

**NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
TO
METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO
FOR**

LOCKPORT POWERHOUSE TAILRACE BARRIER

CONTRACT 25-605-21

PROPOSALS ARE DUE SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

Sealed proposals, endorsed as above, will be submitted to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (District) via an electronic upload to the Euna Portal only, from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 AM Central Time (CT), on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management or her designee at 11:00 A.M. CT on September 9, 2025. The public cannot attend but can view the bid opening at <https://mwrđ.org/bid-opening>.

No bids will be accepted after 11:00 AM on the above scheduled bid opening date. All bids faxed, mailed, emailed, or hand delivered will not be considered and will be returned to the Bidder. There is no bid depository safe available for mailing or hand delivering bids. The District will only accept bids electronically uploaded to the Euna Portal (please see instructions on how to upload the bid response on pages Euna-1 and Euna-2). Please see specific instructions on how to upload your bid to the Euna Portal in the bid document entitled "Submission via the Euna Portal." Bids will be deemed non-responsive if not submitted using the Euna-project specific URL link, provided by the District with the bidding documents.

Tenders are invited to provide all necessary labor, insurance, expertise, supervision, management, materials, transportation, equipment, tools, appurtenances, services to design, furnish, deliver, and install a fully functional and secure public safety Boat Barrier at the tailrace of the Lockport Powerhouse (LPH) to prevent boaters from travelling and drifting dangerously close to the LPH during generator and pit gate operations. The contract is estimated to begin October 2025, upon approval of the Contractor's bond and terminate twelve (12) months thereafter, or upon expenditure of available funds, whichever occurs sooner.

The estimated cost of the work under this Contract is \$208,000.00.

Funding for all Contract items is subject to the Board of Commissioners' approval of the District's budget for all years under this Contract.

There is no bid deposit for this Contract. A contractor's bond will be required. Please refer to the CONTRACTOR'S BOND section in the Agreement for additional information about this requirement.

The Lockport Powerhouse and Lockport Controlling Works Project Labor Agreement (PLA or LPLA) provides that the lowest responsible bidder and its subcontractors of

whatever tier level must be, or agree to be, bound by and operate under a current collective bargaining agreement with a union or labor organization affiliated with Will & Grundy Counties Building Trades Council and the Three River Construction Alliance or their affiliates.

Prior to award of the contract, the lowest responsible Bidder must demonstrate compliance with the Lockport Powerhouse and Lockport Controlling Works Project Labor Agreement (PLA or LPLA) by submitting with its bid, or prior to award of the Contract, the following signed documents:

- Labor Organization Signatory Page, page 8 of PLA: The Bidder must ensure that an authorized representative of the Will & Grundy Counties Building Trades Council (WGCBTC) has signed the PLA on behalf of all labor organizations that will be working on the project. If a labor organization opts out of having the WGCBTC sign the PLA on its behalf, an authorized representative of the labor organization must sign the PLA. The WGCBTC representative should secure that signature.
- Contractor Signatory Page, page 9 of PLA.
- Certificate of Compliance with Will & Grundy Counties Project Labor Agreement for the Lockport Powerhouse and Lockport Controlling Works.

The PLA and Certificate of Compliance are a part of this Contract. The Bidder, if awarded the Contract, must be prepared to comply with the terms and conditions of the PLA and the Certificate of Compliance.

Specifications, proposal forms and/or plans may be obtained from the Department of Procurement and Materials Management by downloading online from the District's website at www.mwrd.org (Doing Business → Procurement & Materials Management → Contract Announcements). No fee is required for the Contract Documents. Any questions regarding the downloading of the Contract Document should be directed to the District's Contract Desk at ContractDesk@mwrd.org or (312) 751-6643.

Further, the District assumes no liability or responsibility for the failure or inability of any Bidder to successfully download any and all contract documents, including but not limited to specifications, proposal forms and/or plans, as a result of any type of technological computer and/or software system failure or breakdown that restricts, prohibits or prevents successful downloading of any and all District contract documents by the Bidder, whether caused by the District or other parties, directly or indirectly.

If any potential Bidder contemplating to submit a proposal is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specifications or other Contract documents, such inquiry should be submitted online at the District's website, www.mwrd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements → (Find correct project) → Ask a Question. The District will provide an online response to such inquiries, as the District deems appropriate. Strings of appropriate questions and answers regarding the bidding documents will be available online on the District's website until the bid opening date of the bidding documents. No

questions will be accepted by telephone, fax, email, mail, or any other such form of delivery.

The District will only respond to questions received online up to ONE (1) WEEK prior to the bid opening date of the bidding documents. The District will not respond to questions received after this date. The District does not guarantee the timeliness of responses provided online, nor does the District guarantee that such responses will be provided in adequate time to affect the submission of bids. The District shall provide responses online ONLY if the responses do not interpret or otherwise change the bidding documents.

The District's responses online are NOT official responses and, therefore, are not binding to the bidding documents. Any official interpretation or change to the bidding documents will be made only by addenda duly issued to all plan holders on record by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management.

Bidding documents are only available online, and all addenda issued for this contract will be available online at the District's website, www.mwrd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements. A copy of such addenda will also be emailed/faxed to each person which downloads a set of such contract documents.

Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum issued in the space provided on the proposal signature page or submit a signed copy of each addendum with the Bidder's proposal at the time and date set to receive bids.

Failure on the part of the prospective Bidder to receive a written interpretation prior to the time of the opening of bids will not be grounds for withdrawal of proposal.

The lead Resident Engineer for this Contract is Mr. Arturo Hernandez. Mr. Hernandez will provide online responses to online inquiries.

All Bidders are hereby reminded they may raise questions to the District's Question and Answer Board, online at the District's website, at www.mwrd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements → (Find correct project) → Ask a Question.

The worksite for this contract is the Lockport Powerhouse located at 2400 South Powerhouse Road, Lockport, IL 60411.

Bidders are **STRONGLY URGED** to inspect all areas of the work sites prior to bidding, in order to familiarize themselves with the nature of the work and the method of accomplishing the same. To schedule an appointment to inspect the work sites, prospective Bidders may contact the Resident Engineer Mr. Arturo Hernandez at (708) 588-3171, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Bidders are reminded that no questions can be asked during site visits. Questions may only be posted at the District's Questions link: www.mwrd.org > Doing Business > Procurement & Materials Management > Contract Announcements > [locate contract] > Ask a Question.

Bidders should read the bidding requirements set forth on pages R-1 through R-6, and in particular page R-2, Paragraph 6, in regards to questions on this Contract.

All Contracts for the Construction of Public Works are subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 et seq.)(the "Act"). Note that submission of certified payroll records when requested by the District's Affirmative Action Administrator in accordance with Section 14(b) of the District's Affirmative Action Ordinance does not relieve a contractor of its obligation to submit certified payroll records to the Illinois Department of Labor pursuant to the Act.

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation
District of Greater Chicago

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