

Date: July 22, 2021

**INVITATION TO BIDDERS**

Sealed Bids, in duplicate, addressed to Willow Fork Drainage District, Attention: Ms. Wendy Duncan, President, Board of Directors, will be received at the office of the Engineer, LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449, until 10:00 a.m., Local Time, Thursday, August 5, 2021, and then publicly opened and read for "Construction of the 2019 Hurricane Harvey Erosion Repairs on Va1, Va9, and Va12 for Willow Fork Drainage District, Fort Bend County, Texas". Bidders may elect to submit bids electronically via <https://bids.lja.com>. Due to the pandemic and Federal guidelines of not gathering in groups of more than 10 people, people of the public who wish to attend the Bid Opening must do so by telephone. The telephone number for the Bid Opening is 713.358.8400, Access Code 0917176.

Scope of Work of the Contract includes the following: Repairing various slope failures in the District's Channel Network.

Bids received after the closing time will be returned unopened. A non-mandatory audio/web pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, July 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time. To attend the web-format non-mandatory pre-bid conference, go to <https://micollabuca.ljaeng.com/call/0937122>. To attend the audio format non-mandatory pre-bid conference, dial 713.358.8400, Access Code 0937122.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a certified or cashier's check, acceptable to the Owner, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount Bid, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into the Contract and execute the Bonds on the forms provided, and provide the required insurance certificates within seven (7) days after the date Contract Documents are received by the Contractor. If a certified or cashier's check is provided, the successful bidder shall deliver, at the bid opening address, the *original* certified or cashier's check within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the bid opening.

Bidding documents may be examined at LJA Engineering, Inc., AGC of Texas, Construct Connect, and Amtek or may be obtained by prospective bidders or suppliers upon payment of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00 non-refundable plus cost of delivery) (\$50.00 for electronic copy) for each set of documents at LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449 or at <https://bids.lja.com>.

A Bidder submitting electronic Bids must submit its Bid and bid securities in compliance with Owner's Order Adopting Section 49.2731 Electronic Bidding Rules and all electronic Bids and bid securities must be submitted through <https://bids.lja.com>. Bidders must register and obtain bidding documents on this website for the required payment amount (if any) to submit an electronic bid.

By submitting a Bid, Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the Contract Documents may be accepted, executed or agreed to through the use of an Electronic Signature, as defined by and in accordance with Owner's Electronic Signature Rules for Construction Contracts.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive all defects and irregularities in bidding or bidding process except time of submitting a Bid. The Successful Bidder, if any, will be the responsible Bidder which in the Board's judgment will be most advantageous to the District and result in the best and most economical completion of the Project.

**The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this Bid and/or Contract and the Contractor agrees that the Contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.**

Willow Fork Drainage District