

PART 1

1.0 GENERAL

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the performance of the work described herein will be received by the Executive Director of the North Coast Railroad Authority ("NCRA") until the time of Bid Opening, at which time the bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bid Opening will be held at HNTB's office located at:

**1330 Broadway, Suite 1630
Oakland, CA 94612**

On

October 10, 2006 at 2:00 PM

Bids received after the date and time stated above will be rejected as non-responsive. It is highly recommended that all bids be hand delivered.

The time of completion shall be 60 working days, commencing one calendar day following issuance of the Notice of Award by NCRA. Notice of Award is scheduled on October 12, 2006, pending resolution of administrative matters and Approval by NCRA Board of Directors. The Bidder and all his subcontractors to whom the Contract is awarded must, at the time of award, possess current licenses as required by the California State Contractors License Board for the area of work for which they have bid.

Performance Bonds and Payment Bonds are not required on bids **less than \$25,000**. However, a Bidder's Bond is required on all bids. Bids shall be submitted on the original forms, signed by authorized personnel provided in these Contract Documents.

NCRA is an Equal Opportunity employer. Contractor shall comply with the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action requirements as set forth in these Contract Documents. It is the policy of NCRA that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, disability or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by NCRA.

In accordance with California Public Contract Code § 22300, Contractor may substitute securities for any money withheld under "Payments to the Contactor" of Section 01027 Price and Payment Procedures. At Contractors request and expense, securities equivalent to the amount withheld shall be deposited with NCRA, or with a state or federally chartered bank as the escrow agent, who shall pay such monies to Contractor. Upon satisfactory completion of the contract, the securities shall be returned to Contractor.

NCRA reserves the right, to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in bids, and to accept or reject any items of the bid.

To receive a copy of the Contract Documents, Technical Specifications, and Bid Documents contact:

HNTB Corporation
1330 Broadway, Suite 1630
Oakland, CA
(510) 208-4599

All inquiries concerning the Technical Specifications, Contract Documents, Bidding Procedure and Legal Requirements must be communicated in writing to the undersigned by U.S. or express mail at HNTB Corporation, 1330 Broadway, Suite 1630, Oakland, CA 94612; by fax to 510-208-4595; or by email to pcasey@hntb.com. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at:

**At the intersection of the NCRA Railroad tracks
and the County Landfill Road
Marin County, CA**

On

October 2, 2006 at 10:00 AM

A site inspection will begin promptly following the Pre-Bid Conference. This will include a tour of the Repairs required between railroad MP 32.9 to MP 34.21 Site. The County Landfill is located between Novato and Petaluma off Highway 101 near a new off ramp and overpass. All sites are accessible to prospective Contractors at their own cost.

By order of the North Coast Railroad Authority, State of California, on _____,
2006.

Mitch Stogner
Executive Director