

**SECTION I - ADVERTISEMENT OF BID
PECK SINK PRESERVE IMPROVEMENT PLANS PROJECT**

SOLICITATION NO: 11-0037

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County will open sealed bids at **3:00 P.M., LOCAL TIME, WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2011**, in the Hernando County Purchasing and Contracts Department, located in the Government Center, 20 N. Main Street, Room 361, Brooksville, Florida. The "Storm water Enhancements" portion of the project includes addition of swales, lined detention pond, piping, diversions structures, skimmer, and littoral plantings for the treatment of storm water entering the Peck Sink as well as improvements to the existing access drive. The "Other Improvements" portion of the project includes construction of a paved entry drive, grass parking area, fire truck turn around, swales, storm water piping, removal of invasive and exotic species, and pine plantation management.

Sealed bid offers in two (2) copies for furnishing the aforesated work will be received and accepted by the Hernando County Clerk of Circuit Court, 20 North Main Street, Room 131, Brooksville, Florida 34601-2800, until the above stipulated date and time for opening of sealed bids. For all hand-delivered bids, the Clerk's Office is open, on normal workdays, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

CD's will be available to prospective bidders. A Compact Disc (CD) containing the Contract Documents and Plans will be available at the **Hernando County Utilities Department, 21030 Cortez Boulevard Brooksville, Florida, 34601. Telephone Number (352) 754-4885. If you would like a CD MAILED (overnight mail only)** - Email a CD request to dkane@hernandocounty.us with your contact information (name, company, address and contact number) along with your FedEx or UPS account number and a CD will be mailed out to you. **There is no charge for this CD.**

Bid offers shall be accompanied by either a Proposal Bond or by a Certified Check or a Cashier's Check or an Official Bank Check in the dollar amount representing not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount bid as a guarantee to enter into a contract and furnish a contract performance and payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid price within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of notification of the award.

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid conference will be held **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011, @ 11:00 A.M.**, at the **Hernando County Utilities Department, 21030 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, Florida, 34601**. Representatives of Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project. Bidders are **REQUIRED** to attend and participate in the conference. **THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ONLY ONCE AND FAILURE TO ATTEND AND SIGN IN SHALL DISQUALIFY ANY BIDDER NOT ATTENDING FROM SUBMITTING A BID. ATTENDEES MUST BE PRESENT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CONFERENCE. ARRIVAL AFTER THE START OF THE MEETING SHALL BE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION.**

The Engineer will transmit to all prospective Bidders of record such addenda as Engineer considers necessary in response to questions arising at the conference. Bidders of Record will be those Bidders who have received a compact disc from, and are included on, the list of plan holders maintained by the Hernando County Northwest Waste Management Facility. **ADDENDA WILL BE SENT VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS ENTERED ON THE PLAN HOLDERS' LIST.** The Purchasing will post such Addenda on the County's website at www.hernandocounty.us; follow the link to "Public Bids". **It is the responsibility of the prospective Bidders to visit the County's website to insure that they are aware of all Addenda issued relative to this solicitation.**

The Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received in accordance with the bid documents and the Hernando County Procurement Ordinance.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY


JENNINGS M. PERRY
Chief Procurement Officer