

## NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received electronically via PlanetBids for the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant Filter Rehabilitation Project, no later than 2:00 PM, Pacific Time, on Thursday, December 28, 2023, at which time they will be read. Late bids submitted electronically through PlanetBids will not be accepted.

The Project is entitled "RIO VISTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTER REHABILITATION PROJECT". The project is located at the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant (RVWTP) - 27234 Bouquet Canyon Rd in the City of Santa Clarita. At this location, the project generally consists of but is not limited to:

Removal and disposal of existing anthracite, support gravel, and underdrains; surface preparation and application of protective coating to all specified surfaces of the interior filter basin walls; installation of new underdrains, and new anthracite; and all associated work ("Work") as indicated in the Contract Documents and Specifications on filters #2 through #6.

Additionally at this location, the project generally consists of but is not limited to: Removal and storage of existing anthracite for reuse, removal and disposal of support gravel, and underdrains; surface preparation and application of protective coating to all specified surfaces of the interior filter basin walls; installation of new underdrains, and reinstallation of existing anthracite; and all associated work ("Work") as indicated in the Contract Documents and Specifications on filter #1.

The AGENCY shall award the contract for the Work to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder as determined from the Base Bid Price.

Bidders must register as a vendor at the following website in order to download the Contract Documents: AGENCY'S website: <https://yourscvwater.com/bid-opportunities/> and click on the PlanetBids tab, then register on PlanetBids.

Bids must be submitted on the AGENCY's Bid Forms. Bidders may obtain a copy of the Contract Documents from PlanetBids at no charge. To the extent required by section 20103.7 of the Public Contract Code, upon request from a contractor plan room service, the AGENCY shall provide an electronic copy of the Contract Documents at no charge to the contractor plan room. For questions regarding accessing the Contract Documents, please contact Jessica Hithe at (661) 513-1279 or email: [jhithe@scvwa.org](mailto:jhithe@scvwa.org)

It is the responsibility of each prospective bidder to download and print all Contract Documents for review and to verify the completeness of Contract Documents before submitting a bid. Any Addenda will be posted on PlanetBids. It is the responsibility of each prospective bidder to check PlanetBids on a daily basis through the close of bids for any applicable addenda or updates. The AGENCY does not assume any liability or responsibility based on any defective or incomplete copying, excerpting, scanning, faxing, downloading, or printing of the Contract Documents. Information on PlanetBids may change without notice to prospective bidders. The Contract Documents shall supersede any information posted or transmitted by PlanetBids. All parties downloading Contract Documents will be listed under the solicitation's "Prospective Bidders" tab.

Discrepancies or omissions in, and/or questions about, the Contract Documents shall be submitted to the AGENCY, in writing, through the Q&A feature in PlanetBids and shall be received by the AGENCY no later than 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 14, 2023. It is the Bidder's responsibility to confirm that the AGENCY has received the correspondence. The AGENCY will not be responsible for any oral explanations or instructions. As determined by the AGENCY, a written addendum may be issued. Bidder is responsible for receipt of addenda, which will be posted on PlanetBids.

All bids shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check payable to the order of the AGENCY, or by a Bid Bond in favor of the AGENCY in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the Base Bid Price. The Bid Guarantee must be received prior to the specified date and time for bid opening. The Bid Guarantee shall be submitted in a sealed envelope with the Bidder's name, marked with the name of the project, the date and time to be opened, and addressed and delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, to: SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY, c/o Rafael Pulido, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. It is each Bidder's responsibility to ensure that his/her Bid Guarantee is received by the AGENCY prior to the time set for bid opening.

No Bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date of opening the bids, within which time an award may be made. The AGENCY reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bidding. Bids are required for the entire Work, and the Work will be let under a single contract.

Each Bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to sections 7000 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code in the following classification(s) throughout the duration of the Contract: Class A, General Engineering Contractor Business & Professions Code Division 3, Chapter 9. Contractors, Article 4. Classifications: 7056. A general engineering contractor is a contractor whose principal contracting business is in connection with fixed works requiring specialized engineering knowledge and skill, including the following divisions or subjects: irrigation, drainage, water power, water supply, flood control, inland waterways, harbors, docks and wharves, shipyards and ports, dams and hydroelectric projects, levees, river control and reclamation works, railroads, highways, streets and roads, tunnels, airports and airways, sewers and sewage disposal plants and systems, waste reduction plants, bridges, overpasses, underpasses and other similar works, pipelines and other systems for the transmission of petroleum and other liquid or gaseous substances, parks, playgrounds and other recreational works, refineries, chemical plants and similar industrial plants requiring specialized engineering knowledge and skill, powerhouses, power plants and other utility plants and installations, mines and metallurgical plants, land leveling and earthmoving projects, excavating, grading, trenching, paving and surfacing work and cement and concrete works in connection with the above mentioned fixed works.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 3400 (c), the AGENCY has made findings designating certain materials, products, things, or services by specific brand or trade that shall be provided by the Contractor under the Contract, and such findings and the materials, products, things, or services and their specific brand or trade names are set forth in the Special Conditions, SC-13 "Designated Materials, Products, Things or Services".

This Project will be funded in whole or in part by the Water Infrastructure Financing and Innovations Act ("WIFIA"). The successful bidder will be required to comply with all terms and conditions imposed by WIFIA, including but not limited to the following: Build America, Buy America Act, American Iron and Steel, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, and Davis-Bacon. The bidder shall refer to the Special Conditions for the requirements of WIFIA. Failure to comply with terms and conditions imposed by the funding source may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.

Pursuant to the Section 1770, et seq. of California Labor Code, the Contractor and all subcontractors shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations and comply with all applicable Labor Code provisions, which include, but are not limited to the employment of apprentices, the hours of labor and the debarment of contractors and subcontractors. The schedule of said rates is hereby incorporated and made a part thereof the same as though fully set forth herein. The wage determinations made by the Director of Industrial Relations are posted at [www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr). The Contractor shall post a copy of said document at the job site. The Contractor and any subcontractor under them shall pay not less than the therein-specified prevailing rate of per diem wages to all workers employed in the execution of the Contract.

The Davis-Bacon and Related Acts apply to contractors and subcontractors performing on federally funded or assisted contracts in excess of \$2,000 for the construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works. Davis-Bacon Act and Related Act contractors and subcontractors must pay their laborers and mechanics employed under the contract no less than the locally prevailing wages and fringe benefits for corresponding work on similar projects in the area. The Davis-Bacon Act directs the Department of Labor to determine such locally prevailing wage rates. The Davis-Bacon Act applies to contractors and subcontractors performing work on federal or District of Columbia contracts. The Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage provisions apply to the "Related Acts," under which federal agencies assist construction projects through grants, loans, loan guarantees, and insurance.

For prime contracts in excess of \$100,000, contractors and subcontractors must also, under the provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, pay laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, at least one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek. The overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act may also apply to DBA-covered contracts.

Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, all contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. No bid will be accepted, nor any contract entered into without proof of the contractor's and subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform public work. If awarded a Contract, the Bidder and its subcontractors, of any tier, shall maintain active registration with the Department of Industrial Relations for the duration of the project.

The project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. In bidding on this project, it shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to evaluate and include the cost of complying with all labor compliance requirements under this Contract and applicable law in its bid.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish the AGENCY with Payment and Performance Bonds equal to 100% of the Contract Price.

Pursuant to the Public Contract Code Section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute securities for funds withheld by AGENCY to ensure the Bidder's performance under the Contract.

There will be a mandatory in-person job site meeting for Bidders to attend on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 11:00 AM, Pacific Time, at the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant. The project will be discussed, and there will be a discussion of the general project area as part of the meeting.

Any person, unless already bound by a current contract with the AGENCY, prior to entering AGENCY property, including the project site, must complete, sign and submit the AGENCY's Release of Liability Form. AGENCY's Release of Liability Form is included in Appendix of the Contract Documents. The AGENCY will not allow any visitor/prospective Bidder access to AGENCY property without the Release of Liability Form being fully executed and submitted.

Dated:

11/27/23



Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer  
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency