

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING

Route 7 Hackensack River Wittpenn Bridge Contract 4 New Jersey Department of Transportation

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is currently replacing the Route 7 Hackensack Wittpenn Bridge in the City of Jersey City and Town of Kearny, Hudson County. The size and complexity of the improvements to be constructed as part of the Wittpenn Bridge Project led the Department to consider management of the project through a series of construction contracts (Contracts 1, 2, 3,3A and 4).

The project consists of the replacement of the existing Wittpenn Bridge, a 2,169 foot long, low level movable bridge built in 1930 with a new vertical lift bridge on a new alignment immediately north of the existing bridge. The project includes the replacement of the existing east and west approaches, including the Fish House Road Interchange, with new structure and grade-separated roadway.

The new vertical lift bridge will increase the vertical clearance over MHW from 35 feet to 70 feet in the closed position and retain the 135 foot clearance in the open position. Replacement of the bridge with a higher level movable bridge will improve traffic flow by reducing interruptions from bridge openings.

Status of Route 7 Hackensack River Wittpenn Bridge project:

Contract 1	Construction complete
Contract 2	Construction complete
Contract 3	Construction
Contract 3A	Construction

Route 7 Hackensack River Wittpenn Bridge Contract 4 includes the construction of the following major components:

- Drilled shafts, Pier, Abutment, Superstructure
- Ground Improvements – VCC/geofoam/LWA
- Bridges
- Walls
- Sign Structures
- Roadway
- Underground and aerial utilities
- Demolition of the existing Br.

The project advertisement date is anticipated to be **March 30, 2017**. Bids will be received on **May 4, 2017**, subject to change by addenda.

This project also involves work in excess of \$200,000,000 and a prospective bidder shall be required to specifically prequalify for this project per NJAC 16:44-3.6(d)(2), Specific Prequalification Requirement. Please refer to the following link for further information regarding the Specific Prequalification Requirement for this project.

<http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/procurement/ConstrServ/documents/Route7HackensackRiverWittpennBridgeSpecificPrequalificationRequirements.pdf>

A mandatory Pre-Bid meeting will be held for this project on February 24, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. in the Multi-Purpose Room located at 1035 Parkway Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey. Only Bids submitted by the vendors who attend the Pre-Bid meeting will be accepted. Attendance at the Pre-Bid meeting will be evidence by signing the attendance sheet. The agenda for the meeting is attached with this notice. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please email your reply (the preferred method) or contact the office listed below by phone by February 17, 2017. Please indicate the name of your firm and the names of the people who will attend the meeting (for security purposes) with your reply. Please arrive early for the security sign in process.

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