

Transylvania County, North Carolina

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspection Services

New Transylvania County Courthouse

Purpose

Transylvania County is soliciting Statements of Qualifications from qualified engineering firms licensed in North Carolina to provide independent construction materials testing, geotechnical observation, and Chapter 17 Special Inspection services for the construction of the new Transylvania County Courthouse. Selection will be made in accordance with the North Carolina Mini-Brooks Act (N.C.G.S. 143-64.31 et seq.).

Project Description

Project: New Transylvania County Courthouse

Location: Brevard, North Carolina

Approximate Size: 68,460 SF

The selected consultant will provide testing and inspection services throughout construction and project closeout.

Scope of Services

The consultant shall provide all labor, equipment, personnel, transportation, laboratory services, reporting, and certifications necessary to perform:

- Earthwork observation, proof rolling, density and moisture testing
- Aggregate testing
- Concrete sampling, slump, air, temperature, cylinders and compression testing
- Reinforcing steel inspections
- Structural steel welding and bolting inspections
- Masonry inspections and prism testing
- Asphalt testing and density
- Utility trench backfill testing
- Foundation bearing verification
- Fireproofing inspections
- Post-installed anchor inspections
- All required NC Building Code Chapter 17 Special Inspections
- Daily reports, deficiency notices, laboratory reports, weekly summaries, and final certification.

Minimum Qualifications

- North Carolina licensed Professional Engineering firm
- Accredited laboratory (AASHTO/CCRL as applicable)
- NICET-certified technicians

- Minimum 5 years of comparable experience
- Experience on at least three public buildings over \$10 million
- Ability to respond quickly to the project site

Submission Requirements

Include:

- Letter of Interest
- Firm profile
- Project team and resumes
- Relevant project experience
- References
- Laboratory certifications
- NC licenses
- Insurance certificates
- Sample reports
- Hourly rate schedule (for negotiations only)

Selection Process

Qualifications will be evaluated and ranked in accordance with the Mini-Brooks Act. The County may interview shortlisted firms and will negotiate scope and compensation with the highest-ranked firm. If negotiations are unsuccessful, the County may proceed to the next-ranked firm.

General Conditions

Transylvania County reserves the right to reject any or all submissions, waive informalities, request additional information, and cancel this solicitation if deemed to be in the County's best interest. The successful firm shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws.