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The State of New Hampshire, Department of Transportation will accept sealed bids in the bid box in Conference Room 112, located in the main lobby of the John O. Morton Building, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, New Hampshire, until 2:00 pm, prevailing time, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018 for the sale and removal of the following historic bridge in the Town of Lancaster, New Hampshire and Guildhall Vermont.

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION**



**US Route 2 Rogers Rangers Bridge over Connecticut River  
Lancaster, New Hampshire and Guildhall, Vermont  
Project: Lancaster, NH - Guildhall, VT 16155- Bid Item No. 1**

Built in 1950 by the American Bridge Company, the Rogers Rangers Bridge carries US Route 2 over the Connecticut River (Bridge 111/129). The bridge is an example of two-span, riveted steel through truss Highway Bridge on concrete piers and abutments. The two lane bridge is 404 feet in length and 34.8 feet in width, with a maximum truss height of 36 feet. The trusses are of the polygonal Pratt type with straight bottom chord and a segmentally arched top chord, sometimes referred to as a Parker truss. The two truss spans are identical, each 198' in length between bearing pins, with a total of nine panels 22' wide. Other notable features are its original floor system, rolled steel curbs with built in scuppers for drainage, and the 1995 steel framed sidewalk with a laminated wood floor that was cantilevered off the north side of the bridge.

**This sale is for the Rogers Rangers bridge structure above the masonry bearing seats. This sale does not include substructures or any other associated structures or improvements.**

The bridge is available for inspection as it is located in a public right-of-way.

The bridge is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places due to its engineering and architectural significance. . **The awarding of this historic bridge to a bidder(s) is not dependent on the highest bid.** The successful bidder(s) will be the one whose proposal most satisfactorily meets historic preservation requirements as enunciated in "The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings." **At closing, the successful bidder must sign an agreement for restrictive covenants for a ten-year (10) period regarding the preservation and maintenance of this structure.**

**MINIMUM BID: \$1.00 and shall include a proposal describing how the bridge would be dismantled, moved, re-used and preserved, including the location of where the bridge will be moved to as well as a time schedule for the bridge removal and site cleanup.**

**This sale is "AS IS, AS SHOWN."**

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked "**BID FOR LANCASTER, NH – GUILDHALL, VT ITEM NO. 1,**" and received by July 12, 2018, by 2:00 pm prevailing time in Conference Room 112 of the JO Morton Building, New Hampshire Department of Transportation and at the address, date and time mentioned above, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Department, however, will not determine the successful bidder until all submitted proposals are reviewed. All bidders will be notified of results within two (2) weeks after bid opening. The successful bidder(s) will save the State of New Hampshire, its agents and employees harmless from any and all claims or demands of any nature.

Bid items shall be placed in a sealed envelope plainly marked to indicate its contents and addressed to the Department at the address shown on the Invitation for Bids. Sealed bid items shall be received and deposited in the Bid Box at the location specified prior to the time and date specified in the Invitation for Bids. It shall be the bidder(s) responsibility to ensure the bid items are deposited as specified. Bid items delivered to the Department by alternate means are submitted at the sole risk of the bidder(s). **The Department will not accept responsibility for any reason if the bid items are not deposited in the Bid Box by the specified time and date. Bid items received after the time for opening of bids will be returned to the bidder(s) unopened.**

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check made payable to **BOTH** the “**Treasurer, State of New Hampshire or (bidder(s) name),**” in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid; balance due following approval of this sale by the Governor and Executive Council, which takes four (4) to six (6) weeks after the bid opening. Cash cannot be accepted. Only one (1) bid dollar amount can be accepted from each bidder(s) per item. All bids must be in conformance with New Hampshire Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. Bid forms are available upon request from Phillip J. Miles at the Bureau of Right-of-Way, Room 100, John O. Morton Building, Concord, New Hampshire. Tel: (603) 271-3222. Additional information concerning the bridge structure should be addressed to Robert Landry, PE, Bureau of Bridge Design, New Hampshire Department of Transportation at (603) 271- 2731. Bid package information including copies of the location map, bridge plans, inspection reports, individual inventory form, historic covenants, and bid form are also available on the Department’s website under: <http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/bridgedesign/documents.htm>

Funds up to the estimated cost of demolishing the structure up to nine hundred thousand dollars (\$ 900,000.00) are available for moving and reconstruction of the bridge.

The successful bidder must remove the structure from State owned land. The removal may begin only after vehicular traffic has been permanently shifted onto the new bridge, this begin date is estimated to be November 24, 2020, and is subject to change. Structure removal, and site clean-up must be completed in accordance with the bridge removal/replacement and contractor’s schedule on or before May 7, 2021. All rubbish and debris will be removed and the site will be left in a clean and safe condition within this time frame as well. **A ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollar deposit will be required from the successful bidder and will be returned upon the approved site cleanup.** The deposit will be returned upon the final inspection and approval of the site by the State. The return of this deposit takes approximately two (2) to three (3) weeks after approval. The Department of Transportation reserves the right to retain this site cleanup deposit if the site is deemed unsatisfactory, unsafe, or if the work is not completed within the given timeframe. The State shall be the sole judge of what shall constitute a satisfactory cleanup and shall work with the bidder to ensure a clean, safe, and acceptable site. Any questions regarding the scope of work in regards to the site cleanup should be addressed to Steven K. Glines, PE, of the Bureau of Construction at (603) 271-2571.

The Department will be applying for a wetland permit from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Wetland Bureau, and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation Wetlands Program, if necessary **to** accomplish the work indicated on the plans for the Lancaster, NH – Guildhall, VT 16155 project. The project qualifies under US Corps of Engineers’ NH and VT General Permits. The successful bidder would need to comply with all applicable conditions of the permit(s) during the bridge removal. If the bidder’s method of construction (bridge removal) is going to have different wetland impacts than shown on the existing permit then they will need to apply sufficiently in advance for any modification to the NH Wetland Bureau, VT Wetlands Program or Corps of Engineers Permits. Prior to submission to the Wetland Bureau, Wetland Programs or Corps of Engineers, it will be necessary to have the additional impact reviewed by the Bureau of Construction and the Bureau of Environment. A Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and monitoring of the plan will be required to assure that any potential detrimental impacts are minimized to the extent practical. Additionally, coordination with the US Fish and Wildlife Service on potential impacts to federally endangered Dwarf Wedge Mussels, that may be present within the Connecticut River, would need to occur for any additional impacts proposed by the bidder.

Historic Covenant information and questions concerning these covenants should be addressed to Shelia Charles, Bureau of Environment, New Hampshire Department of Transportation at (603) 271-3226.

The State reserves the right to waive any informalities and/or reject any and all bids for any reason whatsoever.

Upon receipt of the total bid and approval by the Governor and Executive Council, the Department will issue a Bill of Sale.

There are maximum dimensions that will be allowed to pass over State highways. The successful bidder may be required to obtain a permit from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Permit Office at (603) 271-2693. The bidder will also be responsible for all permits regarding wetlands.

DATED CONCORD, NH THIS  
4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2018

Victoria F. Sheehan  
Commissioner

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