

# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the North Carolina Aquariums, in the auditorium of Pine Knolls Shores, 1 Roosevelt Blvd, Pine Knoll Shores, NC 284512, up to 2:00 pm, Tuesday, December 9, 2025, and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read for the furnishing of labor, material for the construction of:

**North Carolina Aquariums  
Pine Knolls Shores  
Front Handrail and Boardwalk Renovations  
SCO #25-29992-01A**

Scope of work to include, but not limited to, the following: Replacement of existing wood and composite deck boards with new composite deck boards. Replacement of existing wood guardrail assemblies with new composite lumber assemblies. Replacement of existing wood handrails with new aluminum handrails and brackets.

Bids will be received for a single prime contract - General Construction. All proposals shall be lump sum.

Project name, contractor's name, and contractor's license number must be clearly marked on the outside of the bid envelope.

You may submit your bid package in advance of the opening date. Your sealed envelope will be held and unsealed at the bid opening time. **If you wish to send your bid via US Mail, FedEx or UPS**, please allow several days for delivery since the **bid must be received (NOT postmarked)** by the date and time stated in the solicitation.

### Pre-Bid Meeting

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 11:00 am in the auditorium at 1 Roosevelt Blvd, Pine Knoll Shores, NC 284512.

Justification of any approvals will be made available to the public in writing no later than seven (7) days prior to bid date.

Complete plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained from Bowman Murray Hemingway Architects upon deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100) in cash or certified check. The full plan deposit will be returned to those bidders provided all documents are returned in good, usable condition within ten (10) days after the bid date.

Electronic copies of plans and specifications may be obtained in PDF format at no cost by emailing [bowers@bhmharch.com](mailto:bowers@bhmharch.com).

**NOTE:** The bidder shall include with the bid proposal the form *Identification of Minority Business Participation* identifying the minority business participation it will use on the project and shall include either *Affidavit A* or *Affidavit B* as applicable. Forms and instructions are included within the Proposal Form in the bid documents. Failure to complete these forms is grounds for rejection of the bid. (GS143-128.2c Effective 1/1/2002.)

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper license as required under the state laws governing their respective trades.

General contractors are notified that Chapter 87, Article 1, General Statutes of North Carolina, will be observed in receiving and awarding general contracts. General contractors submitting bids on this project must have a license classification for Unlimited.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cash deposit or a certified check drawn on some bank or trust company, insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, of an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal, or in lieu thereof a bidder may offer a bid bond of five percent (5%) of the bid executed by a surety company licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute the contract in accordance with the bid bond. Said deposit shall be retained by the owner as liquidated damages in the event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within ten days after the award or to give satisfactory surety as required by law.

A performance bond and a payment bond will be required for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Payment will be made based on ninety-five percent (95%) of the monthly estimates, and the final payment made upon completion and acceptance of work.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 60 days.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities.

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