



I-12 WIDENING (O'NEAL LANE – RANGE AVE.)



DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT NOTICE OF INTENT

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) is announcing the LA DOTD's intent to enter into a Design-Build procurement with a **Team**, hereinafter referred to as the **Design/Builder (D/B)**, possessing both professional engineering design capability and qualified construction contracting capability, for the I-12 widening project from the O'Neal Lane Interchange proceeding Easterly along I-12 toward Walker (Project).



Figure 1: O'Neal Lane Interchange

The proposed Project consists of the widening of Interstate 12 to six (6) lanes from the O'Neal Lane Interchange eastward in both East Baton Rouge and Livingston Parishes.



Figure 2: Layout Map

The major elements of the Project as currently proposed includes widening the mainline of Interstate 12 from four (4) lanes to six (6) lanes. Widening will occur to the inside (median side) of the existing pavement and includes the following bridge structure modifications/replacements.

- **O'Neal lane Interchange (LA 3245):** Providing interior widening of the Interchange overpass structure (approximately 304.5').
- **Amite River Bridge:** Two (2) new parallel bridge structures to replace the existing four (4) bridge structures. Approximately 2,614 feet of main line bridge structure and the degrading of the existing embankment plug to approximately elevation 23.0. The proposed finished grade of the bridges will be elevation 49.80'; however, the bridges are to vertically tie into the existing roadway elevation at the approaches.
- **4-H Road Overpass (LA 1032):** Providing interior widening of the overpass structure (approximately 260.0').
- **Range Ave. Interchange (LA 3002):** Providing interior widening of the Interchange overpass structure (approximately 304.5').
- **Pete's Highway (LA 16):** Providing median widening of I-12 (if applicable).
- **Juban Road Interchange (LA 1026):** Providing median widening of I-12 (if applicable).
- **Walker Interchange (LA 447):** Eastern limit of widening project.

This Project will be a Design/Build to a budget.

- **Project Scope:** Widen I-12 to six (6) lanes beginning at the O'Neal Lane Interchange and proceeding Eastward to the maximum extent allowable within the stated budget. Options for the replacement and/or rehabilitation of the existing pavement are currently being considered by the Department. All design and construction shall conform to current DOTD and AASHTO standards.

The anticipated contract award and completion dates for the Project are December 2008 and December 2011, respectively. The estimated total design and construction cost of the Project will not exceed \$100 million. The LA DOTD anticipates obtaining all required Corps permits; however, the **D/B** contractor will be responsible for any permit modifications resulting from either design or construction issues.

A single **D/B** will be selected for the entire Project. The selection process will consist of two phases. Responses to this Notice of Intent (NOI) and the following Request For Qualifications (RFQ) will be evaluated to establish a short-list of proposers that will be invited to submit proposals in response to the Request For Proposals (RFP). The selection process will evaluate the ability of the proposers to plan, design, construct, and control this Project to provide a quality product, on or ahead of schedule, for the stated budget. A key factor in the selection process will be the length of the project achieved within the stated budget.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development is seeking a **D/B** that is committed to quality; has proven experience in the management, design, and construction of highway projects; will bring innovative approaches to the Project; will ensure timely completion; and is willing to partner with the LA DOTD for the mutual success of the Project.

Items to be Furnished by DOTD

- Preliminary soil boring information
- Existing preliminary design plans
- Existing survey data (verification is D/B's responsibility)
- Traffic Data (Base and Design years)
- Corps of Engineers permits
- Coastal Use permit (if applicable)

Firms/Teams interested in providing the services for this Project should provide a Letter of Interest (LOI) to Mr. Jeff Burst, Senior Project Manager, who is the official DOTD point of contact for this project by E-mail (jeffburst@dotd.la.gov). All correspondence with the DOTD on matters concerning this project should be made through Mr. Burst and is required to be via E-Mail.

A Letter of Interest (LOI) from D/B teams in response to this Notice of Intent will be due by close of business on June 6, 2008. The LOI should, at a minimum, name the proposed PRIMARY team members and contact information for the official point of contact for the D/B team.

Firms that provide DOTD with a LOI will be issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and will be placed on a list of interested firms that will be placed on the DOTD Web site (<http://www.dotd.la.gov>). The anticipated release date for the RFQ is June 11, 2008. Those firms will also be invited to attend a Project informational meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, anticipated to be held on June 18, 2008. The time and location of the Project informational meeting will be forwarded to the firms by Mr. Burst.