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KISHWAUKEE WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

1. Time and Place of Opening Bids. Sealed proposals for the construction of the 2025 WWTP Improvements for the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District, DeKalb County, Illinois, will be received at the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District at 1301 Sycamore Road, DeKalb, Illinois 60115 until 10:00 A.M., September 3, 2025 and at that time will be publicly opened and lump sum bid read aloud.

2. Description of Work. The proposed construction consists of consolidation of electrical distribution to a single medium-voltage electrical service, and consolidation of existing emergency generators. This entails construction of a new electrical room for a new medium voltage switchgear and associated appurtenances. A solar array will be constructed to offset power usage.

A new Digested Sludge Storage Tank No. 2 structure will be constructed, and an extension of the existing Sludge Handling Building will be constructed. As part of the improvements to the digester complex, Digested Sludge Storage Tank No. 1, Digester 1B, and Digester 2B will be cleaned.

Other new structures for construction include a new Excess Flow Disinfection building, an excess flow clarifier drain valve vault, and a pre-fabricated chemical feed structure for chemical phosphorous removal.

General site improvements are included in the scope of work. This includes demolition and removal of identified structures, fencing, pavement, and other infrastructure. Also included in scope is new paving, fencing, site piping, and other miscellaneous items of work.

3. Information for Bidders. Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA). Neither the State of Illinois nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract. The procurement will be subject to regulations contained in the Procedures for Issuing Loans from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program (35 IAC Part 365), the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a through 276a-5) as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570), the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act Apprenticeship Initiative (30 ILCS 559/20-1), the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise policy per 40 CFR Part 33, as amended, and the "Build America, Buy America Act" requirements contained in the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58. This procurement is also subject to the loan recipient's policy regarding the increased use of disadvantaged business enterprises. The loan recipient's policy requires all bidders to undertake specified affirmative efforts at least sixteen (16) days prior to bid opening. The policy is contained in the specifications.

Bidders are also required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The requirements for Bidders and Contractors under this order are explained in 41 CFR 60-4.

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Information for Bidders. All pertinent documents may be **examined** on the internet at www.bhfxplanroom.com.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be **obtained** from BHFX Digital Imaging, www.bhfxplanroom.com, upon a non-refundable payment of \$150 per set. **Documents can be purchased only through BHFX Digital Imaging.**

Contractor(s) shall pay prevailing wages at rates not less than those under Davis-Bacon Wage Act Provisions as determined by U.S. Department of Labor to all laborers, workmen and mechanics performing work under this contract.

If at the time the Agreement for this Project is executed, or if during the term of the Agreement, there is excessive unemployment in Illinois as defined in the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act, 30 ILCS 570/0.01 et seq., as two consecutive months of unemployment exceeding 5%, the Bidder agrees to employ Illinois laborers in accordance with the "Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act". An "Illinois laborer" is defined as any person who has resided in Illinois for at least thirty (30) days and intends to become or remain an Illinois resident.

The Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District is exempt from the Illinois State, municipal or county Retailers Occupation Tax, Service Occupation Tax, Use Tax, and Service Use Tax as described in Illinois Compiled Statute Chapter 35. Bid prices shall not include the cost of such taxes.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bidder's bond, certified check, bank cashier's check or bank draft payable to the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District for ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the Bid as provided in the Bidder Instructions.

A **mandatory** Pre-Bid Conference of all prospective Bidders and/or their representatives will be held at 1301 Sycamore Road DeKalb, IL 60115 on August 5, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. Bidders are **required** to attend and participate in the conference.

4. Rejection of Bids. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive technicalities. Unless the Bids are rejected for good cause, award of contract shall be made to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder.

Dated at DeKalb, Illinois this 15th day of July, 2025.

Mark Eddington, Executive Director

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