

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
BID #2023-08-30FHWA**

Saline County will receive bids for the **SALINE CO. OLD RIVER BRIDGE (TAP-21) (S)**, until **2:00 P.M.** local time on the **30th day of August 2023** in the County Judge's Office at the Saline County Court House, Room 117, 200 North Main Street, Benton, Arkansas 72015. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately following in the Saline County Court House, conference room on the North side of the courthouse near the Conway Street entrance.

A mandatory **Pre-Bid Conference** for the prime contractors will be held at **9:00 a.m.** local time on **August 17, 2023**, at 5555 Cynamide Road, Benton, Arkansas 72015. The pre-bid conference will also be held virtually using Microsoft Teams. Virtually attending the conference will meet the requirements for the mandatory attendance. Anyone wishing to attend the meeting virtually should send an email to Brooke.Perkins@jacobs.com to receive a Teams invite or meeting link. A project walk through will be performed immediately after the Pre-Bid Conference.

The project will consist of reassembling the two rehabilitated existing truss spans, constructing new substructures for the truss spans, and constructing two new simple plate girder approach spans. There will be necessary coordination with the contractor constructing the trail at both ends of the bridge.

A complete set of contract documents may be examined and are available for purchase through:
Southern Reprographics, Inc.
901 W 7th St
Little Rock, AR 72201
www.sriplanroom.com

Obtaining project documents through a different source may result in you receiving inaccurate or outdated information.

All terms and conditions of the General Specifications must be strictly adhered to.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of Saline County negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value), or satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total of bid shall be submitted with each bid.

Each bidder must be in compliance with all requirements of this document.

Each bidder must be in compliance to federal regulation in 23 CFR 635.110(c), a contractor's license is not required to submit a bid; however, a contractor's license is required to execute a construction contract. According to Arkansas State Law, subcontractors are required to be licensed.

Saline County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to waive any informalities in bidding. Bids may be held by the County for a period not to exceed one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders prior to awarding of the contract.

Saline County invites bids on the form attached hereto, all blanks of which must be appropriately filled in. Bids will be received in the County Judge's Office, Saline County Court House, Room 117, 200 North Main Street, Benton, Arkansas 72015, at the time shown on the "Invitation to Bid", and then at said place publicly opened and read aloud. The envelopes containing the bids will be prepared as indicated in "INVITATION TO BIDDERS" section of contract document.

The County may consider informal, any bid not prepared and submitted in accordance with the provisions hereof and may waive any informalities or reject any and all bids. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. **No bidder may withdraw a bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.**

All blank spaces for bid prices should be filled in, in both words and figures, and the foregoing certifications must be fully completed and executed when submitted. The bidder shall sign his Proposal in the blank space provided therefore. If Bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above, together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the corporation.

If Bidder is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above, together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign Contracts in behalf of the partnership. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a notarized power-of-attorney must be on file with the Owner prior to opening of proposals or submitted with the Proposal. Each bid must be submitted in sealed envelopes to be furnished by the Bidder and designated as shown. At the time of bid opening the envelope containing the bid and bid bond, will be opened and read aloud for the purpose of acknowledging the low bidder. After all bids and required contract documents have been thoroughly checked by the County, the successful bidder will be announced and personally informed. Should a low bidder fail to execute all required documentation qualifying his bid, the bid may be rejected, and the next lowest bidder awarded the work if he has qualified.

The Sponsor hereby notifies all bidders that this contract is subject to applicable labor laws, non-discrimination provisions, wage rate laws and other federal laws including the Fair Labor Standards Acts of 1938, the Work Hours Act of 1962, and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 also apply.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on the project, and that the contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age, handicap, or veteran status.

SALINE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

Angel Koder
Purchasing Specialist

SALINE CO. OLD RIVER BRIDGE (TAP-21) (S)

DATE: **August 30, 2023**

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Saline County encourages participation of small, minority, and women business enterprises in the procurement of goods, services, professional services, and construction, either as a general contractor or sub-contractor. It is further requested that whenever possible, majority contractors who require sub-contractors, seek qualified small, minority, and women businesses enterprises to partner with them.