This Project will perform work on the Beltway around Akron, Summit County, Ohio.

This Project will be sold as a Hybrid Design Build Project utilizing a Two-Step Technically Responsive Low-Bid Process in the Design Build Team Selection. Most of the Project will be designed by the selected Design Build Team including the entire Maintenance of Traffic for the Central Interchange. The Central Interchange (Northeast Interchange) is in the process of being designed and a completed set of sealed Plans will accompany the Scope of Services. The Central Interchange portion of the Project shall be built according to the provided Plans and shall be paid at itemized bid unit costs.

Please refer to the accompanying map for the locations of the work described. The work described below is an overview and should not be considered all-encompassing as the Project Scope is still being developed.

Blue Shaded Area - Central/Northeast Interchange (IR-76 from Summer Street to East of Inman Street) (IR-77 from Lovers Lane to Beacon Street on SR-8):
- Replace the left-handed exit ramps from both WB and EB I-76 with new flyover bridges.
- Reconfigure the lane arrangements on both WB and EB I-76 to provide drop lanes for exits as well as two thru lane movements for I-76.
- Remove the Lafollette Street Bridge and replace it with a Pedestrian Bridge.
- Widen the mainline bridges over Brown Street and Inman Street.
- Full Pavement Replacement on some Ramps, etc.
- Resurfacing of Pavement on some Ramps, etc.
- Install Noise Walls.
- Install Retaining Walls.
- Replace Signing and Traffic Control.
- Maintenance work on various Bridges.

Red Shaded Area - East Side of Beltway (IR-77 from Waterloo Road to Lovers Lane) & North Side of Beltway (IR-76/77 from Princeton St to approx. Stoner St on IR-77):
- Full Pavement Replacement on Mainline and Ramps.
- Major work performed on three bridges: IR-76/77 over Manchester Road (SR-93), IR-76/77 over Bowery Street / Ohio Erie Canal, IR-76/77 over Lakeshore Blvd.
- Ramp alignments adjusted in the Northwest Interchange.
- Replace Signing and Traffic Control.
- Maintenance work on various Bridges.

Yellow Shaded Area - West Side of Beltway (IR-76 from Railroad Bridge to IR-76 over Morse Road) (IR-277 from Southwest Interchange to First Curve):
- Ramp alignments adjusted in the Southwest Interchange with some areas of Full Pavement Replacement and Pavement Widening.
- Install improved (wider) shoulders in some locations.
- Install Noise Walls.
- Replace Signing and Traffic Control.
- Maintenance work on various Bridges.
Green Shaded Area - State Route 8 (Beacon Street to Perkins Street):
- Resurfacing Mainline and Ramps.
- Maintenance work on various Bridges.

This Project will ultimately be sold under PID 102329. During development of the Scope Documents there are several other PIDs being utilized (91902, 102329, 108277, 100713, 101402) and they will be combined into PID 102329 by the end of 12/2019.

The construction project is currently being estimated at +$150 Million.

**Procurement**

This project’s procurement is intending to follow a Two-Step Technically-Responsive Low-Bid DB with ATCs & One-on-One Discussions. The Procurement will use the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) / Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) process. The evaluation will likely evaluate the Offeror’s understanding of the project, the Offeror’s anticipated approach to the project’s risk, the Offeror’s past project experiences, and the Personnel’s qualifications being proposed for Key Roles. Offerors’ betterment commitments identified within their respective SOQs will be considered contractually binding if reasonably interpreted as being beneficial to the Project.

The Department will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) in the form of a Project Proposal and Scope of Services to the (3) three highest rated Short-listed Offerors. The RFP will allow and define the methods for Short-listed Offerors to submit Alternate Technical Concepts (ATCs). An ATC is a deviation from the requirements of the Bid Documents which provides a solution equal to or better than the original concept. The Department will allow Discussions specific to ATCs through proprietary ATC one-on-one meetings.

The RFP will require each Short-listed Offeror to submit an Intermediate Technical Proposal at a predefined date. This Intermediate Technical Proposal will be evaluated for compliance with the Scope of Services, but not ranked nor scored for “betterments”.

After receipt of each Intermediate Technical Proposal, the Department will initiate Discussions with each Short-listed Offeror through Proprietary Technical Information (PTI) meetings. PTI meetings will be one-on-one meetings with each Short-listed Offeror to discuss elements of the Short-listed Offeror’s approach. The Intermediate Technical Proposals will be verified for submittal responsiveness prior to the PTI meetings. These Discussions held during the PTI meetings will cover significant weaknesses, deficiencies, and other aspects of an Intermediate Technical Proposal that could be further altered or explained. The identified deficiencies will be confidentially memorialized and shared in writing with the specific Short-listed Offerors after conclusion of the meeting. Price will not be discussed.

Each Short-listed Offeror shall be given an opportunity to submit a best and final offer (BAFO) final price proposal through submission of their Bid. At the time of Bid submission, the Short-listed Offeror may also revise their Intermediate Technical Proposal through a Final Technical Proposal revision. If the Short-listed Offeror chooses not to submit a Final Technical Proposal revision, the Short-listed Offeror’s Intermediate Technical Proposal shall be considered final and evaluated as the Final Technical Proposal.

This Final Technical Proposal revision will be evaluated to ensure it meets the requirements of the Scope of Services, addresses the identified weaknesses, and is materially consistent with the information submitted for the Proprietary Technical Information Meeting with reasonable developmental revisions (if applicable). The Final Technical Proposals will be evaluated pass-fail. The
Short-listed Offeror with a responsive Final Technical Proposal and lowest Bid shall be considered the successful Short-listed Offeror. Maintenance of traffic and resulting impacts will be a focus.

Duration of proposed construction may also be a determining consideration in award.

The Department anticipates making a Payment for Preparation of Preliminary Responsive Proposals (PPPRP) available, as allowed by Ohio Law, to two unsuccessful responsive bidders. The Department has previously established past PPPRPs at approximately 0.025% one quarter of one percent (0.25%) of the estimated construction value (approximate PPPRP value of $375,000); the Department anticipates following past practices in establishing the PPPRP but reserves it’s right to adjust the value or eliminate the payment. This decision will be made at RFQ.

Schedule

A tentative/preliminary schedule with major milestones (subject to change):

- 08/27/2020 - Advertise Request for Qualifications
- 10/01/2020 - Statement of Qualifications Submitted by Prospective Bidders
- 11/02/2020 - Shortlisting of Prospective Bidders Announced
- 02/16/2021 - Final Technical Proposals and Bids Submitted by Prospective Bidders
- 03/04/2021 - Technical Proposals and Bid Scores announced by ODOT
- 03/15/2021 - Anticipated Award Date

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Legend
- Central Interchange with Design-Bid-Build Plan Set / Full Pavement Replacement / 3 Bridge Replacements / 2 Bridge Widenings / Minor Bridge Maint Work / Noise Walls / Retaining Walls
- Full Pavement Replacement / 3 Bridges Major Work / Minor Bridge Maint Work
- Noise Walls / Some Pavement Replacement / Some Pavement Widening / Minor Bridge Maint Work
- Resurfacing / Minor Bridge Maint Work