

CORYELL COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT

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INVITATION TO BID

ITEM: **Roadside Mowing BID NUMBER: CCRB 2024-01**

Date of Opening: February 9, 2024 @ 9:00 am Location: Coryell County Main St. Annex

800 East Main St. Suite A, Gatesville, TX 76528

Date of Award: February 13, 2024 @ 9:00 am

Location: Coryell County Commissioners' Court Room

801 East Leon St., Gatesville, TX 76528

Period of Contract: February 13, 2024, thru February 10, 2025

GENERAL CONDITIONS/INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Bids are solicited for furnishing services set forth in this invitation to bid. Completed bid proposals must be received in the Coryell County Judge's Office, 800 East Main St., Suite A, Gatesville, Tx 76528 by the deadline stated above. All bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid category and opening date on the outside of the envelope.
- 2. Bids received in the Coryell County Judge's Office after the submission deadline shall be returned unopened and will be considered void and unacceptable. Coryell County is not responsible for delayed mail, carrier, etc. and the time/date stamp clock used upon receipt of any bid in the purchasing office shall be the official time of receipt. No fax bids will be accepted.
- 3. Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made before opening time must be initialed by bidder guaranteeing authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered or withdrawn without the recommendation of the Coryell County Road administrator and the approval of the Commissioners Court.
- 4. The County is exempt from federal excise and state sales tax; therefore, tax must not be included in this bid.
- 5. The bidder agrees if this bid is accepted, to furnish any and all services upon which prices are offered, at the price(s) and upon the terms and conditions contained in the specifications. The period for

- acceptance of this bid proposal will be one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days unless a different period is noted by bidder at the time the bid is submitted by bidder.
- 6. The County reserves the right to accept or reject in part or in whole any bids submitted, and to waive any technicalities related to the bidding process for the benefit of the County, granted that such waiver is allowed under federal and state laws.
- 7. Invoices shall be sent directly to the Coryell County Road & Bridge Department, Road Administrator, 3701 US Hwy 84 W, Gatesville, TX 76528. Payments will be processed after confirmation that all services have been performed satisfactorily.
- 8. Coryell County terms of invoice are net thirty (30) days from statement date.
- 9. The County may extend the contract associated with an accepted bid provided that all terms and conditions of the contract remain unchanged and in full force and effect. Exceptions to this section shall be made for extensions of the contract period and adjustment of any price cited in the contract. The County's option to renew shall be in writing and shall be signed by both parties prior to the expiration of this contract. The normal extension period shall be in yearly increments. The total period of this contract, including all extensions as a result of exercising this option may not exceed a maximum combined period of original contract period plus two (2) years.
- 10. Bidder's failure to comply with the terms and conditions of a contract associated with an accepted bid, shall be a basis for the determination of the contract by the County. The County shall not pay for services which are unsatisfactory. The County may give Contractor a reasonable opportunity before termination to correct the deficiencies. This, however, shall in no way be construed as negating the validity of the County's termination for non-performance.
- 11. If quantities are indicated in the bid they are estimated based upon information at the time bids are requested. The County reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities by any amount it deems necessary to meet its needs without any adjustment in the contract unit price.
- 12. The extension of the contract associated with an accepted bid is contingent on the appropriation of necessary funds by Commissioners Court for the fiscal year in question. Upon the failure of Commissioners Court to so appropriate in any fiscal year, Contractor may elect to terminate this agreement, with no additional liability to the County. County and Contractor agree that termination shall be Contractor's sole remedy under this circumstance.
- 13. The bid award shall be based on, but not necessarily limited to the following factors:
 - Total price
 - Special needs and requirements of Coryell County
 - Coryell County's evaluation of Contractor's ability
 - Contractor's past performance record with any Texas county
- 14. If this bid is accepted and approved by the Commissioners Court, then this bid shall be incorporated into a contract. No oral agreements either expressed or implied shall be valid. No different or additional terms will become part of this contract unless agreed upon by both parties.

- 15. The Contractor shall make himself familiar with and at all times shall observe and comply with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations that, in any manner, affect the conduct of the work.
- 16. All insurance requirements, as outlined under state law, shall be met prior to any services rendered and shall remain in effect during the time of the contract associated with an accepted bid. Payments shall not become due and payable until such certificates have been filed.
- 17. The parties herein agree that the contract associated with an accepted bid shall be enforceable in Coryell County, Texas; and, if legal action is necessary to enforce it, exclusive venue shall lie in Coryell County, Texas.
- 18. The contract associated with an accepted bid shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and all applicable federal laws.
- 19. The contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and all applicable federal laws.
- 20. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY AND ITS DULY APPOINTED OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES FOR ALL SUITS, ACTIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, CLAIMS, OR LIABILITY OF ANY CHARACTER, TYPE, OR DESCRIPTION, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING ALL EXPENSES OF LITIGATION, COURT COSTS, AND ATTORNEYS' FEES FOR INJURY OR DEATH TO ANY PERSON, OR INJURY TO ANY PROPERTY, RECEIVED OR SUSTAINED BY ANY PERSON OR PERSONS OR PROPERTY, ARISING OUT OF, OR OCCASIONED BY, THE ACTS OF CONTRACTOR'S OFFICERS, AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES.
- 21. If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any term of the contract associated with an accepted bid is invalid or unenforceable to any extent under applicable law, the remainder of the contract associated with an accepted bid (and the application of this agreement to other) shall not be affected thereby, and each remaining term shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 22. If the Contractor defaults in the performance of the terms and conditions contained herein, or materially breaches any of its provisions, the County shall have the right to terminate the contract associated with an accepted bid by giving written notice of termination within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of the default or material breach.
- 23. By accepting this invitation to bid and bidding on the item(s) set forth above you are accepting any and all of the general conditions set forth above and any additional specifications and conditions contained within the contract attached.



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CONTRACT

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CORYELL

WHEREAS, The attached "Bid Package" which includes the **Invitation to Bid, General Conditions/Instructions, Specifications, Proposal, and Bid Sheet(s)** for the item(s) being published for competitive bid, were solicited pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.021; and

WHEREAS, the Coryell County Comm	issioners Court as the g	jovernir	ng body of C	oryell Co	unty did
on	, 20	award	а	contract	to
	(Contractor/Bidder)	for	furnishing	the m	aterials,
equipment, supplies and/or services in	quantities and at prices	as set fo	orth in the al	bove-attac	ched Bid
Package; and	•				

THEREFORE, knowing all men by these present, that this contract is entered into by Coryell County, Texas (hereinafter called "County") and the undersigned Contractor (hereinafter called "Contractor" or "Bidder").

WITNESSETH

THAT IN ACCORDANCE with the above attached Bid Package in every particular, the Contractor will perform in accordance with the terms thereof and the County agrees to make payment for such items or services purchased on appropriate purchase orders in accordance with the items of said Bid Package which is made a part of this contract and incorporated herein for all purposes.

THAT IN ACCORDANCE with the attached the County's acceptance of equipment, supplies and services shall be contingent on (1) they conform, (2) they were delivered (if applicable), and (3) services have been satisfactorily performed in the sole determination of the County.

Prior Agreements Superseded

This contract, with the entire Bid Package incorporated herein for all purposes, including any required supporting literature, brochures, and/or data sheets or sample, constitutes the sole agreements of the parties to the agreement and supersedes all oral or written previous and contemporary agreements between the parties and relating to matters herein. This contract along with the Bid Package shall be considered a "Contract associated with an accepted bid" as referenced in the Bid Package.

Amendment

No amendment, modification or alteration of the terms of this contract shall be binding unless same is in writing, dated subsequent to the date of this contract, and duly executed by an authorized representative of each party.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF: Witness our hands at Coryell County, Texas, effective as of the date awarded above, if any.

CONTRACTOR	CORYELL COUNTY	
BY:	BY	
AUTHORIZED AGENT	County Judge	
	ATTEST:	
	Coryell County Clerk	

**Failure to sign the contract page(s) may disqualify the bid from being considered by the Commissioners Court. However, this contract is not valid until awarded in Commissioners Court and signed by both parties.



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SPECIFICATIONS

- **1. Bid Purchase:** The County reserves the right to purchase services and or materials from another supplier if the successful bidder cannot fill an order when needed.
- 2. Insurance: Bidder shall provide insurance as pertains to the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. A Certificate of Insurance, listing Coryell County Road and Bridge Department as certificate holder, should be provided prior to the beginning of any services being rendered.

Certificate of Insurance Requirements to specify the following limits:

Auto Liability: \$500,000.00 Combined Single Limit
General Liability: \$500,000.00 Combined Single Limit

3. Work Description:

- Perform strip mowing along both sides of county roads to achieve minimum width of 9 feet per side of mowing. Some areas will not allow 9 feet due to R.O.W widths. In this circumstance mowing to R.O.W existence or brush line will be required/ accepted.
- Set mower cutting height at 5-7inches as directed by Coryell County representative.
- Remove debris ejected onto the roadway immediately. Remove mowed grass from roadway when determined to be a hazard.
- Restore appurtenances damaged by moving operations.
- Mowing beyond the 9 feet will be required in limited sight distance areas and intersections.
- No hand trimming/weed eating is required.

4. Equipment:

- Provide slow moving vehicle emblems fixed to the rear of mowers.
- Provide high visible omnidirectional amber flashing warning light on tractors and crew vehicles while operating.
- Provide signage warning of mowing operation ahead at each end of road being worked on.
- **5. Work Schedule:** Maximum work schedule that will be approved is Monday thru Saturday 30 minutes after sunrise and 30 minutes before sun set. No work is to be preformed on Sundays.
- **6. Payment:** Payment will be by unit price centerline mile of road. This unit price will constitute full payment for both side of road mowing and limited site area mowing. It will be rounded to the nearest tenth of a mile. Purchase orders will be issued by Coryell County Road and Bridge administrator with a list of roads to mow in selected zones and milage of roads prior to starting operations.



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Bid Purchase: The County reserves the right to purchase services from another supplier if the successful bidder cannot fill an order when needed.

All prices are per centerline mile.

This agreement is nonexclusive and in no way restricts the County's ability to competitively bid for the same or similar materials and services or the County's sole discretion to contract for such materials and services with other contractors.

