



Thursday, March 26, 2020

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT REGULATORY PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the issuance of the Governor's Proclamation, as noted below:

Governor's Proclamation 3/20/20

SECTION NINETEEN. Pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6(6), I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code chapters 8A and 8B, Iowa Code § 313.10, Iowa Admin. Code Chapters 11-117, 11-118, 129-10, 641-176, requiring the Iowa Department of Public Health, the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and other state agencies involved in the response to this disaster emergency to procure goods and services through a competitive selection process or to otherwise follow, adhere to, or obtain other procurement-related processes, procedures, approvals, or limitations. Suspension of these provisions is limited to the duration of this proclamation and is further limited to procurements which are necessary to prevent, contain, or mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 virus; facilitate telework by state employees; and mitigate and respond to increased cyber-attacks and threats.

And in an effort to mitigate the spread and effects of the COVID-19 virus and to "facilitate telework by state employees" the DNR has made the following modifications to Request for Proposal (RFP) and Request for Bid (RFB):

During this suspension, the DNR is requiring all Vendors or Contractors to **email** in their bids or proposals to procurement@dnr.iowa.gov in lieu of mailing in hard copy documents in accordance with the due date and time on the Request for Proposal (RFP) or Request for Bid (RFB). Any bids or proposals received after the due date and time, will be not be accepted and will be returned to the sender by email. The DNR will not accept late email submissions or hard copy mailed bids or proposals during the duration of this temporary suspension.

During this suspension, all public bid openings will be conducted via **teleconference** in lieu of public bid openings. There will be no public bid opening for Request for Proposal (RFP). The teleconference number will be included Request for Bid (RFB). The names of all bidders for Request for Proposal (RFP) and Request for Bid (RFB) is be posted on the State's Bid Opportunities site at <https://bidopportunities.iowa.gov/> after the opening of bids or proposals.

Thank you for participating in this competitive selection process. For information about this notice, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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