

## CALL FOR BIDS

The Board of County Commissioners of Cowlitz County, Washington will receive sealed bids until June 2, 2020, **prior to 11:00 a.m.**, for the following work: **TURNER CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT.**

Work performed under this contract consists of the following:

Clearing and grubbing, shoring, excavation, construction and removal of a temporary traffic bypass, temporary creek diversion, removal of existing culverts, installation of a 22-foot span structural steel plate arch culvert, roadway reconstruction, riprap placement, seeding and mulching, and associated work.

At that time all bids will be publicly opened and read in the Board's hearing room. Bids must be addressed to:

Board of County Commissioners  
Attn: Clerk of the Board  
207 Fourth Avenue North  
Kelso WA 98626

Bids may be submitted electronically as a PDF. PDF bids must be emailed to [ostreimt@co.cowlitz.wa.us](mailto:ostreimt@co.cowlitz.wa.us) with the subject line "TURNER CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT", and received by the bid opening date and time. Bidders shall also mail original documents postmarked on or before the bid opening date. If an original is not received, the Bidder shall be considered non-responsive.

As with postal and courier deliveries of bid submissions to the County, the bidder assumes all risk of bid submission via email failing to be received or to timely be received, and for whatever reason, at the email listed above. The County's determination of when a bid was received shall be final and non-appealable.

Project bid documents (Plans, specifications, addenda, bid documents, bidders list and plan holders list) for this project are available online for inspection during the bidding period through the Builders Exchange of Washington (BXWA) website at [www.bxwa.com](http://www.bxwa.com). Click on Posted Projects, then Public Works, then Cowlitz County and then Projects Bidding. These documents are available for viewing, downloading and printing on your own equipment free of charge. This service is provided to Prime Bidders, Subcontractors, and Vendors bidding on this project. Bidders will need to "Register as a Bidder" through the BXWA in order to receive automatic e-mail notification of future addenda and to be placed on the Bidders List. Bidders should contact Builder's Exchange of Washington at (425) 258-1303 for questions regarding access or registration.

It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to obtain Addenda, if any. Addenda information will be available on the BXWA web site at [www.bxwa.com](http://www.bxwa.com). Cowlitz County accepts no responsibility or liability and will provide no accommodation to bidders who fail to check for addenda and thereby submit inadequate or incomplete responses.

Cowlitz County will not provide paper copies of the Project bid documents for this project for bidding purposes. A copy of the plans and specifications may be reviewed at the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

All bid proposals shall be accompanied by a bid proposal deposit in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such bid proposal. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to Cowlitz County.

All documents received in response to this invitation to bid will become a matter of public record and subject to the Washington public disclosure act under chapter 42.56 RCW.

**Cowlitz County, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.**

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any immaterial irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bidding.

DATED this 19 day of May, 2020.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Joe Gardner, Chairman

  
Dennis P. Weber, Commissioner

  
Arne Mortensen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Tiffany Ostreim, Clerk of the Board  






**SUPPLEMENTAL COVID—19  
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS  
CALL FOR BIDS**

**BIDS AND SAFETY PLANNING**

The Standard Specification section #1-07.1 assigns the responsibility for the health and safety of all workers to the Contractor. As construction activities continue during this pandemic, specialized plans and protocols need to be in place to maintain safe and healthful worksites.

**BIDS:**

In order to continue to maintain employee safety and social distancing during the Ongoing Declaration of Disaster Regarding the COVID-19 response, bids may be submitted electronically as a PDF. PDF bids must be emailed to [ostreimt@co.cowlitz.wa.us](mailto:ostreimt@co.cowlitz.wa.us) with the subject line "TURNER CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT", and received by the bid opening date and time. As with postal and courier deliveries of bid submissions to the County, the bidder assumes all risks of a bid submission via email failing to be received or to be timely received, and for whatever reason at the listed email address. The County's determination of when a bid was received shall be final and non-appealable. Bidders shall also mail original documents postmarked on or before the bid opening date. If an original is not received, the Bidder shall be considered non-responsive.

**SAFETY PLANNING:**

In addition to existing health, safety, and sanitation regulations, the United States and the State of Washington have instituted additional proclamations and rules surrounding the COVID—19 virus that must be followed. To demonstrate compliance with applicable requirements, the Contractor shall provide written correspondence before commencing the project describing project specific safety plan(s) outlining additional procedures and measures that will be put in place to address COVID—19. Because this is a pandemic which is evolving rapidly, when warranted, it is expected that these project-specific safety plan(s) will be updated by the Contractor to reflect the most current rules in effect.

Safety planning will result in mutual benefits to the Contractor, its workers and subcontractors, and the County. There may be conditions where COVID-19 safety planning cannot reasonably mitigate project issues or be addressed through other project options, and the Contractor is directed to the project bid documents and Standard Specifications, as incorporated, for guidance.

There are a multitude of resources available on line that can provide information safety planning:

<https://www.osha.gov/>

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Coronavirus/Workplace>

<https://www.cdc.gov/>