

SECTION 00100
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
HOULTON WATER COMPANY
HOULTON, MAINE
CLARIFIER REHABILITATION

General Notice

Houlton Water Company (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Clarifier Rehabilitation

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at Houlton Water Company's administrative offices located at 21 Bangor St, Houlton, ME 04730, until **June 3, 2026 at 2:00 PM** local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

- Demolish existing clarifier drives, motors, mechanisms, access bridge, scum trough, and other ancillary equipment and supports
- Furnish and install new process equipment in both clarifiers, including a new clarifier drive assembly, hot-dip galvanized clarifier mechanisms, access bridge, scum trough, and other ancillary equipment and supports
- Bid alternate: Provide stainless steel clarifier mechanisms and scum trough

The project must achieve substantial completion and final completion within 300 days and 350 days, respectively, from Notice to Proceed.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

The Issuing Office is Wright-Pierce. Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website: <https://www.wright-pierce.com/projects>

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website at a cost of \$60 per download.

To be considered a responsive Bidder, the Bidder shall have obtained at least one set of Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office using the name that is to appear on the Bid Form. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the designated website for addenda.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **May 12, 2026 at 2:00 PM** at **the HWC WWTF 135 Access Road, Houlton, Maine 04730**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders

For all contract requirements regarding funding agency notifications, funding agency requirements, bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

Bid Bond

A bid must be accompanied by Bid security made payable to Owner in an amount of 5% of Bidder's maximum bid price and in the form of a certified check or Bid bond issued by surety meeting the requirements of the General Conditions. No bid may be withdrawn for at least 60 days after receipt of bids unless released by the Owner.

Agency Not a Party

This contract is expected to be funded in whole or in part by Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) grant funding being administered through the US EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) program. Neither US EPA nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this contract. The word "agency" in the contract documents refers to the US EPA and all other involved funding agencies.

SRF Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Program

The contractor must comply with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) SRF special requirements contained in the EPA STAG program Supplementary Conditions. Failure of the successful bidder to complete the pre-award requirements of this program may result in finding that the bidder is non-responsible and therefore not entitled to award of this contract.

Federal Requirements

The contractor must comply with all Federal Requirements per the EPA STAG program Supplementary Conditions.

Davis-Bacon and Related Acts

The contractor must comply with Davis-Bacon (DB) and Davis-Bacon Related Acts (DBRA) as stated in the EPA STAG program Supplementary Conditions. All laborers and mechanics employed by the contractor and subcontractors on this project shall not be paid less than the prevailing wage rates contained in the wage determination published in the bidding documents. Any laborers and mechanics not listed in the wage determination shall be paid at least as much as the lowest wage rate for other similar trade classifications already contained in the wage determination published in the bidding documents.

American Iron and Steel

The Contractor shall comply with the Use of American Iron and Steel requirements on this project.

Build America, Buy America (BABA) ActThe contractor must comply with the use of Build America, Buy America Act requirements per the EPA EPA STAG program Supplementary Conditions.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: **Houlton Water Company**
By: **Greg Sherman**
Title: **General Manager**

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