

ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOME PROGRAM REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CONSULTING SERVICES

OVERVIEW:

Escambia County Neighborhood Enterprise Division (NED) is seeking environmental review consulting services for its federal HUD HOME residential rehabilitation program. The primary scope of work will be to assist NED with mitigating noise measures for two proposed single family units that currently exceed HUD noise limits as required in accordance with 24 CFR § 58.

SCOPE:

Noise Mitigation: Firm must be familiar with the HUD Noise Abatement and Control (24 CFR Part 51, Subpart B), and provide noise attenuation measures to obtain acceptable noise levels of 65DNL or less. All activities should be in accordance with HUD Noise Guidelines (<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/noise-abatement-and-control/>).

The proposed projects consist of demolition and new construction of two owner-occupied single-family residences in unincorporated Escambia County under the HOME program. Escambia County has calculated the noise levels for the two single family units in accordance with HUD's DNL-Calculator. Both units currently exceed the allowable maximum limits per HUD requirements. The County seeks assessment of the current sites as well as a recommendation by the firm related to mitigation measures that the County can take in order to achieve environmental review clearance and proceed with the proposed projects. Mitigation measures may include barriers, construction methods, or site design features. The County will provide preliminary noise assessment data for each residence for review by the firm.

Task 1: SITE A is within 50 feet of a railroad track. Combined DNL for all sources is 82.985. Firm will provide a review of cost effectiveness of noise attenuation features to bring residence within acceptable noise levels. Specifications of noise attenuation features to be included with the construction project must be provided by responding firm. Firm will provide an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or preparation of an EIS waiver with associated backup.

Task 2: SITE B is within 750 feet of a railroad track. Current DNL level is 65.27 and projected DNL level is 62.67. Firm will provide specifications of noise attenuation features to be included in new construction to achieve a minimum of 5 decibels of sound attenuation per 24 CFR 51.104(a)(1)

NED is requesting the following deliverables for Tasks 1 and 2:

- Noise mitigation models
- Final memorandum of recommendations of noise mitigation features for both sites
- Completion of an EIS or Documentation for a Noise Waiver request for SITE A if noise compliance cannot be achieved
- Electronic copy of deliverables

COUNTY REQUIREMENTS:

If your firm is awarded the RFP for Environmental Review Consulting Services, the following items must be current and on file in order to issue a Purchase Order.

- *Current W9 (less than one year old)
- *County Vendor Information sheet (less than one year old)
- *Worker's Compensation as required by State Law **OR** exemption form.
- *Professional Liability (\$1,000,000 coverage).
- *Automobile Liability listing Escambia County as Certificate Holder and additional insured.

Auto Liability Certificates must state the following under the Additional Interest:

Escambia County
Office of Purchasing/NED
221 Palafox Place, Suite 200
Pensacola, FL 32502

All information must be current at time of award. IF INFORMATION CANNOT BE PRODUCED WITHIN 5 BUSINESS DAYS of NOTICE TO AWARD, THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AWARD THE BID TO THE NEXT MOST RESPONSIVE BIDDER.

FEDERAL GRANT REQUIREMENTS:

Should purchase order be awarded to your firm, the HUD federal grant will require the following certification forms to be completed:

1. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace requirements
2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters
3. Anti-Lobbying Certification
4. Certification of MBE/WBE/DBE designation (if applicable)
5. Section 3 Certification (if applicable)

A copy of these certification forms is available upon request.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION:

If your firm is interested in this RFP, please complete the following information and return on firm letterhead by 5pm, CST, FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021 via online submission through Vendor Registry. Fax or email submissions will not be accepted.

Required submittals:

1. Company Overview and Qualifications. Provide an overview of the firm's qualifications to provide environmental review consulting services.
2. Lump Sum or Unit Price per single family residence

3. Confirmation that work performed will be completed in 30 days
4. Indicate if your firm has a local office in Escambia County
5. Documentation of prior experience performing noise assessment and/or NEPA Environmental Review projects in coordination with HUD funding. Provide date(s) of projects, project(s) name/summary, and agency(ies) references.

Bid to be awarded to firm with lowest combined price for both tasks.

Firms acknowledge that all information provided in this application is considered a public record to the extent of the State of Florida public record law.