

# Pre-Bid Conference Notes

## Project: Bituminous Seal Coats

Contract No.: 20-14-M

Date of Meeting: February 23, 2021

Attendance at this meeting was not mandatory to bid.

Bid Opening: March 11, 2021

## 1. Introductions

### County Personnel

- Jennica Geddert, Design, Public Works and Planning
- Joseph Harrell, Design, Public Works and Planning
- Thien Xuan Truong, Design, Public Works and Planning
- James Drews, Construction, Public Works and Planning
- Mandeep Sekhon, Construction, Public Works and Planning
- Jason Slebiss, Road Maintenance, Public Works and Planning
- Heath Preheim, Road Maintenance, Public Works and Planning

### Contractors

- Brandon Schultz, SNC
- George Bobian, Talley Oil
- Joe Mills, Intermountain Slurry Seals
- Dan Costa, Talley Oil
- Rigo Ochoa, American Pavement Systems

## 2. Bid Submission

Submission of bids electronically is encouraged. While submitting paper bid bonds and paper bids are still possible, we encourage electronic bid submission and the bid opening itself will take place over Zoom. The software used by the County, Bid Express, is free to submit bids for County Public Works & Planning projects but contractors need to select "Pay as you go" to avoid paying subscription fees. In addition, the software allows for saving, submitting, and resubmitting your bids and only the bid that is submitted at the time of the bid opening will be viewed by County staff. More resources are available on the [County website](#) and via [DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov). We encourage bidders to set up their accounts and try the software out in advance.

A presentation for those who have not bid electronically before is coming up on March 4, 2021 at 1:30 PM PT. Details have been posted on the planholders website

(<https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/planholders>) under “How to bid electronically on our projects or:

<https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/departments/public-works-planning/contractor-bids-planholders-electronic-plans-bid-results/electronic-bidding>

The offices are closed to the public, so communicate with us ([DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov) or 559-600-9908) if you intend to submit a paper bid or bid bond so that we can make arrangements to receive them.

### **3. Discussion of Project**

The purpose of this meeting was to highlight and identify the particularly high grade and difficult sections of road in this project. The very top section of the Pepperweed Road, for example has been measured as up to 22% grade in some areas. It is important that the entire project be completed and if the prime contractor is unable to perform the work, they are responsible to come up with remedies that will result in the road being chipped.

### **4. Questions**

Questions and responses will be posted to the project website under “Supplemental Information.”

<https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/departments/public-works-and-planning/construction-bidding-opportunities/20-14-m-bituminous-seal-coats>