

**SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
2020 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT HAZARD FUEL MITIGATION PROJECT**

INVITATION TO BID

The South Tahoe Public Utility District (District) invites sealed bids by electronic submission only for the completion of the 2020 Wastewater Treatment Plant Fuel Mitigation Project. Bids shall only be received from Timber Harvest Contractors that pre-qualified and were approved by the District for the right to bid on this project.

Electronic Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 5, 2020. NOTE: Hard copy, original bid bond (or other acceptable form of bid security) must be delivered to District in advance of bid deadline. Bids submitted after this time will not be accepted by the electronic bidding system. All bids that have been timely received will be publicly opened and the content read aloud at the District offices, Board Room, located at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California. All interested parties are invited to attend. Bids shall be valid for 60 calendar days after the bid opening date, as required in the Bid Form.

The site of the work is located at and around the South Tahoe Public Utility District Wastewater Treatment Plant site at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive in El Dorado County, CA and contains three units, totaling 104 acres, comprised of all or portions of the following El Dorado County Assessment Numbers:

- Unit A—76 acres (Mechanical)—025-041-019, 025-051-033, 025-061-035, 025-071-022
- Unit B—19 acres (Mechanical)—025-091-015
- Unit C—9 acres (Hand-thin)—025-061-035, 025-354-012, 025-354-009, 025-354-004, 025-354-001, 025-342-006, 025-342-022

The boundaries of the project area have been flagged with pink glo flagging with green and pink flagging hung together at corners or major direction changes, as depicted on the project area map (attached).

The work to be performed consists of: cutting and removal or treatment of designated standing live and dead conifers and brush using both hand-thin and mechanized treatment--mechanical processor-harvester and log forwarder or skidder or equivalent, according to these specifications. The operator agrees to remove or treat 80 percent of the recoverable slash and downed surface fuels, masticating or chipping the remaining non-recoverable materials within the project area as hereinafter specified. The District does not guarantee the amount of timber on the project area. The intent of the project is vegetation management, for fuel hazard reduction and forest health improvement on 104 acres of property, owned and managed by the South Tahoe Public Utility District (District).

A copy of the Contract Documents is on file and may be examined at the South Tahoe Public Utility District Offices, 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California.

In order to download the Contract Documents and receive addendums and notifications when issued, Bidders must register as a vendor at the District's Vendor Portal:

<http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=21516>

Electronic bids will also be submitted through this website. Paper bids will not be accepted.

Contract Documents are available for free download on the District's Vendor Portal. For assistance in downloading these documents or registering as a vendor contact Heidi Baugh, Purchasing Agent at (530)543-6270.

All bids are to be submitted electronically as required in General Bid Instructions, Terms and Conditions. After electronic bidding, each bidder shall submit their original Bid Forms to South Tahoe Public Utility District at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California by 4 P.M. on February 7, 2020.

Questions or comments regarding this project must be submitted electronically via our electronic bidding system and must be received by the District no later than **Friday, January 31, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.** Questions received after the date indicated will not be accepted. Phone Calls, Emails and faxes will not be accepted. Responses from the District will be communicated via the electronic bidding system.

In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code section 3300, the South Tahoe Public Utility District has determined that the Mechanical Harvester bidder shall possess at the time of the bid opening and maintain for the duration of the contract a valid Timber Operator's License (Type A) valid in the State of California. Failure to possess the specified license shall render the bid as non-responsive and shall act as a bar to awarding the contract to any bidder not possessing said license at the time of award.

The District has obtained from the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations a determination of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work will be performed for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed. Not less than the determined rates shall be paid to all workers employed in the performance of the contract. Such rates of wages are on file with the Department of Industrial Relations and in the office of the District and are available to any interested party upon request.

This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code, and Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, all contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. No bid will be accepted nor any contract entered into without proof of the Bidder's and its subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations. Bidder shall certify that Bidder and all listed subcontractors are currently and validly registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and shall include its registration number on its bid. Each Bidder shall provide the registration number for each listed subcontractor in the space provided. If awarded a Contract, the Bidder and its subcontractors of every tier shall maintain active registration with the Department of Industrial Relations for the duration of the Project. It shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to evaluate and include the cost of complying with all labor compliance requirements.

Notice is further given that, pursuant to Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code, the contractor is permitted to substitute securities for any moneys withheld by the District to ensure performance under a contract as specified in the General Bid Instructions, Terms & Conditions Section.

All electronic bids shall be accompanied by a bid security amounting to ten percent (10%) of the bid or as detailed in the General Bid Instructions, Terms & Conditions Section. **NOTE Hard copy, original bid bond must be delivered to District in Advance of Bid deadline.** The successful bidder will be required to furnish the District with a Performance Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, prior to execution of the Contract. All bonds are to be secured from a surety that meets all of the State of California bonding

requirements, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, and is admitted by the State of California. Notice is further given that, pursuant to Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code, the contractor is permitted to substitute securities for any moneys withheld by the District to ensure performance under a contract as specified in the General Bid Instructions, Terms & Conditions Section.

The South Tahoe Public Utility District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in a bid, and to make awards to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in the best interest of the District. If alternate bid items are called for in the Contract Documents, the lowest bid will be determined on the basis of the Base Bid only, and the Alternate may or may not be awarded at the sole discretion of the District.



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SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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