



## I-10 WIDENING EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH



### DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT NOTICE OF INTENT

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) anticipates receiving Federal stimulus funding as part of the currently proposed American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan. It is the Department's intent, pending the receipt of sufficient Federal stimulus funding and FHWA's approval to use the Design-Build methodology, to fund five (5) Design-Build projects simultaneously, including the one described in this Notice of Intent. The issuance by LA DOTD of the Request for Qualifications and the furtherance of the Design-Build procurement process beyond this NOI for this project is also contingent upon the approval of the House and Senate Transportation, Highways, and Public Works Committees.

LA DOTD is announcing its intent to enter into a Design-Build contract with a **Design-Builder (DB)**, possessing both professional engineering design capability and qualified construction contracting capability, for the widening of Interstate 10 (I-10) in East Baton Rouge Parish. The estimated cost of this project is anticipated to be within \$65 and \$80 million.

The proposed Project consists of the widening the mainline of I-10 from four (4) lanes to six (6) lanes from just East of the Seigen Lane Interchange (the Eastern terminus of the current I-10 widening project -- SP# 450-10-0108) proceeding eastward through the Highland Road Interchange. Widening will occur to the inside (median side) of the existing pavement and includes the potential for the following bridge structure modifications and/or replacements.

- **Highland Road Interchange (LA 42):** Provide interior widening of the Interchange overpass structure.
- **Ward Creek Diversion Canal Bridge:** Provide median widening of the bridge.
- **KCS Railroad Overpass @ La Crete Lane:** Provide interior widening of the overpass structure.

The anticipated contract award will be in the third quarter of 2009. The LA DOTD anticipates obtaining all required Corps permits; however, the **DB** contractor will be responsible for any permit modifications resulting from either design or construction issues. LA DOTD is currently working with FHWA to process this project environmentally as a Categorical Exclusion (CE).

A single Design-Build (**DB**) Team will be selected for the entire Project. The selection process will consist of two phases. Responses to this Notice of Intent (NOI) and the following Request For Qualifications (RFQ) will be evaluated to establish a short-list of proposers that will be invited to submit proposals in response to the Request For Proposals (RFP). The selection process will evaluate the ability of the proposers to plan, design, construct, and control this Project to provide a quality product, on or ahead of schedule.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development is seeking a **DB Team** that is committed to quality; has proven experience in the management, design, and construction of highway projects; will bring innovative approaches to the Project; will ensure timely completion; and is willing to partner with the LA DOTD for the mutual success of the Project.

#### **Items to be Furnished by DOTD**

- Traffic Data (Base and Design years)
- Design and Construction plans for the current I-10 Widening project (SP# 450-10-0108).
- Corps of Engineers permits
- Coastal Use permit (if applicable)
- Geotechnical Data (if available)
- As-Builts (if available)

Firms/Teams interested in providing the services for this Project should provide a Letter of Interest (LOI) to Mr. Jeff Burst, Project Manager, who is the official DOTD point of contact for this project by E-mail ([jeffburst@dotd.la.gov](mailto:jeffburst@dotd.la.gov)). All correspondence with the DOTD on matters concerning this project should be made through Mr. Burst and is required to be via E-Mail.

A Letter of Interest (LOI) from DB Teams in response to this Notice of Intent will be due by close of business on February 27, 2009. The LOI should, at a minimum, name the proposed PRIMARY team members and contact information for the official point of contact for the DB Team.

Firms that provide DOTD with a LOI will be issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and will be placed on a list of interested firms that will be placed on the DOTD Web site (<http://www.dotd.la.gov>).