Advertisement and Invitation for Bids

Austin County will receive bids for culvert crossing improvements and ditch stabilization to improve drainage along Grubbs Road from TX-36 to Mill Creek, Austin County, Texas until <u>3:00PM</u> on Friday, <u>May 9, 2025</u>, at <u>1 E Main Street</u>, <u>Bellville, Texas 77418</u>. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at <u>9:00AM</u> on Monday, <u>May 12, 2025</u>, at <u>1</u> <u>E Main Street</u>, <u>Bellville, Texas 77418</u>. Please have a physical bid packet and at least 4 copies prepared for submittal, electronic bids will not be accepted.

Bids are invited for several items and quantities of work as follows:

Approximately one hundred thirty linear feet (130 LF) of culvert crossing with headwalls including rock riprap
Approximately fifteen thousand five hundred linear feet (15,500 LF) of street drainage ditch improvements

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at <u>1 E Main Street</u>, <u>Bellville</u>, <u>Texas 77418</u>. Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents, including drawings and technical specifications (with option to purchase hard copies) may be obtained from www.CivcastUSA.com. Bidders must register on this website in order to view and/or download specifications and plans for this project. There is <u>NO</u> charge to view or download documents. A bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to Austin County or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture Office of Rural Affairs and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual identity, gender identity, or national origin. All contractors and subcontractors must be cleared (not suspended or debarred) prior to any formal action authorizing the award of a contract to the contractor. Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, Veteran-Owned Businesses, and Section 3 Businesses are encouraged to submit bids.

This solicitation is for services related to a project that is subject to the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requirements under Title IX of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Absent an approved waiver, all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this project must be produced in the United States.

Austin County reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. Bids may be held by Austin County for a period not to exceed 30 / 60 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

Austin County Shannon Hanath, Administrative Assistant- Road and Bridge Department 3/25/2025