

CALL FOR SEALED BIDS AND PROPOSALS

Asphalt Materials for a Period of May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Cowlitz County, Washington, ATTN: Clerk of the Board, County Administration Building, 207 Fourth Avenue North, Kelso, Washington, 98626, prior to **11:00 o'clock a.m., the 26th day of April, 2022**, for furnishing asphalt materials for a period of May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE ATTACHED PROPOSAL FORMS. The outside of envelope must have the following information:

- 1) Mailing Address: Board of County Commissioners
Attn: Clerk of the Board
207 Fourth Avenue North
Kelso WA 98626
- 2) Bid Description: **Asphalt Materials**
- 3) Date of Bid Opening: **April 26, 2022**

RCW 39.34 allows cooperative purchasing between public agencies in the State of Washington. Other public entities (cities, school districts, and so forth), which have filed an Interlocal Cooperative Joint Purchasing Agreement with the County, may elect to purchase asphalt materials from the vendor based on the terms and conditions of this agreement, subject to vendor's consent.

Specifications and proposal forms will be furnished, upon request, by the Department of Public Works, 1600 - 13th Avenue South, Kelso, Washington, 98626, telephone (360) 577-3030. The bid proposal, bid specifications, and bid results may also be viewed on the Cowlitz County Department of Public Works internet website at www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/publicworks/.


It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to obtain Addenda, if any. Addenda information will be available on Cowlitz County Department of Public Works internet website. Cowlitz County accepts no responsibility or liability and will provide no accommodation to bidders who fail to check for addenda and thereby submit inadequate or incomplete responses.

All documents received in response to this invitation to bid will become a matter of public record and subject to the Washington Public Disclosure Act under Chapter 42.56 RCW.

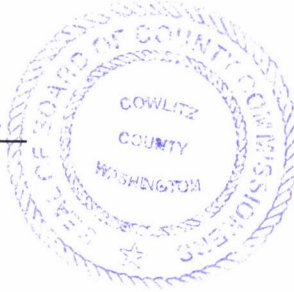
The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in the bids, and to accept other than the low bid if it appears to be in the best interests of the County.

DATED this 12th day of April, 2022.

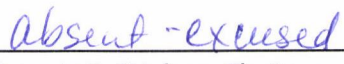
ATTEST:



Tiffany Ostreim
Clerk of the Board



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Dennis P. Weber, Chairman



Arne Mortensen, Commissioner



John Jabusch, Commissioner

PROPOSAL

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The undersigned bidder hereby agrees to furnish the items listed below conforming to the specifications below at the prices stated. PRINT LEGIBLY IN INK OR TYPE.

DATE OF BID: _____

BID SUBMITTED BY: _____
(Company Name)

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME PRINTED: _____

TITLE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TAX I.D. NO. _____ UBI NO. _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

SUPPLIER'S LOCATION: _____
(street location)

Addenda. The bidder acknowledges receipt of the following addenda: ____, ____, and ____.
(Insert numbers of any addenda received.)

Please provide prices in applicable column for materials/products. SUPPLIERS MAY SUBMIT PRICES ON ANY OR ALL ITEMS AND ARE REQUESTED TO LIST OTHER MATERIALS WHICH THEY WILL HAVE REGULARLY AVAILABLE.

****This page is for the WSDOT spec. items listed below.***

WSDOT SPEC. MATERIALS PER 2021 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS	Loaded By Vendor	
	Price Per Pallet	Price Per Ton
Asphalt Treated Base – WSDOT Sec. 4-06		\$
HMA Class ¾" P.G. 64-22 – WSDOT Sec. 5-04**		\$
HMA Class ½" P.G. 64-22 – WSDOT Sec. 5-04**		\$
HMA Class ⅜" P.G. 64-22 – WSDOT Sec. 5-04**		\$
Asphalt Cold Mix Patch Material (non-spec.)	\$	\$
Tack Coat CSS-1 – WSDOT Sec. 9-02.1(6)		\$

**** The Unit Price for HMA products shall be subject to the General Special Provision for Asphalt Cost Price Adjustment outlined under the special instructions on page 6.**

**COWLITZ COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
ASPHALT MATERIALS
SPECIFICATIONS**

I. GENERAL

- A.** Firm prices are solicited for the asphalt materials listed. It is the intent of these specifications to describe the asphalt materials in sufficient detail to secure bids on comparable materials. All materials shall conform in strength, quality of workmanship to that which is usually provided by the trade in general. Any variance from the specifications or standards of quality must be clearly pointed out in writing by the bidder.
- B.** **Term:** The period of this contract shall be for a period of one year from its effective date. Either party may at any time during the life of this contract terminate this contract by giving thirty (30) days' notice in writing to the other party of its intention to cancel.
- C.** **Right to Award:** The County reserves the right to make contract award on all groups of materials listed on the bid form or award based on any group or based on any combinations of groups.
- D.** **Right to Reject/Accept:** The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, accept any presented bids which meet or exceed these specifications that are in the best interest of the County and will not necessarily bind the County to accept the lowest bid.
- E.** **Changes:** Any proposed change in this contract shall be submitted to the Cowlitz County Public Works Department for prior approval and they will make the change by a contract modification. Any oral statement or representation changing any of these terms or conditions is specifically unauthorized and is not valid.
- F.** **Invoices:** Payment will be made according to state statute, in the month following use of materials, providing a properly detailed invoice has been furnished. Vendor shall accurately invoice per the prices in the contract and shall issue one invoice per order. Invoices shall be mailed to:

Cowlitz County-Public Works
Accounts Payable
1600 13th Avenue S.
Kelso, WA 98626

or emailed to publicworks@co.cowlitz.wa.us.

II. Special Instructions

- A.** This is to be considered an open-ended bid, inasmuch as the materials will be purchased against this bid for a period of May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023. This contract will be automatically renewed for two (2) additional 1 year periods, unless notice is received 30 days prior to the contract end date.

- B.** Base Prices may not increase during the contract period. Base price may be adjusted at each renewal period.
- C.** Multiple vendors may be selected based upon this bid. Actual individual orders will be placed with the vendor having the lowest evaluated cost based on the total of:
1. Quoted bid prices, and
 2. \$2.00/mile travel cost from the work area to the pick-up point.

Travel distance will be from the vendor plant or pit site to the work site with the haul route to be determined by Cowlitz County. The following is an example of how the lowest evaluated price will be determined.

Example: Quantity of material required for the job, 90 tons of item X.
This equals 9 loads @ 10 tons per load.

VENDOR A: Bid price for X material \$25.75/ton.
Distance from the work site: 12 miles.

VENDOR B: Bid price for X material \$27.00/ton.
Distance from the work site: 5 miles.

Evaluation for the day's material order:

Vendor A: $(90 \times \$25.75) + (9 \times 12 \times \$2.00) = \$2,533.50$

Vendor B: $(90 \times \$27.00) + (9 \times 5 \times \$2.00) = \$2,520.00$

Under this example, Vendor B has the lowest evaluated price for the material.

- D. Asphalt Cost Price Adjustment:** The Contracting Agency will make an Asphalt Cost Price Adjustment, either a credit or a payment, for qualifying changes in the reference cost of asphalt binder. The adjustment will be applied to partial payments made according to Section 1-09.9 for the following bid items when they are included in the proposal:

"HMA Cl. ____ PG ____"
"Commercial HMA"

The adjustment is not a guarantee of full compensation for changes in the cost of asphalt binder. The Contracting Agency does not guarantee that asphalt binder will be available at the reference cost.

The Contracting Agency will establish the asphalt binder reference cost twice each month and post the information on the Agency website at:

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/Business/Construction/EscalationClauses.htm> .

The reference cost will be determined using posted prices furnished by Poten & Partners, Inc. If the selected price source ceases to be available for any reason, then the Contracting Agency will select a substitute price source to establish the reference cost.

The base cost established for this contract is the reference cost posted on the Agency website for the period immediately preceding the bid opening date.

Adjustments to the price per ton will change monthly based on the current reference cost for the period ending on the 15th of the month immediately prior to the asphalt sale, for Western Washington as posted on the WSDOT website. For example, asphalt products purchased during the month of June shall utilize the Current Reference Cost for the period ending May 15th of the same calendar year as compared to the base cost. The adjustment will be calculated as follows:

No adjustment will be made if the reference cost is within 5% of the base cost.

If the reference cost is greater than or equal to 105% of the base cost, then
Price per ton Adjustment = (Current Reference Cost – (1.05 x Base Cost)) x 0.056).

If the reference cost is less than or equal to 95% of the base cost, then
Price per ton Adjustment = (Current Reference Cost – (0.95 x Base Cost)) x 0.056).

The price bid for each product will be adjusted by the Price per ton Adjustment resulting from these calculations.

- E. The County may reject all material that does not meet, as determined by the County, the requirements for the specific job being performed.
- F. Cowlitz County retains the right to randomly sample and test materials for compliance with material specifications. Non-conforming material will be rejected as determined by the County and will result in the selection of a different vendor. All items listed followed by "WSDOT" shall conform to the State of Washington Standard Specifications for Road, Bridge and Municipal Construction, **2022** English Edition.
- G. Measurement will be made per ton or per yard "truck measure." If used, scales shall be easily accessible and shall be certified at least every six months.
- H. After the bids are opened, the Board will determine a list of qualified suppliers and notify those suppliers of their intention to purchase various materials during the period specified.