

# INVITATION TO BID

## 3D STEEL GRIDS

### NOTICE OF BID OPENING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Association of County Commissions of Alabama, which administers the Alabama County Joint Bid Program on behalf of Alabama's county governing bodies, shall receive and open bids for the purchase of **3D Steel Grids** at its office located at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024**. Bid specifications are available at <http://www.alabamacounties.org/joint-bid-program/>.

**Please note that the bid prices for pickup at the plant will be awarded for each of the 67 Counties within Alabama.**

**Only bids received in the Association office by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024 will be opened and considered.** Bidders and any other interested individuals are invited to attend the bid opening.

### NOTICE OF BID OPENING PROCEDURES

All bids for **3D Steel Grids** will be opened and the name(s) of the bidders read aloud on the morning of the bid opening on Friday, **August 9, 2024** at 10:00 a.m. at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, AL. The specifics of each bid submitted will be compiled by the Association staff thereafter and will be available, **upon written or emailed request**, one week after the bid opening. Requests should be emailed to [jointbid@alabamacounties.org](mailto:jointbid@alabamacounties.org).

### THE INVITATION PACKAGE

The invitation package for **3D Steel Grids** includes: this Invitation to Bid and Bid Submittal Form which includes Bid Specifications and the Bid Sheet to be used in the submittal of all bids. Bidders should verify that they have received all pages of the invitation package. If there are any omissions, the bidder should contact **Patrick McDougald** at (334) 360-2846 or [pattymackdaddy@gmail.com](mailto:pattymackdaddy@gmail.com) to request missing pages. It is the responsibility of the bidder to make this request in sufficient time to prepare and submit the bid in time for the bid opening.

Bidders should carefully read and comply with all parts of the invitation package, including all attachments and/or any addendum.

### PREPARING AND SUBMITTING BIDS

All bids must be typed or hand written in ink on the attached Bid Submittal Forms. **The completed Bid Submittal Form shall be placed in front of and separated from all other documents included in the bid packet, such that it will be the first document viewed upon opening the bid packet.**

Bids submitted in pencil and bids not submitted on the Bid Submittal Form **will not** be considered. Only information contained on the Bid Submittal Form or herein requested or required will be considered in evaluating bids.

The Bid Submittal Form and all required documentation shall be forwarded to the Association's office in a sealed envelope with **3D Steel Grids** clearly marked on the outside of the envelope. Envelopes containing a "no bid" shall also include the words "NO BID" on the outside of the envelope. Facsimiles and e-mails will not be accepted. Bids submitted by "Express/Overnight" services must be in a separate inner envelope or package sealed and identified as stated above. All bids must be received in the Association office prior to the bid opening. Bids received after the

deadline will be returned unopened.

The County Joint Bid Program reserves the right to require a performance bond from successful bidders as permitted under Alabama law. However, **no bid bond is required for this bid offering.**

All bids should be mailed or hand-delivered to:

**ATTN: County Joint Bid Program**  
**Association of County Commissions of Alabama or ACCA**  
**2 North Jackson Street, FL 7, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 (Physical Address)**  
**P.O. Box 5040, Montgomery, Alabama 36103 (Mailing Address)**

### BID SPECIFICATIONS

The specifications for **3D Steel Grids** are attached hereto and at <http://www.alabamacounties.org/joint-bid-program/>. Any use of specific names and/or model numbers in the attached specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer, but is included solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size, and quality of materials, product services, or equipment considered best adapted to the use of the counties participating in the joint invitation to bid. Any reference to the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) Standard Specifications for Highway Construction shall mean the current non-metric edition.

### BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

All bidders and program participants must be in compliance with any applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, resolutions and ordinances, including but not limited to, licensing, permitting, and taxation requirements. All bidders should be prepared to submit evidence or documentation as proof that they are properly licensed and permitted under any applicable laws upon request. Such evidence or documentation may be submitted with the bid.

All bidders shall provide proof that they are in compliance with the E-Verify requirements of Alabama's Immigration Law (Ala. Code § 31-13- 1 et seq., as amended by Act No. 2012-491).

All bidders must be on the ALDOT list of approved material suppliers.

### BID AWARD

The Houston County Commission will serve as the awarding authority for all bids and will award all contracts at a regular meeting of the Houston County Commission. Any and all bids submitted in compliance with this invitation to bid shall be considered, and the award will be made to the lowest responsible bidder meeting bid specifications as determined by the awarding authority in compliance with Alabama law. All bids will be reviewed and evaluated by a committee created for that purpose. This committee will make comments and recommendations to the awarding authority regarding the award. All factors contained in each invitation package will be evaluated in determining the successful bidder, and any omissions of the stated requirements may be cause for rejection of the bid submitted. The awarding authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids, and to accept in whole or in part such bid or bids solely at its discretion.

The contract period will be from **October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025** with an option to renew for a second and third year under identical price, terms, and conditions upon the mutual consent of the vendor and the awarding

authority. Any renewal contract shall be approved in writing by the vendor and the awarding authority no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

### CONTACT REGARDING BIDS AND INVITATION

Contact initiated by a potential bidder with any county official, county employee, or member of the Association staff shall only be as specifically set out in this invitation to bid. Any questions related to the bid or the County Joint Bid Program shall be directed to Association staff in writing under the procedures set out in this Invitation to Bid. Additionally, a bidder may contact the **Association in writing to request an appointment to review bid specifications following the bid opening. However, there shall be no communication with any county official or county employee regarding this bid between the date of this invitation and the date of the bid award.** Any other contact with a county official or employee or with the Association initiated by a potential bidder regarding this bid between the date of this invitation and the date of bid award shall be deemed as an attempt to unduly influence the bid award and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid submitted by the bidder initiating such other contact.

Any questions or problems related to downloading or obtaining copies of this Invitation to Bid or the specifications should be directed to **Patrick McDougald** at [pattymackdaddy@gmail.com](mailto:pattymackdaddy@gmail.com) or **334-360-2846**. Any other questions or requests for additional information regarding this invitation or the specifications shall be submitted **in writing** no later than five (5) days prior to bid opening to either:

**ATTN: Patrick McDougald**  
**Association of County Commissions of Alabama or ACCA**  
**2 North Jackson Street, FL 7, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 (Physical Address)**  
**P.O. Box 5040, Montgomery, Alabama 36103 (Mailing Address)**

OR

**Patrick McDougald**  
E-mail: [pattymackdaddy@gmail.com](mailto:pattymackdaddy@gmail.com)

**BID SUBMITTAL FORM**  
**Alabama County Joint Bid Program**  
**BID ITEM: 3D STEEL GRIDS**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Bid Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Name of company representative)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this bid, we agree:

Initials

That the product bid meets the bid specifications for that bid item \_\_\_\_\_

That the bid price will be honored for all counties participating in the joint bid program for the period from **October 1, 2024** to **September 30, 2025**. \_\_\_\_\_

That items will be delivered from awarded bidder as described in this bid at the bid price to all counties participating in the joint bid program. \_\_\_\_\_

That the company representative listed above will be the source of contact for the county wishing to purchase this bid item under the joint bid program. \_\_\_\_\_

That each item will be separately awarded to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications as provided in the bid request. \_\_\_\_\_

That a copy of the label(s) for all items bid is included as required in the bid specifications and/or invitation to bid. \_\_\_\_\_

That the bid includes the E-Verify documentation required by Alabama law. \_\_\_\_\_

That we will provide a performance bond upon request. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of company representative submitting bid: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## BID SPECIFICATIONS 3D STEEL GRIDS

All **3D STEEL GRIDS** shall meet or exceed specifications as outlined in the Invitation to Bid and as set out below, and shall comply with each of the following:

All materials shall meet the most recent applicable section of the Alabama Department of Transportation Specifications for Slope Paving or Ditch paving with 3D Steel Grid and/or be approved by the purchasing County. The use of specific names or numbers in the specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or supplier but is intended solely for the purpose of indicating the type and quality of material considered best adapted to the uses of Alabama Counties. Price(s) shall reflect the delivery and pick up of material(s) as detailed below:

- Each bidder shall provide, with each product bid, one (1) copy of the producer's published specifications/technical data and any certifications required within these specifications.
- Representative must be available to assist counties in handling of complaints, if necessary.
- Bidders are required to bid for pickup items for all 67 Alabama Counties.
- Each item will be awarded to for lowest responsible bid. The requested 3D Steel Grids shall be available within Thirty (30) Days of Purchase Order from the County unless a time extension is given by the County
- The bid price shall be for the per 3D Steel Grid picked up at the manufacturers or Supplier's (bidder's) plant or yard. The bidder shall identify the location(s) for all pick up prices.
- Counties shall not be subject to any additional fees not detailed within the bid specifications.
- The minimum order shall be **1 pallet of 3D Steel Grids. Approximately 4500 S.F. of Coverage**
- Vendor shall not break up Pallets. Pallets shall include Anchors and Underlayment for a coverage area of approximately 4500 S.F.

BID ITEM: Picked Up at the Plant by All Counties  
Statewide

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3D Steel Grid includes Anchors and underlayment (Picked Up by County) (Approx. Coverage-4500 S.F.

3D Steel Grid Pallet Price, per each..... BID PRICE: \$\_\_\_\_\_/price per EACH

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