LEGAL NOTICE

Proposals will be received by the Board of County Commissioners for Lake County, Ohio at their office in the Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, 4th Floor, Painesville, Ohio 44077; up to the hour of 4:00 PM Local Time on **Friday May 19, 2017** for the following improvement project:

Mentor Marsh Interceptor Mentor Marsh Mitigation Project

The selected Contractor shall be responsible for providing all labor, equipment, and materials for design-build and full-delivery services for the Mentor Marsh Interceptor Mentor Marsh Mitigation Project. The Request for Proposals Package may be obtained upon receipt of payment of \$30 (\$40 if mailed), from the Office of the CT Consultants, Inc., 8150 Sterling Court, Mentor, Ohio 44060 during weekday business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Checks shall be made payable to CT Consultants, Inc.

The work included within the project includes, but may not be limited to: developing a wetland planting plan, implementing wetland planting and plant protection activities, acting as a Holder to an environmental covenant (must be a qualified conservation entity), invasive plant species management, and vegetative monitoring utilizing the Ohio EPA Index of Vegetation Index of Biotic Integrity (VIBI). The Contractor must be a qualified conservation entity per Ohio Revised Code or must have a qualified conservation entity as a part of the Contractor's team. The project shall be completed on a full delivery basis and, as such, the Contractor shall have full responsibility for the performance of the project and its approval by regulatory agencies. Among other items as fully described within the Request for Proposals, the Contractor must have Ph.D.-level training in botany or wetlands ecology, ten or more years of demonstrated experience in wetland plant identification, and have direct experience in the stewardship and restoration of Lake Erie estuarine environments.

Proposals shall be addressed to the Board of Lake County Commissioners, Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, 4th Floor, Painesville, Ohio 44077, attention Jennifer Bell and marked "<u>Mentor Marsh Interceptor</u> <u>Mentor Marsh Mitigation Project</u> - Project No. 336-S."

Inquiries must be submitted in writing to Consulting Engineer, Thomas Voldrich, CT Consultants, Inc., 8150 Sterling Court, Mentor, Ohio 44060, tvoldrich@ctconsultants.com.

Pursuant to R.C. 153.01 et. seq., the Proposal must be accompanied by an original sealed document in the form of a bond for the full amount (100%) of the project amount, **OR** by a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit equal to ten percent (10%) of the project amount, drawn on a solvent bank located in Lake County and payable to the Treasurer of Lake County, Ohio, as surety that if the Contractor is selected, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. Should any Contractor be rejected said surety shall forthwith be returned to the bidder and should any Contractor be accepted such bond, certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit will be returned to the Contractor upon proper execution and securing of the contract.

No Contractor shall be eligible to be awarded the contract to which this Notice applies, if the Contractor is listed on the Auditor of State's Database as having a "Finding of Recovery" as that term is defined in R.C. 9.24.

Proposals shall be subject to the conditions that the right is reserved to hold Proposals for a period not longer than sixty (60) days after date of receipt and/or to award the contract at any time during said period.

The successful Contractor will be required to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award of the work to him/her, and he/she shall furnish acceptable bond or surety, if not filed previously to the satisfaction of the County of Lake, Ohio for the faithful performance of said contract in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, to increase or decrease or omit any item or items, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive or conditional Proposals

Packages. ORC 153.011 may apply. Each Proposal must contain the full name of every party or all parties submitting the proposal. Each Contractor must submit evidence of its experience on projects of similar size and complexity as described within the Request for Proposals. All contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972 and Governor's Executive Order 84-9. The contract shall be awarded to the Contractor deemed to be the most qualified to complete the design-build, full delivery project.

Wage Rates – Each employee employed by the contractor or any subcontractor and engaged in work on the project under this contract shall be paid prevailing wage rates for Public Improvements as provided by the appropriate Sections of the Ohio Revised Code. For further information, contact OBES Wage and Hour Division (614) 644-2239 or contact the Lake County Prevailing Wage Coordinator (440) 350-2770. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the contractor or any subcontractor and such employee.

Contractors may also access this Legal Notice via the internet at www.lakecountyohio.gov, click on Legal Notices in the middle of this page to link to the Legal Notice site and on the Ohio Newspaper Association public notices website, www.publicnoticesohio.com.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS in and for Lake County, Ohio.

Jerry C. Cirino, President John R. Hamercheck Daniel P. Troy Jennifer Bell, Clerk

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