

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/013546-2021>

Opportunity

A303 Stonehenge (Amesbury to Berwick Down) - Delivery Assurance Partner

Highways England

F02: Contract notice

Notice reference: 2021/S 000-013546

Published: 15 June 2021, 10:45pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Highways England

The Cube, Wharfside Street,

Birmingham

B1 1RN

Email

procurementa303@highwaysengland.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKF - East Midlands (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

A303 Stonehenge (Amesbury to Berwick Down) - Delivery Assurance Partner

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Highways England seeks a Delivery Assurance Partner (DAP) to work with Highways England's as part of their leadership team to assist with the assurance of the Main Works Construction contract. This DAP contract is expected to last 7 years with an optional 5 year extension.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £60,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 45221000 - Construction work for bridges and tunnels, shafts and subways
- 45221100 - Construction work for bridges
- 45221247 - Tunnelling works
- 45233100 - Construction work for highways, roads
- 45233110 - Motorway construction works
- 45233120 - Road construction works
- 71520000 - Construction supervision services

- 71521000 - Construction-site supervision services
- 71540000 - Construction management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK15 - Wiltshire CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Highways England is looking for a Delivery Assurance Partner who will use their expertise, understanding and analysis of the data generated during construction, to deliver proactive risk management and drive efficiencies throughout the delivery phase. They must be able to challenge contractors processes and programme to achieve time and cost saving. A key capability will be the ability to drive a right first-time approach in all construction areas but in particular in the design, installation, commissioning and handover of tunnel systems. Highways England is seeking a partner with capability and skills that extend beyond that of providing design and construction quality assurance support and project management.

Please see below a summary list of services that will be provided:

Start up to close out

- Health, Safety and Wellbeing (HS&W) provide trend monitoring, analysis and simulation allowing us to minimise risk to ourselves and our customers and visualise methods and techniques that provide the best HS&W outcomes.
- Project management and integrated project controls – the DAP should have the skills and robust processes to collate and interpret all data on the project to be received by Highways England with minimal processing required to integrate systems and regular reporting.
- Contract management - to undertake all of the NEC4 contract management functions in order to enable Highways England to fulfil their role as project manager for the main construction contract.

Mobilisation for the main works construction contract

- Manage mobilisation plans - the contractor for the main work will be required to submit start up plans for approval in several different areas setting out approach and processes. The Delivery Assurance Partner will need the skills and experience to review these plans and recommend acceptance or otherwise to Highways England.
- Consents management and discharge – the DAP should have the experience and skills to

manage, assure and monitor, to ensure that consent conditions are met in line with the project programme.

- Land management - will provide appropriately skilled personnel to ensure access to land is provided in line with the project programme and that relationships with landowners are not impaired throughout the duration of the project.
- Design management and assurance - will provide assurance with proactive management of the design approval to ensure that the contractor's designs meet or exceed the scope with recommendations to Highways England. Will also provide robust challenge of constructability of the design so that it is efficient and achievable

Construction phase support

- Construction monitoring and assurance - will monitor and report, ensuring that what is delivered is as per the approved design and the scope.
- Third party agreement support - will ensure that third party requirements are seamlessly integrated into the planning and delivery of the works.
- Quality management - will provide assurance that quality products are provided which are befitting of this legacy project and that best practice is captured and shared.
- Help to drive efficiencies in the construction processes and programme

Tunnel commissioning and handover

- Assure tunnel testing and commissioning - will provide the expertise and management skills to ensure that the entire tunnel system works for all from the opening date.
- Handover to Highways England Operations - will drive alignment to Highways England's operating systems and procedures to ensure a smooth transition from the contractor to Highways England Operations with minimal defects outstanding.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 December 2021

End date

1 December 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract is expected to last 7 years with an optional 5 year extension.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2020/S 242-600235](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

27 July 2021

Local time

4:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

27 July 2021

Local time

4:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority will use an eTendering system in this procurement exercise. Information on how to take part in this Tender is detailed below:

1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once) - visit <https://highways.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml> and click the link to register - Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' - Enter your business and user details - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete - You will shortly receive an email with your unique password.
2. Express an Interest in the tender - Login to the portal - Click the 'PQQ/ITTs Open to All Suppliers' link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier). Click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content (the A303 Stonehenge Delivery Assurance Partner is itt_6225). Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of this page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITT's page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). You can access any attachments by clicking the 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ITT Details box.
3. Responding to the tender - Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ITT Details', you can 'Create Response' or 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining). You can use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ITT. There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available). Submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

Tender documentation for contracts over 10,000 GBP will be published and made available to the public. You should also be aware that if your bid is successful the resulting contract will be published. In some circumstances, limited redactions will be made to tender documentation and/or contracts before they are published in order to comply with existing

law, to protect commercial interests and for the protection of national security.

Further information will be set out in the Tender Documents. Contract dates stated are indicative, and may be subject to change.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

See details at VI.4.3

See details at VI.4.3

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Highways England will incorporate a minimum 10 day standstill period at the point information on award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Appeals should be lodged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2006 No 5) as amended.