

**State of Florida  
Department of Transportation**



INVITATION TO BID  
**WILDFLOWER SEEDS: FLORIDA GROWN AND OTHER  
GROWN**

**DOT-ITB-19-9102-KW**

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Department of Transportation  
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Bid Due Date & Time (On or Before): June 19, 2019 @ 3:00 P.M. Local Time

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Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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**FLORIDA GROWN - WILDFLOWER SEEDS**  
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DOT#220393

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DOT#220396

**PRICE / LB.** **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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11. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Cosmos sulphureus [Estimated Total 15 lbs.]  
DOT#220358

**PRICE / LB.** **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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12. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Eragrostis spectabilis [Estimated Total 115 lbs.]  
DOT#000000

**PRICE / LB.** **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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**FLORIDA GROWN - WILDFLOWER SEEDS**  
**BID SHEET – PAGE 3 OF 6**

13. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** *Flaveria linearis* [Estimated Total 50 lbs.]  
DOT#220312

**PRICE / LB.**    **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220398

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DOT#220366

**PRICE / LB.**    **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220399

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DOT#220360

**PRICE / LB.**    **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220419

**PRICE / LB.**    **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220306

**PRICE / LB.**    **QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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**FLORIDA GROWN - WILDFLOWER SEEDS**  
**BID SHEET – PAGE 4 OF 6**

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 DOT#220423

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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 DOT#220424

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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 DOT#220324

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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25. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Phlox Drummondii (mixed) [Estimated Total 1395 lbs.]  
 DOT#220405

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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26. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Phlox Drummondii (red) [Estimated Total 635 lbs.]  
 DOT#220406

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DOT#000000

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220309

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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29. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Rudbeckia hirta [Estimated Total 580 lbs.]  
DOT#220352

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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30. **ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Rudbeckia mollis [Estimated Total 115 lbs.]  
DOT#220363

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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DOT#220304

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**34. ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Tradescantia ohiensis [Estimated Total 125 lbs.]  
DOT#220317

**PRICE / LB. QUANTITY AVAILABLE**

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**35. ITEM / DESCRIPTION:** Trifolium incarnatum w 50 lb inoculant [Estimated Total 2050 lbs.]  
DOT#220303

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM CERTIFICATION**

375-040-18  
PROCUREMENT  
06/12

287.087 Preference to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. --Whenever two or more bids, proposals, or replies that are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the state or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid, proposal, or reply received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. In order to have a drug-free workplace program, a business shall:

(1) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.

(2) Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.

(3) Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).

(4) In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction.

(5) Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community by, any employee who is so convicted.

(6) Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

**Does the individual responding to this solicitation certify that their firm has implemented a drug-free workplace program in accordance with the provision of Section 287.087, Florida Statutes, as stated above?**

YES

NO

NAME OF BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Florida Department of Transportation  
**IN-STATE PREFERENCE FORM**  
**For Invitation-to-Bid Commodity**

375-040-56  
PROCUREMENT  
OGC – 08/18

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Pursuant to Section 287.084, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida-based business preference, effective July 1, 2012:

In a competitive solicitation in which the lowest bid is submitted by a vendor whose principal place of business is located outside the state of Florida and that state where the vendor's principal place of business is located does not grant a preference in competitive solicitation to vendors having a principal place of business in that state, the preference to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor having a principal place of business in this state shall be 5 percent.

**Note: The Vendor is MUST complete and submit this form with its bid. Failure to submit will result in the vendor being found non-responsive.**

Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

The Vendor (does ) (does not ) have a principal place of business located in the state of Florida.

If so, please provide an address:

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**Note:** Pursuant to Section 287.084(2) A vendor whose principal place of business is outside the state of Florida **must accompany any written bid** documents with a written opinion of an attorney licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state to its own business entities whose principal places of business is in that foreign state in the letting of any or all public contracts. **Failure to submit the written opinion will result in the vendor being found non-responsive.**

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**VENDOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING  
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS**

Respondent Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor's Authorized Representative Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Section 287.135, F.S. prohibits a company from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing a contract for goods or services of any amount if the company is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Section 215.475, F.S. or is engaged in a boycott of Israel. Section 287.135, F.S. also prohibits a company from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing a contract for goods or services of \$1,000,000 or more, if the company is on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector Lists which are created pursuant to s. 215.473, F.S.

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent, I hereby certify that the company identified above in the section entitled "Respondent Vendor Name" is not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List. I further certify that the company is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject company to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs.

Certified By: \_\_\_\_\_  
who is authorized to sign on behalf of the above referenced company.  
Authorized Signature Print Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# INTRODUCTION SECTION

## 1) INVITATION

The purpose of this Invitation to Bid is to obtain competitive bids for the purchase of (Wildflower Seeds: Florida Grown and Other Grown by the Department of Transportation, hereafter referred to as the "Department".

All commodities identified in this Invitation to Bid will be subject to the availability of identical commodities as provided by mandatory Department of Management Services' State Contract(s) at such time these commodities become available. In the event of duplication(s) of commodities, the Department of Management Services' mandatory State Contract shall prevail.

## 2) TIMELINE

Provided below is a list of critical dates and actions. These dates are subject to change. Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements") under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid.

<u>ACTION / LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCAL TIME</u>
<b>DEADLINE FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS -</b> (There is no deadline for administrative questions)	<b>06-10-2019</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>BIDS DUE (ON OR BEFORE) -</b> Florida Department of Transportation Central Procurement Office Attn: Katie Wagner 605 Suwannee Street, MS 20 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450 850-414-4956	<b>06-19-2019</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>PUBLIC OPENING -</b> Florida Department of Transportation Central Procurement Office 605 Suwannee Street, MS 20 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450	<b>06-19-2019</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD</b>	<b>- 06-24-2019</b>	

## 3) BID OPENING AGENDA

The sealed bids will be opened by the Department's Procurement Office personnel at the date, time and location in the Timeline. All bid openings are open to the public and will be conducted according to the following agenda:

Opening remarks – Approximate time of 2 minutes by Department Procurement Office personnel.

Public input period – To allow a maximum of 15 minutes total for public input related to the bid solicitation.

Bids opened – At conclusion of public input or 15 minutes, whichever occurs first, bids received timely will be opened with bidder's name and prices to be read aloud.

Adjourn - After all bids received timely have been opened, the meeting will be adjourned.

#### **4) SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS**

Any person with a qualified disability requiring special accommodations at a pre-bid conference, public meeting, and/or opening shall contact the contact person at the phone number, e-mail address or fax number provided on the title page at least five (5) working days prior to the event. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact this office by using the Florida Relay Services which can be reached at 1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

#### **1) MyFloridaMarketPlace (MFMP)**

BIDDERS MUST BE ACTIVELY REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE SYSTEM BY THE TIME AND DATE OF THE BID OPENING OR THEY MAY BE CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE (see Special Condition 21). All prospective bidders that are not registered, should go to <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/> to complete on-line registration, or call 1-866-352-3776 for assisted registration.

All payment(s) to the vendor resulting from this competitive solicitation **WILL** be subject to the 1% MFMP Transaction Fee in accordance with the referenced Form PUR 1000 General Contract Condition #14. The Transaction Fees imposed shall be based upon the date of issuance of the payment.

#### **2) Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) W-9 REQUIREMENT**

The Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) requires all vendors that do business with the state to submit an electronic Substitute Form W-9. Vendors must submit their W-9 forms electronically at <https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com> to receive payments from the state. Contact the DFS Customer Service Desk at (850) 413-5519 or [FLW9@myfloridacfo.com](mailto:FLW9@myfloridacfo.com) with any questions.

#### **3) QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

In accordance with section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes, respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

Any technical questions arising from this Invitation to Bid must be forwarded, in writing, to the procurement agent identified below. Questions must be received no later than the time and date reflected on the Timeline. The Department's written response to written inquiries submitted timely by bidders will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements"), under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting their bid.

**WRITTEN TECHNICAL QUESTIONS** should be submitted to:

**FDOT Procurement Office**

**Attn: Katie Wagner**

**605 Suwannee, Street, Mail Station 20, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450**

or [Katie.wagner@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Katie.wagner@dot.state.fl.us)

Questions regarding administrative aspects of the bid process should be directed to the Procurement Agent in writing at the address above or by phone: (850)-414-4956

#### **4) ORAL INSTRUCTIONS / CHANGES TO THE INVITATION TO BID (ADDENDA)**

No negotiations, decisions, or actions will be initiated or executed by a bidder as a result of any oral discussions with a State employee. Only those communications which are in writing from the Department will be considered as a duly authorized expression on behalf of the Department.

Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements") under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid. All Addenda will be acknowledged by signature and subsequent submission of Addenda with bid when so stated in the Addenda.

#### **5) DIVERSITY ACHIEVEMENT**

The Department, in accordance with *Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC 2000d- 2000d-4, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21*, Nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that the Department will affirmatively ensure that in any contract/agreement entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority and disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

The Department encourages the recruitment and utilization of small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses. The Department, its vendors, suppliers, and consultants should take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses have the opportunity to compete for and perform contract work for the Department in a nondiscriminatory environment.

#### **6) PRICES/DELIVERY**

Prices shall be firm, net, delivered prices, F.O.B. destination.

Delivery must be between August 12th and September 30th, 2019. The following varieties, however, may be delivered between December 1st and December 19th, 2019: Helianthus angustifolius and Sisyrinchium angustifolium. Make all deliveries Monday thru Thursday 7:30 – 5:30 pm. No deliveries on Fridays, weekends or state holidays. Deliveries made after times or after December 19th, 2019 will be rejected without prior approval by Jon Heller or Renee Matthews.

#### **7) IN-STATE PREFERENCE FOR COMMODITY BIDS**

In accordance with Section 287.084, Florida Statutes, when the lowest responsible and responsive bid is submitted by a vendor whose principal place of business is located outside the state of Florida, a 5% price preference shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor whose principal place of business is located in the state of Florida, as determined by the vendor's registration with the Florida Department of State (SunBiz) unless the state where the out-of-state vendor is located provides a price preference for businesses having a principal place of business in that state. In that case, the same price

preference for businesses having a principal place of business in that state. In that case, the same price preference shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor whose principal place of business is located in the state of Florida responding to this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

All bidders **MUST** complete the attached “In-State Preference Form” and submit with their bid response. All vendors whose principal place of business is outside of Florida, as determined by the vendor’s registration with the Florida Department of State (SunBiz), **must accompany any written bid, proposal, or reply documents** with a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state to its own business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state in the letting of any or all public contracts. Failure to submit the “In-State Preference Form AND written opinion will result in the vendor being found non-responsive.

For the 5% preference, the Department will apply 5% to the bid price(s) of the lowest out of state vendor whose state does not grant a preference if that vendor has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid. The “In-State Preference” does not apply to transportation projects that use federal funds.

**8) INTENDED AWARD**

As the best interest of the State may require, the right is reserved to make award(s) by individual item, group of items, all or none, or a combination thereof: on a geographical district basis and / or on a statewide basis with one or more suppliers, to reject any and all bids or waive any minor irregularity or technicality in bids received. When it is determined there is competition to the lowest responsible bidder, evaluation of other bids is not required. Bidders are cautioned to make no assumptions, unless their bid has been evaluated as being responsive. All awards made as a result of this bid shall conform to applicable Florida Statute. If the Department is confronted with identical pricing or scoring from multiple vendors, the Department shall determine the order of award using the following criteria, in the order of preference listed below (from highest priority to lowest priority):

1. Section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes; Veteran Business Enterprise
2. Section 287.087, Florida Statute; Drug Free Work Place
3. Section 287.057(11); Minority Business Enterprise

In the event that the application of the above referenced preferences does not resolve the identical replies, the Department shall determine the award by means of random drawing.

**9) PRE-BID CONFERENCE:**

A PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL NOT BE HELD.

**10) ALTERNATES**

ALTERNATE BRANDS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS BID. BID AS SPECIFIED.

**11) WARRANTY/SUBSTITUTIONS**

A warranty is required on all items purchased against defective materials, workmanship, and failure to perform in accordance with required industry performance criteria, for a period of not less than ninety (90) days from the date of acceptance by the purchaser. Any deviation from these criteria must be documented in the bid response or the above statement shall prevail. Delivery of substitute commodities requires prior written approval from the ordering location.

- Analysis shall include Species (currently recognized scientific name)
- Seed lot number
- Percent of purity (by weight)
- Percent of seed (by weight)
- Certify that the seed contain no seed from noxious weeds

- Percent of viable seed as determined by a TZ (tetrazolium) test performed within six (6) months of delivery date

Sources identified seed (for Florida grown seed) shall have a yellow tag certifying this form the Southern Seed Certification Association in Auburn (SSCA).

## **12) REPLACEMENT/RESTOCKING**

Replacement of all materials found defective within the warranty period shall be made without cost to the purchaser, including transportation if applicable. All fees associated with restocking cancelled orders shall be the responsibility of the vendor.

## **13) PRODUCT REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS**

Any deviation from specifications indicated herein must be clearly pointed out; otherwise, it will be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications, and successful bidder will be held responsible therefore. Deviations must be explained in detail on separate attached sheet(s).

## **14) ACCEPTANCE**

All items listed in the specifications, delivered to the Department not meeting specifications or found to be poorly manufactured will not be accepted, but returned to the vendor, at their expense, for replacement. Replacement of all items found defective shall be made without cost to the Department, including transportation, if applicable. As it may be impossible for each facility to inspect all items upon arrival, a reasonable opportunity must be given to these facilities for inspection of the items, and returning those that are defective.

## **15) REVIEW OF BIDDER'S FACILITIES & QUALIFICATIONS**

After the bid due date and prior to contract execution, the Department reserves the right to perform or to have performed, an on-site review of the bidder's facilities and qualifications. This review will serve to verify data and representations submitted by the bidder and may be used to determine whether the bidder has adequate facilities, equipment, qualified and experienced staff, and overall management capabilities to provide the required items. The review may also serve to verify whether the bidder has financial capabilities adequate to meet the contract requirements.

**Should** the Department determine that the bid package has material misrepresentations or that the size or nature of the bidder's facilities, equipment, management capabilities, or the number of experienced personnel (including technical staff) are not adequate to ensure satisfactory contract performance, the Department has the right to reject the bid.

## **16) PROTEST OF INVITATION TO BID SPECIFICATIONS**

Any person who is adversely affected by the contents of this Invitation to Bid must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the solicitation (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and
2. A formal written protest in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall



constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

#### **17) UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS**

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any contractor is considered a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If the contractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the contract.

#### **18) SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS**

ALL Responses, regardless of dollar value, must include a completed [Vendor Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies Lists](#) to certify the respondent is not on either of those lists. The Form should be submitted with the Price Proposal.

A Vendor is ineligible to enter into a contract with the Department for goods or services of any amount if, at the time of entering into such contract, the Vendor is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel.

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, also prohibits companies from entering into a contract for goods or services of \$1 million or more that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector Lists which were created pursuant to s. 215.473, Florida Statutes.

If the Department determines the Vendor submitted a false certification under Section 287.135 of the Florida Statutes, the Department shall either terminate the Contract after it has given the Vendor notice and an opportunity to demonstrate the Department's determination of false certification was in error pursuant to Section 287.135 of the Florida Statutes, or maintain the Contract if the conditions of Section 287.135 of the Florida Statutes are met.

#### **19) RESERVATIONS**

The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received and reserves the right to make an award without further discussion of the bids submitted. Therefore, the bidder should make sure that the bid package submitted is complete and accurate and submitted to ensure delivery on or before the bid opening time and date specified in this solicitation. It is understood that the bid will become a part of the Department's official file, without obligation to the Department.

#### **20) ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS**

No conditions may be applied to any aspect of the ITB by the bidder. Any conditions placed on any aspect of the bid documents by the bidder may result in the bid being rejected as a conditional bid (see "RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS"). **DO NOT WRITE IN CHANGES ON ANY ITB SHEET.** The only recognized changes to the ITB prior to bid opening will be a written Addenda issued by the Department.

#### **21) RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS**

Bids will not be considered if not received by the Department **on or before** the date and time specified as the due date for submission. All bids must be typed or printed in ink. A responsive bid is an offer to provide the items specified in this Invitation to Bid in accordance with all requirements of this Invitation to Bid. Bids found to be non-responsive will not be considered. Bids may be rejected if found to be irregular or not in conformance with the specifications and instructions herein contained. A bid may be found to be irregular or non-responsive by reasons that include, but are not limited to, failure to utilize or complete prescribed forms, modifying the bid specifications, submitting conditional bids or incomplete bids, submitting indefinite or ambiguous bids, or executing forms or the bid sheet with improper and/or undated signatures. Other conditions which may cause rejection of bids include, evidence of collusion among bidders, obvious lack of

experience or expertise to provide the required items, and failure to perform or meet financial obligations on previous contracts. ALL determinations of responsiveness will be made by the FDOT Procurement Office.

**22) REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

The bidder must use the attached Bid Sheet to submit its bid. The Bid Sheet must be signed and dated in ink by a representative who is authorized to contractually bind the bidder. All bid sheets and other documentation submitted in response to this solicitation must be executed and submitted in a sealed envelope. **Indicate the bid number, with the time and date of the bid opening, on the envelope used to return the bid.**

**23) LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

If you are a dealer in agricultural products, subject to licensing under section 604.15 through 604.34 Florida Statutes, proof must be attached to you bid. Failure to provide proof of license, when applicable, will result in rejection of your bid.

**24) ADDITIONAL ORDERS**

There will be an original order placed by the Office of Maintenance (OOM) in Tallahassee. Additional quantities may be ordered by the seven (7) Districts (D1 – Southwest Florida, D2 – Northeast Florida, D3 – Northwest Florida, D4 – Southeast Florida, D5 – Central Florida, D6 – South Florida and D7 – West Central Florida).

**Additional orders must be packaged, bundled and invoiced separately. Packaging must be clearly marked with the purchase order number and district number.**

**25) DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE" PREFERENCE**

Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received, the Department shall determine the order of award first in accordance with section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes, giving preference to "Veteran Business Enterprise" then to bid responses from vendors that certify the business has implemented a drug-free workplace program in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. The "Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification" must be completed and submitted with the bid response to be eligible for this preference.

**26) COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL**

Copyrighted material will be accepted as part of a bid only if accompanied by a waiver that will allow the Department to make paper and electronic copies necessary for the use of Department staff and agents. It is noted that copyrighted material is not exempt from the Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Therefore, such material will be subject to viewing by the public, but copies of the material will not be provided to the public.

**27) ATTACHMENT TO ITB SUBMITTAL - CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL**

The Bidder must include any materials it asserts to be exempted from public disclosure under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, in a separate bound document labeled "Attachment to Invitation to Bid, Number DOT-ITB-19-9102-KW - Confidential Material". The Bidder must identify the specific Statute that authorizes exemption from the Public Records Law. Any claim of confidentiality on materials the Bidder asserts to be exempt from public disclosure and placed elsewhere in the bid will be considered waived by the Bidder upon submission, effective after opening.

**28) MAIL OR DELIVER BIDS TO: (DO NOT FAX OR SEND BY E-MAIL)**

**Florida Department of Transportation  
Central Procurement Office  
Attn: Katie Wagner, Procurement Office  
605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 20  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450  
Phone: (850) 414-4956**

It is the bidder's responsibility to assure that the bid is delivered to the proper place **on or before** the Bid Due date and time (See Introduction Section 2 Timeline). Bids which for any reason are not so delivered will not be considered.

## **29) MODIFICATIONS, RESUBMITTAL AND WITHDRAWAL**

Bidders may modify submitted bids at any time prior to the bid due date. Requests for modification of a submitted bid shall be in writing and must be signed by an authorized signatory of the bidder. Upon receipt and acceptance of such a request, the entire bid will be returned to the bidder and not considered unless resubmitted by the due date and time. Bidders may also send a change in a sealed envelope to be opened at the same time as the bid. The ITB number, opening date and time should appear on the envelope of the modified bid.

## **30) POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD**

### **30.1 - General:**

The Department's decision will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com), (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", on date and time in the Timeline, and will remain posted for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. Any bidder who is adversely affected by the Department's recommended award or intended decision must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after posting of the Intended Award (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and
2. A formal written protest and protest bond in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed. At the time of filing the formal written protest, a bond (a cashier's check or money order may be accepted) payable to the Department must also be submitted in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the estimated contract amount based on the contract price submitted by the protestor.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

### **30.2 - Inability to Post:**

If the Department is unable to post as defined above, the Department will notify all bidders by electronic notification on the Florida Vendor Bid System (see special condition 28.1, above) or by mail, fax, and/or telephone. The Department will provide notification of any future posting in a timely manner.

### **30.3 - Request to Withdraw Bid:**

Requests for withdrawal will be considered if received by the Department, in writing, within seventy-two (72)

hours after the bid opening time and date. Requests received in accordance with this provision will be granted by the Department upon proof of the impossibility to perform based upon obvious error on the part of the bidder. Bidders that do not withdraw as stated above will forfeit their bid bond, if applicable.

### **31) AWARD OF THE CONTRACT**

The Department will issue a Purchase Order.

### **32) RECYCLED MATERIAL**

The Department encourages the use of products and materials with recycled content and post-consumer recovered materials. If the item(s) specified herein is available with recycled content, we request that you provide product information to help in our search for recycled products. However, this bid request is for the product as specified herein and does not require prices for recycled product unless specified.

This information should be sent separately and not as a part of your bid response.

### **33) ATTACHED FORMS**

The Bidder **must** complete all required items below and submit them as part of the Bid package. Any Bid in which these forms are not used or in which these forms are improperly executed may be considered non-responsive and the bid may be subject to rejection.

Bid Sheet

Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification (if applicable)

Vendor Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies Lists (Form 375-030-60)

### **34) TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **34.1 General Contract Conditions (PUR 1000)**

The State of Florida's General Contract Conditions are outlined in form PUR 1000, which is a downloadable document incorporated into this Invitation to Bid (ITB) by reference. Any terms and conditions set forth in this ITB document will take precedence over the PUR 1000 form where applicable.

<http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/2933/11777/1000.pdf>

The following paragraphs do not apply to this Invitation to Bid:

Paragraph 31, Dispute Resolution - PUR 1000

Paragraph 40, PRIDE – PUR 1000, when federal funds are utilized.

#### **34.2 General Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001)**

The State of Florida's General Instructions to Respondents are outlined in form PUR 1001, which is a downloadable document incorporated into this Invitation to Bid (ITB) by reference. Any terms and conditions set forth in this ITB document take precedence over the PUR 1001 form where applicable.

<http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/2934/11780/1001.pdf>

The following paragraphs do not apply to this Invitation to Bid:

Paragraph 3, Electronic Submission – PUR 1001

Paragraph 4, Terms and Conditions – PUR 1001

Paragraph 5, Questions – PUR 1001

#### **34.3 MFMP Purchase Order Terms and Conditions**

All MFMP Purchase Order contracts resulting from this solicitation will include the terms and conditions of this solicitation and the State of Florida's standardized Purchase Order Terms and Conditions, which can be

found at the Department of Management Services website at the following link:

[http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/117735/646919/Purchase\\_Order\\_Terms\\_Sept\\_1\\_2015\\_.pdf](http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/117735/646919/Purchase_Order_Terms_Sept_1_2015_.pdf)

Section 8(B), PRIDE, is not applicable when using federal funds.

**35) ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

All responses are subject to the terms and conditions of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the following order of precedence listed:

Special Conditions

Technical Specification

Bid Sheet

MFMP Purchase Order Terms and Conditions – Section 8(B), PRIDE, is not applicable when using federal funds.

General Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001)

General Contract Conditions (PUR 1000)

Introduction Section

## **MAINTENANCE WILDFLOWER SEED SPECIFICATIONS**

**Asclepias tuberosa:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Baptisia alba:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Bidens mitis:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Castilleja indivisa:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Chamaecrista fasciculata:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM OF PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Conoclinium coelestinum:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Coreopsis basalis:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Coreopsis lanceolata:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 40 PERCENT (or 40% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Coreopsis leavenworthii:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Cosmos bipinnatus:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 65 PERCENT (or 65% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Cosmos sulphureus:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 65 PERCENT (or 65% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Eragrostis spectabilis:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM OF 90 PERCENT PURE SEED CONTENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 60 PERCENT (or 60% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Flaveria linearis:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Gaillardia aristata:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Gaillardia pulchella:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 45 PERCENT (or 45% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Helianthus angustifolius:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 60% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Ipomopsis rubra:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Liatris spicata:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 60% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Linum spp:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 65 PERCENT (or 65% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Lupinus texensis:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 65 PERCENT (or 65% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Mimosa strigillosa:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Monarda citriodora:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Monarda punctata:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Oenothera speciosa:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Phlox drummondii (mixed)** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM ~~ACTIVE~~ GERMINATION OF 55 PERCENT (or 55% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Phlox drummondii (red)** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM ~~ACTIVE~~ GERMINATION OF 55 PERCENT (or 55% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Phlox nivalis**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM ~~ACTIVE~~ GERMINATION OF 55 PERCENT (or 55% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Ratibida columnifera**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 60 PERCENT (or 60% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Rudbeckia hirta**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Rudbeckia mollis**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Rudbeckia mohrii**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Salvia coccinea**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Sisyrinchium angustifolium**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Solidago stricta**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Solidago fistulosa**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES

**Tradescantia ohiensis**: SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES



**Trifolium incarnatum:** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM PURE SEED CONTENT OF 90 PERCENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 60 PERCENT (or 60% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**Verbena tenuisecta (Glandularia aristigera):** SEED SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM OF 90 PERCENT PURE SEED CONTENT WITH A MINIMUM GERMINATION OF 50 PERCENT (or 50% viable seed as determined by a TZ test), WITH WEED SEED LESS THAN 1 PERCENT AND NO SEED OF NOXIOUS SPECIES.

**NOTE:**

- \* All seed shall bid, sold, and delivered on a pure live seed basis.
- \* All seed suppliers shall comply with Florida Statutes, Chapter 587, Florida Seed Law.
- \* The Department of Transportation encourages the use of Florida grown seed when available, economical, and competitive with other bid prices.
- \* Each shipment of seed shall have a label attached securely to each bag from an independent laboratory. Seed analyses shall be conducted by an AOSA/SCST certified seed technologist employed in an AOSA-certified lab. The seed analysis shall include the following, all of which shall be listed on the seed label (except as noted) of each bag of seed delivered to FDOT:
  - Species (Latin name)<sup>1</sup>
  - Seed lot number
  - Percent purity (by weight); shall be  $\geq 90\%$
  - Percent of weed seed (by weight); shall be  $<1\%$
  - Shall certify that seed lot contains no seeds of noxious weeds
  - Percent germination, performed within six (6) months of delivery date <sup>2,3</sup>
  - Percent dormant (hard) seed as determined by a post germination TZ (tetrazolium) test of non-germinated seed (preferred), OR determined based on a pre-germination TZ test; performed within six (6) months of delivery date

<sup>1</sup> For ecotype seed, label shall include the EPA Level III ecoregion(s) from where seed was collected in the wild.

<sup>2</sup> Percent germination + percent dormant seed OR total percent viable seed as determined by a pre-germination TZ test may be used to meet FDACS minimum percent germination standards. (See [Flower Seed Germination Standards, Florida Administrative Code Rule 5E-4.011.](#))

<sup>3</sup> For species for which there is no AOSA-approved germination protocol, the germination test protocol must be listed on the seed analysis; however, the protocol does not have to be listed on the seed label; all such analyses shall be provided to FDOT.

\* Any and all deviations must be explained in detail on a separate attached sheet(s) and are subject to the buyer's approval. Deviations not explained in writing will be considered in strict compliance with specifications, and successful bidder held responsible therefore.

\* All seed shall be shipped in 50-pound bags or less. All bags of seed shall be shipped on pallets and secured in a manner to prevent slippage during shipping.

\* All item totals are estimates the "DOT" will, at its discretion, place orders with the successful vendor (s) for various quantities of the items, as needed, during the contract period.

## BID CHECKLIST

(DOES NOT NEED TO BE RETURNED WITH YOUR BID RESPONSE)

This Checklist is provided as a guideline, only, to assist bidders in the preparation of their bid response. Included are some important matters that the bidder should check. This checklist is just a guideline, and is not intended to include all matters required by the ITB. Bidders are responsible to read and comply with the ITB in its entirety.

Check off each the following:

- \_\_\_ 1. The “Bid Sheet” has been filled out completely, signed, and enclosed in the bid response.
- \_\_\_ 2. The Federal Employers Identification Number or Social Security Number has been entered in the space provided.
- \_\_\_ 3. “Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification” form has been read, signed, and enclosed in the bid response, if applicable.
- \_\_\_ 4. “Scrutinized Companies Lists” certification form has been read, signed, and enclosed in the bid response.
- \_\_\_ 5. The Technical Specifications section has been thoroughly reviewed for compliance to the bid requirements.
- \_\_\_ 6. The prices bid have been reviewed for accuracy and all price corrections have been initialed in ink.
- \_\_\_ 7. The [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) website has been checked and any Addendums posted have been completed, signed, and included in the bid response.
- \_\_\_ 8. The bid response must be received, at the location specified, **on or before** the Bid Due Date and Time designated in the ITB.
- \_\_\_ 9. On the Lower Left Hand Corner of the Envelope transmitting your bid response, write in the following information:

Bid No.: DOT-ITB-19-9102-KW

Title: WILDFLOWER SEEDS: FLORIDA GROWN AND OTHER GROWN

Opening Date & Time: See “TIMELINE” in INTRODUCTION SECTION