

*Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency
Request for Bids for BIR 24-05 and 24-08
Chemical Tank Recoating*

September 11, 2024

The Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK or Agency) is seeking bids from experienced Contractors for the recoating of nine existing chemical tanks (the “Project”).

Bid Opening: October 11, 2024, 2:00 pm

Instruction to Bidders

Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency invites sealed bids for the Project. The Agency will receive such Bids at its Administrative Office, 6500 W Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551 up to 2:00 pm on October 11, 2024 at which time they will be publicly opened and publicly read aloud. Bids received after this date and time will not be considered. Bids are to be submitted on the forms provided in and in accordance with the requirements of **Appendix A**.

Award of Contract

The Agency reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or any parts thereof or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any Bid or in the bidding. The Contract award, if made, will be to the lowest responsible, responsive Bidder and is anticipated to occur within sixty (60) Days after the Bid opening. The Contract award may be made after that period if the selected Bidder has not given the Agency written notice of the withdrawal of its Bid.

Background

The Agency currently utilizes fiberglass storage tanks to store chemicals used for water treatment. These tanks have been in service for many years and are in need of re-coating.

Project Requirements

The Agency is looking for a qualified Contractor perform surface preparation and recoating of the nine tanks in accordance with the project specifications (**Appendix B**) and summarized as follows:

- Pressure wash the tanks to remove all debris and loosen existing coating.
- Sand the surface of the entire tank. Care must be exercised to not sand heavily exposing the individual fiberglass fibers.
- Remove all sanding material from the tank surface prior to applying the primer.
- Mask off areas that are not to be painted.
- Apply Urethane Primer to the exterior of all tanks.
- Apply Aliphatic Polyurethane Topcoat to the exterior of all tanks.
- Contractor is responsible for protecting all fittings, tank levels, instrumentation, etc. from coating material.
- Contractor is responsible for all cleanup to restore site back to original condition.

Project Location

The project is located at two sites: the Quartz Hill Water Treatment Plant (6500 W Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551) and the Eastside Water Treatment Plant (35401 116th St East, Pearblossom, CA 93551).

Project Schedule

Project is to be completed within 90 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed.

Pre-Bid Meeting

Potential bidders are required to attend the pre-bid meeting to view/inspect work location for access, information, staging, etc., on October 1, 2024, 9:00AM. The meeting place will be at the Agency's Administrative Office at 6500 W Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551. Following the a meeting, a site tour will be conducted at both of the project sites.

Requests for Information

All questions, clarifications, or comments must be received in writing no later than 5:00 pm, Pacific Time, October 4, 2024 and be sent via email to Joe Roberts at jroberts@avek.org. All questions received will be responded to by written addenda distributed to all potential bidders.

AVEK Contract Requirements

The Contractor will be required to execute an Agency standard contract, see Appendix C. The Contractor is required to provide insurance and comply with the California Labor Code public works requirements, including, but not limited to, paying prevailing wages, registering with DIR, and maintaining certified payroll records, which is part of the Agency's standard contract for Public Works projects.

Contractors and Subcontractors must be licensed with Contractors State Licensing Board with the Department of Consumer Affairs and registered as a Public Works Contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. The contractor is required to have valid a Class A General Engineering **and** Class C-33 Painting and Decorating Contractors License.

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Appendices

To request a copy of the appendices please contact Joe Roberts at jroberts@avek.org.

- Appendix A – Instructions to Bidders and Bid Forms
- Appendix B – Project Technical Specifications
- Appendix C – Sample Contract