

INVITATION FOR BID

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County (PBC), Florida, up to and opened at 2:00 P.M., local time, November 10, 2009 in the PBC Department of Environmental Resources Management (ERM), Vista Center, 2300 N. Jog Road, 4th Floor, West Palm Beach, Florida, 33411-2743 for furnishing all materials, labor, supervision, equipment, supplies, fees, expertise, and services necessary for the construction of a 10' wide, 5.3 mile-long Coquina bike/pedestrian trail on eastern levee C-18E, a new bridge crossing C-18E, shade shelter, bike racks, trail post signs and information kiosks.

Bluegill Trail from Riverbend Park to Sandhill Crane Park, FM# 423809-1-58-01 Project No. 2009ERM08

All conditions and requirements for bid submission, consideration, and award are contained in the Contract Documents, which include the plans and specifications. In order for PBC to better manage document content and disbursement, and for contractor qualification for the bid process, all interested Contractors must purchase the Contract Documents from ERM on or after October 14, 2009. All/any bids received from Contractors who have not purchased the Contract Documents from ERM shall not qualify and bids will be returned unopened. A non-refundable service charge of **\$85.00** per set of Contract Documents is required. Checks are to be made payable to PBC Board of County Commissioners. Partial sets will not be available. Contract Documents will not be issued unless the request is received at least 24 hours prior to Bid Opening.

A Mandatory **Pre-Bid Meeting** will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2009 **at 9:30 AM**, at PBC, Vista Center, 2300 N. Jog Road, Vista Center Room # 1E-60, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411-2743. Please contact ERM at 561/233-2440 with any questions. Bids will only be accepted from firms attending the Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting. If less than three (3) firms attend the Mandatory Pre-Bid, the County reserves the right to waive this requirement. A Non-Mandatory site visit may be scheduled on October 22, 2009 following the Pre-Bid Meeting for interested bidders with ERM.

This project is funded by the USDOT/FHWA through the FDOT under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). This ARRA project is subject to monthly reporting. The County and its Contractors shall comply with FDOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Plan approved by the USDOT. FDOT currently has a race neutral program with an 8.18% goal. DBEs certified under the Florida Unified Certification Program Directory are listed at: <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/equalopportunityoffice/>.

Affirmative Action: PBC, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) and the Regulations of the Department of Commerce (15 CFR, Part 8) issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement all contractors including DBEs will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, gender, religion, age, disability, marital status or national origin in consideration for an award.

At the time of bid submission each bidder, and all identified subcontractors, must possess all professional licenses or certifications required by the State of Florida and/or PBC, as applicable, for performing the specified work.

Bid proposals must be submitted on the forms provided by ERM and accompanied by a bid bond security in favor of Palm Beach County in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price. A public construction bond (100%) will be required within fourteen (14) calendar days of PBC's Notice of Intent to Award Contract. PBC reserves the right to waive any bid irregularities, informalities, or technical deficiencies and to reject all/any bids. Late bids will be rejected and the Bid Bond returned.

By order of: The Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County, Florida
ATTEST: SHARON R. BOCK, CLERK & COMPTROLLER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RICHARD E. WALESKY, DIRECTOR, Department PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
of Environmental Resources Management BY: JOHN F. KOONS, CHAIRMAN

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