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10/21/2025

FBAI Appeal 10/21/25

Falcone Bros & Associates Inc. believes that this project for the Esperero Wash Culvert Replacement should have been an open bid because it does not qualify as a emergency, if there were stamped plans made which take time and planning. If this were an emergency the work would have been done right away as they had problems back in August of 2022 and a Design-Build should have been done in order to get the work done in an emergency. FBAI would also like to request the written statement of justification as to why normal procurement methods were not followed, which should be included in official procurement file under Pima County Procurement code section 11.12.060. Esperero wash had issues back in 2022 during the monsoon season, and at this time Pima County Procurement had an emergency crew come in to clean and open the road 2 weeks earlier than expected as stated on the Arizona Daily Star on 8/25/22. They also stated that permanent repairs were to be done after the monsoon season had come to an end. FBAI feels like they are being discriminated against in the letter dated 10/15/25 regarding additional information, stating that conducting an open solicitation process a low bidder may not possess the expertise required to meet the complexity of this project. FBAI has completed a project of the same scope for Pima County at the intersection of Continental Rd and Obrego Dr, as well as a major part of the loop, and one of the largest pedestrian bridges in southern Arizona over Camino De La Tierra Rd. which Pima County also received an award for this project.

- Where in the solicitation does it state that this is a limited competition procurement method?
- Who are the other 5 companies that received an invitation for this project?
- This method as well as other similar procurement methods that are not open bid are usually more costly to the taxpayers.
- Why do the as read bid results show ISX Construction LLC twice?







NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID IFB-2500015692 ESPERERO WASH AT SUNRISE DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT

The project consists of furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, traffic control, utility relocation and supervision necessary for construction of a 6-cell 10'x6' reinforced concrete box culvert, collector channel, drop inlet, outlet apron, erosion protection at culvert outlet and roadway embankments and pavement replacement on Sunrise Drive approximately 3700 feet east of Kolb Road.

All work is to be completed pursuant to the Construction Documents prepared by Psomas Inc, dated July 01, 2025, which are attached herein.

Estimated cost for the project is between \$2,900,000.00 and \$3,250,000.00. The project shall be complete and in place within **130 working days** from Notice to Proceed. Liquidated Damages for late delivery will be assessed per PAG 2015 Specification Section 108-9.

A minimum goal of 5% for participation by SBE firms as a percentage of the base bid amount of the bid award is established for this project. All bidders should read the SBE Documents carefully. SBE documents included at the end of this solicitation contain forms that must be fully completed and included with bids.

BID BOND: Bids must be accompanied by an original bid guarantee of 10% of the TOTAL BID amount. Pima County accepts the forms of bid guarantee provided in A.R.S. § 34-201(A) (3).

LICENSING: All bidders must hold a valid license issued by the State of Arizona Registrar of Contractors and maintain same throughout the duration of the contract term. Failure to maintain said license may be grounds for default of the contract and subsequent termination.

The entire information package can be downloaded from BidNet Direct: https://www.bidnetdirect.com/arizona/pimacounty.

ONLY RESPONSES THAT ARE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE E-PROCUREMENT PLATFORM, BIDNET DIRECT https://www.bidnetdirect.com/arizona/pimacounty WILL BE CONSIDERED.

For assistance BidNet Direct's Vendor Support Team is available Monday through Friday 5am-5pm MST. Please call 800-835-4603 and press option 2 to speak with live customer support.

BID DUE DATE/TIME:

September 24, 2025, at or before 2:00 P.M. Local Tucson Time

LOCATION: Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 299 806 145 643 5

Passcode: RG3JS94A

Or call in (audio only), +1 602-649-0382,351574656# United States, Phoenix

Phone conference ID: 351 574 656#

Health Alert:

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DOT-57 Rillito Riverpath & Camino de la Tierra Bicycle & Pedestrian Bridge

Total Cost: \$1,654,944

Project Number: CTR.4RRVPA

Funding Sources: 1997 HURF Bonds, ADOT Grant funds, RTA

Completion Date: September 2017 Managing Dept.: Transportation

Project Map:

The Camino de la Tierra Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge project provides a vehicle-separated route across Camino de la Tierra. This project is located on the Rillito Riverpath, just east of the connection with the Santa Cruz Riverpath, making it one of the most highly used areas of the Loop system. The connection is a gateway from the central foothills to the path system leading south to downtown or north to Marana or Oro Valley.

This is a transportation enhancement project, which is an ADOT/FHWA grant program to provide alternative transportation projects. Additional regional funding was provided from the RTA.

The project constructed a new 12-foot wide nine-span pedestrian bridge using salvaged highway bridge girders from a local bridge replacement project. The bridge surface consists of the typical asphalt, and uses a chain link fencing along the path. Other ancillary items installed include connections to the road bike lanes, the trailhead and restroom area, and landscaping.

The contractor, Falcone Brothers, along with the re-use of the concrete girders presented a unique construction challenge throughout the project installation. The project team was able to work diligently to overcome field conditions and changes in order to keep the final construction cost within the original awarded value.







