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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Prequalified Contractors

FROM: Robert C. Lewis, P.E. *RCL*
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DATE: May 6, 2015

SUBJECT: Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference
Breathitt - Magoffin Counties
Contract ID 15-1224
Item No. 12-3011.50
Dawkins Trail – Carver Tunnel Rehabilitation
May 29, 2015 Letting

The Department of Highways will conduct a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Mandatory Field Review for the subject project. The conference will be held May 14, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. prevailing time at Magoffin Maintenance Garage, 68 Jim Arnett Branch Road, Salyersville, KY 41465.

Any company that is interested in bidding on the subject project or being part of a joint venture must be represented at the Pre-Bid Conference and at each Field Review location by at least **one person of sufficient authority to bind the company**. No individual can represent more than one company. At the conference and subsequent field review a roster will be taken of the representatives present.

ONLY COMPANIES REPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE AND AT EACH FIELD REVIEW LOCATION WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO HAVE THEIR BIDS OPENED AT THE DATE OF LETTING.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office at 502-564-3500.

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SPECIAL NOTE FOR PRE-BID CONFERENCE

**MAGOFFIN/BREATHITT COUNTIES
12-3011.50**

Dawkins Trail – Carver Tunnel Rehabilitation

The Department will conduct a mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Field Review of the subject project on May 14, 2015 at 1:00 pm EDT at:

Magoffin Maintenance Garage
68 Jim Arnett Branch Road
Salyersville, KY
606-349-3215

Any entity interested in bidding on this project or being part of a joint venture must be represented at the conference and field review by at least **one person with sufficient authority to bind the company.** No individual may represent more than one company. The pre-bid conference will be followed by a mandatory field review at the project site. A roster will be taken of the representatives present at **both** the conference and field review. **Only companies represented at the conference and field review will be eligible to have their bids opened at the date of letting.**

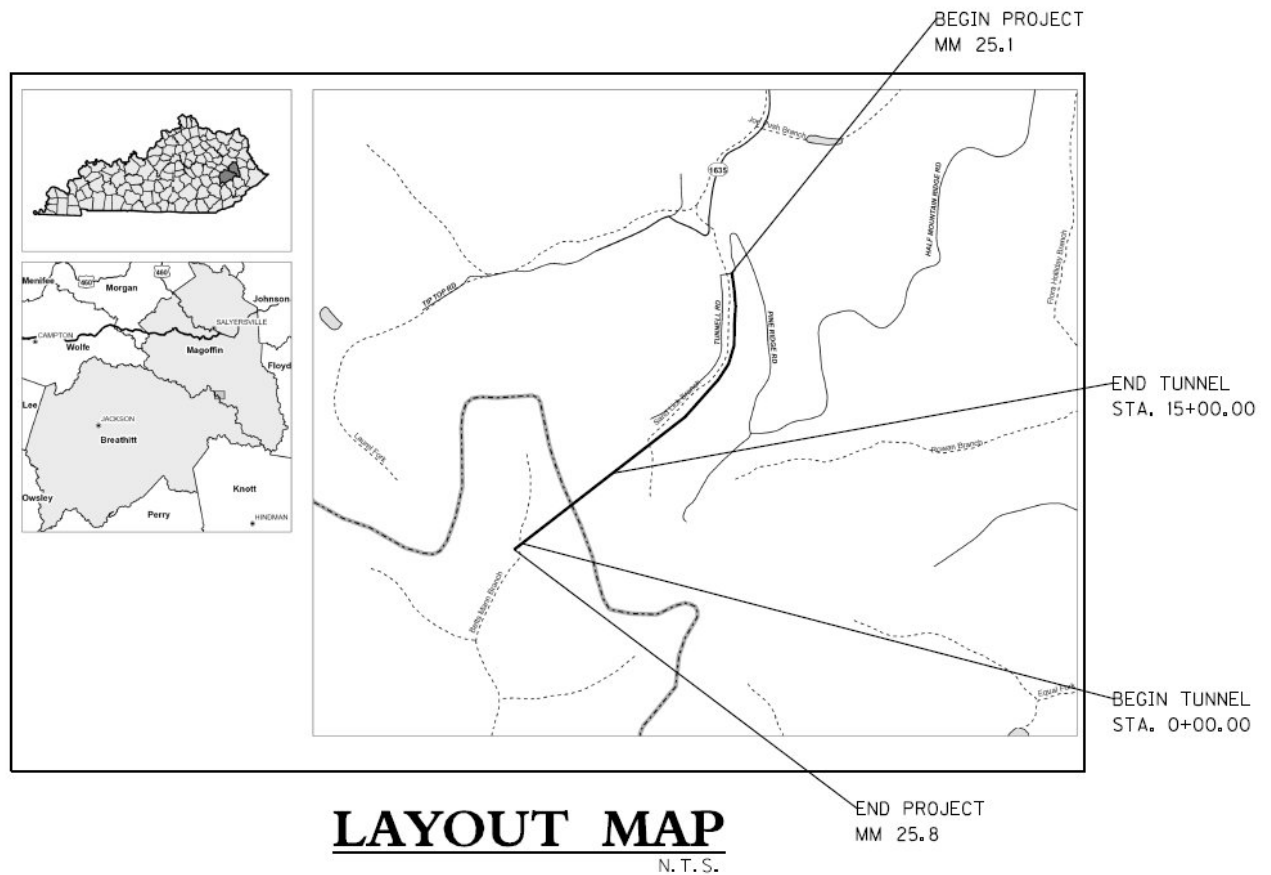
The purpose of the conference and field review is to familiarize prospective bidders with contract requirements and the location and condition of the features within the scope of the Contract.

Department of Highways representatives present at the conference and field review will answer questions concerning the project. The field review is not intended for bid estimation or submittal of proposals. Walking (up to ½ mile) may be required to access the portals. Special assistance may be possible with prior notification.

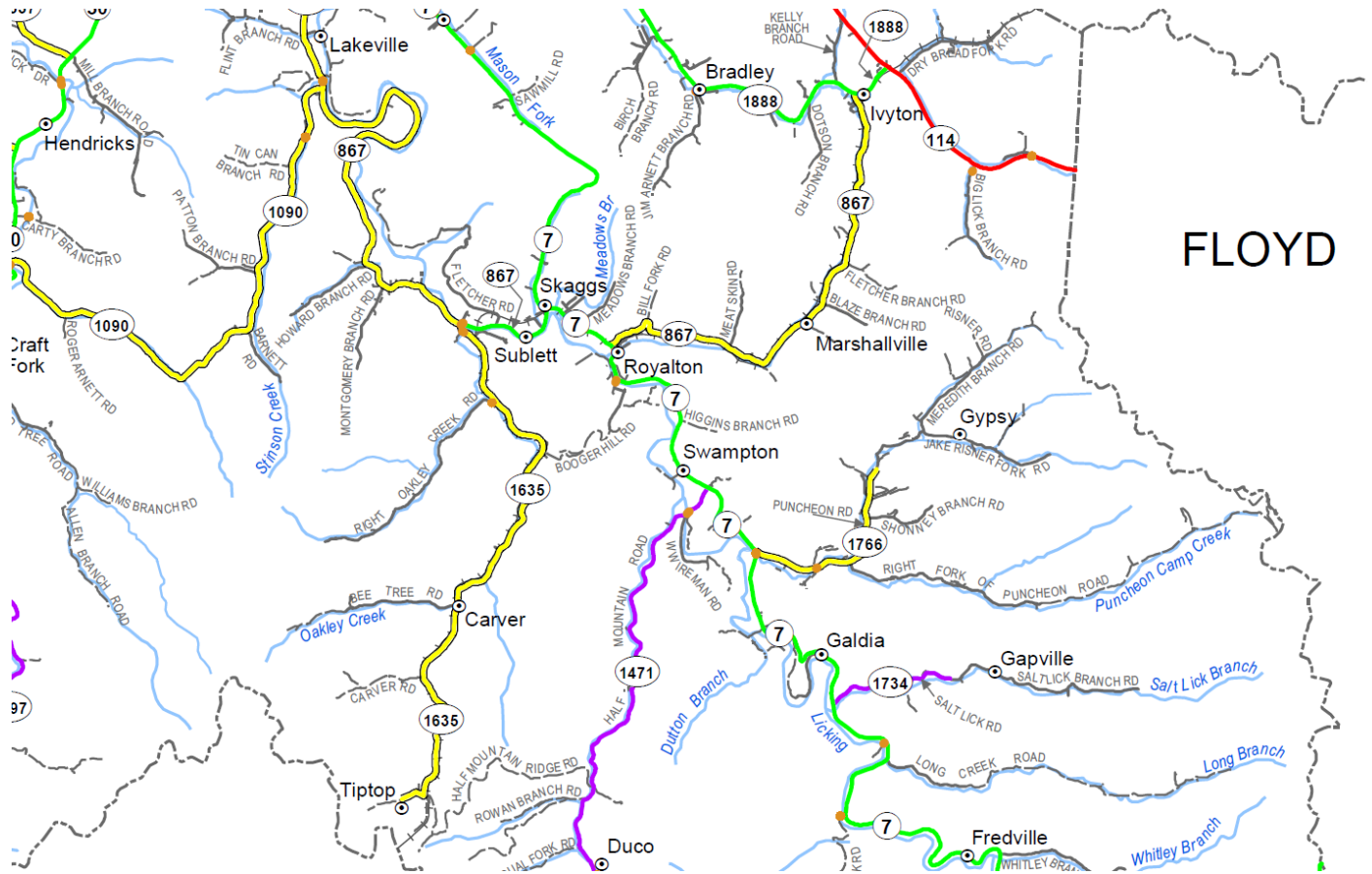
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Special Note For Pre-Bid Conference
Carver Tunnel



Maintenance Barn is near Bradley. Carver Tunnel is near Tiptop.

CARVER TUNNEL

The Carver Tunnel is an abandoned railroad tunnel approximately 1,500 feet in length and located on the boundary between Magoffin and Breathitt Counties in Kentucky, with the northern portal in southern Magoffin County, and the southern portal in eastern Breathitt County (See attached map). The tunnel was approximately 25 feet tall by 25 feet wide, constructed in the 1930's for hauling timber, and was lined with steel sets and timber lagging. In 2009 the tunnel burned, damaging the rock roof, timber lagging and steel sets. Berms comprised of soil and rocks were pushed up into the tunnel portals to block the ends of the tunnel from unauthorized access. An assessment performed in the summer of 2014 indicates there is significant debris within the tunnel resulting from the fire and subsequent roof falls. Photographs of the portals and interior of the tunnel are attached to this description.

The tunnel is part of an abandoned railroad line which is to be converted to a pedestrian, equine and mountain bike corridor as part of the "Rails to Trails" program of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC). This project will involve scaling of loose material from above the portals, the cleaning out of debris (both rock and original liner) from within the tunnel and stabilizing the roof of the tunnel with rock anchors and welded wire mesh. Loose rock material from within the tunnel will be re-used to the extent practical to construct the trail bed within the tunnel. All work will be performed from the north portal. This project will also require the installation of electric lighting within the tunnel, the construction of wooden canopies at the north and south portals, and the construction of approximately 2000 feet of pedestrian trail on the abandoned railroad bed leading to the north tunnel portal.

Bidders will need to be prequalified in Tunnels. The project is scheduled for the May 29, 2015 letting.



View of South Portal



View just inside South Portal



View of North Portal



View at North Portal



View inside North Portal

