

Township of Cranbury
Middlesex County, New Jersey
BRAINERD LAKE
DREDGING PROJECT

Notice to Bidders

Notice is hereby given that on **March 31, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.** local prevailing time, sealed bids will be received by the Township of Cranbury (hereinafter called the “Owner”) for:

Brainerd Lake Dredging Project

Sealed bids for the above named Contract, which includes **lake lowering and maintenance of stream flow, and dredging (excavation and disposal) of approximately 39,000 cubic yards of silt** in Brainerd Lake within the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey (“Owner”), will be received at the Town Hall Meeting Room, 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512, **11:00 AM** prevailing time, at which time they will be publicly unsealed and the contents publicly announced.

The work includes a base contract for the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Drawings, as described in the Specifications and outlined above. All awarded work shall be completed within the construction window permitted by the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife as described in the Specifications. All awarded work shall be completed within **45 calendar** days of the Contractor’s receipt of written Notice to Proceed.

Bid Documents for the proposed work have been prepared by Van Cleef Engineering Associates, 32 Brower Lane, PO Box 5877, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844. Specifications and other bid documents may be obtained and purchased during normal business hours at the office of Van Cleef Engineering Associates, 32 Brower Lane, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844 for the non-refundable fee of **\$50.00** for each set. Checks shall be made payable to “Van Cleef Engineering Associates”.

No bid will be received unless in writing on the forms furnished and unless accompanied by bid security in the form of a bid bond, cashier’s check or a certified check made payable to the Township of Cranbury in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of the total bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.00.

The bid shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety on the form included in the Contract Documents, from a surety company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, which shall represent that the surety company will provide the Contractor with the required bonds in the sums required in the Contract Documents and in a form satisfactory to the Owner’s Attorney and in compliance with the requirements of law.

Bidders must use the prepared bid form which is contained in the Contract Documents. Each individual proposal must be separately enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Township

Clerk, 23A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512, marked on the outside with the number of the contract(s) and name of the project being bid on.

No bids will be received after the time and date specified and no bids will be received by mail. Bids shall be received by courier service (date and time recorded), or shall be hand delivered. The Owner shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the Owner, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Owner will evaluate bids and any award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-6.1. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive minor informalities or irregularities in bids received.

The qualification and reclassification of bidders will be subject to the statutory provisions contained in N.J.S.A 40A:11-25 to 32 ("Local Public Contract Law").

All bid security except the security of the three apparent lowest responsible bidders shall be returned, unless otherwise requested by the bidder, within ten (10) days after the opening of the bids, Sundays and holidays excepted, and the bids of the bidders whose bid security is returned shall be considered withdrawn.

Each bidder must submit with his bid a signed certificate stating that he owns, leases or controls all the necessary equipment required to accomplish the work shown and described in the Contract Documents. Should the bidder not be the actual owner or lessee of such equipment, his certificate shall state the source from which the equipment will be obtained and in addition, shall be accompanied by a signed certificate from the owner or person in control of the equipment definitely granting to the bidder the control of the equipment required during such time as may be necessary for the completion of that portion of the Contract for which it is necessary. The bidder shall comply with the documentation requirements set forth in the Article of the Information for Bidders, entitled, "Bidder Submissions".

The Successful bidder will be required to submit bonds and proof of insurance on or before execution of their respective Contracts as explained in the Contract Documents.

Bidders are required to comply with all relevant Federal and State Statutes, Rules and Regulations including but not limited to the applicable provisions to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-2000D-4A), the discrimination and affirmative action provisions of N.J.S.A 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, *et seq.*, the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, the State requirement for bidders to supply statements of ownership (N.J.S.A 52:25-24.2) and the State requirement for submission of the names and addresses of certain subcontractors (N.J.S.A 40A:11-16).

Pursuant to N.J.S.A 10:5-31 *et seq.*, bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c. 127, NJAC 17:27.

Each Bidder must submit with his bid an “Ownership Disclosure Statement” and “Non-Collusion Affidavit” on the forms included in the Contract Documents.

Bidders and their subcontractors of any tier must comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Works Contractor Registration Act, P.L. 1999, c.238 (N.J.S.A 34:11-56.48) and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A 34:11-56.25).

Prior to contract award or authorization, the contractor shall provide the Owner with its proof of Business Registration and that of any named subcontractor(s).

It is the purpose of this Notice to Bidders to summarize some of the more important provisions of the Contract Documents. Prospective bidders are cautioned not to rely solely on this summary, but to read the Contract Documents in their entirety.

By Order to the Township of Cranbury

Debra A. Rubin
Township Clerk