

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-129, sealed single-prime Bids will be received by the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority (ONWASA), at the ONWASA offices in Jacksonville, North Carolina, **until 2:00 PM EST, October 7, 2026**, and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read, for constructing the following facilities:

The project will consist of removing and replacing the existing brine tank #1 and connecting to existing piping. The existing tank site glass and level control assembly will be reused on the new brine tank. The new brine tank shall be completely automatic and self-contained salt storage and salt dissolving unit for producing fully saturated brine from rock, solar or evaporated salt products capable of producing 20 to 35 gallons per minute of saturated brine flow under normal operating conditions. To minimize disruptions to ongoing plant operations, the awarded Bidder shall procure and secure delivery of the tank prior to initiating any construction activities on the project site. Due to the anticipated long lead time associated with tank fabrication, the awarded Bidder shall proactively coordinate with ONWASA and the Engineer to provide routine updates on procurement activities, manufacturing progress, anticipated delivery dates, and schedule impacts to ensure alignment with the overall project timeline. Upon delivery of the tank to the project site, ONWASA will accept and approve payment for the tank, and the Contractor shall commence construction activities on the first calendar day following delivery and shall diligently prosecute the Work to completion. All Work shall be completed within ninety (90) consecutive calendar days following delivery of the tank to the project site.

Bids must be submitted on a complete contract. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority, **228 Georgetown Road, Jacksonville, NC 28540**, telephone (910) 455-0722, and the outside of the envelope must be marked "Dixon WTP Brine Tank Replacement", Attention: Kirsten Larsen, Engineering Coordinator. If a Bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed as above. Bids submitted by FAX transmission or by email are not acceptable and will be rejected. Bids must be made on blank forms included in the Bid documents. The name, address, and North Carolina Contractor's license number of the Bidder shall be marked on the sealed envelope.

Each Bid must be accompanied by cash or a certified check, drawn on a bank or trust company authorized to do business in North Carolina, payable to the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority in an amount at least equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount of the Bid, as a guarantee that a contract will be entered into and that a satisfactory performance bond will be executed. In lieu of cash or a certified check, the Bidder may submit a Bid Bond in the form prescribed in N.C. G. S. 143-129.

Bidders are notified that legislative acts relating to licensing of contractors will be observed in receiving bids and awarding contracts and that satisfactory performance and payment bonds will be required on this project.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **6661 Wilmington Highway, Holly Ridge, NC 28445** at 2:00 PM on September 10, 2026. All persons/firms who are considering submission of

a bid for this project are required to attend. Attendance of the pre-bid meeting is mandatory.

Plans, specifications, and contract documents are on file and may be examined at these locations:

- Carolina's AGC, Fayetteville Office, 2713 Breezewood Avenue, Fayetteville, NC 28303. Phone 910-484-0184
- Hispanic Contractor's Association, 224 Westinghouse Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28273. Phone 704-583-4184
- F.W. Dodge Corporation/McGraw Hill Corporation Plan Room, 4917 Waters Edge Drive, Suite 170, Raleigh, NC 27060. Phone 919 233-4653
- North Carolina Institute of Minority Economic Development, www.theinstitutenc.org

Specifications and full-size plans may be obtained upon application to the Engineer, accompanied by a non-refundable check in the amount of \$25 for each set requested. Only full sets of documents are available.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to award the contract or contracts which, in the opinion of the Onslow Water and Sewer Authority, appear to be in its best interest. The right is reserved to hold any or all Bids for a period of sixty (60) days from the opening thereof. By mutual agreement, the Authority reserves the right to extend this period and hold any or all Bids for an additional 30 days.

Date: September 2, 2026

Engineer:

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167 E. Chatham Street
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Cary, North Carolina 27511
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Owner:

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