

SECTION 00020

INVITATION TO BID

**WQCF Sludge Thickener & Dewatering Unit No. 3 System Design Project CIP No. 24006 & 24007
(ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST: \$24 Million)**

SEALED BIDS will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Manteca at 1001 West Center Street, Manteca, California until **2:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Thursday January 23, 2025**, for the **WQCF Sludge Thickener & Dewatering Unit No. 3 System Design Project CIP No. 24006 & 24007** (Project). As soon as practical thereafter, sealed bids for the project will be publicly opened and read for performing work as follows:

Furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment, and performing all work necessary and incidental to the construction of the project known as the **WQCF Sludge Thickener & Dewatering Unit No. 3 System Design Project CIP No. 24006 & 24007** according to the plans and specifications as prepared by the City of Manteca and according to the Contract Documents. The work includes the replacement of existing Dissolved Air Flotation Tanks (DAFTs) with Rotating Drum Thickeners (RDTs), co-thickening of primary sludge and waste activated sludge, addition of a third centrifuge that matches the existing centrifuge dewatering units, and associated piping.

Project shall have **Substantial Completion within 520 calendar days** and **Final Completion within 550 calendar days** from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed. Time for commencement and completion of the work is important, and is the essence of the Contract.

This receives funding from:

- **Federal: None**
- **State: None**
- **Local: Sewer O&M Funds**

The required DBE participation is: None

Required Apprentice/Trainee:

- **Federal: None**
- **State: None**
- **Local: None**

A NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING AND JOB WALK will held as follows:

1. **DATE/TIME:** Monday, January 13, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.
2. **LOCATION:** WQCF 2450 W Yosemite Avenue Manteca (Administration Building)
3. **GENERAL:** No other pre-bid meetings or job site visits will be scheduled.
4. **The deadline to submit questions and/or inquiries is 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, January 16, 2025**

PROJECT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS ARE POSTED ON THE CITY WEBSITE AT:

<https://www.manteca.gov/departments/project-bid>

BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT BIDS ON A HARD COPY OF THE BID PROPOSAL FORMS PROVIDED IN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

Project information is available on the Internet at:

<https://www.manteca.gov/departments/project-bid>

Questions regarding the contract documents shall be submitted in writing to:

Attn: Kyzen Nicolas, Associate Engineer
City of Manteca
Department of Engineering
1001 West Center Street
Manteca, CA 95337
Fax: (209) 923-8956
email: knicolas@manteca.gov

The City will post all bid-related questions and answers on its web site at:

<https://www.manteca.gov/departments/project-bid>

Refer to this web address periodically as it will be updated with bid-related questions and answers until **5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday January 20, 2025**. The questions and answers posted at the web address above shall form part of the Contract Documents.

Bidding procedures are prescribed in the contract documents. Bids shall only be executed upon the bound bid forms provided, which are a part of said contract documents. Bid guarantee in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid dollar amount and conforming to the prescribed bidding procedures is required to be submitted with each bid, as a guaranty to be forfeited should the bidder, if awarded the contract, fail to enter into the same, or fails to furnish in a timely manner the bonds and/or proof of insurance.

Pursuant to the provisions of California Labor Code Section 6707, each bid submitted in response to this Invitation to Bid shall contain, as a bid item, adequate sheeting, shoring, and bracing, or equivalent method, for the protection of life and limb in trenches and open excavation, which shall conform to applicable safety orders. By listing this sum, the bidder warrants that its actions pursuant to this bid item shall not impose tort liability on the City, the Engineer, the Construction Manager, and their employees, agents, and subconsultants.

Pursuant to Section 1770, et. seq., of the California Labor Code, the successful bidder shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. Copies of such prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the City of Manteca Engineering Department, 1001 West Center Street, Manteca, CA which copies will be made available to any interested party on request.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, for moneys earned by the Contractor and withheld by the City of Manteca to ensure the performance of the Contract, the Contractor may, at its option, choose to substitute securities meeting the requirements of said Public Contract Code Section 22300.

All bidders shall be licensed under the provisions of Chapter 9, Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California to do the type of work contemplated in the project. In accordance with provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the City has determined that the **Contractor shall possess a valid Class A license** at the time that the bid is submitted. Failure to possess the specified license shall render the bid non-responsive.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment bond in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, as well as a Faithful Performance Bond, in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price. All bonds submitted shall be from admitted sureties.

Each bidder shall submit with its bid a statement setting forth its experience on the forms included in the Bid Proposal.

Telephones will not be available to bidders for the preparation of the bids or for calling in bid results. Bid forms received after the designated time will not be accepted. Bidders and their authorized agents are invited to attend the bid opening.

No bidder may withdraw its bid for one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the date set for the opening of bids.

The successful bidder must insure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against on the basis of age, color, race, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, sexual preference, marital status, and comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids; to make any awards or any rejections in what it alone considers to be in the best interest of the City; and waive any irregularities in the bids. Each bid must be signed by or on behalf of the bidder and must be enclosed in a **DOUBLE SEALED ENVELOPES** with the following information on the inner envelope and outer envelope:

1. Name and address of bidder
2. Project for which the bid is being submitted
3. Date and time of bid opening

The outer envelope shall include:

- Contractor's bid bond
- Contractor's bid schedule
- Sealed inner envelope

The inner envelope shall include:

- All other bid forms other than Contractor's bid bond and Contractor's bid schedule

The envelope shall be addressed to the City of Manteca, City Clerk, 1001 West Center Street, Manteca, California 95337.

Dated: _____ City of Manteca

Cassandra Candini-Tilton, Director of Legislative Services / City Clerk

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