

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
DOWNE TOWNSHIP
NEWPORT, NEW JERSEY
CONTRACT 1 – FORTESCUE WASTEWATER COLLECTION AND CONVEYANCE SYSTEM

General Notice

Downe Township (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Contract 1 – Fortescue Wastewater Collection and Conveyance System
State Loan Project No. S340438-03

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Downe Township Municipal Office located at 288 Main Street, Newport, New Jersey 08345, until **March 30, 2023, at 10:00AM** local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The Bid Award is expected to happen April 2023.

The Project includes the following Work:

The work includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Drawings and as described in the Specifications. The work consists of the installation of low-pressure sewers within Fortescue that will ultimately connect to the proposed Fortescue WWTP within the Township of Downe and includes: site work and general construction. The work shall be completed within 545 calendar days of the Contractor's receipt of written Notice to Proceed.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: Contract 1 – Fortescue Wastewater Collection and Conveyance System

Separate Bids will be received for the following Contracts:

Contract No.	Description of Contract
2	Gandy's Beach Collection and Conveyance System
3	Fortescue Wastewater Treatment Plant

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

The Contract Documents may be reviewed online at no cost at www.bidset.com/mott or at the Downe Township Municipal Office, 288 Main Street, Newport, New Jersey 08345, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

The Contract Documents may be obtained by any prospective bidder upon payment of **two hundred ninety-six dollars (\$296.00)** for each set of full-sized drawings with specifications by calling 1-877-424-3738 or by online request from the website provided above. Shipping charges are additional and variable depending upon the pick-up or delivery option selected by the purchaser. Bid documents cannot be obtained at the Downe Township Municipal Office or at Mott MacDonald's office. The printing cost is not refundable.

In the event that a potential bidder obtains the Bid Documents in any manner other than as specified herein, Downe Township will not have the contact information of the potential bidder for purposes of issuing bid addenda, if any. The non-receipt of any addenda (in the event that any addenda are issued) and the failure of the bidder to acknowledge the receipt of any and all addenda at the time of bid shall be considered a fatal defect in such Bidder's submission and said Bid shall be immediately rejected.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **February 15, 2023, at 10:00AM**, at the Downe Township Municipal Office at 288 Main Street, Newport, New Jersey 08345. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is highly encouraged but not required.

Funding Statement

The Contract is expected to be funded in part with the funds from the NJDEP, the NJIB and the USDA. Neither the United States nor the State of New Jersey, the NJIB, USDA, nor any of their departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be, a party to the Contract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. The Contract or Subcontract will be subject to regulations contained in N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.1 et seq., 4.1 et seq., 5.1 et seq., 9.1 et seq. and 10 et seq., Local Public Contracts Law, Department of Labor and Workforce Development Current Wage Rate Determination, Prevailing Wage Act, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act, Copland Act, Davis Bacon Act, Buy American Clause, Debarment and Suspension, and Socially and Economically Disadvantaged (SED) (N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.1 et seq.). Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-33: "Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c.127."

All bidders are encouraged to include a commitment to the use of small, minority, women's and labor surplus area businesses and shall be in conformity with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)(24) and 7:22-4.17(a)(24) with a goal of not less than 10% participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (SED's). Further details regarding special requirements of contractors to comply with the Project Plan developed by the owner for SED participation are included in the Information for Bidders and the Supplemental General Conditions.

Instructions to Bidders

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

American Iron and Steel

Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A – Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and Construction Materials.

The following waivers apply to this Contract:

De Minimis,

Minor Components,

Pig iron and direct reduced iron.

Protected Eagles and Ospreys Acknowledgment

The Contractor must follow NJDEP Regulations established under CAFRA Permit No. 0604-18-005.2 LUP210001, which was approved on October 14, 2021, and is valid until October 13, 2026.

To protect sensitive habitat for the state-listed bald eagle, the Contractor shall adhere to a reasonable restriction on the use of heavy construction equipment/machinery within 1,000 feet of any active bald eagle nest along the project limit of disturbance from January 1 through July 31 of each calendar year.

Additionally, the Contractor shall adhere to the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and work in accordance with National Bald Eagle Management guidelines.

To protect sensitive habitat for the state-listed osprey, the Contractor shall adhere to a seasonal restriction on the use of heavy construction equipment/machinery within 1,000 feet of any active osprey nest along the project limit of disturbance from April 1 through August 31 of each calendar year. The initiation and implementation of work which generates disturbance (e.g., sound levels, visual interruption) that is out of character with what currently exists at or surrounding the anticipated work area during the restricted time period recommended above may result in the Contractor being in violation of the "take" clause within state of New Jersey Endangered and Nongame Species Conservation Act (N.J.S.A. 23:2A-1). Please note that adherence to this seasonal restriction shall also be applied if nest building activity is observed at any given osprey nest location prior to April 1 of the given calendar year of work.

Bid Bond

A 5% Bid Bond of the Total Bid Amount is required.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: Downe Township
By: Nadine E. Lockley
Title: Clerk