

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that sealed bids will be received either by mail or hand delivered by Grant County at the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, located in the County Courthouse, P.O. Box 37, 35 C Street NW – Room 207, Ephrata, Washington, 98823, until **1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 26, 2008** and will then and there be opened and publicly read for the construction of the improvements. The name and address of the bidder shall be on the outside of the envelope.

All bid proposals shall be accompanied by bid proposal deposit in cash, a certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond payable to Grant County, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such bid proposal. No conditional bid bond will be accepted. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish a satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to Grant County.

Plans and Specifications may be purchased from the office of the County Engineer, 124 Enterprise St. S.E., Ephrata, Washington 98823, Phone: (509) 754-6082. The contact person is Derek Pohle, P.E. The plans and specifications are provided for a non-refundable deposit of \$25.00 for each set, plus a \$5.00 postage and handling fee, if mailing is requested.

Informational copies of the Plans and Specifications are on file for inspection purposes at the Grant County Public Works Building, 124 Enterprise St. S.E., Ephrata, Washington 98823, and only in the Chapter Offices of the AGC in Seattle and Spokane, and other various Plan Centers located in Washington, as requested.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 1, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.** at the landfill. All bidders are encouraged to attend.

The Board of County Commissioners of Grant County, Washington, reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The award of the contract, if made, shall be made to the qualified responsive bidder submitting the lowest responsible bid.

This work includes removing approximately 2,000 buried steel “55 gallon” drums which were placed in a stack in 1975 and since buried with solid waste and soil at the Ephrata Landfill. The drums are thought to be stacked three layers deep in the area shown on the Plans. The drums are thought to contain solidified paint sludges, organics, inorganics, and solvents from manufacturing sources. The Contractor will build the drum staging area specified herein and shown in the Plans, remove the drums from their present location, place them in overpack drums, and place the overpacked drums in the staging area. The drums will be sampled, analyzed and disposed of by others. The Contractor will need to accommodate the activities of the drum disposal contractor within the staging area and onsite (e.g. testing, grouping similar drums, loading). The Contractor will then decommission the staging area once all drums are removed.

The drums are covered by approximately 15 feet of commingled solid waste and rocky soil

(overburden). The Contractor will remove overburden without driving heavy equipment or vehicles over the drums or otherwise damaging the drums. Due to the anticipated depths (to about 30 feet), the Contractor will lay back excavation side slopes for safe access to the drums. Laying back slopes will expose about 3,000 square yards of refuse that will need to be promptly covered with daily cover consisting of at least 6 inches of borrow material from the on-site borrow area or a temporary film or membrane approved by the ENGINEER. Borrow used for side slope daily cover will be left in place as part of the backfill.

The Contractor will dispose of overburden more than a foot above the drums or more than three feet away from the sides of the drums in the active area of the landfill. The Contractor will segregate overburden within one foot above the drums and three feet alongside the drums because that material is considered to be potentially contaminated by drum leakage.

The drums may have leaked into underlying soil, which the ENGINEER will identify. The Contractor will at times need to delay daily cover placement to accommodate sampling and testing by the ENGINEER. The Contractor shall provide excavation as directed by the ENGINEER to collect soil samples and removing potentially contaminated soil to the extent required by the ENGINEER. Contractor shall decontaminate the excavator bucket before collecting each sample. Limited potentially contaminated soil volumes are anticipated because of shallow bedrock.

The Contractor will segregate potentially contaminated overburden and soil in lined, hard-lidded, gasketed roll-off bins for sampling, testing and waste designation and coding by the ENGINEER. The Contractor will dispose of material designated hazardous offsite. The Contractor will dispose of nonhazardous material in the active landfill.

Portions of the drum stack might consist of badly deteriorated drums, associated waste, and commingled soil and overburden (bulk drum waste). Some drums might rupture when handled, resulting in a mixture of drum waste, overburden, soil and cleanup materials (spill residue). The Contractor will segregate bulk drum waste and spill residue in lined, hard-lidded, gasketed roll-off bins for sampling, testing and waste designation and coding by the ENGINEER. The Contractor will dispose of these materials offsite.

The Contractor will backfill the excavation in two foot lifts and thoroughly rolled each lift with equipment once drums are removed and contaminated soils are removed to the extent feasible or surveyed in place where removal is not feasible.

The OWNER will provide traffic control on the landfill. The work area will be isolated from site traffic, which includes private vehicle traffic. The Contractor is required to top the excavation with borrow and track-walk the surface. The OWNER will restore the landfill roads.

There are no electrical power, water supply or toilet facilities near the work area. There is no onsite water supply sufficient for watering. The Contractor will need to obtain water for watering offsite. Watering will not be allowed within the drum excavation. There are trees, a fence and part of drip irrigation system along the north edge of the excavation area. The Contractor will be required to salvage wooden fence posts for the OWNER, dispose of metal fence fabric onsite

(free of charge), dispose of trees offsite, and move or cap the drip system.

No bidder may withdraw their bid after the hour set for the opening thereof or before award of contract unless said award is delayed for a period exceeding sixty (60) days from the date of bid opening.