

Department of Transportation – District 2

Request for Letters of Interest for a Design-Build Contract on TH 2.

The Minnesota Department of Transportation – District 2 is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies interested in providing Design-Build services for the design and construction of a slope stabilization project alongside Trunk Highway (TH) 2.

The Project is located in Polk County, Minnesota within the city limits of Crookston. The Project limits extend approximately 0.13 miles along TH 2 in the City of Crookston from Groveland Avenue to Pine Street.

The Project scope is to design and construct an engineering solution that stabilizes the creeping slope adjacent to TH 2. The area of slope instability is located between TH 2 and the Red Lake River and is approximately 700' – 900' in length, 350 - 450' in width, and 40' in height. Additional scope includes permit coordination, quality management, and restoration of the current ground surface condition among other things.

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 in mid-August, 2013. 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 MnDOT anticipates issuing in early December, 2013. It is anticipated that the design-build contract will be awarded in March, 2014.

The “Best-Value” selection process will be used to evaluate the ability of the Design-Builder to manage, design, and construct an innovative and quality solution for this project 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, and are willing to partner with the Department for the mutual success of the project.

Companies interested in receiving additional information and updates should send an LOI via e-mail to:

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TH 2 Design-Build Project Manager
Minnesota Department of Transportation, District 2
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The LOI must state the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the person who the Department may contact at your company.

While submission of an LOI is not a prerequisite for participating in the procurement process, interested firms and parties are strongly encouraged to submit.

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.

Project Meeting

MnDOT plans to hold an RFQ kickoff meeting for this project on Tuesday, August 27th at 1:00 PM at MnDOT's District 2 Crookston office. At this meeting the project staff will describe the observed stability problem as well as the framework for a desired solution. An informal site visit may be offered at the conclusion of the meeting.

The address for the Crookston office is:

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