



LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY

Public Works Department

MINUTES

Pre-Bid Meeting for

2026 Paint Striping Project Invitation for Bids

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

Noxious Weed District Building Conference Room, 3402 Cooney Drive

1. PROJECT MANUAL

- a. Accessible online via Lewis and Clark County website, Bids Page

2. SCOPE & PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- a. Project consists of: Paint Striping of various county roads and City of East Helena Roads in Lewis and Clark County, and one road in Jefferson County, Montana, as listed in Appendix A – Locations, Descriptions, & Estimated Quantities.
 - i. Waterborne Paint only
 - ii. See Appendix A

3. SUBMISSION OF BID

- a. Sealed bids are due by 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2026 in room 345 of the City County Building at 316 N Park Ave, Helena, MT 59623
- b. Opened and read aloud in Room 330 of the City County Building at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2026.
- c. Bid security not less than 10% is required.
- d. Performance and Payment Bonds are required.
- e. **The envelope containing the sealed bid must be labeled with Bidders Name and “2026 Paint Striping, Bid Enclosed”.**
- f. If mailing in a bid, the bid must be in a separate sealed envelope inside the outer envelope. The inner envelope must be marked per 3.e.

4. CONTRACT TIME

- a. Completion date listed in Agreement Form is June 1, 2026.
 - i. Substantial Completion by June 1, 2026.
 - ii. Final Payment by June 15, 2026.
 - iii. Work to be performed during daylight hours only.

5. BID

- a. Completed Bid Submittal Package
 - i. Bid Security – minimum of 10% of bid. May be bid bond or other form of security as specified in Montana Code Annotated 18-1-203, payable to Lewis & Clark County
 - ii. Submit bid submittal package only.
 - iii. Acknowledgement of any addenda on Bid Form.
 - iv. Bid envelope sealed and properly marked in accordance with instructions.

6. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- a. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. Contractors may stage at the Public Works Yard at 3402 Cooney Drive, Helena, MT.
- d. Owner will provide a shadow vehicle during striping operations to ensure painting locations and limits are found and defined for Contractor.
- e. 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.
 - i. It will be the responsibility of the contractor to alert the motoring public of wet paint. Suitable signs may read: paint crew ahead, wet paint, stay off lines, etc.
- f. All complaints received by the owner concerning paint on vehicles will be referred to the Contractor for remedial action.
- g. Prevailing Wages: The calculated distance from the center of the job to the nearest dispatch city is 22 miles.
- h. Contractor shall record separately, gallons of white paint and yellow paint, for each segment of roadway as shown in Appendix A.

7. MEASUREMENT AND PAY

- a. Payment for an item will only be made if that item is listed as a Bid Item in Section 00300: 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. County representatives can mark and measure cracks according to contract designation.
- b. Any streets done outside of designated boundaries will not be included in project payment.

8. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- a. \$500 per day depending on substantial completion or remaining work.

9. ADDENDUM

- a. Forestvale Road Lake Drive removed from the Bid.
- b. Posted online by Friday, February 27, 2026.
- c. No addendum will be posted after February 27, 2026.

