

Minnesota Department of Transportation

District 4

Request for Letters of Interest for a Design-Build Contract on D4 Signs.

The Minnesota Department of Transportation – District 4 is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies interested in providing Design-Build services for an engineering assessment, design, replacement and/or construction of approximately 5,038 signs and associated components along TH 28, TH 29, TH 34, TH 113, and TH 114 in District 4. Following is a table describing the signs incorporated in this project, all the sign at or between the tabled locations will be included in this contract.

Sign Location Table:

Roadway	Location Reference	Description
TH 28	RP 57.230 to RP 92.592	West edge of Cyrus to Pope/Stearns County Line
TH 29	RP 63.431 to RP 99.981	Jct MN 28 Glenwood to Jct MN 235 Parkers Prairie
TH 34	RP 0 to RP 65	Jct MN 9 in Barnesville to Jct of MN 225
TH 113	RP 9.041 to RP 54.645	Norman/Mahnomen County line to Jct US 71
TH 114	RP 0 to RP 19.949	Jct MN 28 in Starbuck to Jct North ramps of I 94

It is anticipated that approximately 3979 signs (including posts) will need to be completely replaced and possibly relocated to meet MUTCD, MN/DOT Standard Signs and Traffic Engineering Manual standards. Approximately 1059 sign panels are relatively new and will not need to be replaced, but the sign may need to be relocated to meet MUTCD, MN/DOT Standard Signs and Traffic Engineering Manual standards and sign posts may need to be replaced.

Deliverables for the project include:

- An engineering assessment on approximately 5038 signs. The assessment will include documenting the condition of the sign and posts, sign location with respect to MN MUTCD, MN/DOT Standard Signs and Traffic Engineering Manual standards, sign location (mile post & GPS coordinate), and documenting other data related to the sign such as size and type.
- Providing plans signed by a professional engineer licensed in the state of Minnesota that identify location and recommend the final sign locations based on MN MUTCD, MN/DOT Standard Signs and Traffic Engineering Manual standards.
- Providing recommendations on which sign posts need to be replaced based on the assessment.
- Performing construction operations to replace and/or relocate approximately 3979 signs based on the assessment, plans and recommendations.
- Performing construction operations to relocate and replace posts on up to 1059 signs based on the assessment, plan and recommendations.
- Providing sign data in a format compatible with Sign Tracker software. Sign data must include, but is not limited to documenting the final sign location (mile post and GPS coordinate), sign size, sign type, sign legend.

One Design-Builder will be selected for the entire project. The selection process will have two steps. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is anticipated to be issued by early April, 2007. Responses to the RFQ will be evaluated to establish a list of design-build firms that will be

invited to submit proposals in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP), which Mn/DOT intends to issue by middle of May, 2007. The technical proposals are anticipated to be due in end of June, 2007, with the design-build firm selected in end of July, 2007.

The “Best-Value” selection process will be used to evaluate the ability of the Design-Builder to manage, design, construct and control this project to provide a quality product, on or ahead of schedule, for a reasonable lump sum price within the Department’s project budget.

The Department is seeking Design-Builders that are committed to quality, have proven experience in design and construction, will bring innovative design-build approaches to ensure timely completion, and are willing to partner with the Department for the mutual success of the project.

Companies interested in receiving an RFQ should send a LOI in writing by March 26th, 2007 to:

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The LOI must state the name, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the person who the Department may contact at your company to provide further information about the project.

The Department reserves the sole right, without incurring any liability, to change any aspect of the proposed procurement described above, including the right to not proceed with the procurement and/or the right to proceed in a different manner or on a different timeline than as described above.