

**SECTION 00100  
INVITATION TO BID**

**PROJECT: SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION/I&I REDUCTION PROJECT –  
PHASE III**

The Base Bid Project generally includes:

- 6 inch through 16 inch diameter sewer main repair or replacement;
- Sewer service lateral replacement to cleanout;
- New manholes;
- Demolished and abandoned manholes and sewer main;
- Several new or replacement sewer stream crossings;
- Stream restoration around an existing sewer run;
- Jack and bore pipe installation under railroad tracks;
- Restoration of asphalt, concrete and other areas disturbed by construction.

**OWNER:** Town of Thurmont  
615 East Main Street  
Thurmont, MD 21788  
Phone: 301-271-7313

**ENGINEER:** Passaro Engineering, LLC  
Contact: Stacy Passaro  
3927 Boteler Road  
Mount Airy, MD 21771  
Ph: 301-829-5163  
Email: [spassaro@passaroengineering.com](mailto:spassaro@passaroengineering.com)

All questions concerning the bid documents shall be submitted in writing to Stacy Passaro at the Engineer's office (listed above). No responses will be made to any questions received less than 5 full days prior to the Bid Opening.

Sealed bids will be received by the Owner at the Town's office (listed above) until 10:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting and project site walk-through will be held at 10:00 a.m. local time, Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The meeting will be held at the Town's offices (listed above). Attendance at the pre-bid meeting IS REQUIRED; a walk-through of the areas of the project will be conducted immediately after the meeting and participation is this will be necessary for contractors to understand some of the complexities of the project.

Hard copies of bid documents will be available starting Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 8:00 a.m. local time at the Town's office and may be examined without charge. Electronic copies of the Bid Documents will also be available for download (for no charge) from a data storage web site. Please call the Town offices for download instructions.

Electronic disk copies of the Contract Documents will be available for purchase at the Town's Offices:

CD copy of specifications & drawings for \$20.00 per set.

Deposit will become the property of the Owner and no deposits will be returned.

Requests for delivery of a CD copy of the electronic bid documents can be made to the Engineer. Purchaser must send a check for \$35 to the Town (\$20 for the CD copy plus \$15 to cover the shipping charges).

Bid may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed (in the manner that a bid must be executed) and must be delivered to the Town office prior to the bid opening.

Funding will be provided in part through the Maryland Department of the Environment under the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF). Davis-Bacon Wage Rates requirements must be met for this Project. The current applicable Davis Bacon Wage Rates are included in Spec Section 00800, Special Provisions. All bidders are responsible to check the Department of Labor web site (<http://www.wdol.gov>) for updates to these wage rates that are published prior to the Bid Opening. The current Davis Bacon Wage Rates from 5 days prior to the bid opening will be used for the project. This 5-day window will allow contractors time to update their Bid Form prior to the Bid Opening.

All bidders are required to meet all of the requirements and contract provisions for projects financed through the Maryland Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund, which are included as attachments to Spec Section 00800, Special Provisions. All bidders must submit completed copies of the following required forms:

- Assurances for Compliance with Federal Laws and Regulations; and
- M/WBE Participation- Good Faith Efforts Checklist.

After the bid opening, bidder may withdraw their bid only by complying with applicable federal, state or local laws and regulations. Unless prohibited by such applicable laws and regulations or if there are no applicable laws and regulations, bidder shall forfeit the entire amount of bid security upon withdrawal of bid.

Each bid must be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check, bank check, irrevocable letter of credit or bid bond (in the required form) for 5% of the base bid total.

Bid shall remain open for a period of 100 days from the date of bid opening, except as provided in the instructions to bidders.

The Town of Thurmont hereby reserves the right, which is understood and agreed to by all bidders, to reject any and all bids and to waive any omissions, errors, mistakes, defects or irregularities in any bid.

Town of Thurmont  
James Humerick  
Chief Administrative Officer