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**ECHOLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**FY 2026 PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS**

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**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.01. COMPETITIVE COST SEALED BIDS**

Sealed Bids for the construction of the **FY 2026 Pavement Improvements** will be received, by **Echols County Board of Commissioners**, at **110 General Deloach Street, Statenville, GA 31648**, until **11:00 AM, Thursday, April 30, 2026**, local time, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. No bid may be withdrawn after the closing time for receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days.

**1.02. CONTRACTOR LICENSE**

Any Contractor submitting a bid must be a pre-qualified Georgia Department of Transportation Contractor. License numbers must be written on the face of the bid envelope. No bid will be opened unless the license number is clearly shown. See Instructions to Bidders for additional bidding requirements.

**1.03. SCOPE OF WORK**

The work to be done shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to construct the proposed **FY 2026 Pavement Improvements** as shown on the construction drawings. In general, construction consists of thermoplastic striping and raised pavement markers for approximately 3.83 miles of roadway and all associated measures for the complete project. Time allotted for completion of work is **180** consecutive calendar days to substantial completion. Work shall be complete and ready for contract close-out with **194** consecutive calendar days. All work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The work will be awarded in **one (1) Contract**.

**1.04. PLANS AND BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

Copies of Bidding Documents for bidding purposes can be obtained from Watkins & Associates, L.L.C., 1606 Whiddon Mill Road, Tifton, Georgia 31793, Phone: (229) 388-8823, (Office of the Engineer) upon payment of **\$300.00** for each set (non-refundable). Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the **Echols County Board of Commissioners**, located at **110 General Deloach Street, Statenville, GA 31648** or at Watkins & Associates, LLC on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Upon request and receipt of the document payment indicated above, Watkins & Associates, LLC will transmit the Bidding Documents via delivery service. The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted will be considered the prospective Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Engineer. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Office of the Engineer.

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**1.05. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

Plan holders list, addenda and bid results are available at [www.watkinseng.com](http://www.watkinseng.com).

**1.06. PREQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS**

Prequalification may be required of Bidders prior to the award of contract. At the Owner's request, detailed written evidence such as financial data, bonding capacity, previous experience, present commitments, and other such data may be necessary to assist Owner in determining Contractor's qualifications shall be provided per the Instructions to Bidders contained in the contract documents.

**1.07. BONDS**

All bid forms must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a certified cashier's check in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with "A" minimum rating performance and financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability". The successful bidder, if awarded the Contract, will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract amount. All bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current Circular 570 Listing. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

**1.08. GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT**

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the **Echols County Board of Commissioners** must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed and submitted with the Bid.

**1.09. FUNDING SOURCES**

Any Contract or Contracts awarded under this Advertisement for Bids will be funded by a grant from the Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG).

**1.10. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced, or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner. Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and to re-advertise.

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Owner: **Echols County Board of Commissioners**  
By: **Justin Statan**  
Title: **Chairman**  
Date: **March 26, 2026**  
**April 16, 2026**

**END OF SECTION**