

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Lowndes County will receive sealed proposals on this project until October 7, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. local time in the Engineering Conference Room on the 2nd floor of the Lowndes County Administrative Building, 327 N. Ashley Street, Valdosta, Georgia 31601, where at such time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read. Late proposals will not be considered.
2. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the project site (4875 US Highway 41 South, Lake Park, Georgia 31636; formerly Rascal's Lounge & Restaurant) on September 23, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. local time. All bidders shall be present.
3. Contract, if awarded, will be on a lump sum basis.
4. Proposals must be made upon the form of proposal attached hereto. The price shall be written in the proposal in figures. The proposal must be enclosed in a sealed plain envelope endorsed with the title of the proposal, and must be hand delivered or mailed to Lowndes County Board of Commissioners, 327 N. Ashley Street, Valdosta, Georgia 31601, Attn: Director of Engineering Services.
5. Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the bid. A certified check for this amount may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond. Bid Bonds on the Surety Company's standard form must be duly executed by the Bidder as principal, and must be by a surety company licensed to do business in the State of Georgia and listed in the latest issue of U.S. Treasury Circular 570. Failure to submit a properly executed Bid Bond or certified check will result in the bid being rejected.
6. Each bidder must inform himself fully on all the conditions at the site, transportation conditions, material costs, and all other matters affecting the cost of the work. Each bidder shall study the plans, specifications, contract and proposal form prior to submitting a proposal. Each bidder shall also make such examinations on the ground as necessary to thoroughly familiarize himself with the nature and extent of the proposed work.
7. Bids may not be withdrawn for any reason whatsoever for a period of forty-five (45) days after the date bids have been opened.
8. During the bidding process, all changes, interpretations, and supplemental instructions to the contract documents shall be issued as addenda to all bidders. All addenda are to be acknowledged in the proposal.
9. The contract documents are complimentary, and what is called for by one shall be binding as if called for by all.
10. Federal or state taxes are not applicable to Georgia Municipalities under the United