WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR

Water Storage Tank Floor Rehabilitation Project, Job 26-3200 (Pump Station H, Tank No. 2, Taft, CA.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT ("District") until <u>3:00 p.m. on Friday, September 12, 2025</u>, Bids will be received at the offices of the District, 800 Kern Street, Post Office Box 1105, Taft, California, 93268. Representatives of the District will, at said time, publicly open, examine and declare said bids. The District will compare the relative merit of the respective bids and choose the bid which, in the opinion of the District, will best serve the interest and/or needs of the District. All bids are received under advisement for a period not to exceed 30 days. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids received, to waive any irregularity, or to award the bid to other than the lowest bidder.

This solicitation is for *two* separate scopes of work. The District will accept bids for either Scope A or Scope B. The District will evaluate both scopes but reserves the right to award only the option deemed to be in the District's best interest. Bidders must hold the appropriate license(s) as listed below at the time of bid submittal. Bidders are encouraged to review both scopes carefully and submit pricing accordingly.

The District will host *separate* MANDATORY job walks for each scope on the same day at the tank site (35.11422, -119.464901):

Scope A Job Walk: Thursday, September 4, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

Scope B Job Walk: Thursday, September 4, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.

Bidders are further notified that each bid must be made on the proposal form furnished by the District; the bid must be received on or before the date and the hour above specified for receiving bids or such bids will be rejected. All proposals must be accompanied by cash, cashier's check, or certified check (payable to the District) for an amount not less than 10 percent of the total proposal(s), or by a bond for said amount and so payable, signed by the bidder and two sureties who must justify before any officer competent to administer an oath in double the said amount and over and above all statutory exemptions, or by a corporate Surety Bond, all to the satisfaction and approval of the District. Proposals must also be accompanied by a current OSHA 300 Log and EMR (Experience Modifier Ratio). If the bidder contemplates that it and/or any subcontractor of bidder will use any vehicle to which the Regulation for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets (California Code of Regulations, Title 13 §2449), the proposal must include a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance (California Code of Regulations, Title 13 §2449(n)) that covers each vehicle to be used. District is prohibited from contracting with any bidder that is either without, or does not submit, a valid Certificate(s).

The cash, cashier's check, certified check or Surety Bond of the successful bidder will be forfeited to the District if the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into the required contract within ten days after written notice that the contract has been awarded to him, her or it for the work.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and a Faithful Performance Bond, both of which must be in the amount of 100 percent of the contract price. The successful bidder may elect to deposit securities with the District in lieu of having funds withheld by the

District to ensure performance under the bid contract, in accordance with Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code.

Bids must be based on the payment of not less that the prevailing rate of wages for this locality and project as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1770 *et seq.* Copies of the prevailing rates of per diem wages are on file at the District office and will be made available to any interested party on request.

The bidding requirements and the work are fully described in the plans and specifications, which are available for inspection at the District office during normal business hours without charge or as a free download (PDF format only) through the District website at http://www.wkwd.org. Plans and specifications may also be obtained from the District at 800 Kern Street, Post Office Box 1105, Taft, California 93268-1105, telephone number (661) 763-3151, upon payment of a \$30.00 non-refundable fee if picked up or upon payment of a \$35.00 non-refundable fee if mailed. MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO "WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT."

LICENSE CLASSIFICATION BY SCOPE OF WORK

Bidders are advised that license classification requirements differ depending on the scope of work being bid.

Scope A - Coating Removal and UTT Preparation

Bidders must possess a valid and active Class A – General Engineering Contractor license or a Class C-33 – Painting and Decorating Contractor license issued by the California Contractors State License Board (CSLB). Scope A includes interior coating removal, abrasive blasting, surface preparation, and related cleanup and disposal.

Scope B - Concrete Slurry and Steel Floor Installation

Bidders must possess a valid and active Class A – General Engineering Contractor license. Class C-8 – Concrete Contractor and Class C-51 – Structural Steel Contractor licenses may also be considered acceptable, provided the contractor self-performs or subcontracts each portion of work under the appropriate classification. Scope B includes substrate preparation, slurry placement, steel floor installation, and weld work.

Subcontractors listed in the bid proposal must also hold appropriate and active CSLB licenses for the work they will perform. No bid will be accepted from a contractor or subcontractor who is not properly licensed at the time of bid submittal.

Contractors or subcontractors that are not registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 are not qualified to submit a bid for this project and will not be awarded the contract for this project. Further, no contractor or subcontractor may be listed on the bid proposal for this project unless the contractor or subcontractor is registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each contractor and subcontractor must furnish the records specified in Labor Code Section 1776 directly to the Labor Commissions, in the manner set forth in Labor Code Section 1771.4. Contractors must all post job site notices, as prescribed by regulation.

DATE OF OWNER'S AUTHORIZATION

WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT TAFT, CALIFORNIA

08/26/2025

/s/ Greg A. Hammett, P.G. General Manager

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