolitan District is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies interested in providing Design-Build services for the design and construction of Interstate 35W between County Road C in the City of Roseville, Ramsey County to 0.1 mile north of Sunset Ave. (CR 53) in the City of Lino Lakes, Anoka County, Minnesota, about 12 miles. The proposed construction will include adding a lane to I-35W, which will be a MnPASS lane, from County Road C in Roseville to Lexington Ave (County Road 17) in Blaine. Repave I-35W and ramps with an unbonded concrete overlay from County Road C in Roseville to 0.1 mile north of Sunset Ave (County Road 53) in Lino Lakes. Project length is about 12 miles. Replace the 4 I35W bridges at CR C and adjacent RR, replace the I35W bridge at CR I, and do bridge rehabilitation to the bridge from northbound I35W to westbound US 10. Install 7 separate noise walls with a total length of about 4.1 miles. The project has been fully funded and is scheduled for a September of 2018 letting. Approximate cost is \$200 million.

The project procurement schedule is as follows:

- Request for Letters of Interest August 8, 2017
- RFQ Release April 3, 2018
- Submit SOQs May 15, 2018
- Shortlist Teams May 30, 2018
- RFP Release May 30, 2018
- Letting September 12, 2018
- Construction Start Lane closures on mainline I35W will not be allowed to start until March 15, 2019.

Procurement Coordination with SP 1981-124 I35W MN River Bridge:

MNDOT understands that the same contractors that bid on SP 1981-124 I35W MN River Bridge may want to bid on SP 6284-180 I35W North MNPASS, and that the contractors that may win SP 1981-124 may still want to propose a team for SP 6284-180. MNDOT has carefully coordinated the procurement dates for both projects so that the final submittal of SOQs for SP 6284-180 occurs 4 business days after the letting of SP 1981-124. The combined SP 1918-124 and SP 6284-180 procurement schedule is shown below.

- SP 1981-124 RFQ Release October 2017
- SP 1981-124 Shortlist Teams November 30, 2017
- SP 1981-124 RFP Release January 30, 2018
- SP 6284-180 RFQ Release April 3, 2018
- SP 1981-124 Letting May 9, 2018

- SP 6284-180 Submit SOQs May 15, 2018
- SP 6284-180 Shortlist Teams May 30, 2018
- SP 6284-180 RFP Release May 30, 2018
- SP 6284-180 Letting September 12, 2018

The "Best-Value" selection process will be used to evaluate the project consisting of the estimated price of the project divided by the technical score received for the Request for Proposals.

Companies interested in receiving project notices and notifications, including a notice of the Request for Qualifications release, should send a Letter of Interest in writing to:

Jerome Adams, P.E., PMP

Project Manager

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The Letter of Interest must state the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the person who the Department may contact at your company to provide further information about the project. It is preferred that the Letter of Interest be scanned and sent by email. A hard copy is acceptable.

A project information workshop will be scheduled at a date and time to be announced at a later date. Information regarding the proposed project can be found on the project website at: http://www.dot.state.mn.us/designbuild/i35w-north-mnpass/index.html

Information has been placed on the Design Build FTP site and can be found at: ftp://ftp2.dot.state.mn.us/pub/outbound/DesignBuild/I35W North MNPASS/

Note that MNDOT's FTP system is changing in the near future. Updates about how to use the FTP site and any new addresses will be posted to the project website.

While submission of a Letter of Interest and attendance at the project information workshop are not prerequisites for participating in the procurement process, interested firms and parties are strongly encouraged to submit and attend.

The Department reserves the sole right, without incurring any liability, to change any aspect of the proposed procurement described above, including the right not to proceed with the procurement and/or the right to proceed in a different manner or on a different timeline than as described above.

Sincerely,

Jerome Adams, PE, PMP, Project Manager