

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS



**Division of Administrative Services
Office of Business Services
Contracts Management Branch**

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION (CDCR)**

**IRONWOOD STATE PRISON
NEW POTABLE WATER WELLS**

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) intends to receive bids and award a contract for the construction of a New Potable Water Wells at Ironwood State Prison located in Blythe, California.

PROJECTED TIMETABLE

The following dates are set forth for informational and planning purposes only and are subject to change.

Drawings and Specifications available to prospective bidders	June 16, 2026
Bid Proposal Available	After Pre-Bid Conference
Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference/Walk-Through	July 14, 2026, at 9:30 AM
Letters of Inquiry	July 22, 2026
Questions and Answer Addendum Posted	August 17, 2026
Submission of Bid	11:00AM on August 25, 2026
Public Bid Opening	2:00PM on August 26, 2026
Anticipated Date for Notice to Proceed/Commencement of Services	November 2, 2026

GENERAL PROJECT AND BID INFORMATION

Sealed proposals for construction of the project will be received at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Office of Business Services, Contracts Management Branch, CDCR-CMB-Non-IT-Service-Bids@cdcr.ca.gov as specified in the Projected Timetable above, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The proposals relate to the performance of the following work:

In general, The Ironwood State Prison (ISP) New Potable Water Wells Project (NPWW) located in Blythe, California, is to replace two aging wells by constructing two NPWW, 1R and 5R. The replacement wells, 1R and 5R will be installed adjacent to two existing out-of-service wells that have been previously abandoned. The wells will be equipped and connected to the existing raw water transmission line that conveys water to the on-site water treatment plant (WTP). Electrical improvements include replacing the existing motor control centers and transformers, and installation of new conduit from the new well sites to the WTP control center building. Additionally, work will include installation of new pumps, canopies, motors, piping, valves, electrical and communication to the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system.

A mandatory pre-bid conference and walk-through is scheduled for July 14, 2026; the date and time specified in the Projected Timetable.

PLEASE NOTE:

All participants attending the mandatory pre-bid conference and walk-through must enter the grounds of ISP; 19005 Wiley's Well Road, Blythe, CA 92225 visitor entrance. Additionally, a PICTURE I.D. (Driver's License) is mandatory to attend the pre-bid conference and to gain access on prison property. For security reasons, attendees should arrive no more than one (1) hour prior to the conference (9:30 am) to allow for check-in at the Administration Building prior to the conference. Late arrivals will only be allowed to attend the pre-bid conference at the discretion of the Project Director.

Please lock all vehicles. Please leave all cell phones locked in your vehicle and do not bring them into the meeting. Personal cameras will be allowed; however, pictures should only be taken under the supervision of CDCR personnel.

On-site inspections will be conducted after the pre-bid conference; there will be no break for lunch. Prospective bidders should plan on a two-to-three-hour tour after the pre-bid conference. Participants will be escorted to and from the project site by custody staff.

IT IS MANDATORY FOR PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS TO ATTEND THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND SITE INSPECTION. BIDS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FROM BIDDERS WHO FAIL TO MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS.

PLEASE NOTE:

BIDDERS THAT ATTENDED THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND WALK-THROUGH DURING THE SOLICITATION OF BID PROPOSAL C5613219-D WILL RECEIVE CREDIT FOR ATTENDANCE.

Prospective bidders are encouraged to invite their potential subcontractors and suppliers to this conference. All personnel entering onto State Prison property for the pre-bid conference shall not wear blue outer clothing (especially blue denim jeans) which could be mistaken for incarcerated individual authorized clothing. Refer to the bid documents, Section 01 35 53 – Security Procedures, for additional security requirements when entering onto State Prison property, including a list of items which cannot be brought onto State Prison property under any circumstances (including but not limited to weapons, knives, and alcohol).

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE ON-SITE INSPECTION

All prime contractors must also participate in the on-site inspection (immediately following the pre-bid conference). In addition, subcontractors who could be potentially impacted by existing site and building conditions will be allowed to participate. Subcontractors will be screened to this effect following the pre-bid conference and prior to the on-site inspection.

LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

A. The Prime Contractor shall possess a valid Class "A - General Engineering" Contractor license issued by the California Contractors State License Board (CSLB) at the time of bid and for the duration of the project.

B. Specialty work associated with water well construction and electrical systems may be performed by subcontractors holding the appropriate CSLB specialty contractor licenses, including but not limited to, "C-57" Well Drilling Contractor and "C-10" Electrical Contractor.

C. The Prime Contractor shall be responsible for coordination, scheduling, and contractual performance of all subcontractors.

Contractors and their subcontractors shall have all necessary licenses to perform work. If awarded the contract, Contractor and their subcontractors shall have all necessary licenses maintained current and active throughout the Project. If any license is suspended, revoked, canceled, or expires and/or becomes inactive during the Project, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Department.

ATTENTION:

THIS BID PROPOSAL MUST MEET THE DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DVBE) 3% PARTICIPATION GOAL. ONLY THOSE PROPOSALS THAT INCLUDE THE MINIMUM 3% DVBE PARTICIPATION WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Contact the CDCR Contracts Management Branch DVBE Representative, via e-mail at sbdvbeadvocate@cdcr.ca.gov for DVBE assistance.

A bidder preference will be granted to bidders who are certified as "Small Business" by the close of business on the day of the bid opening date, and in accordance with Section 1896 et seq, Title 2, California Code of Regulations. A form for requesting such preference is included with the Bid Documents. Applications for status as a "Small Business" must be submitted to the Department of General Services, Office of Small Business and DVBE Certification (OSDS), 707 3rd Street, 1st Floor, Room 1-400, West Sacramento, California 95605.

Request for Drawings and Specifications:

Drawings, specifications, and a sample bid proposal package for this project can be obtained by contacting American Reprographics Company (ARC) at (916) 443-1322. The bid documents can also be viewed and ordered by selecting the project from the online plan well at the ARC Northern California Public Planroom by going to <https://www.e-arc.com>

Click on the "Order from PlanWell" button, then click the "Go" button under the Public Planroom Heading. Please note when using Internet Explorer compatibility view must be turned on to see the project list (Tools -> Compatibility View Settings -> add www.e-arc.com). Questions in regards to the website can be directed to the PlanWell team at ARC Sacramento by calling (916) 443-1322 or e-mailing sac.planwell@e-arc.com . Bid documents may be purchased either in a hard copy or an electronic media format.

Request for Bid Proposals: After the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference/Site Walk, a Bid Proposal for this project can be obtained ONLY by qualified Prime Contractors by contacting Monique Stephens, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Office of Business Services, Contract Management Branch via email address: Monique.Stephens@cdcr.ca.gov. Bidders must include the project name, contractor name, mailing address or email address, and their phone number.

No bid will be considered unless it is made on the State's Bid Proposal Form which is non-transferable.

LETTERS OF INQUIRY

The purpose of these letters is to provide bidders with the opportunity to ask questions regarding the bid documents and walk through and will be answered via addendum. Additionally, any modifications to the NTC, Specifications or drawings answering these inquiries will be documented via addendum and posted on the [CaleProcure](http://www.caleprocure.ca.gov) website at <http://www.caleprocure.ca.gov>.

Any letters of inquiry must be submitted by email to allow CDCR time to research and prepare a response. Submit your letter of inquiry by the date specified in the Projected Timetable Section of this NTC directly to Monique Stephens, Contracts Management Branch, by E-mail: Monique.Stephens@cdcr.ca.gov .

Inquiries received after this date will only be addressed at CDCR's discretion.

The successful Bidder shall furnish bonds, insurance, and other documents as specified in the Instruction to Bidders.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the California Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the work is to be done, as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, must be paid to all workers on Public Works projects such as this one. Usage rates may be obtained through the Department of Industrial Relations website at www.dir.ca.gov.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity in any bid, and to award a contract for any part or whole of the project.

Bidder's security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, and appropriate licensing are required of all bidders.

The State's Estimate for the project is approximately \$7,350,900.00.