



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2011
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CALTRANS TO HOST MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING FOR LOCAL CONTRACTORS

Fresno - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will be holding a Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Manchester Center, located at 3302 N. Blackstone, Suite #135, Fresno, CA (entrance is located on the west side facing Blackstone)

This event is part of a program that has been implemented by the Department of Transportation that mandates Prime Contractors attend a mandatory pre-bid meeting for State Highway projects. The purpose of this meeting is to give Small Businesses and Disadvantaged Businesses an opportunity to introduce their company to Prime Contractors and to discuss how they can do business together on Caltrans projects in order to increase Small Business and Disadvantaged Business participation on construction contracts.

Caltrans project 06-0E0404, a Design-Build Project, has been selected for this Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting. This project is proposed for State Route 99 in Madera County, from just south of the South Madera Overcrossing to just north of the Avenue 16 Overcrossing. Construction costs for this project are estimated between \$30,000,000 and \$38,000,000. This project will reconstruct Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) lanes and Asphalt Concrete (AC) shoulders with PCC and reconstruct the Number 2 lanes with Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRCP). Guardrail, lights, signs, and drainage will be upgraded or repaired as needed.

Additional information regarding this project and other Design-Build projects can be found at: <http://dot.ca.gov/hq/oppd/designbuild/madera-rfp.htm>

This is a no-cost event to all participants. Businesses wishing to attend this meeting or that need further event information, please contact the Caltrans Small Business Office at the numbers provided above.

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