

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **MAY 19, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M** (Prevailing time), sealed bids will be electronically opened on BidNet Direct at [www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp](http://www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp) at which time and place the sealed bids will be opened publicly and read for the following:

### **BID #26-06 ROUTE 70 WATER MAIN EXTENSION - ESA**

Copies of the bid forms, contracts and specifications may be obtained on-line only at the following link [www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp.com](http://www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp.com).

All bids must be submitted on the electronic platform, no physical bids will be accepted.

The scope of work for this project involves work on the water system and right-of-way improvements as described below along Route 70 and Lambeth Lane in the Township of Manchester, Ocan County New Jersey. Water system improvements shall include the installation of new C900 PVC water main to extend the water distribution system from Lambeth Lane along Route 70 to the existing water distribution main on Colonial Drive. The project will require trenchless crossing(s) underneath Route 70 to connect the proposed mains.

The TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER reserves the right to consider the bids for sixty (60) days after the receipt thereof, and further reserves the right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part and also to waive any informality in any and make such awards or take action as may be in compliance with the New Jersey Local Publics Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. Seq.

If indicated, bid proposals must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond in the amount of ten per centum (10%) of the total amount of the bid, but not in excess of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars and made payable to the TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER.

The award of the contract shall be made subject to the necessary moneys to do the work being provided by the TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER in a lawful manner. The contract to be executed by the successful bidder will provide that it shall not become effective until the necessary moneys to do the work have been provided by the TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER in a lawful manner. The award shall further be subjected to the securing of necessary State, Federal or Local permits governing the work.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action), N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.(New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act), and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. S12101, et seq.).

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 and submit a Disclosure Statement listing stockholders with his bid.

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. Public Works Contractor Registration Act and he and any subcontractors must be registered in accordance with the act.

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The contractor is also further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 and submit proof of business registration and submit proof of business registration for any named subcontractors in accordance with the act.

This contract or subcontract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust nor any of their departments, agencies or employees is, or will be, a party to this contract or subcontract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. This contract or subcontract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9 and 10.

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The project is funded in part by the New Jersey wastewater treatment financing programs and the successful bidder must comply with all the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9 et seq. for the participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (SEDs). This invitation to bid is on an unrestricted basis whereby the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements. The agencies specified in N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.13(a)8 will have a list of eligible SED firms and shall, upon request, provide them to the MUNICIPAL CORPORATION. The MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, during the bidding phase, will provide copies of the list to all Contractors on unrestricted contracts.

N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)24, 4.17(a)24, 6.17(a)24 and 7:22A-2.4(a) provide that a goal of not less than 10 percent be established for the award of contracts to small business concerns owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. The goal of 10 percent applies to the total amount of all contracts for building, materials and equipment, or services (including planning, design and building related activities) for a construction project. The project sponsor has identified that the SED utilization goal for this project is: TEN (10%) PERCENT.

The 10 percent SED utilization requirement shall be accomplished by the following:

1. Bids shall be solicited on an unrestricted basis. The bid documents, however, shall include a statement to the effect that the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements by subcontracting portions or the work to SEDs; or
2. Contractors also have the option of establishing unrestricted bidding procedures to fulfill the 10 percent SED utilization requirement for the project.

All project sponsors, at least 10 days prior to public advertisement for bids, shall notify the NJDEP Office of Equal Opportunity and Public Contract Assistance via H2Loans, of the availability of opportunities for SEDs to provide services, to bid on unrestricted contracts or subcontracts, or to provide any other necessary purchase or procurement.

Awards will be made only to socially and economically disadvantaged business concerns that are certified by the New Jersey Commerce, Economic Growth and Tourism Commission, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New Jersey Transit or other agencies deemed appropriate by the Office as eligible minority businesses or female businesses. The invitation to bid is on an unrestricted basis whereby the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements.

In no case shall the advertisement for the bids be published less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for receiving bids on the purchase or contract.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (P.L. 1975, c.127, Affirmative Action); P.L. 1963. C150 (New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act); and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101, et.seq.).

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:5-33, "Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127."

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with P.L. 1977, c. 33, and submit a Disclosure Statement listing stockholders with his bid.

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with P.L. 1999 c.238 Public Works Contractor Registration Act and he and any subcontractors must be registered in accordance with the act.

The contractor is also further notified that he must comply with P.L. 2004 c. 57 and submit proof of business registration and submit proof of business registration for any named subcontractors in accordance with the act.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(g) and N.J.A.C. 7:22-4.17(g), all applicable surety bonds required in connection with the advertisement and award of building contracts or sub-agreements must be written by a surety company listed on the Federal Treasury List (Department Circular 570-Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds), incorporated herein by reference. Copies of this document may be obtained from the United States Department of Treasury.

By Order of Township Of Manchester

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Carl Block, Administrator

Dated: **April 16, 2026**