FORT PIERCE FARMS WATER CONTROL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) ENGINEERING SERVICES

Sealed Statements of Qualifications will be received at the Fort Pierce Farms Water Control District's Office located at 14666 Orange Avenue Fort Pierce, Florida 34945, until **October 31, at 3:00 PM**. The Qualifications will be immediately opened and publicly read concerning any or all of the following categories of services:

Civil Engineering and Surveying for the Fort Pierce Farms Water Control District, in accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. Length of contract: Continuing annually for three (3) years with up to three (3) additional one-year extensions.

Complete RFQ package requirements may be obtained via email request to District Office, Patricia Kuta at: nslrwcd@bellsouth.net

The Fort Pierce Farms Water Control District ("District") reserves the right at its absolute discretion to accept or reject any or all submittals, to certify qualifications to more than one firm in each category of desired service when applicable, and/or to waive any minor irregularities in submittals. Qualifications for desired services not required to be provided by licensed professionals pursuant to Ch. 287.055, F.S. (CCNA) or otherwise by law, may be submitted by other appropriately qualified firms. The District reserves the right to terminate the RFQ process or re-advertise and solicit new or additional qualifications. The District reserves the right to retain all qualifications submitted and to use any ideas in a submittal package regardless of whether that submittal is selected or not. Submission of a submittal package indicates acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in the RFQ unless clearly and specifically noted in the qualifications submitted and confirmed in a contract between the District and the firm(s) selected. There is no obligation on the part of the District, express or implied, to reimburse responding firms for any expenses in the development of their qualifications. The District encourages minority-owned and small businesses to submit qualifications.

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Bid on a Contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not be awarded or perform Work as a Contractor, Supplier, Subcontractor, or Consultant under a Contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for Category two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Cone of Silence: Applicants and individuals acting on behalf of the applicant should not lobby the District's personnel or Commissioners since such activity will result in the rejection and disqualification of the applicant for the advertised services. For purposes of this Request for Qualifications, the term "lobbying" is defined as an action taken by an individual, firm, association, joint venture partnership, syndicate, corporation, or others seeking to influence the selection process by or through the District's Board Members or District's personnel after the initial publication of this Notice and through the time that an award recommendation is issued by District's Board of Commissioners. This prohibition on contact shall not apply to Requests for Information (RFI), as provided in the RFQ package.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR FORT PIERCE FARMS WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Robert Johnson President, Board of Supervisors