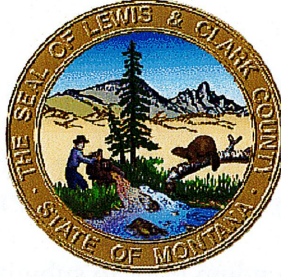


LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BIRDSEYE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
Pre-Bid Conference
February 20, 2024
Sign-In Sheet

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LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY

Public Works Department

AGENDA

Pre-Bid Meeting for

2024 Birdseye Road Improvements

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Weed Building Conference Room, 3402 Cooney Drive

County Representative:

Jesse Whitford, CET IV, CWI

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. SIGN-IN SHEET

3. INVITATION TO BID

- a. The project generally consists of a 1 ½” asphalt overlay from Austin Road to Three Mile Road. Paving of (5) approaches: Echo, Garnet, Hidden Valley, Eagle Ridge and Redwing. Bid Invitation is published in the Helena Independent Record on Saturdays, February 10 and February 17, 2024.
- b. **Bids Due** at 316 N. Park, Room 345, City County Building, Helena, MT 59623, before 4 p.m. on Wednesday February 28, 2024. Bids will be read aloud at 9 a.m. on Thursday, February 29, 2024.
- c. **Bid Submittal** – refer to Instructions to Bidders in Section 00200; ,Article 15, Paragraph 15.01 – In general, bids are to be placed in a sealed envelope that says 2024 BIRDSEYE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, Bid Enclosed. Name and address of Bidder shall also be on the Bid Envelope. Bids are to be submitted in the Bid Submittal Package found on the County website.

4. PROJECT MANUAL

- a. The **2024 Birdseye Road Improvements Project Manual** is available in its entirety on the County web site.
- b. Also available on the County web site is the **2024 Birdseye Road Improvements Project Bid Submittal Package**.

5. **Addendum** – Check for addendum prior to submitting bid. If there is any addendum, this information will be posted at the same location on the County website, that the Bid Documents are located. Be sure to acknowledge any addendum in the bid documents.

6. **Bid Bond** – Include 10% Bid Bond with Bid Submittal Package.

7. Scope of Project:

- a. **1 ½" Asphalt Overlay, preparation and paving of (5) approaches at described locations, placement of temporary reflective tabs, and interim waterborne paint striping, (centerline only). – Crack sealing, chip seal, fog seal, and epoxy paint striping will be performed under separate contract.**

b. **Asphalt shall be PG 58-28, Type B Mix Design. Contractor Quality Control-** The contractor will be responsible to perform any necessary quality control to assure conformance with MPWS 02510. Testing frequency shall be as per Appendix E of Lewis and Clark County Public Works Manual adopted May 1, 2023. There will NOT be a separate bit item for Contractor Quality Control. The owner will provide quality assurance sampling if deemed necessary.

c. **Temporary Traffic Tabs** – Shall be placed in accordance with MUTCD requirements, on centerline of roadway. Temporary traffic tabs will not be required for shoulder pavement markings.

8. **Traffic Control**-Meet MUTCD requirements for signage/flagging. Submit traffic control plan two days prior to commencing work. Indicate route/sequence of work. Plan your route to eliminate traffic congestion. Traffic control is a Bid Item, and will be paid separately. The use of pilot cars is required.

9. **Staging Area** – There is not a designated staging area for this work. It will be contractor responsibility to secure a staging area if desired.

10. **Truck Turn-Around** - The county does not desire for the contractor to turn asphalt hauling vehicles around on paved approaches within the right of way of the paving corridor between Austin Road and Three Mile Road. I encourage you to familiarize yourself with the area.

11. **Montana Prevailing Wage Rates/Certified Payroll.** Wage rates will follow Heavy Construction for 2024. All work will be in Zone 1 pay for this project.

12. Roadway Sweeping: It will be the responsibility of the contractor to perform any necessary sweeping prior to asphalt overlay.

13. Notice to Public - As stated in Special Provisions, it is the responsibility of the contractor to place suitable notice prior to paving to alert people of the intended construction activity. County may place reader boards prior to construction. Any complaints received from the public concerning oil on vehicles, etc..., will be directed to the contractor.

14. Contract Time: All work shall be completed between June 1 and June 30, 2024.
Note: Crack Sealing will be performed under separate contract, and is specified to be completed by May 30, 2024.

15. Work Hours: No work prior to 7:00 am, or after 8:00pm. Temperature restrictions will also apply.

16. MEASUREMENT AND PAY

Payment for bid items will be in accordance with Section 01275. There is no bid item for Mobilization or Contractor Quality Control.

17. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- a. \$500 per day, as per project manual

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Contractors present did not have any questions or comments.

I commented for contractors that are submitting a bid, to be sure to follow instructions – Section 00200, and the Invitation To Bid. Make sure bid envelope is filled out correctly, all bids on the bid form are filled in, in ink, and that the bid form and bid bond have the proper signatures. I emphasized the importance of completing the bid forms correctly. Incorrect bids will be rejected.

INVITATION TO BID

The Board of County Commissioners of Lewis and Clark County is soliciting competitive bids for the construction of the **Lewis & Clark County – 2024 Birdseye Road Improvements Project**. The project generally consists of constructing a 1.5-inch asphalt overlay for a portion of Birdseye Road from Austn Road to Threemile Road, in Lewis and Clark County, Montana and must be completed by the date noted in Article 4 of the Agreement.

All Bids must be in accordance with the contract documents. The contract documents may be examined or obtained on the Lewis and Clark County webpage at: <https://www.lccountymt.gov/Government/Grants-and-Purchasing/Bids-and-Proposals-Current> or by calling (406) 447-8035 in accordance with Article 2.01 of Instructions to Bidders. Contractors are encouraged to check for any addenda issued at <https://www.lccountymt.gov/Government/Grants-and-Purchasing/Bids-and-Proposals-Current> prior to submitting a bid.

Sealed bids must be received at the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, in the City County Building, Room 345, 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana, 59623 until 4:00 p. m. local time on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. The envelope containing the sealed bid will be labeled “Lewis & Clark County – 2024 Birdseye Road Improvements, Bid Enclosed”.

Responsive bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 330 in the City County Building, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, MT.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 3:15 p.m. in the Public Works Weed District Conference Room, located at 3402 Cooney Drive, Helena, MT. Interested bidders are encouraged to attend.

Contractor and any of the Contractor’s Subcontractors bidding or doing work on this project will be required to be registered with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, PO Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena MT 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling (406) 444-7734. All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractor or Subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as required by Montana Prevailing Wage Rates for **Highway Construction Services 2024**. The Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier’s Check, or Bid Bond payable to Lewis & Clark County, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance, as required, shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a certificate(s) of that insurance shall be provided.

Bids may only be withdrawn as provided in Section 16.02 of the Instructions to Bidders after the scheduled time for the public opening of bids. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid that is in the best interest of the Owner.

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SP-01 INCORPORATION OF THE MPWSS

All provisions of the Montana Public Works Standard Specifications, Seventh Edition, April 2021, hereafter collectively referred to as the MPWSS, apply to the project, except where portions of the MPWSS are modified or replaced by the Contract Documents. Each Section of the MPWSS that has been modified is listed in the Table of Contents of Section 00950 Standard Modifications to MPWSS. The entire Section from the MPWS has not been rewritten for these modifications. Instead, modifications are indicated for a specific subsection, paragraph, sentence or drawing.

Where a Standard Modification to MPWSS does not exist for a particular Section of MPWSS it shall be assumed the work is to be completed in accordance with the appropriate MPWSS Section. When a Standard Modification to MPWSS does exist the requirements of that modification supersede the related MPWSS requirement. Where paragraphs are specifically deleted or modified, or new paragraphs added, all other parts of the MPWSS will remain in effect unless otherwise modified by the Project Manual in accordance with the order of governance as specified in "Summary of Work". Forms included in the Project Manual will be used in lieu of similarly titled forms in the MPWSS. Where Technical Specifications follow the Modifications in later Divisions of the Project Manual, those Specifications do not replace same numbered specifications in the MPWSS but add pertinent information for this project.

Delete Part 4: MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT in all sections of the MPWSS. Payment for an item will only be made if that item is listed as a Bid Item in Section C-410: Bid Form. If an item is listed as a Bid Item, administrative and procedural requirements will be listed in Section 01275: Measurement and Payment. If an item is not listed as a Bid Item, the item is not required or is considered an incidental cost to other Bid Items.

SP-02 QUALIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTOR, SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, AND OTHERS

Provide qualifications for the Contractor and all Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other persons or organizations identified in Technical Specifications per the guidelines in the respective specification sections.

Per Article 3.1 of the Instructions to Bidders, within five (5) days of the Owner's or Engineer's request, submit the evidence of qualifications listed in the referenced article as well as the following additional information.

- A list of at least five (5) projects successfully completed within the last ten (10) years by the Bidder similar in size and scope to the Work, including references for each project.
- The proposed Superintendent's name and resume; and
- The general availability of the Bidder to complete the Work within a reasonable timeframe.

In accordance with Article 6.06 of the General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions to the General Conditions, provide a list of all Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other persons or organizations providing Work or items of equipment exceeding \$5,000 within five (5) days of the Owner's or Engineer's request. For each Subcontractor, Supplier, or other person or organization, include on the list the primary contact and phone number, approximate anticipated monetary value of Work, and a list of similar projects over the past three (3) years.

SP-03 PREBID EXPLORATION/SITE INFORMATION

All Bidders are strongly encouraged to visit the site of the work and conduct all field investigations at their disposal to become acquainted with the nature of the work.

SP-04 PUBLIC NOTICE

It will be the responsibility of the contractor to post notices to alert residents in advance when paving operations will take place. Acceptable notice may include publicized notice in the Independent Record, notification delivered to each household, and or "reader boards" placed at each entrance/exit of a subdivision. All vehicles, boats, campers, etc. are to be removed from the roadway prior to paving. Remaining vehicles will be towed. Any vehicles requiring towing will be coordinated with the assistance of the County.

SP-05 STAGING AREA

Staging areas (if any) will be discussed at the Pre-bid and Pre-Construction conferences. Take care to protect, preserve and/or replace objects and structures encountered within the confines of the staging areas and restore all disturbed areas as close as possible to original condition as possible unless otherwise dictated in these specifications.

Storage of construction materials, equipment, and other items pertinent to the construction of the project will be allowed in the staging areas. However, bulk storage of petroleum based products stored in tanks will not be allowed without engineers authorization. At all times, spill kits must be available on-site for any accidental spills of petroleum.

No staging area will be provided by the county.

No payment will be allowed to the Contractor for any work, including restoration, with regards to the staging areas.

SP-06 EASEMENTS, CONSTRUCTION LIMITS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY

Conduct construction operations within the easement, construction limits, and right-of-way limits. Obtain written permission from the adjoining private landowner prior to conducting any operations off the allowed easement. Take care to protect, preserve and/or replace objects and structures encountered within the confines of the easements and restore all disturbed areas restored to the original condition unless otherwise dictated in these specifications.

SP-07 TRAFFIC CONTROL

Construction traffic control will be the sole responsibility of the contractor. Adhere to all traffic control requirements as set forth in the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD)*, latest edition, published by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.

The contractor shall submit a traffic control plan a minimum of two (2) days prior to commencing work. At a minimum, the traffic control plan shall include the entity proposed to perform traffic control, and sequence of the planned route. The level of anticipated traffic control expected is as follows:

A pilot car is anticipated for the work on Birdseye Rd. Provide traffic control and signage in accordance with MUTCD requirements. Contractor will maintain one lane of traffic at all times.

Reference the project location map in APPENDIX B for a graphic description of the location and limits of the work. Specific limits of the work will be marked in the field by the OWNER prior to construction. Contractor shall familiarize himself with project locations and boundaries.

SP-08 DAMAGE AND COMPLAINTS

All complaints receive by the owner concerning oil on vehicles, paint on vehicles, or cracked windshields will be referred to the Contractor for remedial action.

SP-09 TACK OIL

Shall be SS-1 or approved equal, and shall meet the requirements of MPW Section 02502. Tack oil shall be applied at a rate of 0.1 gallons per square yard on roadway surfacing. Tack oil will also be applied to vertical edges and milled areas. Sweeping before tack application will be the responsibility of the contractor.

SP-10 ASPHALT MILLING

Asphalt milling will be required to a minimum depth of the asphalt to be placed. Asphalt shall be compacted at roadway tie in and shall be a smooth transition. It is anticipated that milling will be 1 ½” to 2” depth throughout the width of the road and approximately 10’ in length. The contractor is required to cleanup all loose material prior to placing tack oil, and prior to paving operations.

SP-11 ASPHALT TAPER

The roadway edge taper shall be a minimum slope of 3:1 for roadway edges. Maintain 24’ width at top surface of asphalt pavement.

Thick Pavement

SP-12 ROADWAY INFRASTRUCTURE

The Contractor is recommended to familiarize themselves with water valves/shut offs, manholes, or any other utilities that may be encountered in the roadways to be paved. Any height adjustment for utilities shall take place prior to paving with proper materials. **No manholes, water valves, or gas valves are expected to be encountered for this work.**

SP-13 SAFETY APPROACHES

The safety approaches shall be prepared for paving by the Contractor, prior to paving operations. Preparation will include sawing asphalt at roadway edge, and gravel work.

SP-14 ASPHALT MIX DESIGN

Mix Design utilized for paving asphalt overlays shall be PG 58-28, MPW Type B Mix design shall have been produced not more than (2) years prior to current date.

SP-15 CONTRACTOR QC

Justin Lawson

The contractor will be responsible to perform any quality control necessary to comply with requirements of MPW 02510. Any quality assurance testing, if deemed necessary, will be the responsibility of the owner.

SP-16 PREVAILING WAGES

The zone determination for the project shall be Zone 1.

END OF SECTION