



Loudoun County, Virginia

INVITATION FOR BID

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS - LANDFILL ENTRANCE CONSTRUCTION

ACCEPTANCE DATE: Prior to 4:00 p.m. March 14, 2024, "Atomic" Time

IFB NUMBER: RFQ-639838

ACCEPTANCE PLACE: Loudoun County Government Offices
1 Harrison Street, S.E., **1st Floor,**
Procurement Bids and Proposals Drop Box
Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Due to security restrictions, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing of bids is preferred. However, if a bid is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, Virginia 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: Procurement Bids and Proposals between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

ALL HAND DELIVERED BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. on the Acceptance Date of the bid in order to be considered. Bids will not be accepted at any other building locations or after 4:00 P.M. Bids will be opened and announced by the Procurement Division staff via audio/video teleconference at 4:15 p.m. (Atomic time) on the Acceptance Date. To participate in the audio portion of the opening, please dial the number provided in the Instruction to Bidders and follow the prompts as designated. You may also witness the announcement of received bids as they are opened using GoToMeeting with the instructions included in the Instructions to Bidders

Please contact the Contracting Officer or Assistant Purchasing Agent designated on the front cover of the solicitation with any questions regarding this process. Bidders are strongly encouraged to check the County's website routinely for updates.

PLEASE NOTE:

- A. To obtain the plans and specifications for this project, send an email to the Invitation for Bid point of contact/Contracting Officer below and the County will make them available using the Microsoft One Drive. Bidders will receive a first email from the Contracting Officer. Then, bidders will be prompted to enter a verification code. The verification code will be from no-reply@sharepointonline.com. Please note that this email often goes into spam/ junk folder.

Please note, the Plans & Specification and the Geotechnical information will be sent upon request. The Geotechnical Report Release form must be signed by an individual authorized to bind the firm into a contract and submitted to the Contracting Officer.

Please attach the Geotechnical Report Release Form to your email requesting transfer of the files using the Microsoft One Drive.

- B. Bid Forms. Bid forms may be downloaded from the County's web site: www.loudoun.gov/procurement.
- C. Pre-Bid Conference. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on-site on February 16 at 10:30 am for clarification of any questions on the drawings, specifications, and site conditions. You must pre-register to participate in the Pre-Bid Conference by sending an email to Farah.Navder@Loudoun.gov. The subject line of the email should state "Register for Pre-Bid Conference for the Infrastructure Improvements Landfill Entrance Construction " and the email should include the name of your firm and contact information such as phone number and address.
- D. Site Inspection. Instructions to participate in a site inspection can be found in Section 21, Instruction to Bidders, Paragraph 21.5. Please read this section carefully as there may be specific dates established to register for the site inspection.

The terms and conditions contained in this Invitation for Bid and in the County-Contractor Agreement are not negotiable.

Requests for information related to this Invitation should be directed to:

Name: Farah Navder
Title: Contacting Officer
(703).771.5438
E-mail address: Farah.Navder@Loudoun.gov
This document can be downloaded from our web site:
www.loudoun.gov/Procurement

Issue Date: February 6, 2024

IF YOU NEED ANY REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY TYPE OF DISABILITY IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCUREMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THIS DIVISION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Authorized By: Farah Navder Date: February 6, 2024
Contracting Officer

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS- LANDFILL ENTRANCE CONSTRUCTION

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The Intent of this Invitation for Bid (IFB) is for the County of Loudoun, Virginia (County) to obtain the services of a qualified General Contractor to construct the Infrastructure Improvements-Landfill Entrance and ancillary facilities. The landfill is located at Loudoun County Solid Waste Management Facility (LCSWMF) 21101 Evergreen Mills Road Leesburg, Virginia 20175. The Project consists of providing all labor, supervision, materials, tools, equipment, and any/all incidental services necessary for the construction of the entrance road, scales, scale house, canopy, tire wash, and associated utilities.
- 1.2 The County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB requires the payment of **Prevailing Wage Rates**. Refer to Section 3.0 below.
- 1.3 The costs associated with the removal of any and all unsuitable soils and/or rock encountered below subgrade (as defined in Specification 312000), during the construction of this project shall be borne by the County. The County requests that the Contractor provide unit prices for unsuitable soils removal and rock removal. Unit Prices shall include the import of suitable material as needed to replace those quantities removed (It shall be assumed that suitable material will be procured from an off-site source). Unit prices shall be included on the Pricing Page of the Bid, and shall be multiplied times an assumed quantity provided by the County for an extended price. The extended price shall be carried by the County as an Owner's Allowance in the final Contract Price and will be paid to the Contractor on a "per occurrence" basis, with any remaining allowance(s) being returned to the County upon completion of the project. This will apply to all excavations with the only exception being Drilling Activities (i.e. borings, geothermal wells, etc.). In these specific instances the Contractor should assume that rock will be encountered and price the drilling accordingly as part of their Base Bid Cost. Refer to Specification 312000 for soil classification and responsibility for all unsuitable soils and/or rock encountered above subgrade.

2.0 COMPETITION INTENDED

It is the County's intent that this IFB permits competition. It shall be the bidder's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Agent in writing if any language, requirement, specification, etc., or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this IFB to a single source. Such notification must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the date set for bids to close.

3.0 PREVAILING WAGE RATES

Remuneration to any individual performing work on the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB shall be at a rate equal to or greater than to the prevailing wage rate identified in Attachment 5 to this IFB.

1. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB, and any sub-contractors hired by the General Contractor to perform Work on the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB, shall pay wages, salaries, benefits, and other remuneration to any mechanic, laborer, or worker employed, retained, or otherwise hired to perform Work in connection with the resulting County Construction Contract at or greater than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB.
2. Any General Contractor or any subcontractor who employs any mechanic, laborer, or worker to perform Work under the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB, at a rate that is less than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB (i) shall be liable to such individuals for the payment of all wages due, plus interest at an annual rate of eight percent accruing from the date the wages were due; and (ii) shall be disqualified from bidding on public contracts with any public body until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the amount described in clause (i) owed to such individuals. A contractor or subcontractor who willfully violates this section is guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.
3. After award of the County Construction Contract, the General Contractor to whom such contract is awarded shall certify under oath, to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the pay scale for each craft or trade employed on the project to be used by such contractor and any of the contractor's subcontractors for work to be performed under such public contract. This certification shall, for each craft or trade employed on the project, specify the total hourly amount to be paid to employees, including wages and applicable fringe benefits, provide an itemization of the amount paid in wages and each applicable benefit, and list the names and addresses of any third-party fund, plan or program to which benefit payments will be made on behalf of employees. The certification shall be sent to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry each pay period for the duration of the Project.
4. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB, shall keep, maintain, and preserve (i) records relating to the wages paid to and hours worked by each individual performing the work of any mechanic, laborer, or worker and (ii) a schedule of the occupation or work classification at which each individual performing the work of any mechanic, laborer, or worker on the public works project is employed during each workday and week. The employer shall preserve these records for a minimum of six years and make such records available to the Department of Labor and Industry within ten (10) days of a request and shall certify that

records reflect the actual hours worked and the amount paid to its workers for whatever time period they request.

5. No later than ten (10) days after the date of the Notice to Proceed, the General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB and subcontractors performing on a County Construction Contract shall post the prevailing wage rate for each craft and classification involved, as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, including the effective date of any changes thereof, in prominent and easily accessible places at the site of the work or at any such places as are used by the Contractor or subcontractors to pay workers their wages. Within ten (10) days of such posting, a Contractor or subcontractor shall certify to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry its compliance with this subsection.
6. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction contract as a result of this IFB shall include the requirement in all subcontracts issued and require the same requirement to be inserted by all lower tier subcontractors in their subcontracts to pay wages, salaries, benefits, and other remuneration to any mechanic, laborer, or worker employed, retained, or otherwise hired to perform Work in connection with the resulting County Construction Contract at or greater than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB.
7. Information regarding Prevailing Wage Rates and the Department of Labor and Industry Forms can be found at <https://www.doli.virginia.gov/prevailing-wage-law/>.

4.0 BIDDER MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders must demonstrate that they have the resources and capability to provide the materials and services as described herein. *All bidders must submit the documentation and information indicated below with their bid. Failure to provide any of the required documentation/information will be cause for bid to be deemed non-responsive and/or non-responsible and rejected.*

The following criteria shall be met in order to be eligible for this Contract:

- 4.1 Debarment: By signing the Pricing Page contained in the IFB, bidders are certifying that bidder is not currently debarred by any local or state government or the federal government. Bidders shall provide in their bid, documentation related to all debarments that occurred within the last ten (10) years.
- 4.2 The Contractor submitting a bid shall not be disqualified from bidding for a violation of the Commonwealth of Virginia prevailing wage law.
- 4.3 Provide evidence of a contractor's certificate of registration, whether resident or nonresident of Commonwealth of Virginia, as required by the following:
 - Registered Commonwealth of Virginia Contractor: Class A. Include a copy of the Class A Contractors license in your bid.

- 4.4 Verification of Bonding Capability. Bidder shall include in their bid a letter from a surety or insurance company (with a Best's Financial Strength Rating of A or better and Financial Size Category VII or higher by A.M. Best Co.) stating that the bidder is capable of obtaining a performance and payment bond based on the bidder's estimated contract value for the construction of the Project, which bonds will cover the Project and any warranty periods. The letter of surety shall clearly state the rating categorization noted above and reference the estimated contract value as identified in herein, in a manner similar to the notation provided below:

"As surety for [the above named Contractor], [XYZ Company] with A.M. Best Financial Strength Rating [rating] and Financial Size Category [Size Category] is capable of obtaining 100% Performance Bond and 100% Labor and Materials Payment Bond in the amount of the anticipated cost of construction, and said bonds will cover the Project and any warranty periods as provided for in the Contract Documents on behalf of the Contractor, in the event that such firm be the successful bidder and enter into a contract for this Project." This letter shall also state the bidder's per project and total bonding program limits and that the Surety is authorized/licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

- 4.5 Experience requirements for the General Contractor.

A. The General Contractor submitting a bid must demonstrate successful experience in the construction of roads and facilities similar in size and scope to the plans and specifications contained herein. Demonstration of this experience shall be by means of providing three (3) project references, each with a minimum construction cost of \$5,000,000, that have been completed within the past ten (10) years from the date of this IFB. Each of the project references shall include earthwork, asphalt road, concrete, foundations, walls, and structural items, and ancillary facilities generally similar to the ones included in this project, all project references provided must demonstrate successful experience in the type of construction required by this project. Each project references should include:

- Name and location of the project.
- Initial and final construction cost along with the number of change orders
- Original and final completion date.
- Penalties assessed such as liquidated damages.
- Project description of sufficient detail to allow determination of projects size and scope to include foundation and structural elements and ancillary facilities such as scales, scale house, canopy, and tire wash included in the project and the project's gross area. Project references shall also include:

- Identification and description of similar characteristics to the Project contained herein.
- Name of the project manager and superintendent who had direct responsibility for the project.
- Photographs to show the scope of work and demonstrate the quality of the bidder's work.
- Name, address, current phone number, and e-mail addresses of engineers, architects and owners.

Bidder hereby releases listed references from all claims and liability for damages that may result from the information provided by the reference. The County intends to contact owners/architects provided as references to verify information provided. Failure of the owner/engineer/architect to respond to the County's inquiry may be cause for the County to require additional references meeting the requirements herein.

- B. A successfully completed project shall mean: 1) that the project was completed within the contract time, including any owner-approved time extensions, 2) that the project was completed at or below the contract award amount, including any subsequent owner-approved cost change orders, and 3) that the project was completed in accordance with the contract documents.

5.0 SPECIFICATIONS

The work to be performed as a result of this IFB shall be in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by **Solid Waste Services, LLC dated September 20, 2023**.

6.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

The General Conditions of the Construction Contract contained in Attachment 4 to this Invitation for Bid are incorporated into the Contract Documents.

7.0 DISCREPANCIES

Should a bidder find discrepancies in the plans and/or specifications or be in doubt as to the meaning or intent of any part thereof, the bidder shall request clarification from the County in writing, not later than the date established in the Instructions to Bidders. Any changes to the IFB that result from such a clarification request, will be communicated through a written addendum and posted on the Procurement home page at www.loudoun.gov/procurement. Failure to request such a clarification is a waiver of any claim by the bidder for additional expenses because its interpretation was different than the County's.

8.0 BUSINESS, PROFESSIONAL, AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE REQUIREMENT

All firms or individuals located or doing business in Loudoun County are required to be licensed in accordance with the County's "Business, Professional, and Occupational Licensing (BPOL)" Tax Ordinance during the initial term of the Contract or any renewal period.

Wholesale and retail merchants without a business location in Loudoun County are exempt from this requirement. Questions concerning the BPOL Tax should be directed to the Office of Commissioner of Revenue, telephone (703) 777-0260.

9.0 PAYMENT OF TAXES

All Contractors located or owning property in Loudoun County during the initial term of the Contract or any renewal period shall assure that all real and personal property taxes are paid.

The County will verify payment of all real and personal property taxes by the Contractor prior to the award of any Contract or Contract renewal.

10.0 NOTICE OF REQUIRED DISABILITY LEGISLATION COMPLIANCE

The County is required to comply with state and federal disability legislation: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for 1990 Title II and The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Specifically, Loudoun County, may not, through its Contractual and/or financial arrangements, directly or indirectly avoid compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Law 101-336, which prohibits discrimination by public entities on the basis of disability. Subtitle A protects qualified individuals with disability from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all State and local governments. It extends the prohibition of discrimination in federally assisted programs established by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504 to all activities of State and local governments, including those that do not receive Federal financial assistance, and incorporates specific prohibitions of discrimination on the basis of disability in Titles I, III, and V of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990 follows the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504.

11.0 ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING

The provisions contained in §§ 2.2-4367 through 2.2-4377 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act as set forth in the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to all Contracts solicited or entered into by the County. A copy of these provisions may be obtained from the Purchasing Agent upon request.

The above-stated provisions supplement, but do not supersede, other provisions of law including, but not limited to, the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.), the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (§ 18.2-498.1 et seq.) and Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 18.2. The provisions

apply notwithstanding the fact that the conduct described may not constitute a violation of the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act.

12.0 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY CONTRACTORS PROHIBITED

Every Contract of over \$10,000 shall include the following provisions:

- A. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - 1. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - 2. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - 3. Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule, or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- B. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs, 1, 2, and 3 in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

13.0 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

Every Contract of over \$10,000 shall include the following provisions:

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited

from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

14.0 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

The County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

15.0 EXEMPTION FROM TAXES

Pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-609.1, the County is exempt from Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes and Federal Excise Tax, therefore the Contractor shall not charge the County for Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes or Federal Excise Tax on the finished goods or products provided under the Contract. However, this exemption does not apply to the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any sales, use, or excise tax it incurs in providing the goods required by the Contract, including, but not limited to, taxes on materials purchased by a Contractor for incorporation in or use on a construction project. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Contractor from including its own sales tax expense in connection with the Contract in its Contract price.

16.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

Within fifteen (15) calendar days after the effective date of the County – Contractor Agreement, the following bonds or security shall be delivered to the County and shall become binding on the parties upon the execution of the Contract:

- A A performance bond satisfactory to the County, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Virginia with a Best's Key Rating of Level A or better and in a financial size of Class VII or higher, or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to the County, for the faithful performance of the Contract in strict conformity with the plans, specifications, and conditions of the Contract. The bond shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the price specified in the Contract; and
- B A payment bond satisfactory to the County, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Virginia with a Best's Key Rating of Level A or better and in a financial size of Class VII or higher, or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to the County, for the protection of all persons supplying labor and material to the Contractor or its subcontractors for the performance of the work provided for in the Contract. Labor and materials shall include public utility services and reasonable rentals of equipment, but only for the periods when the equipment rented is actually used at the site. The bond shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the price specified in the Contract.
- C. The amount of the performance and payment bonds shall increase without the necessity of any action by the County, to the same extent the Contract Price increases due to changes.

- D. All sureties providing bonds shall give written notice to the County at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration or termination of the bond(s).
- E. If at any time, any surety or sureties become insolvent or are determined by the County to be unable to adequately secure the interests of the County, the Contractor shall within thirty (30) days after such notice from County to do so, substitute an acceptable bond(s) in such form and sum and signed by such other sureties as may be satisfactory to County. The premium on such bond(s) shall be paid by the Contractor at no additional cost to the County provided reasonable justification can be provided by the County for its determination.
- F. The Contractor shall not be precluded from requiring each subcontractor to furnish a payment bond with surety thereon in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract with such subcontractor.
- G. The successful bidder's failure to furnish to the County acceptable bonds, within fifteen (15) days after the effective date of the County – Contractor Agreement shall be considered just cause for cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the construction contract bid security. In such event, the proposal guaranty shall become the property of the County, not as a penalty but in liquidation of damages sustained.

17.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BOND FORMS AND COPIES; ALTERNATIVE FORMS

In lieu of a payment or performance bond, the Contractor may furnish a certified check or cash escrow in the face amount required for the bond. If approved by the County Attorney, a Contractor may furnish a personal bond, property bond, or bank or savings and loan association's letter of credit on certain designated funds in the face amount required for the payment or performance bond. Approval shall be granted only upon a determination that the alternative form of security proffered affords the same protection to the County equivalent to the corporate surety bond.

18.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT RETAINAGES

The Contractor shall be paid ninety-five percent (95%) of the earned sum when payment is due, with no more than five percent (5%) being retained to assure faithful performance of the Contract. All amounts withheld may be included in the final payment. Any subcontract which provides for similar progress payments shall be subject to the same limitations.

19.0 ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR RETAINED FUNDS

Provided the Bid price exceeds \$200,000.00 and subject to the provisions of §2.2-4334 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the bidder shall have the option to request use of an escrow account procedure for utilization of funds retained by the County, and may request use of this option by so indicating in the space provided on the Bid Form. If the Contractor elects to use the escrow account procedure, the "Escrow Agreement" form included with this bid shall be executed by the

Contractor and submitted to the Purchasing Agent within fifteen (15) calendar days of notification by the County that its bid has been accepted. If the "Escrow Agreement" is not submitted within the fifteen (15) day period, the Contractor shall forfeit such rights to the use of the escrow account procedure.

In order to have retained funds paid to an escrow agent, the Contractor, the escrow agent, and the surety shall execute an Escrow Agreement form and submit same to the County for approval. The Contractor's escrow agent shall be a trust company, bank, or savings and loan institution with its principal office located in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Escrow Agreement form shall contain the complete address of the escrow agent and surety, and an executed escrow agreement will be authority for the County Administrator, or his designee, to make payment of retained funds to the escrow agent. After approving the Escrow Agreement, the County will pay to the escrow agent the funds retained as provided herein except that funds retained for lack of progress or other deficiencies on the part of the Contractor will not be paid to the escrow agent.

The escrow agent may, in accordance with stipulations contained in the Escrow Agreement, invest the funds paid into the escrow account and pay earnings on such investments to the Contractor or release the funds to the Contractor provided such funds are fully secured by approved securities.

Retained funds invested and securities held as collateral for retainage may be released only as and when directed by the County Administrator, or his designee. When the final pay application is released for payment, the County will direct the escrow agent to settle the escrow account by paying the Contractor or the County monies due them as determined by the County Administrator, or his designee. The County reserves the right to recall retained funds and to release same to the surety upon receipt of written requests from the Contractor or in the event of default.

20.0 AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA

A Contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, limited partnership, or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into a Contract with the County pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Contract. The County may void any Contract with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

21.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

21.1 Preparation and Submission of Bids

- A. Before submitting a bid, read the **ENTIRE** solicitation including the Contract Terms and Conditions. Failure to read any part of this solicitation will not relieve a bidder of the Contractual obligations.
- B. Pricing must be submitted on IFB pricing form only. Include other information, as required.
- C. All bids must be submitted to the Division of Procurement in a sealed container. The face of the sealed container shall indicate the IFB number, time and date of opening and the title of the IFB as well as "Division of Procurement".
- D. All bids shall be signed in ink by the individual or authorized principals of the firm.
- E. All attachments to the IFB requiring execution by the bidder are to be returned with the bids.
- F. Bids must be received by the Division of Procurement prior to 4:00 p.m., local Atomic time on the cover of this IFB. The time can be verified by visiting <https://time.gov/> and selecting Eastern Time. Requests for extensions of this time and date will not be granted, unless deemed to be in the County's best interest. Bidders mailing their bids or using a private carrier shall allow for sufficient mail time to ensure receipt of their bids by the Division of Procurement by the time and date fixed for acceptance of the bids. Do not rely on overnight delivery capabilities of private carriers to guarantee timely delivery of bids. Bids or unsolicited amendments to bids received by the County after the acceptance date and time will not be considered. Bids will be publicly accepted and logged in at the time and date specified above.
- G. The County is implementing increased security measures at the Government Center and other County buildings. Please allow ample time for unexpected delays when entering the building to drop of your bids.
- H. Bids must be submitted via one of the following options:

US Mail to:

County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
PO Box 7000
Leesburg, Virginia 20177-7000;

or

Hand delivered to:
County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
1 Harrison Street, S.E., **1st Floor,**
Procurement Bids and Proposals Drop Box
Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

or

Private carrier (UPS/FedEx) to:
County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
1 Harrison Street, S.E.,
ATTN: PROCUREMENT BIDS & PROPOSALS
Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Faxed and e-mailed bids will not be accepted.

Please note: Bidders choosing to submit bids via US Mail or UPS/FedEx should allow at least an additional twenty-four (24) hours in the delivery process to ensure bids are received on time.

Due to security restrictions, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing of bids is preferred. However, if a bid is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, Virginia 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: Procurement Bids and Proposals between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

NOTE: Bids delivered in person or via private carrier services will not be able to obtain a signature. Please ensure that requirement is removed from the package to avoid delays or rejection of the package.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. on the Acceptance Date of the bid in order to be considered. Bids will not be accepted at any other building locations or after 4:00 P.M. Failure by a bidder to address and label their bids in accordance with the requirements of this section may result in bid being delivered to an incorrect location which will ultimately result in bid rejection for late submission.

Failure by an offeror to address and label their proposal in accordance with the requirements of this section may result in proposal being delivered to an incorrect location which will ultimately result in proposal rejection for late submission.

- I. Each firm shall submit one (1) original of their bid and *one (1) electronic copy (in PDF format) on a USB flash drive* to the County's Division of Procurement as indicated on the cover sheet of this Invitation for Bid.

- J. A public bid opening will be held virtually using Microsoft Teams at approximately 4:15 P.M. on the Acceptance date. See the Microsoft Teams log in information provided below. To participate in the audio portion of the opening, please dial the number provided below and follow the prompts as designated. You may also witness the announcement of received bids as they are opened using Microsoft Teams with the instructions provided below. Bidders may not participate in the bid opening in-person at this time.

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 296 486 402 108

Passcode: hyTWuf

[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)

Or call in (audio only)

[+1 757-600-4923,,32530794#](#) United States, Virginia Beach

Phone Conference ID: 325 307 94#

[Find a local number](#) | [Reset PIN](#)

21.2 Questions and Inquiries

Questions and inquiries will be accepted in writing (email) only, from any and all bidders. The Division of Procurement is the sole point of contact for this solicitation unless otherwise instructed herein. Unauthorized contact with other Loudoun County staff regarding the IFB may result in the disqualification of the bidder. Inquiries pertaining to the Invitation for Bid must give the IFB number, time and date of opening, and the title of the IFB. Material questions will be answered in writing with an Addendum provided, however, that all questions are received **by 5:00 p.m. February 23, 2024**. It is the responsibility of all bidders to ensure that they have received all Addendums and to include signed copies with their bid. Addendums can be downloaded from www.loudoun.gov/procurement.

21.3 Prevailing Wage Rate Request for Additional Classifications

Bidders' requests for additional Prevailing Wage Rate classifications shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer not later than fifteen (15) days after the Issue Date of this IFB on the attached Virginia Department of Labor and Industry, Request for Additional Wage Classification Form. Bidder shall complete the attached form, provide sufficient supporting documentation to allow the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry to render a decision and sign. Any requests for additional information from the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry shall be provided to the Contracting Officer within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt. Requests for additional Prevailing Wage Rate classifications received after fifteen (15) days from the Issue date of this IFB will not be responded to.

21.4 Exceptions/Additions

No exceptions or additions to the Specifications/Scope of Work or Terms and Conditions shall be permitted. Any questions or concerns regarding any part of the IFB shall be submitted to the Division of Procurement prior to the date specified in the Questions and Inquiries section above. Bids containing any exceptions to the Specifications/Scope of Work or Terms and Conditions or submitting additional terms and conditions shall be deemed non-responsive and rejected. Exceptions or additions proposed after bid submission by the successful bidder shall not be accepted.

21.5 Inspection of Site

All bidders are encouraged to make an on-site inspection of the location where the work will be performed to become completely familiar with the existing conditions. Failure to comply with this requirement will not relieve the successful bidder of its obligation to carry out the scope of the resulting Contract. For this project, the Pre bid conference will take place on site on February 16 at 10:30 am. Please email farah.navder@loudoun.gov to confirm your attendance no later than February 13, 2024. Questions resulting from your site inspection should be provided in writing to the Contracting Officer prior to the deadline in Paragraph 21.2 above. Answers received during the site inspections will not be binding. The site address is: 21101 Evergreen Mills Road Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

21.6 Firm Pricing for County Acceptance

Bid price must be firm for County acceptance for a minimum of one hundred and twenty (120) days from bid opening date.

21.7 Proprietary Information

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a bidder in connection with this solicitation shall not be subject to disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, **pursuant to § 2.2-4342 of the Code of Virginia, the bidder must invoke the protections of this section prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials, and must clearly identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. Failure to abide by this procedure may result in disclosure of the bidder's information.** Bidders shall not mark sections of their bid as proprietary if they are to be part of the award of the Contract and are of a "Material" nature.

21.8 Authority to Bind Firm in Contract

Bids MUST give full firm name and address of bidder. Failure to manually sign bid may disqualify it. Person signing bid should show TITLE or AUTHORITY TO BIND THE FIRM IN A CONTRACT. Firm name and authorized signature must appear on bid in the space provided on the pricing page. Those authorized to sign are as follows:

If a sole proprietorship, the owner may sign.

If a general partnership, any general partner may sign.

If a limited partnership, a general partner must sign.

If a limited liability company, a “member” may sign or “manager” must sign if so specified by the articles of organization.

If a regular corporation, the CEO, President or Vice-President must sign.

Others may be granted authority to sign but the County requires that a corporate document authorizing him/her to sign be submitted with bid.

21.9 Withdrawal of Construction Contract Bid Due to Error

A bidder for a construction Contract may withdraw its bid from consideration if the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor, or material made directly in the compilation of a bid, which unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents, and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. The bidder shall give notice in writing of its claim of right to withdraw its bid within two business days after the conclusion of the bid opening procedure and shall submit original work papers with such notice.

21.10 Subcontractors

Please refer to Article 5: Subcontractors, of the *County of Loudoun General Conditions of the Construction Contract*.

21.11 Late Bids

LATE bids will be returned to bidder UNOPENED.

21.12 Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities, and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County. Informality shall mean a minor defect or variation of a bid from the exact requirements of the Invitation to Bid which does not affect the price, quality, quantity, or delivery schedule for the goods, services, or construction being procured.

21.13 Prohibition as Subcontractors Under Competitive Sealed Bidding

No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor to, or perform any subcontract or other work agreement, for the person or firm to whom the Contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.

21.14 Vendor Preference in Tie Bids

The Division of Procurement and all other departments of the County making purchases of goods, services, and construction shall give preference to

goods, services, and construction sold by Loudoun County and the Commonwealth of Virginia vendors, in that order, in all cases of tie bids, quality and service being equal.

21.15 Anti-Trust Violations

Tie bids may cause rejection of bids by the Division of Procurement and/or prompt an investigation for anti-trust violations.

21.16 Basis for Award

Contract award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder based upon the lump sum.

Whenever the lowest responsive and responsible bidder is a resident of a state other than Virginia and such state under its laws allows a resident contractor of that state a percentage preference, a like preference shall be allowed to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder who is a resident of Virginia and is the next lowest bidder. If the lowest bidder is a resident contractor of a state with an absolute preference, the bid preference shall not be considered.

21.17 Negotiation with the Lowest Responsible Bidder

Unless all bids are cancelled or rejected, the County reserves the right granted by § 2.2-4318 of the *Code of Virginia* to negotiate with the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to obtain a Contract price within the funds available whenever such low bid exceeds the available funds. Negotiations with the low bidder may include both modifications of the bid price and the specifications/scope of work to be performed.

21.18 Notice of Award

A Notice of Award will be posted on the County's web site (www.loudoun.gov/procurement).

21.19 Protest

Bidders may refer to §§ 2.2-4357 through 2.2-4364 of the Code of Virginia to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. Protests shall be submitted to the Director, Department of Finance and Budget.

21.20 Construction Contract Bid Security

Bid security is required for this project. Bid security shall be a bond provided by a surety company selected by the bidder and authorized to do business in Virginia, or the equivalent in cash, or otherwise supplied in a form satisfactory to the County. Bid security shall be in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. Non-compliance with this provision requires that the bid be rejected unless it is determined that the bid fails to comply in a non-substantial manner the security requirements.

The apparent low bidder's Contract Bid Security shall be subject to forfeiture if the apparent low bidder withdraws his bid prior to award, or fails to sign and

return the County – Contractor Agreement. The Contract Bid Security shall be forfeited according to the forfeiture provisions in Code of Virginia (§ 2.2-4336) and the proposal guaranty.

21.21 Construction Contract Bond Forms and Copies; Alternative Forms

In lieu of a bid, payment or performance bond, a bidder may furnish a certified check or cash escrow in the face amount required for the bond. If approved by the County Attorney, a bidder may furnish a personal bond, property bond, or bank or savings and loan association's letter of credit on certain designated funds in the face amount required for the bid, payment or performance bond. Approval shall be granted only upon a determination that the alternative form of security proffered affords the same protection to the County equivalent to the corporate surety bond.

21.22 Debarment

By submitting a bid, the bidder is certifying that bidder is not currently debarred by a local or state government or the federal government. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with § 2.2-4321 of the Code of Virginia is available upon request.

21.23 Proof of Authority to Transact Business in Virginia

A bidder organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any bidder that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the bidder is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee. The SCC may be reached at (804) 371-9733 or at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/default.aspx>.

21.24 W-9 Form Required

Each bidder shall submit a completed W-9 form with their bid. In the event of Contract award, this information is required in order to issue purchase orders and payments to your firm. A copy of this form can be downloaded from <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>.

21.25 Insurance Coverage

Bidders shall include with their bid a copy of their current Certificate of Insurance that illustrates the current level of coverage the bidder carries. The Certificate can be a current file copy and does not need to include any "additional insured" language for the County for submission with the bid.

21.26 Acknowledgement of Contract

By submitting a bid, the bidder acknowledges that it understands and agrees to the Terms and Conditions contained herein.

21.27 Legal Action

No bidder or potential bidder shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.

21.28 Certification by Contractor as to Felony Convictions

No one with a felony conviction may be employed under this Contract and by the signature of its authorized official on the response to this Solicitation, the Contractor certifies that neither the contracting official nor any of the Contractor's employees, agents, or subcontractors who will work under the Contract Documents have been convicted of a felony.

21.29 Unit Price Items

The Unit Price Items, identified on the Pricing Page, quantities, and extended prices are to be included in the Bidder's lump sum and used for bid evaluation purposes only; if the actual quantities, as measured by field survey, are above/below those shown above, then the unit price will be used for addition/credit to the Contract amount. The activity schedule and schedule of values shall include each Unit Price Item as a separate and distinct item. Unit price Items are to be used with County authorization only.

21.30 Substitutions

Substitutions are defined as changes in products, materials, equipment, and methods of construction from those required by the Contract Documents and proposed by Contractor.

- A. Substitutions for Cause are changes proposed by Contractor that are required due to changed Project conditions, such as unavailability of product, regulatory changes, or unavailability of required warranty terms.
- B. Substitutions for Convenience are changes proposed by Contractor or Owner that are not required in order to meet other Project requirements but may offer advantage to Contractor or Owner.

The County will not consider substitutions for convenience during the bidding process. They will be considered after contract award. Refer to Article 4.17 – Equal Products in the General conditions of the Construction Contract for procedures. Substitution for Cause, once verified may be addressed during the bidding process at the discretion of the County.

All references in the specifications to substitutions being approved during the bidding process shall be deleted.



Loudoun County, Virginia

Division of Procurement
1 Harrison Street, 4th Floor
Leesburg, Virginia 20175

22.0 PRICING PAGE
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS-LANDFILL ENTRANCE CONSTRUCTION

The firm of _____ hereby offers to achieve substantial completion of the construction of the Infrastructure Improvements-Landfill Entrance in accordance with this Invitation for Bid within 290 (290) calendar days after Notice to Proceed.

Attention bidders: Do not take any exceptions or make any qualifications to your bid.

1. Construction of the Infrastructure Improvements-Landfill Entrance

Base bid \$ _____

Total of Unit Price Items +\$ _____
(Section 2 below)

Lump Sum = \$ _____

2. Unit Price

Bidders shall give unit price and extended price for each of the items listed below. The Unit Price Items, quantities, and extended prices **are to be included in the lump sum** and used for bid evaluation purposes only; if the actual quantities, as measured by field survey, are above/below those shown above, then the unit price will be used for addition/credit to the Contract amount. The activity schedule and schedule of values shall include each Unit Price Item as a separate and distinct allowance item. Reference Specification Section 01025. Bid unit price on quantity specified, extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern.

UNIT PRICE ITEMS					
Item No.	Description	Reference	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	Additional Excavation, including loading, hauling, stockpiling, surveying, as-builts, and quality control within one mile onsite	Section 02200	5,000 CY	\$	\$
2	Additional Controlled-Fill, including excavation, loading, hauling from approved on-site borrow or stockpile location, placement, surveying, as-built, and quality control	Section 02200	3,000 CY	\$	\$
3	Additional Bedding Material /Leveling Course Material, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control	Section 02200	500 CY	\$	\$
4	Additional Coarse Aggregate Material, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control	Section 02200	500 CY	\$	\$
5	Additional Rip Rap Class I, 1.5-foot deep, including Type 2 Geotextile.	Section 02200	200 SY	\$	\$
6	Additional Asphalt Road construction, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control. <u>Road Section:</u> Type 2 geotextile 12" coarse aggregate or #357 aggregate base 3" leveling course 3" BM-25A 1" SM-9.5D	Section 02200	500 SY	\$	\$

7	Additional Aggregate Road construction, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control. <u>Road Section;</u> Type 2 geotextile 12" coarse aggregate 3" leveling course	Section 02200	500 SY	\$	\$
8	Additional Type 2 Geotextile, including all materials, labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control.	Section 02272	1,000 SY	\$	\$
9	Additional type DB3 4" PVC Conduit, including all materials, labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control.	Detail E5, Plan sheet 25	500 LF	\$	\$
10	Additional VDOT GR-2 guardrail, including all materials, labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control.	VDOT	100 LF	\$	\$
11	Additional EC-2 Matting including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control	VESCH	1,000 SY	\$	\$
12	Additional Check Dams, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control	VESCH	10 EA	\$	\$
13	Additional Silt Fence, including all labor, material, equipment, and ancillary items to install and quality control	VESCH	500 LF	\$	\$

3. Return the following with your bid. If bidder fails to provide with their bid, items shall be provided within twenty-four (24) hours of bid opening.

ITEM:	INCLUDED: (X)
1. W-9 Form (21.24):	_____
2. Certificate of Insurance (21.25):	_____
3. Addenda, if any (Informality) (21.12):	_____
4. Geotechnical Report Release Form (Attachment 2):	_____
5. One (1) electronic copy on USB Flash drive	_____

5. Failure to provide the following items with your bid shall be cause for rejection of bid as non-responsive and/or non-responsible. It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that it has received all addenda and to include signed copies with their bid (21.2).

ITEM:	INCLUDED: (X)
1. Addenda, if any (21.2):	_____
2. Payment Terms:	_____ net 30 or _____ Other
3. Proof of Authority to Transact Business in Virginia Form (Page 26):	_____
4. Bid Bond (21.20):	_____
5. Minimum Qualifications (4.0)	
a. Debarment History, if required (4.1)	_____
b. Virginia Contractor Class A license (4.3): (Include with bid)	_____
c. Verification of Bonding Capacity (4.4)	_____
c. References (4.5)	_____

Bidder shall indicate below its intended use, or nonuse of the escrow provisions available:

I **DO** ___ OR I **DO NOT** ___ WISH TO USE THE ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR RETAINED FUNDS AS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS BID DOCUMENT.

Person to contact regarding this bid: _____

Title: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Name of person authorized to bind the Firm (21.8): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

By signing and submitting a bid, your firm acknowledges and agrees that it has read and understands the IFB documents, to include the general Conditions of the Construction Contract and agrees to the Terms and Conditions as contained herein and that your Firm is not currently Debarred by a local or state government or the Federal Government.



PROOF OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA

THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR BID/PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM SHALL RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID/PROPOSAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-4311.2, a bidder/offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid/ proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission ("SCC"). Any bidder/offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder/offeror described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee.

If this bid/proposal for goods or services is accepted by the County of Loudoun, Virginia, the undersigned agrees that the requirements of the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4311.2 have been met.

Please complete the following by checking the appropriate line that applies and providing the requested information. **PLEASE NOTE: The SCC number is NOT your federal ID number or business license number.**
The Bidder:

is a corporation or other business entity with the following SCC identification number:
_____ -OR-

is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust -OR-

is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the bidder in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from bidder's out-of-state location) -OR-

is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid an opinion of legal counsel which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned bidder's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia.

****NOTE** >>** Check the following box if you have not completed any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for bids (The County reserves the right to determine in its sole discretion whether to allow such waiver):

Please attach additional sheets of paper if you need to explain why such bidder/offeror is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia.

Legal Name of Company (as listed on W-9)

Legal Name of Bidder/Offeror

Date

Authorized Signature

Print or Type Name and Title

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS INVITATION FOR BID?

RFQ 639838

Please take the time to mark the appropriate line and return with your bid.

<input type="checkbox"/> Associated Builders & Contractors	<input type="checkbox"/> Loudoun Times Mirror
<input type="checkbox"/> Bid Net	<input type="checkbox"/> Our Web Site
<input type="checkbox"/> Builder's Exchange of Virginia	<input type="checkbox"/> NIGP
<input type="checkbox"/> Email notification from Loudoun County	<input type="checkbox"/> The Plan Room
<input type="checkbox"/> Dodge Reports	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Construction Data
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tempos Del Mundo
<input type="checkbox"/> India This Week	<input type="checkbox"/> Valley Construction News
<input type="checkbox"/> LS Caldwell & Associates	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Business Opportunities
<input type="checkbox"/> Loudoun Co Small Business Development Center	<input type="checkbox"/> VA Dept. of Minority Business Enterprises
<input type="checkbox"/> Loudoun Co Chamber of Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> RAPID

Other _____

SERVICE RESPONSE CARD

RFQ 639838

Date of Service: _____

How did we do?

Please let us know how we did in serving you. We'd like to know if we are serving you at an acceptable level.

How would you rate the way your request for this document was handled?

Excellent Good Average Fair Poor

Did you have contact with Procurement staff?

How would you rate the manner in which you were treated by the Procurement staff?

Excellent Good Average Fair Poor

How would you rate the overall response to your request?

Excellent Good Average Fair Poor

COMMENTS: _____

Thank you for your response!
We can better assess our service to *you* through feedback from *you*.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ (day) _____ evening

Please return completed form to: Tresha Taylore

ATTACHMENT 1

(Proposed)

COUNTY-CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

THIS COUNTY-CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT ("Agreement") for the Infrastructure Improvements Landfill Entrance Construction, hereinafter referred to as the "Project," is effective on the date it is fully executed by and between the **COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia** (herein referred to as the "County"), and _____ (herein referred to as the "Contractor").

In consideration of the promises made herein and other good and valuable consideration, the following terms and conditions are hereby agreed to between the County and Contractor.

This Agreement consists of and incorporates by reference the following attachments:

- Attachment 1 The County's Invitation for Bid No. 639838 dated February 6, 2024, including any addenda;
- Attachment 2 The General Conditions of the Construction Contract; including any addenda;
- Attachment 3 The Contract Plans and Specifications including any addenda;
- Attachment 4 The Contractor's bid dated _____.

In the event that Attachment 4 contradicts or limits this Agreement or Attachments 1 through 3, this Agreement and Attachments 1 through 3 shall prevail.

The capitalized terms herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in section 1.1 of the General Conditions of the Construction Contract.

Article 1

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES FIRM

- 1.1 The Architect/Engineer (hereinafter referred to as the "A/E and as defined in the General Conditions) Solid Waste Services LLC whose address is 11706 Bowman Green Drive, Reston, Virginia 20190. Provided, however, that the County may, at its sole discretion, amend this Article from time to time by designating a different person or organization to act as its A/E and advise the Contractor in writing, at

which time the person or organization so designated shall be the A/E for purposes of this Contract.

Article 2

TIME OF COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION

- 2.1 The Contractor shall commence the Work as defined in the General Conditions of the Construction Contract upon the date established in the Notice to Proceed. Notice to Proceed will be issued as set forth in Article 8 of the General Conditions.
- 2.2 Time is of the essence in this Agreement.
- 2.3 The Contractor shall achieve Substantial Completion, as defined in the General Conditions no later than 290 calendar days after the date of the Notice to Proceed. This time period shall be designated as the Time for Completion
- 2.4 The Contractor shall complete the Work within the following Milestone dates:

ACTIVITY:

DATE:

Substantial Completion

No later than 290 calendar days

Final Completion

30 Calendar Days after Substantial Completion

- 2.5 The liquidated damages incurred by the County due to the Contractor's unexcused failure to complete the Work within the Contract Times, including any extensions thereof, and meet the Milestones designated in section 2.4 above, will be applied as follows:

Milestone

Liquidated Damages

Substantial Completion

\$800 /each consecutive Calendar Day

- 2.6 If liquidated damages are assessed, the County will assess the amount of liquidated damages set forth in section 2.5 above cumulatively. This provision for liquidated damages does not bar the County's right to enforce other rights and remedies against Contractor, which are otherwise legally enforceable, including but not limited to, specific performance or injunctive relief.
- 2.7 The Contractor hereby waives any defense as to the validity of any liquidated damages stated in this Agreement as they may appear on grounds that such liquidated damages are void as penalties or are not reasonably related to actual damages.

Article 3

CONTRACT PRICE

- 3.1 Provided that the Contractor shall strictly and completely perform all of its obligations under the Contract Documents, and subject only to additions and deductions by Modification or as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the County shall pay to the Contractor, in current funds and at the times and in the installments hereinafter specified, the sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) (herein referred to as the "Contract Price").

Article 4

PROGRESS PAYMENTS

- 4.1 The Contractor shall provide a Payment Schedule as referred to in section 9.3.6 of the General Conditions.
- 4.2 The Contractor hereby agrees that on or about the first day of the month for every month during the performance of the Work Contractor will deliver to the A/E an Application for Payment in accordance with the provisions of section 9.3 of the General Conditions. This date may be changed upon mutual agreement, stated in writing, between the County and Contractor. Payment under this Contract shall be made as provided in the General Conditions.
- 4.3 An acceptable CPM Schedule Update shall be submitted in conjunction with each Application for Payment. Failure to provide an acceptable CPM Schedule Update will result in the rejection of the Application, and no Payment will be made until such time as an acceptable CPM Schedule Update is received.

Article 5

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 The Contractor shall submit the Performance Bond, Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Certification of Insurance as required by the Contract Documents within fifteen (15) calendar days of the effective date of the County – Contractor Agreement. The Guarantee or Warranty Bond shall be submitted as described in section 9.8.5.2 of the General Conditions.
- 5.2 To the extent required by the Commonwealth of Virginia (see e.g. 54.1-1100 *et seq.* of the Code of Virginia) or the County of Loudoun, the Contractor shall be duly licensed to perform the services required to be delivered pursuant to this Contract.

- 5.3 A Contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into a Contract with the County pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Contract. The County may void any Contract with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.
- 5.4 During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
- a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service-disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - c. Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule, or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- 5.5 During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to: (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

- 5.6 All notices and other communications made pursuant to the Contract Documents and not required to be made through e-Builder shall be deemed to have been given when made in writing and either (a) delivered in person, (b) delivered to an agent, such as an overnight or similar delivery service, or (c) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered, addressed as follows:

TO CONTRACTOR:

TO COUNTY:

County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
P.O. Box 7000
1 Harrison Street, S.E.
Leesburg, Virginia 20177

If sent via (a) or (b):

County of Loudoun Virginia
Division of Procurement
ATTN: Purchasing Agent
1 Harrison Street, S. E. **1st Floor,**
Procurement Bids and Proposals
Drop Box
Leesburg, Virginia 20175

If sent via (c):

County of Loudoun, Virginia
Division of Procurement
1 Harrison Street, S.E.,
ATTN: PROCUREMENT BIDS &
PROPOSALS
Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Notices shall be deemed received (i) if hand delivered, when received, (ii) if given by overnight delivery service, the first business day after being sent prepaid by such overnight delivery service, or (iii) if given by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, two (2) days after posting with the United States Postal Service. Either party may change its address by notifying the other party in a manner described above.

Due to security restrictions, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing or delivery by an agent of notices is preferred. However, if a notice is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, Virginia 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: **Procurement Bids and Proposals** between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Article 6

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986

- 6.1 By entering this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Contract violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.

Article 7

ENTIRE CONTRACT AND SEVERABILITY

- 7.1 This Agreement, together with all attachments, represents the entire and integrated Contract between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or contracts, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or changed only by an Amendment or Modification. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any Contractual relationship between the County, (or any agent, consultant, or independent Contractor employed by the County) and any subcontractor, sub-subcontractor, supplier or vendor of the Contractor, but the County shall be entitled to performance of all obligations intended for the County's benefit, and to enforcement thereof.
- 7.2 In the event that any provision of this Contract shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Contract but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding, and in full force and effect.

Article 8

GOVERNING LAW/FORUM

- 8.1 This Contract shall be governed and construed in all respects by its terms and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any judicial action shall be filed in the Commonwealth of Virginia, County of Loudoun or if jurisdiction exists, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria. Contractor expressly waives any objection to venue or jurisdiction of the Loudoun County Circuit Court, Loudoun County, Virginia. Contractor expressly consents to waiver of service of process in an action pending in the Loudoun County Circuit Court, Virginia, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 8.01-286.1.
- 8.2 Each of the parties irrevocably waive trial by jury in any action, proceeding, or counterclaim, whether at law or in equity, brought by either party for any claim, demand, action, or cause of action, arising out of this Agreement. Each of the parties hereby agrees and consents that any such claim, demand, action, or cause of action shall be decided by court trial without a jury.

Article 9

COUNTERPARTS

9.1 This Contract and any amendments or modifications hereto may be executed in a number of counterparts, and each counterpart signature, when taken with the other counterpart signatures, is treated as if executed upon one original of this Contract or any amendment or renewal. A signature by any party to this Contract provided by facsimile or electronic mail is binding upon that party as if it were the original.

WITNESS the following signatures:

COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA

Division of Procurement

1 Harrison Street, S.E.

Leesburg, VA 20175

Phone: (703) 777-0403

Fax: (703) 771-5097

CONTRACTOR

Phone:

Fax:

By: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
Tina P. Estevao
Senior Assistant County Attorney

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Geotechnical/Geophysical Release Form

ATTACHMENT 2:

This form shall be signed and submitted prior to obtaining plans and specifications from the Division of Procurement.

As evidenced by the Bidder's signature below, the site and soils data, test pad, test results and reports, and technical papers (data) related to onsite soils and owner-furnished topsoil contained in the Project Specifications dated September 20, 2023 and related to RFQ 639838, Infrastructure Improvements – Landfill Entrance Construction (Project) is being made available to the Bidder in good faith in order to apprise the Bidder of the information within the possession of the County. The Bidder understands that these report(s) are for informational purposes only and are not part of the Contract and the County provides no warranty as to the accuracy, completeness, or correctness of such report(s). These report(s) were developed for design and information purposes only. The Bidder agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the County, its employees, agents, servants, and representatives from and against any costs, claims, extension of Contract time, or liabilities of any kind resulting from the use of or reliance on these reports.

By making this information available, the County is not classifying the site. Additionally, this information is not a substitute for personal and independent investigation, interpretation, and judgment by the Bidder. In the event the Bidder elects not to perform his/her own investigation of the subsurface conditions prior to the submission of the Bid, the Bidder will relinquish the County from any liability, extension of Contract time, or cost associated with this decision. It is the obligation of the Bidder to make its own interpretation of all subsurface data that may be available and satisfy itself, through its own independent investigation, as to the nature, condition, and extent of the material to be excavated, graded, or driven through or any other geotechnical aspect of this Project.

If Bidder elects to conduct its own site investigation of County property, the Bidder shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the County, its employees, agents, servants and representatives from and against any and all claims, suits, demands, actions (regardless of the merits thereof) and damages of whatever nature arising out of or resulting from its site visit and any associated work, including jurisdictional labor disputes or other labor troubles that may occur during the performance of the Work.

Site investigation work shall be conducted between 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

The Bidder is responsible for:

1. Coordinating the time and date of the site investigation with the County.
2. Any damage to adjacent property.
3. Backfilling and compacting borings or test pits prior to departing the site.
4. Coordinating with Miss Utility to locate utilities prior to any work being done.
5. Damage to onsite utilities.
6. Management of traffic and safety of the public on roads adjacent to the site.
7. Safety requirements for equipment and personnel brought to the site.

The submission of a Bid shall be considered conclusive evidence that the Bidder has satisfied itself as to the subsurface conditions that may be encountered in performing the work for the Project.

FIRM NAME: _____

Principal or authorized representative (Print Name)

Date

Principal or authorized representative (Signature)

Date

**ESCROW AGREEMENT
ATTACHMENT 3:**

THIS ESCROW AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 2024, among the **COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA** ("County") and _____ ("Contractor") and _____ a trust company, bank, or savings and loan institution with its principal office located in Virginia ("hereinafter referred to collectively as "Bank"); and _____ ("Surety"), provides:

I.

The County and the Contractor have entered into a Contract with respect to Project Name _____ Project No. _____ ("Contract"). This Escrow Agreement is pursuant to, but in no way amends or modifies, the Contract. Payments made hereunder or the release of funds from escrow shall not be deemed approval or acceptance of performance of the Contractor.

II.

In order to assure full and satisfactory performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract, the County Treasurer is required thereby to retain certain amounts otherwise due the Contractor. The Contractor has, with the approval of the County, elected to have these retained amounts held in escrow by the Bank. This agreement sets forth the terms of the escrow. The Bank shall not be deemed a party to, bound by, or required to inquire into the terms of the Contract or any other instrument or agreement between the County and the Contractor.

III.

The County shall from time to time pursuant to the Contract pay to the Bank amounts retained by it under the Contract. Except as to amounts actually withdrawn from escrow by the County, the Contractor shall look solely to the Bank for the payment of funds retained under the Contract and paid by the County to the Bank.

The risk of loss by the diminution of the principal of any funds invested under the terms of the Contract shall be solely upon the Contractor.

Funds and securities held by the Bank pursuant to this escrow agreement shall not be subject to levy, garnishment, attachment, lien, or other process whatsoever. Contractor agrees not to assign, pledge, discount, sell, or otherwise transfer or dispose of its interest in the escrow account or any part thereof, except to the Surety.

IV.

Upon receipt of checks or warrants drawn by the County Treasurer and made payable to it as escrow agent, the Bank shall promptly notify the Contractor, negotiate the same deposit or invest and reinvest the proceeds in approved securities in accordance with the written instructions of the Contractor. In no event shall the Bank invest the escrowed funds in any security not approved.

V.

The following securities, and none other, are approved securities for all purposes of this Agreement:

- (1) United States Treasury Bonds, United States Treasury Notes, United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness or United States Treasury Bills.
- (2) Bonds, notes and other evidence of indebtedness unconditionally guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest by the United States,
- (3) Bonds or notes of the County of Loudoun,
- (4) Bonds of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, if such bonds carried, at the time of purchase by the Bank or deposit by the Contractor, a Standard and Poor's or Moody's Investors Service rating of at least "A," and
- (5) Certificates of deposit issued by commercial Banks located within the Commonwealth of Virginia, including, but not limited to, those insured by the Bank and its affiliates,
- (6) Any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness listed in Sections (1) through (3) may be purchased pursuant to a repurchase agreement with a bank, within or without the Commonwealth of Virginia having a combined capital, surplus and undivided profit of not less than \$25,000,000, provided the obligation of the Bank to repurchase is within the time limitations established for investments as set forth herein. The repurchase agreement shall be considered a purchase of such securities even if title, and/or possession of such securities is not transferred to the Escrow Agent, so long as the repurchase obligation of the Bank is collateralized by the securities themselves, and the securities have on the date of the repurchase agreement a fair market value equal to at least 100% of the amount of the repurchase obligation of the Bank, and the securities are held by a third party, and segregated from other securities owned by the Bank.

No security is approved hereunder which matures more than five (5) years after the date of its purchase by the Bank or deposit by the Contractor.

VI.

The Contractor may from time to time withdraw the whole or any portion of the escrowed funds by depositing with the Bank approved securities in an amount equal to,

or in excess of, the amount so withdrawn. Any securities so deposited or withdrawn shall be valued at such time of deposit or withdrawal at the lower of par or market value, the latter as determined by the Bank. Any securities so deposited shall thereupon become a part of the escrowed fund.

Upon receipt of a direction signed by the Loudoun County Purchasing Agent, the Bank shall pay the principal of the fund, or any specified amount thereof, to the Treasurer of Loudoun County for deposit to the appropriate fund and account within the County's approved accounting structure. Such payment shall be made in cash as soon as is practicable after receipt of the direction.

Upon receipt of a direction signed by the Loudoun County Purchasing Agent, the Bank shall pay and deliver the principal of the fund, or any specified amount thereof, to the Contractor, in cash or in kind, as may be specified by the Contractor. Such payment and delivery shall be made as soon as is practicable after receipt of the direction.

VII.

For its services hereunder, the Bank shall be entitled to a reasonable fee in accordance with its published schedule of fees or as may be agreed upon by the Bank and the Contractor. Such fee and any other costs of administration of this Agreement shall be paid from the income earned upon the escrowed fund and, if such income is not sufficient to pay the same, by the Contractor.

VIII.

The net income earned and received upon the principal of the escrowed fund shall be paid over to the Contractor in quarterly or more frequent installments. Until so paid or applied to pay the Bank's fee or any other costs of administration, such income shall be deemed a part of the principal of the fund.

IX.

The Surety undertakes no obligation hereby but joins in this Agreement for the sole purpose of acknowledging that its obligations as surety for the Contractor's performance of the Contract are not affected hereby.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

WITNESS the following signatures, all as of the day and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA

CONTRACTOR

Director, Department of Finance
& Procurement

Officer, Partner or Owner

Bank

SURETY

Title

Title

Address

Address