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Region 5
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Project Code: 22420
Project No.: NHPP 5501-029
Location: US 550 / 160 Connection South
Design-Build

Request for Letters of Interest Design-Build Services US 550 / 160 Connection South Project

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is proposing to realign US 550 at the connection to US 160 in Durango, Colorado. CDOT is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies or teams interested in providing Design-Build services for the US 550 / 160 Connection South Design-Build Project. CDOT issued a request for LOIs on its bidding website on December 14, 2018.

The purpose of this project is to complete a realignment of US 550 creating a new intersection with US 160 replacing the existing Farmington Hill signalized intersection. CDOT has executed both Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements for the two corridors. A re-evaluation for both corridor segments is underway. Proposed improvements include an estimated 1.8 million cubic yards of excavation, the construction of three major structures, two large mammal underpasses and several retaining walls. The creation of this new alignment will include a four lane divided facility, County Road intersection reconfigurations, a frontage road and all associated Work to create a fully functioning and resilient facility. An anti-icing system shall also be included in the Scope to enhance winter safety.

The Project aims to maximize road user safety, maximize travel efficiency and mobility by meeting the future demand for highway capacity, and improve access management along the US 550 and US 160 Corridors.

The non-prioritized, candidate goals for this project include the following items. Goals will continue to be refined along with the development of the RFP and may be altered, reduced or added to prior to issuance of the RFQ.

- Maximize Project scope and optimize value through innovation.
- An integrated approach to earthwork.
- A strong Design-Build team.
- Quality design and construction.
- Attractive corridor aesthetics.

The Project is obligated to adhere to the Environmental Documents and to remain within the Right-of-Way presented.

The anticipated Design-Build services Guaranteed Maximum Price for this Project is currently estimated to be between \$65 and \$75 million.





Letters of Interest must be submitted via the BidExpress System at the following link:

<https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/27077/home>

BidExpress will require that specific information be provided prior to allowing a mandatory PDF of the LOI to be uploaded. Instructions for using the BidExpress System may be found at the link provided below. For BidExpress support please contact Bid Express: <https://www.bidexpress.com/contact>. LOIs must be received by CDOT no later than 5:00 PM on January 31, 2019. Letters of Interest that are sent via fax or e-mail will not be accepted.

CDOT will be permitting electronic signatures on the Letters of Interest

For questions regarding the project please contact:

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The approximate anticipated schedule for the project procurement is:

Request for Qualifications(RFQ):	Winter/Spring 2019
Statements of Qualifications Due	Spring 2019
Shortlisted Design-Build Teams Announced:	Spring/Summer 2019
Draft RFP Issued:	Spring/Summer 2019
Final RFP Issued:	Summer 2019*
Proposals Due:	Winter 2019
Notice of Award:	Winter/Spring 2020
Notice to Proceed 1:	Spring 2020

*Final RFP will conclude the informal industry review process.

The following must be included in the Letter of Interest:

1. Subject line: Letter of Interest for the US 550 / 160 Connection South Design-Build Project
2. Company or team name
3. Contact person
4. Address, phone, fax, and e-mail information
5. If your firm is a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise or Emerging Small Business, please identify your firm as such and state all local agencies with whom you are certified.

Only those firms submitting a Letter of Interest meeting the above requirements will receive a Request for Qualifications





It is anticipated that the Request for Qualifications will be released by the Spring of 2019. After evaluation of the Statements of Qualifications from prospective design-build teams, CDOT will establish a Short List of eligible teams. A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be sent to these teams, and submittals will be evaluated using best value criteria. The RFP will include a conceptual design reflecting environmental commitments and mitigation measures which conform with NEPA requirements. Conceptual design data and reports are available on the project website found at the following link:

<https://www.codot.gov/projects/us-550-us-160-Connection-design-build>

An informational meeting for proposers will be held for CDOT to present project specifics and challenges. The meeting will be Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the La Plata County Fairgrounds Extension Building, 2500 Main Ave, Durango, CO 81301. Interested Design-Build Teams are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting.

BidExpress Instructions: https://www.bidexpress.com/vendor_resources

