

## SECTION I

### 1.1 INVITATION FOR BID

#### CALL FOR BIDS

Sealed bids, entitled Bid for Lagerquist Subsidence Remediation Project, **DEQ Contract No. 414043**, will be received by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) until **2:00 P.M. Mountain Standard Time, April 18, 2014**, and then publicly opened and read thereafter. Each bid shall be submitted in a sealed opaque envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder and its address. It may be mailed or hand delivered to:

Mailed:  
Bid Box  
Attention: Hayden Janssen  
P.O. Box 6969  
Helena, Montana 59604-6969

Hand Delivered:  
Department of Environmental Quality  
Remediation Division  
Attention: Hayden Janssen  
Lee Metcalf Building, 1520 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Rm. 3  
Helena, MT 59620-0901

If forwarded by mail, the Bid and sealed envelope marked as described above shall be enclosed in another envelope with the notification "SEALED BID ENCLOSED" on the face of the outer envelope and addressed as indicated above.

#### PROJECT LOCATION

The Lagerquist Subsidence Remediation Project is located 21 miles east of Plentywood, Montana, in Sheridan County, as shown on Sheet G1 of the Project Drawings.

The Wheeler-Lagerquist (W-L) site is accessible from Plentywood, Montana by traveling approximately 1 mile east on Montana Highway 16, then traveling east 22 ½ miles on Montana Highway 5, turn south, traveling 4 miles on Lindell Road, turn west on Jefferson Road 1½ mile located on the north side of the road. (SE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 4, T35N, R58E). The site is shown on sheet P-1 and a haul route between the W-L site and the ALE site is shown on sheet P-2.

The Anderson-Lagerquist-Elm (ALE) site is accessible from Plentywood, Montana by traveling approximately 1 mile east on Montana Highway 16, then traveling east 22 ½ miles on Montana Highway 5, turn south, traveling 4 miles on Lindell Road, turn west on Jefferson Road ½ mile then travel ¾ mile south to the ALE site. (NW ¼ of SW ¼ of Section 10, T35N, R58E). The site is shown on sheet P-3.

#### PROJECT WORK DESCRIPTION

Bids will be received for one General Contract. The work will include mobilization and demobilization; improvement and maintenance of site access; provide water; excavation, haul, placement and compaction of unclassified fill, debris and waste tire removal; fencing; site grading, revegetation of disturbed areas; and provide BMPs for sediment control.

The project will include all incidental work necessary to complete the project as specified in the Contract Documents.

## CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

In order that prospective bidders' names appear on DEQ's plan holder's list, that potential bidders' Contract Documents are uniform, accurate, and have not been modified in any way, and so that potential bidders can obtain notice of any Addenda to the Contract Documents, Contract Documents shall be obtained from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ"), Remediation Division, P.O. Box 200901, Lee Metcalf Building, 1520 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Rm. 3, Helena, MT 59620-0901, (406) 841-5000 after **March 7, 2014**. Contract documents shall be obtained for a non-refundable deposit of \$75.00 in advance, in cash or check payable to "Department of Environmental Quality." Credit Cards will not be accepted.

Mail requests shall be labeled Bid Package Purchase, **DEQ Contract No. 414043** and addressed to: **Bid Box, Attention: Hayden Janssen, P.O. Box 6969, Helena, Montana 59604-6969**, Contract Documents may also be obtained in person from the DEQ Remediation Office, located at Lee Metcalf Building, 1520 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Rm. 3, Helena, MT 59620-0901. For further directions, call (406)841-5000.

Contract Documents, including any addenda, will be available for viewing at the Builder's Exchanges identified in the Instructions to Bidders.

## QUESTIONS

For general questions, contact **Hayden Janssen (406-841-5082)**. All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents are to be submitted in writing to and must be received by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ"), by fax (406) 841-5050, by mail, or by e-mail **no later than 12:00 pm on April 11, 2014**.

Questions submitted by mail should be labeled "**BID QUESTIONS, DEQ CONTRACT No. 414043**" and addressed to **Bid Box, Attention: Hayden Janssen, P.O. Box 6969, Helena, Montana 59604-6969**. Questions may also be e-mailed to [HJanssen@mt.gov](mailto:HJanssen@mt.gov). Responses to questions will be posted at <http://svc.mt.gov/gsd/OneStop/SolicitationList.aspx> no later than close of business **April 15, 2014**.

## CONTRACT TIME

**The Contract Time will include thirty (30) working days for the completion of the project work with an estimated start-up date of June 9, 2014. The Contract Times may be extended up to 3 days for inclement weather with approval from the Engineer and Owner. It is anticipated that there will be a break in work to allow for seeding to occur between October 15<sup>th</sup> and May 20<sup>th</sup>.** The Contractor will pay the Owner liquidated damages in the amount of Twelve-Hundred-and-Fifty (\$1,250.00) dollars per day for each day beyond the Contract Time (as adjusted in accordance with the terms of the Contract Documents) that the work is not substantially complete.

## PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A mandatory pre-bid conference and walk-through will be held for prospective bidders on **March 28, 2014**. The walk-through will meet at 1 p.m. at the Wheeler-Lagerquist project site. After a description of the project, bidders will walk the project area for additional project discussion and bidders' questions. Prospective bidders should dress and plan accordingly. **Both the pre-bid conference and the walk-through are mandatory: bidding contractors are required to attend.** Failure to attend the pre-bid conference and walk through is a basis for Owner to reject the bid under Article 5 of the Instruction to Bidders.

**BID SUBMITTAL**

Bids shall be submitted in accordance with Instructions to Bidders and with the laws of the State of Montana.

All workers employed in performance of the project work shall be paid prevailing wages at rates required by Federal regulation and the laws of the State of Montana.

Bidders must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Subject to the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, no qualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs or services of a public entity or be subject to discrimination by any such entity. Persons with disabilities seeking accommodation may contact DEQ to make their request.

Owner reserves the right in its sole discretion, to cancel the contract solicitation for this project, to reject any and all Bids, to postpone or refuse to award the contract, to consider the Bid of another Bidder, to waive any and all informalities, and to take any other action it deems in the best interests of the State of Montana.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

By: Tracy Stone-Manning  
Director