Sealed Bids in duplicate on the referenced project will be received in the office of the Nelson County Administrator, 84 Courthouse Square, P.O. Box 336, Lovingston, VA 22949 until 2:00 PM, local prevailing time, May 31st, 2017 and then publicly opened thereafter.

Bids may be withdrawn in accordance with the Code of Virginia §2.2-4330(a) Procedure (1). The Nelson County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids in whole or in part, waive any and all informalities, and disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counterproposals.

The project generally includes: Construction of Blue Ridge Crozet Tunnel Rehabilitation and Trail Construction Project. Phase 1 of the project was recently completed under separate contract. Phase 2 includes the repair, rehabilitation and construction efforts associated with the Crozet Tunnel. This phase of work includes implementation of recommendations detailed in the Tunnel Inspection Report prepared by Jacobs Associates dated November 30th, 2010. Phase 3 includes the western trail, western trailhead, and surfacing of the eastern trail. This work includes the following project elements: clearing and grubbing, installation of storm water pipe, temporary silt fencing, inlet and outlet protection, regular and borrow excavation, installation of aggregate and asphalt concrete, fencing, construction signs, mobilization, construction surveying, installation of landscape, and signage.

On April 24th, 2017 and thereafter, bidding documents may be acquired from Woolpert’s FTP site. The site can be accessed as follows:

**Using FileZilla:**
Port: 22

Login Credentials for either option are as follows:
Username: crozet
Password: BlueRidge

A mandatory pre-bid Conference will be held on Friday, May 17th, 2017 at 1 PM, in the former Board of Supervisors Room, 84 Courthouse Square, Lovingston, VA 22949. A site visit of the Blue Ridge (Crozet) Tunnel will follow immediately following the meeting. No other visits to the site will be permitted. **Bids received from Contractors who did not attend the pre-bid conference will be returned unopened.**

Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check, cash or an acceptable bid bond in the amount of five (5) percent of the base bid for all bids over $100,000.

The apparent successful bidder must be a contractor licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia prior to the commencement of construction in accordance with Title 54.1, Chapter 11 of the Code of Virginia as amended; and meet requirements of Title 2.2, Chapter 43, Paragraph 2.2-4311, Employment Discrimination Prohibitions, Paragraph 2.2-4312, Drug Free Workplace, and 2.2-4311.1 Compliance with Federal, State and Local Immigration Laws, Paragraph 2.2-4321, Contractor’s Certification of Non-Debarment, Form C-104 VDOT Non-Collusion All bid forms, to include the bidder’s qualification statement, included in the project manual shall accompany the sealed bid.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive base bid and responsible bidder following tabulation and evaluation of each bid. Refer to Section 01950 “Measurement and Payment” for additional information. The Nelson County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to award the contract in whole or in part; and to accept or decline bid alternates. Nelson County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

Questions documented at the pre-bid conference or accepted under separate cover by writing to Woolpert to the Attention of Greg Harnish, 11301 Carmel Commons Boulevard, Suite 300, Charlotte, NC 28226, fax: (704) 525-0115; email
greg.harnish@woolpert.com. Refer to Section 6 – Interpretations within the Instructions to Bidders of the Project Manual for additional information. All questions shall be answered in writing and included in bid addenda as apropos.

By Authority of the Nelson County Board of Supervisors