



MnDOT District 3
3725 12th Street North
St Cloud, MN 56303

December 19th, 2013

**Subject: Request for Letter of Interest
I-94 Reconstruction between Rogers and St Michael
SP 2780-66**

The Minnesota Department of Transportation is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies interested in providing Design-Build services for the design and construction of SP 2780-66, the I-94 Reconstruction Design-Build project. The project is located in Wright and Hennepin Counties, between Trunk Highway 241 in St. Michael and TH 101 in Rogers.

The primary purpose of this project is to add capacity to I-94 between TH 241 and TH 101, and to improve operations at the westbound exit ramp in Rogers. On eastbound I-94, the project will widen I-94 to the outside and add an auxiliary lane from the TH 241 ramp to the exit ramp at TH 101. On westbound I-94, the project will extend the exit ramp to TH 101 approximately 3500 feet east, to provide more room for vehicles exiting at TH 101. The project will also develop a third general purpose lane, carry it under TH 101 and extend it to the TH 241 interchange. Both bridges over the Crow River will be widened.

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 early January, 2014. 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 intends to issue in early March, 2014. The technical proposals are anticipated to be due in early May, 2014, with the design-build selection occurring in mid to late May.

It is undecided as of yet whether the Low Bid or Best Value selection process will be used to select the Design-Builder most able 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 approaches, and are willing to partner with the Department for the mutual success of the project.

If interested in receiving notice of the RFQ release please send an LOI in writing by January 2, 2014 to:

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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 to provide further information about the project.

Interested parties are invited to send a representative to a project information workshop at the St. Cloud District 3 Office, 3725 12th Street North, St. Cloud, MN 56303 on January 13th at 9:30 AM.

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.