

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS/NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
CITY OF GOOSE LAKE, IOWA**

**WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS 2025**

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements 2025 (WWTF) Project will be received by the City of Goose Lake, at the office of the City Clerk, PO Box 73, 1 School Lane, Goose Lake, IA 52750, until 10:00 a.m. local time on March 17, 2026, at that time and place the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud. The City Council will accept and consider the Bids received at 7:00 p.m. on March 19, 2026, at City Hall, 1 School Lane, Goose Lake, Iowa.

The City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed plans and specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Project at 7:00 p.m., on March 19, 2026, at City Hall, 1 School Lane, Goose Lake, Iowa.

The Project includes the following Work: Construction modifications to the existing 2-Cell Controlled Discharge Lagoon to create a new 3-Cell Controlled Discharge Lagoon WWTF at the existing WWTF Site. The work will include sludge removal and earthwork modifications of the existing cells and relining of them with a synthetic liner. New lagoon piping control structures will be constructed.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum basis as indicated on the Bid Form.

**Time for Commencement and Completion of Work**

Work on the improvement shall commence on or before the date specified in the written "Notice to Proceed" and the project shall be Substantially Complete on or before October 1, 2026, and completed and ready for final payment on or before November 1, 2026. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,000.00 per day will be assessed for each day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the end of the Substantial Completion date; and following Substantial Completion, \$500.00 per day will be assessed for each day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the end of the ready for final payment date will due allowance for extension of contract period due to conditions beyond the control of the Contractor, as approved by the City Council.

**Obtaining Bidding Documents**

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is the Engineer: Origin Design Co., 137 Main Street, Suite 100, Dubuque, Iowa.

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Mondays through Thursdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fridays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Bidders' proposals, plans, specifications and contract documents prepared by Origin Design may be obtained at no cost to interested parties. Plans, specifications, and bidding documents may be obtained through the Origin Design plan room by going to the website at <https://origindesign.com/> and clicking on the 'Bids' tab in the upper right corner. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, 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. The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted will be considered the Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available.

**Bid Security**

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8 and as specified by the Owner. The bid security shall be 10 percent of the total amount of the Bid.

**Bidder Status Form**

Bidders shall submit proof of qualifications to perform the Work as described in the Instructions to Bidders. Under Iowa law, Bidders are required to submit the Bidder Status Form that follows the Bid Form in the specifications. Failure to provide the form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed unresponsive. This may result in the bid being rejected by the Owner.

**Sales Tax**

Bidders should not include sales tax in the bid. Sales tax exemption certificates will be issued in accordance with Iowa Code 423.3, subsection 80, and provided to the contractor and subcontractors for all material purchased for incorporation in the project.

**Correction Period**

The improvements shall be kept and maintained in good repair for a period of 2 years after final acceptance of the project by the City Council.

**Preference for Iowa Products**

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

**Funding Requirements**

Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates will apply to this project and are included in this specification or will be provided in an addendum.

This project has been awarded funds from the Iowa State Revolving fund program. Any bidder or equipment supplier whose firm or affiliate is listed on the U.S. General Services Administration Excluded Parties List System website will be prohibited from the bidding process. Anyone submitting a bid who is listed in this website will be determined to be a nonresponsive bidder in accordance with 40 CFR Part 31. Contractors shall fully comply with the requirements, terms and conditions of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements. Said requirements are contained in the specifications. DBEs are encouraged to participate in this project. SRF certification forms required to be signed and submitted with the Bid are included in the bid packet.

Per SRF funding requirements, American Iron and Steel (AIS) provisions apply to this project. Iron and steel products for this project must be produced in the United States in accordance with the H.R. 3547 - Consolidated Appropriations Act 2014.

This project will be partially funded with Federal funds in the form of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) issued by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) and therefore is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with that program. This is subject to the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requirements under Title IX of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act ("IIJA"), Pub. L. 117-58. Absent an approved waiver, all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this project must be produced in the United States, as further outlined by the Office of Management and Budget's Memorandum M-24-02, Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure. Contractor shall include Manufacturer's Certification for BABA requirements for all BABA-covered items to be incorporated into the infrastructure project. Contractor shall comply with BABA requirements, including coordination with manufacturers, distributors, and suppliers to correct deficiencies in any BABA documentation.

For any change orders, Contractor shall provide BABA documentation for any new products or materials required by the change. Contractor shall designate the responsible parties for determining the final classifications for all project items.

**SECTION 3 OF THE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1965 (AS AMENDED)**

- A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 75, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 75 regulations.
- C. The contractor agrees to post copies of a notice advising workers of the Contractor's commitments under Section 3 in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- D. The contractor agrees to provide written notice of employment and contracting opportunities to all known Section 3 Workers and Section 3 Businesses
- E. The contractor agrees to employ, to the greatest extent feasible, Section 3 workers or provide written justification to the recipient that is consistent with 24 CFR Part 75, describing why it was unable to meet minimum numerical Section 3 worker-hours goals, despite its efforts to comply with the provisions of this clause.
- F. The contractor agrees to maintain records documenting Section 3 Workers that were hired to work on previous Section 3 covered projects or activities that were retained by the contractor for subsequent Section 3 covered projects or activities.
- G. The contractor agrees to post contract and job opportunities to the Opportunity Portal and will check the Business Registry for businesses located in the project area.
- H. The contractor agrees to include compliance with Section 3 requirements in every subcontract for Section 3 projects as defined in 24 CFR part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 75. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 75.
- I. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 75 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 75.
- J. The contractor will certify that they have followed prioritization of effort in 24 CFR part 75.19 for all employment and training opportunities. The contractor will further certify that it meets or exceeds the applicable Section 3 benchmarks, defined in 24 CFR Part 75.23, and if not, shall describe in detail the qualitative efforts it has taken to pursue low- and very low-income persons for economic opportunities.
- K. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

**Section 3 Business Concerns are encouraged to respond to this proposal.** A Section 3 Business Concern is one that satisfies one of the following requirements:

- 1. It is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons.
- 2. Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 Workers,\* or
- 3. It is a business at least 51 percent owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.

\* A Section 3 Worker is defined as any worker who currently fits or when hired within the past five years fit at least one of the following categories, as documented:

- 1. The worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the applicable income limit established by HUD.
- 2. The worker is employed by a Section 3 business concern: or
- 3. The worker is a Youth Build participant.

Businesses that believe they meet the Section 3 criteria are encouraged to register as a Section 3 Business through HUD's website: <https://portalapps.hud.gov/Sec3BusReg/BRegistry/RegisterBusiness>

Bid totals will be available at and after the public bid opening. An itemized bid tabulation will not be publicly available until after the Owner awards the contract.

The City of Goose Lake, Iowa hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities and award a contract to the lowest, responsive, responsible Bidder.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Goose Lake, Iowa  
By: Sarah Beeck  
Title: City Clerk  
February 25, 2026