

SECTION 00 11 16 – INVITATION TO BID

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Fish & Wildlife will receive sealed bids for Viewing Tower at Assawoman Wildlife Area, Contract No. **NAT25-001-ASSAWOMAN**, in the Auditorium, DNREC Building, 89 Kings Highway, Dover Delaware 19901, until 10:00 a.m-sharp local time on FEBRUARY 19, 2025 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Auditorium. Bidder bears the risk of late delivery. Any bid received after the stated time will be returned unopened.

Project will include:

1. Removal of the existing steel observation tower and foundations.
2. Construction of new steel and timber viewing tower, stairs, and approach ramps.
3. Construction of new paved and gravel parking.
4. Construction of new concrete pad and surround for portable restroom.
5. Installation of signage, as shown on the Contract Plans.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at **10:00AM-sharp on JANUARY 27, 2025** at the Assawoman Wildlife Area project site (see meeting location map on www.bids.delaware.gov) for the purpose of establishing the listing of subcontractors and to answer questions. Contractors arriving after 10:00AM-sharp will not be considered eligible for bidding. Representatives of each party to any Joint Venture must attend this meeting. **ATTENDANCE OF THIS MEETING IS A PREREQUISITE FOR BIDDING ON THIS CONTRACT.**

Sealed bids shall be addressed to the following address. The outer envelope should clearly indicate **"DELAWARE DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE, CONTRACT #:**
NAT02022-ASSAWOMANTOWER – DO NOT OPEN".

Dept. of Natural Resources & Environmental Control
Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife
89 Kings Highway, Dover DE 19901
Attn: Amanda Delayo Phone Number 302-735-3601.

Contract documents may be obtained and printed from www.bids.delaware.gov.

Bidders will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin in consideration of this award, and Minority Business Enterprises, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Women-Owned Business Enterprises and Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids on this contract. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security equivalent to ten percent of the bid amount and all additive alternates. The successful bidder must post a performance bond and payment bond in a sum equal to 100 percent of the contract price upon execution of the contract. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities therein. The Owner may extend the time and place for the opening of the bids from that described in the advertisement, with not less than two calendar days' notice by certified delivery, facsimile machine or other electronic means to those bidders receiving plans.

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