

TOWN OF SIMSBURY

**DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE,
PARKS AND RECREATION
933 HOPMEADOW STREET
SIMSBURY, CT 06070**

INVITATION TO BID FOR

REPLACEMENT FENCING INSTALLATION ALONG THE FARMINGTON CANAL HERITAGE TRAIL, SECTION BETWEEN ROUTE 315 AND GRANBY TOWN LINE, SIMSBURY, CT

The Town of Simsbury is soliciting bids to install approximately 1778 feet of 42 inches high 3-Rail fencing with white cedar railings and locust posts, rails should have wedge/paddle ends and approximately 720 feet of 6' tall spruce stockade fencing. All posts should be dirt tamped in place. All existing wood fencing is to be removed and disposed of by the contractor. See attached sketch.

All work will be done Monday through Friday. No work shall be performed on State or Federal holidays unless with prior approval from the Director of Culture, Parks and Recreation Department. Work shall be completed with minimal impact to the trail users.

Sealed proposals will be accepted by Amy Meriwether, Director of Finance, Town of Simsbury, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070 until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 9, 2024.

Specifications and bidding documents may be obtained electronically via the Town's web site at the following link: <http://www.simsbury-ct.gov/finance/pages/public-bids-and-rfp>. Bid documents will not be mailed or faxed.

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

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Project Overview:

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1. Work Hours and Staffing:

The Rails to Trail is a public trail system and cannot be close at any time during the removal and install of the new fencing. The best hours of work would be Monday through Friday. Trail system is extremely busy on weekends.

2. Key Event Dates:

Invitation to Bid Issued	Thursday, April 18, 2024
Pre-Bid Conference	None; please contact if site visit is requested
Bids Due	Thursday, May 9, 2024 10:00am
Commencement of Work	With thirty (30) calendar days of Notice to Proceed

3. Bid Submission Instructions:

- A. One (1) original and one (1) copy of all bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the bidder's name on the outside of the envelope and clearly marked "**Sealed Proposal for Town of Simsbury – Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Fencing Replacement**". If forwarded by mail or courier, the sealed envelope must be addressed to "Amy Meriwether, Director of Finance, Town of Simsbury, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070". Bids must be at the Town Hall prior to 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, May 9, 2024. Postmarks are NOT an acceptable waiver of this policy.
- B. Ditto marks or words such as "SAME" must not be used for the bid to be considered.
- C. All information must be submitted in ink or typewritten. Errors, alterations or corrections must be shown on both the original and all required copies, each of which must be initialed by the person signing the bid.

- D. Bids are considered valid for ninety (90) days after bids are opened. Bidders may not withdraw, cancel or modify their bid during this ninety (90) day period after bids are opened.
- E. An authorized person representing the legal entity of the bidder must sign bids.
- F. The inability to meet any specified requirement(s) must be stated in writing and attached to the bid form, or written on the bid form. If no exceptions are noted, it shall be assumed that the terms of the Invitation to Bid have been accepted.
- G. The Town of Simsbury reserves the right to waive any minor informality in a bid when such a waiver is in the best interest of the Town.

4. Questions:

Any questions about this project shall be directed to: Mr. Orlando Casiano, Superintendent of Parks by fax at (860) 408-9283, email at ocasiano@simsbury-ct.gov, or by mail to the Department of Culture, Parks and Recreation, 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070. To receive consideration, such questions must be received at least five (5) business days before the established date for receipt of bids. No oral interpretations shall be made to any respondent as to the meaning of any of the bid documents. Every request for an interpretation shall be made in writing.

The Town will respond to all appropriate questions via an addendum. Such addenda will become part of this Invitation to Bid and the resulting contract. At least three (3) days prior to the receipt of bids, the Town will post a copy of any addenda to its website, located at: <http://www.simsbury-ct.gov/finance/pages/public-bids-and-rfp>. It shall be the responsibility of each bidder to determine whether addenda have been issued, and if so, to download copies directly from the Town's website.

5. Measurement and Payment

All work will be paid as provided in the Bid Form for all work, including labor and materials, to complete the services described in this Invitation to Bid. No payments will be made for mobilization or materials.

The Contractor shall be responsible for all measurements and counts needed to provide pricing for the "Base Bid" and "Alternate 1 and 2

6. Presumption of Bidder Being Fully Informed:

At the time the first bid is opened, each bidder is presumed to have read and is thoroughly familiar with all bidding documents, as well as, all contract documents for this project. Failure or omission of the bidder to receive or examine any documentation or information concerning this bid shall in no way relieve any bidder from obligations with respect to their bid.

7. Pre-Bid Conference:

No pre-bid conference is scheduled. Interested contractors should contact Orlando Casiano, Parks Superintendent at 860-651-3944 if a pre-bid site visit is desired.

8. Interpretation of Acceptable Work:

The specifications, bidding and contract documents are to be interpreted as meaning those acceptable to the Town of Simsbury. The Town will issue any substantive changes or interpretations in writing as an addendum.

9. Tax Exemptions:

The bidder shall be aware that the Town of Simsbury is exempt from Federal Excise Taxes and Connecticut Sales and Use Taxes. Appropriate tax-exempt forms will be provided to the successful bidder(s) as part of the contract award process.

10. Insurance Requirements:

The firm must carry insurance under which the Town is named as an additional insured, as follows:

Such insurance must be by insurance companies licensed to write such insurance in Connecticut against the following risks with the following minimum amounts and minimum durations.

- A. Workman's Compensation, as required by State Statute & \$100,000 employers liability limit.
- B. Public Liability, Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability as follows:
 - Injury or death of one person: \$2,000,000
 - Injury to more than one person in a single accident: \$1,000,000
 - Property damage in one accident: \$1,000,000
 - Property damage in all accidents: \$1,000,000
 - Excess/Umbrella Liability: \$1,000,000
- C. Automobile and Truck (Vehicular) Public Liability, Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability as follows:
 - Injury or death of one person: \$1,000,000
 - Injury to more than one person in a single accident: \$1,000,000
 - Property damage in one accident: \$1,000,000
 - Property damage in all accidents: \$1,000,000

Insurance under B, and C above must provide for a 30 day notice to the Town of cancellation/or restrictive amendment.

Insurance under B and C above must be for the whole duration of the contract and for twelve (12) months after contract completion by the Town.

Subcontractors must carry A, B, and C in the same amounts as above for the duration of the project and until contract completion by the Town.

Certificates of insurance must be submitted to the Director of Public Works prior to the signing of the contract and within ten days of notification of award of contract. Should any insurance expire or be terminated during the period in which the same is required by this contract, the Director of Public Works shall be notified and such expired or terminated insurance must be replaced with new insurance and a new certificate furnished to the Director of Public Works.

Failure to provide the required insurance and certificates may, at the option of the Town, be held to be a willful and substantial breach of this contract.

11. Substitution for Name Brands:

Not applicable

12. Awarding the Bid:

The Town reserves the right to accept any bid or any part of bids, to reject any, all, or any part of bids, and to waive formalities and informalities in the bidding process. The Town, at its discretion, will award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder. That bidder is the person or firm who is qualified and competent to do the work, whose past performance is satisfactory to the Town, and whose bid documents comply with the procedural requirements stated herein. The Town reserves the right to award this bid to more than one bidder, if determined to best suit the needs of the Town. Alternates will be awarded if deemed to be in the best interest of the Town. Alternates are independent and neither, one or both may be awarded.

13. Rejection and/or Cancellation of Bids:

The Town reserves the right to reject or cancel any and all bids, or any part of any or all bids, if such action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

14. Delivery Arrangements:

Not applicable

15. Bid Bond:

Not applicable

16. Performance Bond:

Not applicable

17. W-9 Form

The successful bidder must provide the Town of Simsbury with a completed W-9 Form prior to commencing work.

18. Submittals:

The Bidder shall, as soon as practicable, but not exceed fifteen (15) calendar days, after notification of selection of the award of the bid, furnish to the Owner, in writing the following:

- A. Designation of the Work to be performed by the Contractor's own forces
- B. Proposed hours of work and number of employees needed
- C. Submittal items listed in the Specifications

19. Agreement Documents:

The Agreement Documents are defined as:

- The Standard Instructions to Bidders
- The Agreement as executed

- The General Specifications
- Any Addenda, if issued

20. Term of Contract:

The Town requires all Work to be completed within sixty (60) days of notice to Proceed.

END OF STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

**BID FORM
FARMINGTON CANAL HERITAGE
TRAIL FENCING REPLACEMENT,
SECTION BETWEEN ROUTE 315
AND GRANBY TOWN LINE
SIMSBURY, CT**

Pursuant to and in compliance with the "Invitation to Bid" and Standard Instructions to Bidders relating thereto, the undersigned, having visited the sites and carefully examined all Bidding Documents and complete General Specifications together with all Addenda issued and received prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of Bids, hereby offers and agrees as follows:

- To provide all labor, materials, equipment, hauling, disposal and anything else reasonably necessary to complete all work per the attached specifications.
- If awarded this Contract, we will execute a Contract with the Town of Simsbury

In submitting this BID, the BIDDER acknowledges that:

1. Each bid price includes all labor, materials, equipment, transportation, hauling, disposal, overhead, fees and insurances, profit, and all other costs to cover the finished work called for regarding the specified section of Town as stated in the Contract Documents. No additional payment of any kind in the form of a surcharge will be made for work accomplished under the bid prices, as bid.
2. No representation of warranty has been made by the OWNER that the estimated quantities used for comparison of BIDS will even approximate the actual quantities required to satisfactorily complete the WORK required under this CONTRACT.
3. Upon receipt of written notice of acceptance of this BID by the OWNER, the BIDDER shall execute the CONTRACT attached to these documents within ten (10) calendar days and other documents as required in these documents.
4. In regard to all conditions affecting the WORK to be done and the labor and materials to be furnished, this BID is based solely on the BIDDER'S investigations and findings and neither the OWNER nor its officers, employees or agents shall be held responsible for the accuracy of, or be bound by any information contained in these Contract Documents.

Submitted By: _____

Company

Phone

Street

City

Zip

Authorized Signature: _____

Signature

Printed Name

BID FORM
SCHEDULE OF PRICES
FARMINGTON CANAL HERITAGE
TRAIL FENCING REPLACEMENT
SECTION BETWEEN ROUTE 315
AND GRANBY TOWN LINE
SIMSBURY, CT

ITEM NO.	ITEMS OF WORK	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES	UNIT	BID UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT
1	White Cedar Round Rail Fencing with Locust posts – Base Bid	1778ft	42 inches High		
2	6' Tall Spruce Stockage Fence	720ft			

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE:

ALTERNATE ITEM PRICES

ITEM NO.	ITEMS OF WORK	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES	UNIT	BID UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT
1	Removal of old split rail and stockade fencing – Alternate 1	2432ft			

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE:

* The number given is the clause number in the Specifications which defines the payment for the ITEM

** The Bidder is requested to fill in computed "Amount": In cases of discrepancy between Unit Prices Bid written in words and the Unit Prices Bid written in figures, the Unit Prices Bid written in words will govern. In case of a discrepancy between the unit prices bid and amount, the Unit Prices will govern.

BID FORM
WORK HOURS, STAFFING
AND SCHEDULE
FARMINGTON CANAL HERITAGE
TRAIL FENCING REPLACEMENT
SECTION BETWEEN ROUTE 315
AND GRANBY TOWN LINE
SIMSBURY, CT

PROPOSED HOURS OF WORK:

DAY	PROPOSED HOURS
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES NEEDED:

TOTAL NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS TO COMPLETE PROJECT:

BID FORM
FARMINGTON CANAL HERITAGE
TRAIL FENCING REPLACEMENT
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AND GRANBY TOWN LINE
SIMSBURY, CT

All payments for work completed for this bid shall comply with Section 2 of the CONTRACT. No payments will be made for mobilization, materials or any other costs.

IF A SOLELY OWNED COMPANY:

Company Name _____
Address _____
Town _____
By _____
(Authorized Signature)
Title _____ Date _____

IF A CORPORATION OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:

A corporation or limited liability company organized under the laws of

_____, composed of officers as follows:

_____ President	_____ Secretary
_____ Vice President	_____ Treasurer

IF A PARTNERSHIP:

A partnership doing business under the firm name and style of

_____, composed of partners as follows:

_____ Name & Title (if any)	_____ Name & Title (if any)
_____ Name & Title (if any)	_____ Name & Title (if any)

This Bid must bear the written signature of the BIDDER. If the BIDDER is a partnership, the Bid must be signed by a partner. If the BIDDER is a corporation or limited liability company, the Bid must be signed by a duly authorized officer of such corporation or Limited Liability Company.

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENT

The BIDDER shall answer all of the following questions, as part of the Bid, so that the OWNER can judge the BIDDER's ability, experience and facilities for performing the proposed work.

1. Name of BIDDER: _____
2. Bidder's Tax Identification Number: _____
3. What year was company organized/formed? _____
4. How many years has the BIDDER been engaged in business under the present firm or trade name? _____
5. What is the general character or type of work you perform? _____

6. Has a claim ever been brought in court or to arbitration against the BIDDER for failure to complete any contracted work or default on a contract? _____

If yes, explain with whom and why: _____

7. For other similar projects you have under contract at the present time: Attach list with description of work; the name of the client/owner with telephone number; and the approximate value of the work to be performed.

NOTE: The BIDDER is required to have completed a minimum of five (5) similar projects (services to other similar sized municipalities) as a demonstration of competency and experience for the project proposed herein. Such projects are to be listed below.

8. Attach a list of all projects that your present organization has completed within the past ten years or is presently working on, including name of project, owner and name and telephone number of the owner's representative.

Indicate the number of pages attached: _____pages

9. Attach a list of the names, addresses and the background/experience of all principal or key members of the BIDDERS organization, including its officers.

Indicate the number of pages attached: _____pages

NOTE: If requested, the BIDDER agrees to furnish the OWNER with a detailed financial statement and other relevant information that may be required by the Town of Simsbury to properly evaluate the qualifications of the BIDDER.

PROPOSED SUBCONTRACTORS

BIDDER intends to utilize the following subcontractors on this project:

If none, write "None" here: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS
OF SUBCONTRACTOR

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

- | | |
|----|-------|
| 1. | _____ |
| 2. | _____ |
| 3. | _____ |
| 4. | _____ |
| 5. | _____ |
| 6. | _____ |

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF BIDDER

State of _____, County of _____, being first
duly sworn, disposes and says that:

1. He is the owner, officer, representative or agent of: _____ the
BIDDER that has submitted the attached BID;
2. The attached BID is genuine; it is not a collusive or sham BID.
3. He is fully informed respecting the preparation, and contents of, and knowledgeable of all pertinent
circumstances respecting the attached BID.
4. Neither BIDDER nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or
parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed,
directly or indirectly, with any other bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham BID in
connection with the AGREEMENT for which the attached BID has been submitted or to refrain
from bidding in connection with any contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought
by agreement, collusion, communication or conference with any other bidder, firm or person to
fix the price or prices in the attached BID or of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or
cost element of the BID prices or the bid price of any other bidder, or to secure through collusion,
conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the Town of Simsbury or
any other person interested in the proposed AGREEMENT.
5. The price(s) quoted in the attached BID are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion,
conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the BIDDER or any of its agents,
representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant; and
6. That no elected or appointed official or other officer or employee of the Town of Simsbury, who
is directly or indirectly interested in this BID, or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work or
labor to which it relates, or in any of the profits thereof.

(Signed) _____

(Name of Bidder)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, 2024

Title
My Commission expires _____, 20__

**STATEMENT OF BIDDERS COMPLIANCE WITH
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LAW AND
REGULATION INCLUDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3**

This statement must be completed by the Bidder and shall accompany his bid for this project.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

NAME OF BIDDER: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

To the extent required by law, the Bidder has complied on past Contracts and will fully comply on this project with all applicable laws and regulation regarding equal employment opportunities for minorities and women, and;

Has_ has not_____previously performed work under the conditions of the Governor's Executive Order No. 3 of the State of Connecticut, or any preceding similar Executive Order with regards to Non-Discrimination.

Signature

Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
_____day of_____, 2024

Title

My Commission expires_____, 20__

IMPORTANT: THIS STATEMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH BID

END OF SECTION

Granby Town Line

