

November 9, 2023

RE: REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF INTEREST - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
MEN'S LEVEL V CORRECTIONAL FACILITY  
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE PENITENTIARY  
SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
OSE# C1224--01X

The State is looking for firms interested in providing professional environmental assessment services for the project referenced above. The project scope will involve the design, bid and construction for MEN'S LEVEL V CORRECTIONAL FACILITY at the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, OSE # C1224--01X.

The project is to replace the Hill at the South Dakota State Penitentiary with a 1,500 bed Level V security facility on a site immediately west of the intersections of 278<sup>th</sup> St and 477<sup>th</sup> Ave in rural Lincoln County, South Dakota. The site does have some existing abandoned structures on it. Environmental assessment would need to include impacts to and/or presence of:

- Threatened and/or Endangered Species
- Environmental Features and/or Hazards
- Archaeological Artifacts and/or Remains
- Traffic Routes and Counts
- Noise and Visual Pollution

Preliminary environmental assessment findings are desired by December 29, 2023, with a final report and findings desired to be completed by August 2024.

Firms desiring to be considered for providing professional services for this project should send a statement of interest that outlines qualifications and experience for this project. Statements of Interest should at a minimum include the following:

1. Specialized expertise, capabilities, and technical competence as demonstrated by the team's capabilities, proposed approach and methodology to meet the project requirements. (25%)
2. Resources available to perform the work, including any specialized services, within the specified time limits for the project. (25%)
3. Record of past performance, including price and cost data from previous projects, quality of work, ability to meet schedules, cost control, and contract administration. (5%)
4. Availability to project locale. (5%)
5. Familiarity with project locale. (25%)
6. Proposed project management techniques. (5%)
7. Ability and project history in handling special project constraints. (10%)

A technical review committee will select the firm based on the criteria shown. The committee respectfully requests that statements of interest be limited to 25 pages or less. This is not a requirement; merely a request.

Copies of the statement of interest must be submitted by **3:00 PM CT on Wednesday, November 22, 2023.** Please send recyclable hard copies and electronic copies (media or e-mail attachment) as quantified to each of the following:

(0 hard copy, 1 electronic copy)  
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Senior Engineer

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Firms wanting additional site/project information should contact the OSE Senior Engineer, Jennifer Walz. Thank you for your interest in this project; we look forward to working with you.

Respectfully,

Stacy Watters, PE  
State Engineer

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