

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA**

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INVITATION TO BID

TO

**Furnish and Deliver a 24' Landing Craft boat and Trailer
for the Biological Sciences Department**

ISSUING AGENCY: Southeastern Louisiana University
Purchasing Department
SLU 10800
Hammond, LA 70402-0800

DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING: Richard Himber

PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST: Misty Betz
Telephone: (985) 549-5414

REQUISITIONED BY: Kyle Piller
Telephone: (985) 549-2191

RELEASE DATE: December 14, 2023

DEADLINE FOR FAX INQUIRIES: January 4, 2024 Fax To: 985-549-3810
Attn: Misty Betz

BID OPENING DATE: January 17, 2024

BID OPENING TIME: 4:00 p.m., Central Time

BID OPENING LOCATION: Southeastern Louisiana University
Purchasing Department
Property Control & Supply Building
2400 North Oak Street
Hammond, Louisiana

This ITB is available in electronic form at
<https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/OSP/LaPAC/dspBid.cfm?search=department&term=4>
It is available in PDF format or in printed form by submitting a written request to the Procurement Specialist listed above. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the Office of State Purchasing LaPAC website frequently for any possible addenda that maybe issued. Southeastern is not responsible for a bidder's failure to download any addenda documents required to complete an Invitation to Bid.

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The Southeastern Louisiana University (SLU) Purchasing Department will receive sealed bids until 4:00 P.M. on the bid opening date specified in the solicitation document. No bid responses will be considered by the SLU Purchasing Department after 4:00 P.M. Beginning at that time, bids shall be publicly opened and read aloud to those present in the SLU Purchasing Department.

Mail address: Southeastern LA University
Purchasing Department
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Delivery: Southeastern LA University
Purchasing Department
Property Control & Supply Bldg
2400 North Oak St
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Bids submitted are subject to LA R.S. 39:1551-1736; Purchasing Rules and Regulations; Executive Orders; General Conditions; any Special Conditions; and Specifications listed in the solicitation document.

The purpose of this solicitation is to set forth the requirements and specifications of Southeastern Louisiana University. The contents of this solicitation and the Bidder/ Vendor/ Contractor's bid response shall become contractual obligations if a contract (purchase order) ensues.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1) **Bid Forms:** All written bids, unless otherwise provided for, must be submitted on, and in accordance with, forms provided, properly signed by an authorized representative of the bidding entity. Bids submitted in the following manner will not be accepted: (1) bid contains no signature indicating intent to be bound; (2) bid sent by facsimile equipment or email. Price alterations to bid responses received before bid opening time will be considered provided the written price alteration has been received and time-stamped before bid opening time. Any other alterations of the bid response form or foreign conditions attached thereto may cause rejection of the bid response without further consideration.
- 2) **Standard of Quality:** Any product or service bid shall conform to all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations and specifications contained in the solicitation document. Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation document, any manufacturer's name, trade name, brand name, or catalog number used in the specifications is for the purpose of describing the quality level and characteristic required. Bidder should specify the brand and model number of the product offered in his bid. Bids not specifying brand and model number shall be considered as offering the exact products specified in the solicitation document.
- 3) **Descriptive Information:** Bidders proposing an equivalent brand or model should submit with the bid response information (such as illustrations, descriptive literature, and technical data) sufficient for the University to evaluate quality, suitability, and compliance with the specifications of the solicitation document. Failure to submit descriptive information may cause bid to be rejected. Any change made to a manufacturer's published specification submitted for a product shall be verifiable by the manufacturer. If item(s) bid does not comply with specifications (including brand and/or product number), bidder should state in what respect the item(s) deviate. Failure to note exceptions on the response form will not relieve the successful bidder(s) from supplying the actual products requested.
- 4) **Bid Opening:** Bidders may attend the bid opening, but no information or opinions concerning the ultimate contract award will be given at the bid opening or during the evaluation process. Bids may be examined 72 hours after request is made. Information pertaining to completed files may be secured by visiting the SLU Purchasing Department during normal working hours. Written bid tabulations will not be furnished.

- 5) **Louisiana Preference:** Preference is hereby given to products produced, manufactured, harvested, grown or assembled in Louisiana which are equal in quality to products produced, manufactured, harvested, grown or assembled outside of Louisiana. The bidder shall state his right to claim the ten percent (10%) preference in his bid response and the bidder should state the respective Louisiana location where each qualifying item is produced, manufactured, harvested, grown or assembled.
- 6) **Notice of Special Programs Available for Small Business:** <https://www.opportunitylouisiana.com/small-business/special-programs-for-small-business>
- 7) **Signature Authority:** In accordance with LA Revised Statute 39:1594 (Act 121), the person signing the bid must be: (1) A current corporate officer, partnership member or other individual specifically authorized to submit a bid as reflected in the appropriate records on file with the Secretary of State; or (2) An individual authorized to bind the vendor as reflected by an accompanying or as provided upon request a corporate resolution or affidavit. By signing the bid, the bidder certifies compliance with the above.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The SLU Purchasing Department reserves the right to award items separately, grouped or on an all-or-none basis and to reject any or all bids and waive any informalities.

- 1) **Prices:** Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, bid prices shall be complete, including transportation and handling prepaid by the bidder to destination - SLU, Hammond, LA. Bids other than FOB destination may be rejected. Bid prices should be quoted in the unit of measure stated. Bid prices shall be firm for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days, unless otherwise specified by SLU in the solicitation document.
- 2) **Payment Terms:** Cash discounts for less than 30 days may be offered, but will not be considered in determining awards. Bids containing "payment in advance" or "COD" requirements may be rejected. Payment is to be made within 30 days after receipt of properly executed invoice or delivery, whichever is later.
- 3) **Delivery:** Bids may be rejected if the delivery time indicated is longer than that specified in the solicitation document.
- 4) **Taxes:** Bidder is responsible for including all applicable taxes in the bid price. The University is currently exempt from Louisiana State Sales and Use Taxes, and local parish and city taxes. An exemption certificate for state sales and use tax can be provided upon request.
- 5) **New Products:** Unless specifically called for in the solicitation document, all products for purchase must be new, never previously used, and the current model and/or packaging. No remanufactured, demonstrator, used or irregular product will be considered for purchase unless otherwise specified in the solicitation document. The manufacturer's standard warranty will apply unless otherwise stated in solicitation.
- 6) **Default of Contractor:** Failure to deliver within the time specified in the solicitation document will constitute a default and may cause cancellation of the contract. Where the University has determined the contractor to be in default, the state reserves the right to purchase any or all products or services covered by the contract on the open market and to charge the contractor with cost in excess of the contract price. Until such assessed charges have been paid, no subsequent bid from the defaulting contractor will be considered.
- 7) **Contract Cancellation:** The University shall have the right to cancel any contract, in accordance with Purchasing Rules and Regulations, for cause, including but not limited to, the following: (1) failure of the vendor to deliver within the time specified in the contract; (2) failure of the product or service to meet specifications, conform to sample quality, or to be delivered in good condition; (3) misrepresentation by the contractor; (4) fraud, collusion, conspiracy or other unlawful means of obtaining any contract with the state; (5) conflict of contract provisions with constitutional or statutory provisions of state or federal law; (6) any other breach of contract.
- 8) **Applicable Law:** All contracts shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Louisiana.
- 9) **Equal Opportunity:** By submitting and signing this bid, bidder agrees that he will not discriminate in the rendering of services to and/or employment of individuals because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, handicap, disability, veteran status, or any other non-merit factor.

By submitting a response to this solicitation, the bidder or proposer certifies and agrees that the following information is correct: In preparing its response, the bidder or proposer has considered all proposals submitted from qualified, potential subcontractors and suppliers, and has not, in the solicitation, selection, or commercial treatment of any subcontractor or supplier, refused to transact or terminated business activities, or taken other actions intended to limit commercial relations, with a person or entity that is engaging in commercial transactions in Israel or Israeli-controlled territories, with the specific intent to accomplish a boycott or divestment of Israel. The bidder also has not retaliated against any person or other entity for reporting such refusal, termination, or commercially limiting actions. The state reserves the right to reject the response of the bidder or proposer if this certification is subsequently determined to be false, and to terminate any contract awarded based on such a false response.
- 10) **Piggyback:** Other Louisiana Governmental Agencies may purchase at the same terms and conditions if agreed upon by awarded vendor.

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BID RESPONSE PAGE

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit of Measure</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Extended Price</u>
A.	Hull	1	Each		
B.	Floor Plan	1	Each		
C.	Accessories	1	Each		
D.	Outboard Motor	2	Each		
E.	Trailer	1	Each		
Total:					

DELIVERY Time:

Bidder shall indicate maximum anticipated delivery time after receipt of a Purchase Order:

Check One)

Two months or less

Four months or less

Other - State _____

NAME OF BIDDER: _____

DATE _____

BIDDER INITIALS: _____

Specifications

Southeastern Louisiana University
Department of Biological Sciences, Hammond, LA 70402

Contact Person for technical questions on bid specifications: Dr. Kyle Piller, Professor and Director of the Lake Maurepas Monitoring Program. Phone: (985)549-2191, Email: kyle.piller@selu.edu

Contact Person for bid submittal procedures: Misty Betz (Purchasing Department - Southeastern) Office phone: (985)549-5414, Email: misty.betz@selu.edu

Specifications for Bid – 24' Landing Craft (Includes all labor and materials)

Comparable to:

Scully Model: 2484LC2 Landing Craft or Hanco Model: 2484 CCVLC Landing Craft

Note on Boat Use/Environmental Conditions: Boat will be used in the Lake Maurepas/Pontchartrain Basin Estuarine System, which ranges from near-fresh water conditions (>95% of the time boat will be moored and used in areas with less than 0.5 PPT salinity in the western Lake Pontchartrain Estuary area) to more brackish conditions (<5% of the time would be in more brackish/saline conditions on the eastern end of the Lake Pontchartrain estuary out into the Gulf of Mexico). Average water depths will range from low (3-4 ft) to 15-20 ft. on average, with wave action ranging from 1-3 ft. most of the time.

A. HULL SPECIFICATIONS

Hull made of 5086 Marine Grade Aluminum

1. Length: 24' LOA (approximate)
2. Bottom: 7' (1/4") (approximate)
3. Sides: 35" (1/4") (approximate)
4. Beam: 8' 6" (approximate)
5. 1/8" tread plate double bottom, deck and rails
6. Self-bailing double bottom with overboard drains – center line sump hole in rear double bottom
7. Four– heavy duty lift eye/cleat combo – port & starboard – bow & stern
8. Transom designed for dual 25" shaft outboard engines

B. FLOOR PLAN

1. 4" aluminum rub rails around top outside gunnel & mid sidewall
2. 12" front bow winch cover railing
3. 6" wide tread plate rails around top interior gunnel of hull (catwalk) – bow to bow winch

cover rail

4. Approximately 5' 6" wide tread plate drop down door with mechanical locking pins & manual winch Removable davit manual winch – port & starboard socket locations front corners (=2 in total). Minimum davit capacity of 650lbs.
5. Four trawl pole sockets, 2 and 1/16" inside diameter. Two trawl pole sockets should be placed in the bow (port and starboard) for trawling in reverse and two sockets should be placed in the stern for trawling from the back (port and starboard).
6. Two – hinged bow doors – mechanical locking pins
7. Two – folding bench seats (no storage)
8. 60 gallon fuel tank with centerline baffle – inside center console
9. Center console – 3/16" construction
10. Aluminum frame windshield – 3/16" construction
11. Aluminum pipe t/top with aluminum plated hard top – fiberglass locking instrument box
12. Floor track extending from console to transom flush with flooring (wire track)
13. Custom leaning post with dry storage designed for ice chest to slide underneath – adjustable backrest
14. Full width splashwell with overboard drains
15. Transom corner gussets
16. Removable 1-1/2" aluminum pipe safety railing installed 32" above main deck, port and starboard, one section from stern to midship next section from midship to bow.

C. ACCESSORIES

1. 3-piece 1/4" safety glass installed into aluminum framed windshield
2. Heavy duty electric windshield wipers for front windshield
3. Fire Extinguisher: One 10B:C USCG Approved with bracket mount, easily accessible.
4. Navigational lights: t/top mounted front lights and removable white all-round light
5. Dual hydraulic steering with dual cylinders and stainless steel tie bar
6. Stainless steel steering wheel
7. Dual fuel system (fittings, valves, hoses and fuel/water separator)
8. Fuel sender installed into tank with dash mounted fuel gauge
9. 6 gang electric control panel with reset breakers
10. Electric trumpet style horn
11. 1100 gph automatic bilge pump with manual override switch on dash
12. Four – LED flood lights – 2 forward facing, 2 rear facing
13. LED Go light spotlight
14. 12v USB power sockets (n=2)
15. Hummingbird APEX 16 MEGA SI and Chartplotter– side scan and transducer
16. 2 – battery cases and straps
17. 2 - marine cranking batteries
18. 2 – battery selector switch – on/off
19. Vinyl cushion for leaning post & bench seats – customer color choice
20. 2 -manual winches with stainless steel cables
21. 2 – anodes located on transom
22. Interior of boat to be painted – blasted, primed and painted – customer color choice
23. Gaskets for dry boxes and all raw edges to have trim gasket

24. All wires to be incased in plastic split loom to prevent electrical problems
25. Stainless steel fasteners for all hardware attachments
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27. All wires to be incased in plastic split loom to prevent electrical problems
28. Stainless steel fasteners for all hardware attachments
29. Paint on handrails, gunnels and topper
30. Blast and Paint waterline down with appropriate epoxy primer (approx. 10 mil) and multi anti-fouling paint application (approx. 5 mil). Color-Black

D. OUTBOARD MOTOR OPTIONS: YAMAHA

1. Twin Yamaha 4-stroke 115 hp outboard motors, mechanical controls, Yamaha multi-functional digital tachometer and three blade stainless propellers appropriate for best performance on this boat design. Starboard motor is standard, while port motor is counter-rotating. Yamaha is preferred as our local area dealer will do any required maintenance. **NOTE: IF GETTING YAMAHA MOTORS IS AN ISSUE, NOTE AS SUCH ON BID AND LOCAL DEALER CAN SHIP MOTORS TO BOAT MANUFACTURER FOR INSTALLATION AS BOAT IS BEING COMPLETED.**

2. Binnacle controls with key switches and deluxe control cables - tachometers – stainless steel propellers - Installed, and test run in local waterway to check, test and verify operation & propeller sizing for proposed vessel

E. TRAILER

1. Heavy duty tandem axle boat trailer
2. Aluminum I/beam frame construction – brakes on 1 axle
3. 6,000 lbs capacity with 14" tires - heavy duty side guides
4. Plastic covered boards - Spare tire and carrier
5. Adjusted and setup for proposed boat

Statement by Customer:

1. Customer reserves the right to review the bid for any discrepancies or clarifications.
2. Time frame of construction starts with Purchase Agreement, and is approximately 2-4 months until ready for delivery.
3. Since Southeastern Louisiana University is an agency of the State of Louisiana, therefore we are Tax Exempt (i.e., no sales tax is to be charged).

VENDOR MUST INCLUDE ALL EXPENSES, (THIS INCLUDES SHIPPING AND DISCOUNTS) IN THE UNIT PRICE.