

PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS

**INVITATION TO BID**

RETURN BID TO:

COUNTY JUDGE  
PANOLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 216A  
CARTHAGE, TEXAS 75633

The enclosed INVITATION TO BID (ITB) and accompanying SPECIFICATIONS AND BID SHEET are for your convenience in bidding the enclosed referenced service/products for Panola County.

Sealed bids shall be received no later than:

**9:00 A.M., Tuesday June 18, 2024**

MARK ENVELOPE

**“BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION”**

Bidder shall sign and date the bid. Bids which are not signed and dated can be rejected. Bids must be submitted on the enclosed bid sheets and must be in ink or typewritten.

Panola County appreciates your time and effort in preparing this bid. Please note that all bids must be received at the designated location by the deadline shown. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered for the award of the contract and shall be considered void and unacceptable. Opening is scheduled to be held in Commissioners Courtroom, Panola County Courthouse, Carthage, Texas. You are invited to attend.

Any questions concerning this invitation to Bid, and specifications should be directed to Melanie Earle, Road and Bridge Warehouse Coordinator, at (903) 693-3763.

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SIGNATURE OF BIDDER

**INSTRUCTIONS/TERMS OF CONTRACT**

By order of the Commissioners Court of Panola County, Texas, sealed bids will be received for:

**BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION**

IT IS UNDERSTOOD that the Commissioners Court of Panola County, Texas reserves the right to reject any or all bids for any or all products and/or services covered in this bid request and to waive informalities or defects in bids or to accept such bids as it shall deem to be in the best interests of Panola County.

BIDS MUST BE submitted on the bid forms included for that purpose in this packet. Bids shall be placed in separate sealed envelopes, with **each page manually signed by a person having the authority to bind the firm in a contract** and marked clearly on the outside as shown below.

SUBMISSION OF BIDS: Sealed bids shall be submitted to:

**COUNTY JUDGE  
PANOLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 216A  
CARTHAGE, TEXAS 75633**

**Not later than 9:00 A.M., Tuesday June 18, 2024**

MARK ENVELOPES:

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**ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE COUNTY JUDGE’S OFFICE  
BEFORE OPENING DATE AND TIME**

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SIGNATURE OF BIDDER

**BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION**  
**BID SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF WORK**

PANOLA COUNTY IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING BIDS FOR BRIDGE  
CONSTRUCTION ON COUNTY ROAD 175 IN PANOLA COUNTY.  
BID SHOULD MEET THE FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS:

1. **BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION ON COUNTY ROAD 175**
2. **WILL NEED GUARDRAILS**

QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS BID SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO MELANIE  
EARLE, ROAD and BRIDGE WAREHOUSE COORDINATOR AT 903-693-3763.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER \_\_\_\_\_

Exceptions to specifications:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
COMPANY NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY            STATE            ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

ACCEPTED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY JUDGE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

PANOLA COUNTY  
BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION CR 175  
BID FORM

TOTAL BID: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please include a breakdown of this amount with your Bid Response

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

**Submitting Bids:**

**Sealed bids should be mailed to:**

County Judge Rodger McLane  
110 South Sycamore  
Room 216A  
Carthage, TX 75633

**REFERENCES:** Panola County may request bidder to supply a list of at least three (3) references where like services/products have been supplied by their firm.

**BIDDER SHALL PROVIDE,** with this bid response, all documentation required by this ITB. Failure to provide this information may result in rejection of bid.

**WAGES:** Successful bidder shall pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expense to Panola County, all Social Security, Unemployment and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all such employees and all such employees shall be paid wages and benefits as required by Federal and/or State Law.

**TERMINATION OF CONTRACT:** This contract shall remain in effect until contract expires, delivery and acceptance of products and/or performance of services ordered or terminated by either party with thirty (30) days written notice prior to any cancellation. The successful bidder must state therein the reasons for such cancellation. Panola County reserves the right to award canceled contract to next lowest and best bidder as it deems to be in the best interest of the county.

**TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:** Panola County reserves the right to enforce the performance of this contract in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the county in the event of breach or default of this contract. Panola County reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately in the event the successful bidder fails to:

1. Meet schedules;
2. Defaults in the payment of any fees; or
3. Otherwise perform in accordance with these specifications.

Breach of contract or default authorizes the county to exercise any of all the following rights:

1. Panola County may take possession of the assigned premises and any fees accrued or becoming due to date.
  
2. Panola County may take possession of all goods, fixtures and materials of successful bidder therein and may foreclose its lien against such personal property, applying the proceeds toward fees due or thereafter becoming due.

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In the event the successful bidder shall fail to perform, keep or observe any of the terms and conditions to be performed, kept or observed, Panola County shall give the successful bidder written notice of such default; and in the event said default is not remedied to the satisfaction and approval of the county within two (2) working days of receipt of such notice by the successful bidder, default will be declared and all the successful bidder's rights shall terminate.

Bidder, in submitting this bid, agrees that Panola County shall not be liable to prosecution for damages in the event that the county declares the bidder in default.

NOTICE: Any notice provided by this bid (or required by Law) to be given to the successful bidder by Panola County shall be conclusively deemed to have been given and received on the next day after such written notice has been deposited in the mail in Carthage, Texas, by Registered or Certified Mail with sufficient postage affixed thereto, addressed to the successful bidder at the address so provided; provided this shall not prevent the giving of actual notice in any other manner.

PATENTS / COPYRIGHTS: The successful bidder agrees to protect Panola County from claims involving infringement of patents and/or copyrights.

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR: Under this contract, Panola County may appoint a contract administrator with designated responsibility to ensure compliance with contract requirements. The contract administrator will serve as liaison between Panola County and the successful bidder.

PURCHASE ORDER: A purchase order(s) shall be generated by Panola County to the successful bidder. The purchase order number must appear on all itemized invoices and packing slips. Panola County will not be held responsible for any orders placed/delivered without a valid current purchase order number.

INVOICES shall show (a) name and address of successful bidder, (b) Panola County Purchase Order number, and (c) descriptive information as to the item(s) delivered.

PAYMENT will be made upon receipt and acceptance by the county of item(s) ordered and receipt of a valid invoice, in accordance with the State of Texas Prompt Payment Act, Government Code Chapter 2251. Successful bidder is required to pay subcontractors within ten (10) days.

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**ITEMS** supplied under this contract shall be subject to Panola County's approval. Items found defective or not meeting specifications shall be picked up and replaced by the successful bidder at no expense to the County. If item is not picked up within one (1) week after notification, the item will become a donation to the County for disposition.

**SAMPLES:** When requested, samples shall be furnished free of expense to Panola County.

**WARRANTY:** Successful bidder shall warrant that all items/services shall conform to the proposed specifications and/or all warranties as stated in the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and title.

**REMEDIES:** The successful bidder and Panola County agree that both parties have all rights, duties, and remedies available as stated in the Uniform Commercial Code.

**VENUE:** This agreement will be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas. This agreement is performable in Panola County, Texas.

**ASSIGNMENT:** The successful bidder shall not sell, assign, transfer or convey this contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of Panola County.

**SILENCE OF SPECIFICATION:** The apparent silence of these specifications as to any detail or to the apparent omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail. All interpretations of these specifications shall be made on the basis of this statement.

Each insurance policy to be furnished by successful bidder shall include, by endorsement to the policy, a statement that a notice shall be given to Panola County by certified mail thirty (30) days prior to cancellation or upon any material change in coverage.

**CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES:** Effective January 1, 2016, all contracts executed by Commissioners Court, regardless of the dollar amount, will require completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties", per Government Code Statute §2252.908. All vendors submitting a response to a formal Bid, or any contracts, contract amendments, renewals or change orders are required to complete Form 1295 online through the State of Texas Ethics Commission website. Please visit, [https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\\_info\\_form1295.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm), for more information.

**NO DISCRIMINATION:** The Bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

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**NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT:** Each Bidder submitting a Bid to the County for any portion of the work contemplated by the documents on which bidding is based shall execute and attach thereto, an affidavit substantially in the form herein provided, to the effect that he has not entered into a collusive agreement with any other person, firm, or corporation in regard to any Bid submitted.

**DISPOSAL AND HOLD HARMLESS:** BIDDER SHALL LAWFULLY DISPOSE OF ALL CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, CHEMICALS, AND DEBRIS AND SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD OWNER HARMLESS FOR THE UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF ALL CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, CHEMICALS, AND DEBRIS DONE BY BIDDER OR ITS SUBCONTRACTOR IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS BID.

**SUPERVISION AND WARRANTY:** The work shall be strictly supervised, the Bidder shall bear full responsibility for any and all acts or omissions of those engaged in the work on behalf of the Bidder; the Bidder hereby warrants that all labor furnished under this Bid shall be competent to perform the tasks undertaken, that the product of such labor shall yield only first-class results, that all materials and equipment provided shall be new and of high quality, that the completed work will be complete, of high quality, without defects, and that all work strictly complies with the requirements of this Bid. Any work not strictly complying with the requirements of this provision shall constitute a breach of the Bidder's warranty.

**INDEMNITY:**

THE BIDDER SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD PANOLA COUNTY AND ALL ITS EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS, AND AGENTS HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITY, DAMAGES, LOSS, COST AND EXPENSE OF EVERY TYPE WHATSOEVER INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES, IN CONNECTION WITH THE BIDDER'S PERFORMANCE OF THIS BID, PROVIDED THAT SUCH CLAIMS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS, COST OR EXPENSE IS DUE TO SICKNESS, PERSONAL INJURY, DISEASE OR DEATH, THE UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, CHEMICALS, OR DEBRIS, OR TO LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF TANGIBLE PROPERTY (OTHER THAN THE WORK ITSELF), INCLUDING LOSS OF USE RESULTING THERE FROM, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE BIDDER, OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THE BIDDER MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SUCH LIABILITY, CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS, COST OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN PART BY THE COUNTY.

Texas Government Code Sec. 2271 Provision Required in Contract:

1. Bidder does not boycott Israel; and
2. Bidder will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Texas Government Code Sec. 2274 Provision Required in Contract:

1. Bidder does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and
2. Will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

Texas Government Code Sec. 2276 Provision Required in Contract:

1. Bidder does not boycott Energy Companies; and
2. Bidder will not boycott Energy Companies during the term of the contract.

**ANY QUESTIONS concerning this INVITATION TO BID AND SPECIFICATIONS should be directed to **Melanie Earle, Road and Bridge Warehouse Coordinator at (903) 693-3763.****

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