## LEGAL AD

Sealed bids for the construction of CC2021-10 Carpenter Creek Trunk Line Rehabilitation – Phase 1 will be received in the office of the Purchasing and Stores Manager, Emerald Coast Utilities Authority, located in the Emergency Operations & Support Addition, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, Florida 32514, until 2:00 p.m., local time, Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at which time bids submitted will be publicly opened and read aloud in the adjacent Room 2202, Finance Conference Room. Bids received after 2:00 p.m., local time, Tuesday, April 27, 2021, will be returned unopened. A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held at the ECUA Engineering Conference Room, located at 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, Florida 32514, at 10:00 a.m., local time, on Thursday April 8, 2021. Following this meeting, all entities desiring to be eligible to submit a proposal shall accompany the Engineer and Owner to the project site. This will fulfill the pre-bid site visit requirement. Be sure to have your Site Visit Verification Form signed by an ECUA representative (See page 17 of the Contractor's Proposal). Bids submitted on behalf of an entity that did not complete a site visit will not be considered. The principle features of the work will consist of Rehabilitation of approximately 1,833 LF of gravity sewer along carpenter creek within the ECUA easement from south of Interstate 10 to west of Parakeet Trail.

The Official Plans and Project Manual can only be obtained by visiting the ECUA website, <a href="www.ecua.fl.gov">www.ecua.fl.gov</a>, selecting the "Doing Business with ECUA" header, followed by selecting "Bid Opportunities" under the dropdown menu, at which time a complete list of advertised ECUA projects can be seen. Click the link to the project's Plans and Project Manual, register and/or login to ECUA's file sharing service, and view or download the Plans and Project Manual in pdf file format as desired. The file sharing service will also alert registrants about updates and/or addenda. Absent specific request, potential bidders will only be advised of updates and/or addenda by way of ECUA's file sharing service. ECUA advises potential bidders, suppliers, and sub-contractors to only rely on information personally obtained from ECUA's file sharing service and not from third parties.

All questions about the meaning or intent of the bidding documents are to be submitted to Engineer (Blaine Beck, P.E.) in writing via email at <a href="mailto:blaine.beck@ecua.fl.gov">blaine.beck@ecua.fl.gov</a> up to seven (7) days prior to the bid opening. Interpretations or clarification considered necessary by the Engineer in response to such questions will be issued by addenda to the ECUA website to all parties registered to receive documents about this bid via the website. Questions received less than seven (7) calendar days prior to the date for the opening of bids will not be answered. Only questions answered by addenda will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect.

The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid; reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part; re-bid a project, in whole or in part; and to accept a proposal that in its judgment is the lowest and best bid of a responsible bidder. In accepting a

bid, ECUA may award a contract based only on the base bid, the base bid plus all alternates, or the base bid plus any alternates which ECUA selects , with all decisions being made based upon what ECUA believes to be the best interests of its ratepayers, in the reasonable exercise of its discretion. ECUA further reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as may be required to meet the needs of ECUA, at the unit price which was bid.

The ECUA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, creed/religion, age, marital status, disability/handicapped status, veteran status, or any other legally protected status in employment or provision of service.

Proposed advertisement date: March 25, 2021