COUNTY OF BUTTE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, California, until **10:00 A.M. on August 18, 2009** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for construction in accordance with the project specifications and plans to which special reference is made, as follows:

THE CONSTRUCTION OF S.R. 99 FRONTAGE ROAD

The work, located near the intersection of State Route 99 and Southgate Avenue at the southerly edge of Chico City Limits, in general, involves: clearing, grubbing, grading, and constructing new roadway, including drainage system, curb, gutter, sidewalk, pedestrian ramps, and pavement improvements; removing sections of existing roadway, including curb, gutter, and sidewalk; and installing signage, thermoplastic traffic stripes, thermoplastic pavement markings, and reflective pavement markers.

Plans, cross-sections and Special Provisions, including forms for the proposal, bonds and contract, are available for review at the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, California 95965. **Copies of the Plans and Special Provisions may be purchased for the non-refundable payment of fifteen dollars ($15.00). Bidders requesting mailed copies of the Plans and Special Provisions shall be charged an additional $7.50 for shipping and handling. Copies of the cross-sections may be purchased for the non-refundable payment of ten dollars ($10.00), payment for shipping and handling shall be an additional $5.00**. Payment for the copies of the Plans, Special Provisions and mailing as well as for copies of the cross-sections shall be made in the form of cash or a check made payable to the "County of Butte". The Special Provisions package mentioned above does not include copies of the California Department of Transportation Standard Plans or Standard Specifications for Construction, dated May, 2006.

The above Plans and Special Provisions are also available for review on the Butte County Public Works Dept. Website: http://www.buttecounty.net/publiworks/divisions/engineering/projects.html However, no bid will be considered unless it is made on a blank form furnished by the Butte County Department of Public Works when the Special Provisions are purchased as described above, and is made in accordance with the provisions in Section 2, "Proposal Requirements and Conditions," of the Standard Specifications. The attention of the bidders is directed to properly responding to all proposal attachments.

No pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this project.

This contract is subject to State contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

The County of Butte affirms that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), as defined in 49 CFR 26, will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation.

Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

Contract items of work and quantities thereof for which payment will be made under this contract are contained in the proposal. The items of work and quantities are given as a basis for the comparison of bids and the County of Butte does not, expressly or by implication, agree that the actual amount of work will correspond therewith, but reserves the right to increase or decrease the amount of any class or portion of the work, or to omit portions of the work, as may be deemed necessary or advisable by the Engineer.

The Board of Supervisors has ascertained, pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates for straight time, overtime, Saturday, Sunday and holiday work applicable to the work to be done in Butte County are the same as the general prevailing wage rates as determined by the Department of Industrial Relations. These rates are on file in the office of the Director of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965 and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet website at http://www.dir.ca.gov.

The labor surcharge and equipment rental rates to be used under this contract shall be as listed in the State of California Department of Transportation Division of Construction publication entitled "Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates" that are in effect when the work is accomplished.

Holidays, upon which general prevailing hourly wage rate for holiday work shall be paid, shall be all legal, federal and/or state holidays determined by wage surveys or recognized in the collective bargaining agreement, applicable to the particular craft, classification, or type of worker employed on the project, which is on file with the Director of Industrial Relations.

The attention of bidders is particularly directed to the provisions of Section 8-1.02, "Assignment," of the Standard Specifications regarding assignment of the contract.

Attention is directed to Section 7-1.01C, "Contractors Licensing Laws," of the Standard Specifications.

The Contractor shall possess a Class A license or a combination of classes required by the categories and types of work included in this contract at the time this contract is awarded.

The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and a performance bond.

The County of Butte reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in any bid.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and

investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications, or estimate must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to bid opening. Any such inquiries or questions, if submitted after bid opening, will not be treated as a bid protest.

All communications relative to this work shall be directed to the Project Engineer, Monty Hansen, at the County of Butte Department of Public Works, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965, phone no. (530) 538-7681, prior to the opening of bids. All questions relating to interpretation of the Contract Documents or products must be submitted in writing, and responses will be in the form of written addenda to the Contract Documents.

COUNTY OF BUTTE
Department of Public Works
J. Michael Crump, Director

Dated: July 23, 2009