

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

### **NEW WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

#### **TALL OAKS LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA**

Notice is hereby given, that the Tall Oaks Lake Conservancy District, Morgan County, Indiana by and through its Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive sealed bid packets for the construction of a New Water Distribution System to serve its public water supply customers.

Sealed bids must be received by the Tall Oaks Lake Conservancy District, mailed or hand delivered to Catherine Whittier, Registered Agent of the Corporation, 910 S. Tall Oaks Drive East, Morgantown, IN 46160, no later than 5:00 p.m. (local time) on August 4, 2021. Bids received after such hour will be returned unopened. Bids received prior to this time will be opened and read aloud at a public meeting scheduled to take place at 6:30 p.m. (local time) on August 4, 2021 in the Lucille Sadler Room of the Morgan County Administration Building, 180 S. Main Street, Martinsville, IN 46151.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. (local time) on July 22, 2021 at the Morgantown Fire Department, 269 N. Highland Street, Morgantown, Indiana. All prime contractors, subcontractors and other interested parties are invited to attend.

The Project will be constructed in one (1) single prime contract, which is outlined in the construction documents and specifications. This contract consists of the construction of a new water distribution system to serve residents of the Tall Oaks Lake Conservancy District in southeastern Morgan County. The project will include approximately 8,100 feet of 4" diameter HDPE water main to be installed by the horizontal directional drilling method, two master metering structures and connections to the Citizens Water - Morgan County water system, nineteen metered residential service connections, polyethylene service tubing to connect existing customers to the new water mains, and associated valves, fittings, flushing hydrants, disinfection, testing and startup to provide a complete and operational system.

Plans and Specifications for the Project are on file and may be examined at the following locations:

- Midwestern Engineers, Inc., 6809 Corporate Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46278

Plans and Specifications are available at the office of Midwestern Engineers, Inc. The service charge for Contractors to view the plans for preparing their bid is as follows: 1) Purchase by download at [midwesterneng.com/plan room](http://midwesterneng.com/plan room) - \$100.00, and 3) Purchase paper-bound plans and specifications - \$300.00 per set. All service charges for purchasing are non-refundable.

The work to be performed and the bid to be submitted shall include sufficient and proper sums for all general construction, mechanical installation, labor, materials, permits, licenses, insurance, and so forth incidental to and required for the construction of the facilities.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of Bidder. All bids must be submitted on the bid forms as identified in the Contract Documents and Specifications.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bidder's bond made payable to the Owner, in a sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the highest aggregate bid, which check or bond will be held by the Owner as evidence that the bidder will, if awarded the contract, enter into the same with the Owner upon notification from him to do so within ten (10) days of said notification.

Approved performance and payment bonds guaranteeing faithful and proper performance of the work and materials, to be executed by an acceptable surety company, will be required of the Contractor at the time of contract execution. The bonds

will be in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least ninety (90) days.

A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder.

All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on bid forms included in the Specifications. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 2013) included with the Specifications. Under Section III of Form 96, the Bidder shall submit a financial statement. The Owner may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the work and the Bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein.

Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its Bid.

This project is financed with funds provided by the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) and with Federal funds provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Assistance for Small and Disadvantaged Communities Drinking Water Grant Program (SDWA 1459A). Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, which prohibits the discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex or national origin. The project shall be in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended. All contractors/subcontractors shall comply with 41 CFR 60-4, in regard to affirmative action, to ensure equal opportunity to females and minorities and will apply the timetables and goals set forth in 41 CFR 60-4. Small and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises are encouraged to bid on this project.

Catherine Whittier,  
Chairperson  
Tall Oaks Lake Conservancy District

Attest:  
Sheila Carroll,  
Secretary  
Tall Oaks Lake Conservancy District