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Public Notice Advertisement
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To Provide

Design-Build Services for

The Chattahoochee River Trail Project, Phase II

P.I. Number: 0019617
Cobb DOT Project No. B2432
Cobb County, GA

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Public Notice Advertisement
Design-Build Services

The Cobb County Department of Transportation (Cobb DOT) hereby posts the following Public Notice Advertisement (PNA) for considered services. Cobb DOT intends to solicit responses for design and construction services necessary to construct the Chattahoochee River Trail, Phase II, in Cobb County, GA.

Please review Section 3 (Tentative Schedule of Events) below to obtain solicitation information.

THIS IS A PUBLIC NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT ONLY. No document submittals are expected or required from this PNA.

This project will follow the Georgia Department of Transportation's (Georgia DOT's) Design-Build process. Information regarding Georgia DOT's Design-Build process can be reviewed at the following website: https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/Pages/DesignBuild.aspx.

Method of Communication

All general communication of relevant information regarding this solicitation will be made via the Georgia Procurement Registry (GPR) at https://ssl.doas.state.ga.us/gpr/, Cobb DOT at https://www.cobbcounty.gov/transportation/current-bids-rfps and, BidExpress at https://www.bidexpress.com. All Proposers that respond to a Cobb DOT-issued Design-Build solicitation, are responsible for checking the GPR, Cobb County Procurement Services and Cobb DOT websites on a regular basis for updates, clarifications, and announcements.

Section 1 – GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION AND SCOPE

Cobb DOT is seeking to contract with a Design-Builder to provide design and construction services necessary to construct a bike and pedestrian trail along the Chattahoochee River in Mableton, Cobb County, GA. The project begins at the southwestern quadrant of the intersection of SR 139/Mableton Pkwy and Lee Industrial Blvd and continues under the SR 139 roadway bridge crossing the Chattahoochee River and along the River to Nickajack Creek. The project consists of 10'-17' shared use path with intermittent modal separation. A bridge is proposed over an unnamed creek. Boardwalks will be used over wetlands and other environmentally sensitive areas. Untreated stormwater outfalls will be treated with nature-based stormwater Best Management Practices to improve water quality and reduce erosion. The total length of the project is approximately 1.3 miles.

All scope will be in accordance with requirements set forth in the Request for Proposals (RFP).

To review the project synopsis and other available information about the project, please go to the following websites: https://www.cobbcounty.gov/transportation/current-bids-rfps and https://www.bidexpress.com.

The following firms are known to be conflicted on this project and may not participate:

- Arcadis U.S., Inc.
- AtkinsRéalis USA, Inc.
- Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC
- Croy Engineering, LLC
- Edwards-Pitman Environmental, Inc
- Michael Baker International
- Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co.
- UES Professional Solutions
- United Consulting Group, LTD
- New South Associates, Inc.

Section 2 - SELECTION PROCESS

This Project will be awarded to a Design-Builder utilizing a **Best Value Bid** selection method described in Chapter 672-18 of the Rules and Regulations of the State of Georgia, Department of Transportation "Governing the Design-Build Procedures." A Design-Builder includes a Lead Contractor and a Lead Design Consultant working together to design and construct the Project.

Step 1 – Selection of Finalists (Phase I)

The Selection Committee, consisting of qualified representatives from Cobb County Government, will evaluate all responsive Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) submitted in response to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the selection criteria published in the RFQ. Section 4 (Selection Criteria) of this PNA provides general information with respect to the RFQ evaluation criteria. Proposers must be prequalified in the area classes set out in Section 4 (Selection Criteria) of the PNA, must have submitted a responsive SOQ, and must pass all pass/fail criteria set out in the RFQ. Cobb DOT will select up to a maximum of five Proposers who will then be eligible to submit a proposal package in response to the RFP.

Step 2 – Selection of Team (Phase II)

Selection of the Design-Builder will be based on the highest combined score of the sum of the Price Proposal score and the Technical Proposal score as described in GDOT Board Rules 672-18.01 through 672-18.13 of the Rules and Regulations of the State of Georgia regarding the Design-Build Procedures.

Section 3 – TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following Tentative Schedule of Events represents Cobb DOT's best estimate of the procurement schedule. All times indicated are prevailing times in Atlanta, Georgia. Cobb DOT reserves the right to adjust the schedule as it deems necessary.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
a. Cobb DOT issues Public Notice Advertisement (PNA)	9/10/2026	
b. Industry Forum – Virtual	9/24/2026	
c. Cobb DOT issues (RFQ)	12/1/2026	
d. Deadline for submission of SOQ	1/15/2027	12:00 noon
e. Cobb DOT issues the Notice to Finalists	2/15/2027	
f. Cobb DOT issues RFP to the Finalists	2/15/2027	
g. Receipt of Proposals from Finalists	4/9/2027	12:00 noon
h. Cobb DOT letting (opening of Price Proposals)		2:00 p.m.

A Virtual **Industry Forum** will be published to the Cobb DOT website. The Industry Forum presentation will provide information regarding the Project's delivery goals, anticipated scope, anticipated DB procurement process, and potential risks. Any information provided by Cobb DOT or Georgia DOT shall be considered informational only and is subject to change. Presentation slide show will be available at: https://www.cobbcounty.gov/transportation/current-bids-rfps.

One-on-one meetings will be available following the Industry Forum on a first come, first served basis between interested parties and Cobb DOT staff. To schedule a one-on-one meeting, send an email to karyn.matthews@cobbcounty.gov.

Section 4 - SELECTION CRITERIA

Minimum Qualifications Required

As part of the qualifications package, the proposing Design-Builder and/or their subconsultant team members must be prequalified in the Area Class(es) identified below for the work they perform on the Project.

The Lead Design Consultant for the Design-Builder **MUST** be prequalified by Georgia DOT or Cobb DOT in the Area Class(es) listed below.

Number	Area Class
3.01	Rural Roadway Design
3.02	Urban Roadway Design
3.13	Bicycles and Pedestrians Facility Design

The **team members** (the Lead Contractor, the Lead Design Consultant, and/or one or more of the subconsultant team members or any subcontractor) **MUST** be prequalified by Georgia DOT or Cobb DOT in each of the Area Classes listed below:

Number	Area Class
1.06(a)	NEPA Documentation
1.06(b)	History
1.06(c)	Air Studies
1.06(d)	Noise Studies
1.06(e)	Ecology
1.06(f)	Archaeology
1.06(g)	Freshwater Aquatic Surveys
1.06(h)	Bat Surveys
1.07	Attitude, Opinion and Community Value Studies
3.08	Landscape Architecture
3.10	Utility Coordination
3.12	Hydraulic and Hydrological Studies (Roadway)
4.01(a)	Minor Bridge Design
	OR
4.01(b)	Minor Bridge Design - CONDITIONAL
4.04	Hydraulic and Hydrological Studies (Bridges)
5.01	Land Surveying
5.02	Engineering Surveying
5.08	Overhead/Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE)
6.01(a)	Soil Survey Studies
6.01(b)	Geological and Geophysical Studies
6.02	Bridge Foundation Studies
6.05	Hazardous Waste Site Assessment Studies
8.01	Construction Engineering
9.01	Erosion, Sedimentation and Pollution Control Plan (ESPCP) Preparation
9.02	Rainfall and Runoff Reporting
9.03	Field Inspections for Compliance of Erosion and Sedimentation Control Device Installations

Anticipated Criteria for SOQ Evaluation

- Lead Contractor Project Manager and Lead Design Consultant Project Manager education, registration, and relevant experience
- Other Key Personnel's education, registration, relevant technical and/or management experience, and relevant experience in utilizing Georgia DOT-specific processes, manuals, or guidance (as applicable)
- Lead Contractor and Lead Design Consultant experience of a minimum of ten (10) years in delivering projects of similar complexity, size, scope, function, and traffic density/population
- Design-Builder's apparent suitability to provide services for the Project, including their apparent fit to the Project type and/or needs of Georgia DOT

The selection criteria in this Section 4 are subject to change before the issuance of the RFQ.