

**COUNTY OF BUTTE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, California, until **10:30 a.m. on May 13, 2008** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for construction in accordance with the project specifications and plans to which special reference is made, as follows:

**RICETON HIGHWAY OVERLAY
FROM AFTON ROAD TO THE U.P.R.R. TRACKS**

The work, located in the County of Butte near the City of Biggs, involves, in general: Overlay of an existing two-lane rural roadway, including: traffic control; transition grinding; application of 0.17 feet of Type "A" hot mix asphalt concrete, over pavement reinforcing fabric, over 0.10± feet of Type "A" hot mix asphalt concrete leveling course; installation of thermoplastic traffic stripes, thermoplastic pavement markings, and retroreflective pavement markers; and placement of aggregate base shoulder backing.

Special provisions, including plans and forms for the proposal, bonds and contract, are available for review at the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, California 95965. **Copies of the Special provisions may be purchased for the non-refundable payment of fifteen dollars (\$15.00). Bidders requesting mailed copies of the Special Provisions shall be charged an additional seven and a half dollars (\$7.50) for shipping and handling.** Payment for the copies of the Special Provisions and mailing shall be made in the form of cash or a check made payable to the "County of Butte". The Special Provisions package mentioned above does not include copies of the California Department of Transportation Standard Plans or Standard Specifications for Construction, dated May, 2006. However, for convenience, the Special Provisions package does contain Amendments to the May 2006 Standard Specifications updated to February 1, 2008, which will be the latest revisions utilized with this project.

No pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this project.

This contract is subject to State contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

Information is also available on the Butte County Public Works Department Website at:
<http://www.buttecounty.net/publiworks/divisions/engineering/projects.html>

Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

Contract items of work and quantities thereof for which payment will be made under this contract are contained in the proposal. The items of work and quantities are given as a basis for the comparison of bids and the County of Butte does not, expressly or by implication, agree that the actual amount of work will correspond therewith, but reserves the right to increase or decrease the amount of any class or portion of the work, or to omit portions of the work, as may be deemed necessary or advisable by the Engineer.

The Board of Supervisors has ascertained, pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates for straight time, overtime, Saturday, Sunday and holiday work applicable to the work to be done in Butte County are the same as the general prevailing wage rates as determined by the Department of Industrial Relations. These rates are on file in the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965 and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

The labor surcharge and equipment rental rates to be used under this contract shall be as listed in the State of California Department of Transportation Division of Construction publication entitled "Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates" that are in effect when the work is accomplished.

Holidays, upon which general prevailing hourly wage rate for holiday work shall be paid, shall be all legal, federal and/or state holidays determined by wage surveys or recognized in the collective bargaining agreement, applicable to the particular craft, classification, or type of worker employed on the project, which is on file with the Director of Industrial Relations.

Attention is directed to Section 7-1.01C, "Contractors Licensing Laws," of the Standard Specifications. The Contractor shall possess a Class A license or a combination of classes required by the categories and types of work included in this contract at the time this contract is awarded.

The attention of bidders is particularly directed to the provisions of Section 8-1.02, "Assignment," of the Standard Specifications regarding assignment of the contract.

No bid will be considered unless it is made on a blank form furnished by the Butte County Department of Public Works and is made in accordance with the provisions in Section 2, "Proposal Requirements and Conditions," of the Standard Specifications. The attention of the bidders is directed to properly responding to all proposal attachments.

The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and a performance bond.

The County of Butte reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in any bid.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications, or estimate for the project must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to the opening of bids. Any such inquiries or questions, if submitted after the opening of bids, will not be treated or addressed as a bid protest.

All communications relative to this work shall be directed to the Project Engineer, Ian Sanders, at the County of Butte Department of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965, phone no. (530) 538-7681, prior to the opening of bids. All questions relating to interpretation of the Contract Documents or products must be submitted in writing, and responses will be in the form of written addenda to the Contract Documents.

Dated: April 17, 2008

**COUNTY OF BUTTE
Department of Public Works
J. Michael Crump, Director**