

REQUEST FOR PREQUALIFICATION FOR GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that on October 13, 2020 (“Notice Date”), the North Tahoe Public Utility District (“District”) determined that all bidders on the National Avenue Sewer Pump Station Rehabilitation Project (“Project”) must be prequalified as a condition of bidding on said Project. It is mandatory that all contractors who intend to submit bids fully complete the prequalification questionnaire, provide all materials requested herein, and be approved by the District to be on the final bidders list. No bid will be accepted from a Contractor that has failed to comply with these requirements. If two or more business entities submit a bid on a project as a joint venture, each entity within the joint venture must be separately qualified to bid.

The Prequalification package can be obtained electronically by request to: EngineeringBids@ntpud.org.

Contractor must possess a valid California Class A – General Engineering Contractor’s license to be considered.

Completed package must be RECEIVED by District no later than **3:00pm Pacific Time on Monday, November 16, 2020**.

Answers to questions contained in the questionnaire, information about current bonding capacity on an aggregate and per project limit, and the most recent reviewed or audited financial statements, with accompanying notes and supplemental information, are required. The District will use these documents as the basis of rating Contractors with respect to their qualification to bid on the Project. The District reserves the right to check other sources to obtain additional information or to verify information given by any Contractor as part of the prequalification process. The District’s decision will be based on the evaluation criteria identified herein.

Prequalification approval will be specific to the Project and remain valid for one (1) calendar year from the Notice Date, except that the District reserves the right during that calendar year to adjust, increase, limit, suspend or rescind the prequalification ratings based on subsequently identified information and after giving notice of the proposed action to the affected Contractor and an opportunity for a hearing consistent with the hearing procedures described below for appealing a prequalification determination.

While it is the intent of the prequalification questionnaire and documents required therewith to assist the District in determining bidder responsibility prior to the submission of bids and to aid the District in selecting the lowest responsible bidder, neither the fact of prequalification, nor any prequalification rating, will preclude the District from a post-bid consideration and determination of whether a Contractor has the quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the proposed work, and has demonstrated the requisite trustworthiness. Contractors are encouraged to submit prequalification packages as soon as possible, so that they may be notified of prequalification status well in advance of advertising for bids for the Project. Contractors are allowed to supplement and amend their prequalification package up to the due date listed above.

The prequalification packages should be submitted under seal and marked "CONFIDENTIAL" to the North Tahoe Public Utility District, Attention: Engineering Bids, 875 National Avenue, P.O. Box 139, Tahoe Vista, CA 96148. Prequalification applications may be submitted during regular working hours on any day that the North Tahoe Public Utility District is open, Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm. If the applicant submits by email, the subject line shall state "Prequalification Application" and submitted to EngineeringBids@ntpud.org. Contractors who submit a complete prequalification package will be notified by email and first-class mail of their qualification status.

The prequalification packages (questionnaire answers and financial statements) submitted by Contractors are not public records and are not open to public inspection. All information provided will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law; however, the contents may be disclosed to third parties for the purpose of verification, investigation of allegations that may impact Contractor's prequalification status, and in the process of an appeal hearing. State law provides that the names of contractors applying for prequalification status are public records subject to disclosure, and the first page of the questionnaire will be used for that purpose.

Each questionnaire must be signed under penalty of perjury in the manner designated at the end of the form, by an individual who has the legal authority to bind the Contractor on whose behalf that person is signing. The Contractor shall provide only complete and accurate information. If any information provided by a Contractor becomes inaccurate, the Contractor must immediately notify the District and provide updated accurate information in writing and under penalty of perjury. The District may verify any or all information provided in completed prequalification packages, consider information provided by sources other than the prospective bidder, and conduct such investigations as the District deems appropriate to assist in the evaluation of Contractor's responsibility, qualifications and financial capacity.