

RFI # 18



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October 21, 2021

Mr. Charles Givin, Chairman
Grant County Sanitary Sewer District
1 Farrell Drive
P.O. Box 460
Crittenden, Kentucky 41030

Re: Award Recommendation
200,000 Gallon Equalization Basin
Grant County Sanitary Sewer District
Grant County, Kentucky
HMB Project No. 4310.00

Dear Mr. Givin:

Bids were received on September 30, 2021, for the 200,000 Gallon Equalization Basin project for the Grant County Sanitary Sewer District (GCSSD). Five (5) bids were received ranging from \$1,649,000 to \$2,390,000. The low bidder was Lokits Contracting, LLC with a bid of \$1,649,000. The second lowest bid was \$1,920,000 which is about 16 percent higher than the low bid. Attached is a bid tabulation with all bids received.

A company history and contacts on past and current projects, proposed individuals working on the project, and proposed subcontractors were requested and provided. See attached e-mail from Cody Lokits (owner) dated October 2, 2021. Following is a summary of responses from references.

Lokits Contracting, LLC is a new company having been formed in August 2021, and currently has not done a project or have any underway. Cody Lokits is owner and would be the project manager for this project. Cody has worked with several contractors as project engineer/manager on water and wastewater projects for the past 10 years. All references checked gave good reviews for his work and competence as a project manager. Tim Munday is listed as being the on-site superintendent. References indicated that Tim is qualified to be superintendent for this project based on past good work references. Samson Steel (Frankfort), Glenwood Electric (Walton), and Steelworx (Morehead) are proposed to be the subcontractors for this project. Steelworx is proposed to do the excavation, concrete, and provide labors and equipment as necessary. A majority of the work other than project management and supervision would be subcontracted to these companies.

Highway Engineering
Structural Engineering
Water & Wastewater
Site Development
Right-of-Way
Master Planning
Environmental Planning
Surveying
Project Management
Cost Estimation
Construction Inspection
Aviation Services
Environmental Remediation

The low bid submitted by Lokits Contracting, LLC, is about \$500,000 over the estimated construction cost and funding, currently available.

Therefore, based on the information obtained, HMB recommends the award of this contract to Lokits Contracting, LLC, for \$1,649,000.00 if additional funding can be obtained to cover the over run.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (502) 695-9800.

Sincerely,
HMB Professional Engineers, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. Benton Hanson".

P. Benton Hanson, PE
Senior Project Manager

cc: Brian Simpson, Superintendent, GCSSD
Paul Harp, Assistant Superintendent, GCSSD
Chris Steward, P. E., HMB
Brandon Baxter, P.E., HMB



BID TABULATION
 Grant County Sanitary Sewer District
 200,000 Gallon Equalization Basin
 Bid Date: Sept. 30, 2021 at 11:00 AM Local T


Water Resources
 Transportation
 Surveying
 Environmental

4310.00
 10/4/2021
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 1 of 1

LUMP SUM BID PRICE				Lokits Contracting, LLC	Jave, LLC	Lonkard Construction Co.	Building Crafts, Inc.	The Walker Company
ITEM No.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL
1	Lump Sum Bid Price for 200,000 gallon Equalization Basin: This portion consists of the construction of a 200,000 gallon equalization basin and all related work as specified and shown in the Drawings; except those items listed in Article 5.02 herein.	1	LS	\$1,609,000.00	\$1,880,000.00	\$1,891,345.00	\$1,915,000.00	\$2,350,000.00
2	Lump Sum Bid Price for Article 5.02 - Allowances	1	LS	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
TOTAL LUMP SUM BID PRICE				\$1,649,000.00	\$1,920,000.00	\$1,931,345.00	\$1,955,000.00	\$2,390,000.00

This is to state that the above is an accurate tabulation of bids received on September 30, 2021 by Grant County Sanitary Sewer District for the 200,000 Gallon Equalization Basin.

Signed: _____


 P. Benton Hanson, PE
 Kentucky PE No. 15746



Benton Hanson

From: Cody Lokits <cody@lokitscontracting.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 8:33 AM
To: Benton Hanson
Subject: RE: Grant county SSD - 200,000 Gal EQ Basin
Attachments: Project References.pdf; Cody M. Lokits Resume.pdf; TIMOTHY MUNDAY PROJECT EXPERIENCE.pdf

Hi Benton,

Please see the below responses and attached supporting documents:

1. Provide company history on current and past projects with project descriptions, references, and phone numbers. Include a list of change orders, and contract completion history.
 - a. Lokits Contracting is a new firm. Currently, we have no projects underway; however, we have a pending award for a \$100,000 project for the Georgetown Municipal WWTP#2 Valve Replacement. However, I have extensive Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant management experience over a large number of large value/complex projects throughout the Southeast and Washinton, DC area. I have attached my project experience herein with references and phone numbers.
2. Provide this information on personnel history indicating project manager and superintendent for this project.
 - a. I will personally be managing the project along with on-site Superintendent Tim Munday. Tim is a 40+ year veteran in the Water/Wastewater field and comes to Lokits Contracting from Haren Construction (Etowah, TN). I have attached both my resume and Tim's project experience for your review.
3. Demonstrate financial ability/stability of Lotkis for a project of this size with a listing of company assets.
 - a. Lokits Contracting is a new firm and will be renting construction equipment assets to perform this project. Additionally, the cost for small tools, supplies, etc. are included within the cost of the bid. As it relates to financial stability, Lokits Contracting's Bonding is underwritten by Nationwide Insurance Company (AM Best Rating of A+) at a current capacity of \$2,000,000. For further bonding/financial stability information you may contact our Bonding Agent, Ben Dycus at 859-588-7511.
4. List staff available for this project.
 - a. Lokits Contracting will be hiring both equipment operators and Carpenters and employing personnel from a Morehead, KY firm (SteelWorx) to accomplish this project. Project Superintendent Tim Munday will leverage his past crews to assist in assembling the team to perform the work.
5. List proposed subcontractors with qualifications and references including contacts and phone numbers.
 - a. Reinforcing Steel Installation: Samson Steel – Frankfort, KY (Scott Black 502-229-2373)
 - b. Electrical Subcontractor: Glenwood Electric – Walton, KY (Pat Thaman 859-485-3700)
 - c. Misc. Labor, Excavation, & Concrete Sub (as needed): Steelworx – Morehead, KY (Mitch Hager 606-623-5833)
6. List proposed suppliers.
 - a. Blowers & Diffusers: Aerzen & Aquarius (c/o J. Dwight Thompson)
 - b. Submersible Pump Station Equipment: Myers (c/o Straeffler Pump Supply)
 - c. Hydraulic Gates: Fontaine Aquanox (c/o Rawdon Myers)
 - d. Ductile Iron Pipe & Process Piping: Ferguson Waterworks
 - e. Valves: Dezurik / Apco (c/o Rawdon Myers)
 - f. Concrete: Irving Materials
 - g. Rebar: CMC Rebar
 - h. Fiberglass Flume: Tracom (c/o Henry P. Thompson)
 - i. Misc. Metals: Dixie Metal Products
 - j. Precast: S&M Precast

k. RTU / SCADA hardware/software: High Tide Technologies (c/o Glenwood Electric)

I hope this information meets with your approval; however, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I understand any concerns regarding the "new-ness" of Lokits Contracting, but I can assure you that I will be integrally involved in every aspect of the execution of this work and that you, HMB, and Grant County SSD will be pleased to have undertaken this project with Lokits Contracting.

Thank you,

Cody M. Lokits, P.E.
cell: (859) 699-2961

cody@lokitscontracting.com



From: Benton Hanson <bhanson@hmbpe.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 2:51 PM
To: Cody Lokits <cody@lokitscontracting.com>
Subject: Grant county SSD - 200,000 Gal EQ Basin

Cody – Based on Lotkis Contracting LLC being the apparent low bidder on the above project with a bid of \$1,649,000.00, provide the following information to assist in determining the responsibility, qualification, and financial ability of Lotkis to complete this project.

1. Provide company history on current and past projects with project descriptions, references, and phone numbers. Include a list of change orders, and contract completion history.
2. Provide this information on personnel history indicating project manager and superintendent for this project.
3. Demonstrate financial ability/stability of Lotkis for a project of this size with a listing of company assets.
4. List staff available for this project.
5. List proposed subcontractors with qualifications and references including contacts and phone numbers.
6. List proposed suppliers.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Thanks, Benton



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