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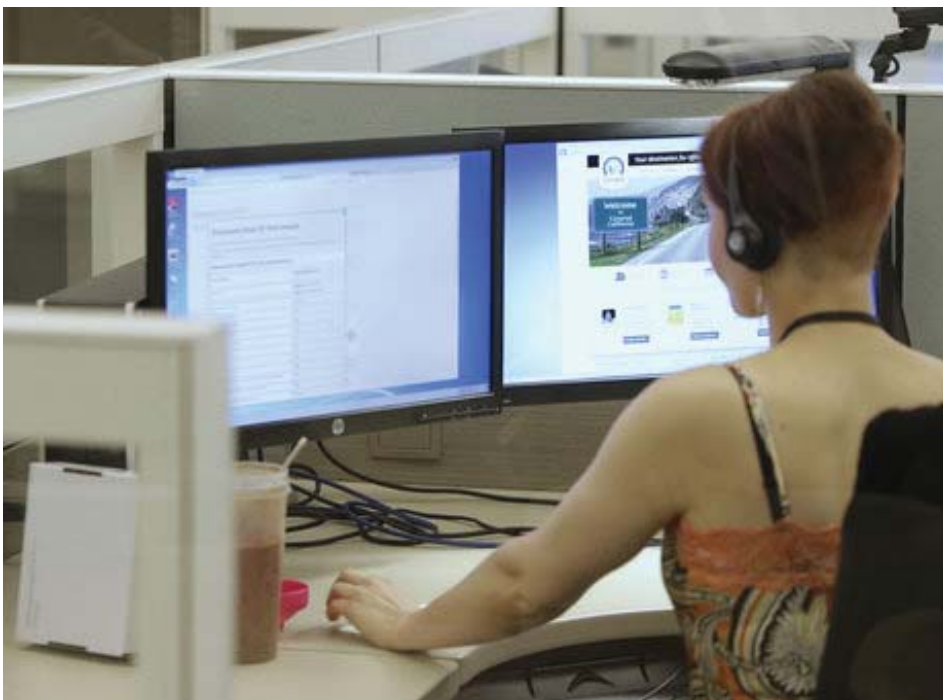
**SMALL BUSINESS EXCHANGE**

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## Small Businesses May Find Insurance Relief In Exchanges



An employee of Covered California works in the newly opened call center in Rancho Cordova, Calif. Covered California is the state's new health insurance exchange.

by **Stephanie O'Neill**

Walk down the carpeted hallways of in Burbank, Calif., and it's common to hear the odd explosion, the hum of traffic or a burst of gunfire.

It's here in these edit bays that small feature films and TV dramas like the ABC hits *Grey's Anatomy* and *Scandal* and CBS's *Person of Interest* get primped and polished for prime-time viewing.

While about 45 employees work here to make Hollywood magic happen, general manager Sunder Ramani is focused on the less exotic work of paying the bills and figuring out how to provide health insurance to about 15 workers who don't have union-provided health coverage.

"Up until about two years ago, we had probably the Cadillac of plans for our employees," he says. "We picked up 100 percent of that plan, which was, I think, a huge tool in our arsenal in terms of getting good people to come work for us."

Double-digit premium increases in recent years have forced Ramani to downgrade his employee coverage, which his insurance broker has warned may soon soar another 25 to 35 percent above last year's increase.

"Which is a significant hit," Ramani says, "but they can't tell me enough yet until we get closer to that time. So I'm here in a limbo world trying to decide what it is I'm going to do."

One new option he'll soon have is to buy insurance through Covered California's . SHOP stands for Small Business Health Options

Program. It's California's version of a small-business insurance program that is part of the federal Affordable Care Act. The state has 500,000 small businesses.

All states are offering similar small-business exchanges. These are marketplaces for employers with 50 or fewer full-time workers and are designed to offer more affordable insurance to mom-and-pop businesses that have long paid more than large companies for the same level of coverage.

"Small businesses are horribly disadvantaged in terms of being able to purchase insurance," says Peter Harbage, president of the Sacramento-based health policy firm . "If they're even able to purchase it, they have to pay more and they get less."

Harbage says that not only will SHOP plans offer competitive prices, but they will also offer tax benefits that for some smaller companies might cut premium prices in half.

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REQUESTING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED DBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

**Route 5/1 Separation-San Juan Creek Road  
Orange County, Caltrans Project #12-0F96E4  
Bid Date: October 31, 2013 at 2:00 pm**

This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Aggregate, Rip Rap Material, Bridge Deck Overlay, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grubbing, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Crack Sealing, Construction Area Signs, Consult - Enviro Compliance, Core and Saw, Demo Bridge, Demo Minor, Earthwork and Base, Imported Borrow, Electrical H'Way, Fence & MBGR, Minor Flat Concrete, Joint Seals, K-Rail, Landscape, Erosion Control, Metal Bridge Rail, Minor Concrete Structure, Pavement Grinding, Paving PCC, Plane A C, Paving ASPH Concrete, A C Dike and Misc, Pile Drive, Pipe - Coor Steel, Precast Concrete Pipe, Prestress Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Rock Slope Protect, Sign Structures, Signs Roadside, Stripe and Mark, Structure Excavate Bridge, Structure Excavate Site, Traffic Control, Trucking.

C.C. Myers, Inc. is willing to break down items of work into economically feasible units to encourage DBE participation. If you are interested in any of this work, please provide us with a scope letter or contact us immediately. Plans and Specifications are available from Caltrans at: [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe).

Conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless expressly accepted in writing. Subcontractor and Supplier quotes are required 24 hours prior to the bid date to enable thorough evaluation.



## C.C. Myers, Inc.

3286 Fitzgerald Rd. • Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 • 916-635-9370 • Fax 916-635-1527

Each Subcontractor shall be prepared to submit faithful performance and payment bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. The Contractor will pay standard industry rates for these bonds.

Contact C. C. Myers, Inc. for assistance with bonds, insurance, lines of credit, equipment, supplies or project plans and specifications. C.C. Myers, Inc., is a Union Contractor.

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Shimmick Construction Company, Inc.  
DBE Subcontractor/Supplier Bids Requested For:

**State of California – Department of Transportation  
For Construction on State Highway in Alameda and Oakland from 0.2 Mile South of 29th  
Avenue Overcrossing to 0.3 Mile North of 23rd Avenue Overcrossing  
Contract No. 04-0A7104**

**Bid Date: November 19, 2013 at 2:00PM  
Fax all quotes to 510-777-5099**

Requesting qualified DBE certified Subcontractor and Supplier Quotes on: Barrier Rail, Bridge Rail-Concrete, Clear and Grub, Concrete-Cellcrete, Contaminated Soil, Coring, Crash Cushion, Demolition, Earthwork, Electrical, Environmental, Erosion Control, Fence, Flatwork, Grinding-AC, Concrete, joint Seal, Landscape, Masonry, MBGR, Paving, Piles-General, Post Tensioning, Precast-Structural, Rebar, Restrainer-Cable, Shoring, Signs, Soil Cement, Survey, Traffic Control, Trucking, Utility Work, Aggregate, Bearing Pads, Expansion Joints, Fabric, Falsework Material, Misc. Metal, MSE Panels, Precast-Utility, Ready Mix, Trench Shoring, Utility Pipe-CMP, Utility Pipe-CSP, Utility Pipe-VCP, and Utility Pipe-RCP.

Specifications and drawings are available through the Caltrans website: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/project\\_ads\\_addenda/04/04-0A7104/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/project_ads_addenda/04/04-0A7104/) or may be viewed at Shimmick Construction's Office by appointment: 8201 Edgewater Drive, Ste 202, Oakland, CA 94621, Phone (510) 777-5000.

Subcontractors and Suppliers interested in this project may contact Osama Martell by phone at (510) 777-5005.

100% Performance and Payment bonds with a surety company subject to approval of Shimmick Construction Company, Inc. are required of subcontractors for this project. Shimmick Construction will pay bond premium up to 1.5%. Subcontractors will be required to abide by terms and conditions of the AGC Master Labor Agreements and to execute an agreement utilizing the latest SCCI Long Form Standard Subcontract incorporating prime contract terms and conditions, including payment provisions. Shimmick Construction's listing of a Subcontractor is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with the Subcontractor's price quote. Shimmick Construction requires that Subcontractors and Suppliers price quotes be provided at a reasonable time prior to the bid deadline to enable a complete evaluation. For assistance with bonding, insurance or lines of credit contact Scott Fairgrieve at (510) 777-5000.

### Shimmick Construction Company Inc.

8201 Edgewater Drive, Suite 202 • Oakland, CA 94621 • Phone (510) 777-5000 • Fax (510) 777-5099

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**TAFT ELECTRIC COMPANY,  
1694 EASTMAN AVENUE,  
VENTURA, CA 93003  
Katie Faulise: (805) 642-0121 ext. 239  
Fax: (805) 650-9015**

Invites sub-bids from qualified union DVBE businesses for the following project:

**PROJECT: Bid #23182 –  
David G. Millen Intermediate School  
LOCATION: Palmdale, CA  
OWNER: Palmdale School District  
APPROXIMATE PROJECT VALUE:  
\$3,000,000.00**

**BID DATE/TIME: November 14, 2013 @ 2:00**

\*\*SEEKING: Electrical Material, Lighting, Gear, and Low Voltage Systems.

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and intend to seriously negotiate with qualified Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise subcontractors and suppliers for project participation.

Payment and performance bonds may be required. Please contact us at the above listed number for further information regarding bidding on this project. To the best of our abilities we will help with bonds/insurance/credit. Plans are available for viewing at our office.

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Sub Bids requested from qualified DBE Subcontractors and Suppliers

**Construction on State Hwy. In Los Angeles  
County in Los Angeles 0.1 mile west of  
Dominquez Channel  
Project No. 07-3X3904**

**Bid Date/Time: October 24, 2013 @ 2:00PM**

Owner: :

State of California  
Dept. of Transportation  
1120 N. St. Room #200  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Scope of Work Includes:

Clearing and Grubbing, CIDH Piles,  
Barriers and Railing, Traffic Control, Grading,  
Reinforcing Steel.

Plans and Specifications are available from the Owner at [www.dot.ca.gov](http://www.dot.ca.gov) and may be viewed at the office of G.B. Cooke, Inc. Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All quotes are requested by the COB October 23, 2013. G.B. Cooke, Inc. intends to seriously consider all proposals for participation on this project. G.B. Cooke, Inc. is An Equal Opportunity Employer. We will assist in obtaining bonds, line of credit and insurance if necessary. G.B. Cooke will also assist in obtaining the necessary equipment, supplies, and materials, if needed.

### G.B. Cooke, Inc.

580 E. Foothill Blvd. • Azusa, CA 91702  
Phone: 626-969-8736 • Fax: 626-969-7919

Contact: Cori Greene  
Email: [cori@gbcookeinc.com](mailto:cori@gbcookeinc.com)

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## SKANSKA

Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers

**Sunset Ave at I-10 / UPRR Railway Grade Separation Project  
Between Ramsey Street and Westward Ave  
In the City of Banning**

**County of Riverside Transportation Department**

**Project No.: CO-0529**

**DBE Goal: 2.9%**

**Bid Date: October 23, 2013 – 2:00 PM**

Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside or May be purchased from the Transportation Department at: 3525 14th Street, Riverside, California 92501, (951) 955-6780.

**Quotes requested for contractors, suppliers and service providers include, but are not limited to:** Construction Site Management, Storm Water Pollution Plan, Street Sweeping, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Flashing Arrow Sign, Type III Barricade, Water Pollution Control, Temporary Pavement Marking, Temporary Traffic Stripe, Channelizer, Temporary Railing, Portable Changeable Message Signs, Temporary Crash Cushion Module, Roadside Signs, Abandon Culvert, Cold Plane Asphalt Concrete Pavement (Off Ramps), Remove Concrete, Clearing and Grubbing, Roadway Excavation, Lead Compliance Plan, Imported Borrow, Temporary Shoring, Develop Water Supply, Structure Excavation, Structure Excavation (Bridge), Structure Excavation (Retaining Wall), Structure Backfill, Sand Backfill, Fiber Rolls, Class 2 Aggregate Base, Hot Mix Asphalt, Prime Coat, Place Hot Mix Asphalt Dike, Tack Coat, Furnish & Drive Steel Pile, Prestressing, Structural Concrete (Bridge), Structural Concrete (Retaining Wall), Structural Concrete (Approach Slab), Structural Concrete (Barrier Slab), Architectural Treatment, Anti-Graffiti Coating, Minor Concrete, Joint Seal Assembly, Bar Reinforcing Steel (Bridge), Bar Reinforcing Steel (Retaining Wall), Masonry Walls, Painting Structural Steel, Roadside Sign, Install Sign, Reinforced Concrete Pipe, Welded Steel Pipe Casing, Storm Drain, Rock Slope Protection, Minor Concrete (Structure), Rock Slope Protection Fabric, Miscellaneous Metal (Bridge), Miscellaneous Iron and Steel, Bridge Deck Drainage System, Chain Link Fence, Chain Link Railing, Metal Railing (Decorative), Concrete Barrier, Cable Railing, Transition Railing, Terminal System, Crash Cushion, Pavement Marking, Traffic Stripe, Pavement Marker, Landscaping, Irrigation, Signal & Lighting, Lighting & Sign Illumination, Ductile Iron Pipe, Waterline, Fire Hydrant, Sewer Pipe, Temporary Erosion Control, Erosion Control.

Skanska is interested in soliciting in Good Faith all subcontractors as well as certified DBE companies for this project. All interested subcontractors, please indicate all lower tier DBE participation offered on your quotation as it will be evaluated with your price. Please call if we can assist you in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies. Skanska will also review breaking out scope packages and adjusting schedules to help permit maximum participation.

Subcontracting Requirements: Skanska's insurance requirements are Commercial General Liability (GL): \$1M ea. occ., \$1M personal injury, \$2M products & completed operations agg. and general agg.; \$1M Auto Liability; \$5M Excess/Umbrella and \$1M Workers Comp. Endorsements and waivers required are the Additional Insured End., Primary Wording End., and a Waiver of Subrogation (GL & WC). Other insurance requirements may be necessary per scope. Subcontractors may be required to furnish performance and payment bonds in the full amount of their subcontract by an admitted surety and subject to approval by Skanska. Skanska will pay bond premium up to 1%. Quotations must be valid for the same duration as specified by the Owner for contract award. Conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless accepted in writing. Skanska is signatory to the Operating Engineers, Laborers, Cement Masons, Carpenters Unions and Teamsters. Subcontractors must provide weekly, one original and one copy of all certified payrolls, including non-performance and fringe benefit statements if required by law or by the Prime Contract. Subcontractor scope (including any conditions or exceptions) is required 24 hours prior to bid deadline to allow proper evaluation.

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**Skanska Estimating Dept:**

1995 Agua Mansa Rd, Riverside, CA 92509 – Ph: (951) 684-5360, Fax: (951) 788-2449

**Email: Tom.Mehas@Skanska.com**

ISEC is requesting quotations from all qualified & certified SB, VOSB, SDVOSB, HUBZone, WOB, SDB Subcontractors and Material Suppliers for the following project.

**VA Palo Alto Centers For Ambulatory Care,  
Polytrauma And Blind Rehabilitation Parking Structure 2  
3801 Miranda Avenue, Palo Alto, CA  
Bid date is October 30th, 2013 @ 1 pm**

**Trade- Architectural Woodwork, Specialties, Site Furnishings**

**ISEC is requesting quotes for Subcontractors and Material Supplies by 1 PM 10/25/13.**

Contact **Rich Elemen** @ ISEC with any questions concerning this project.

**ISEC, Inc.**

41734 Christy Street  
Fremont, CA 94538

Office: 510-490-1333 • Fax: 510-656-8764

Sub Bids Requested From Qualified DBE / UDBE Subcontractors & Suppliers for

**Port of Stockton**

**Highway 4 Offsite Intersection Mitigation  
Location: Stockton, CA**

**Bid Date: October 23, 2013 @ 3:00 PM**

McGuire and Hester is seeking qualified subcontractors in the following trades: construction area signs; striping/signs; microsurfacing; SWPPP; AC dike; concrete; electrical; sawcutting; and trucking.

We will pay up to and including one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) of your bonding cost. Certification assistance is available, as well as viewing plans and specs.

**McGuire and Hester**

9009 Railroad Avenue • Oakland, CA 94603

Phone: (510) 632-7676 • Fax: (510) 562-5209

**Contact: Hugo Gutierrez**

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REQUEST FOR SUB BIDS FROM QUALIFIED SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS INCLUDING DVBE/MBE/WBE/LBE for:

**ADA SITE IMPROVEMENTS  
VISITACION VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

**Bid Date: October 29, 2013**

Trades/Services requested include:

**Temp Fencing & Trucking.**

Please contact us for information about bonding, insurance, prevailing wage and certified payroll requirements.

**Ross Recreation Equipment**

Contact **Bob Hanes** at bobh@rossrec.com

(707) 538-3800 Fax: (707) 538-3826

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REQUEST FOR LBE & DVBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR:

**El Cerrito High School Stadium  
Bid #3541348-00**

**West Contra Costa Unified School District  
BID DATE: October 30, 2013 @ 2:00 PM**

We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Building Structures, Site Concrete, Landscaping/Irrigation, Fencing, Electrical, Storm/Water/Sewer/Survey and Construction Materials

**O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc.**

1520 Fourth Street • Berkeley, CA 94710 • Phone:

510-526-3424 • FAX: 510-526-0990

**Contact: Mike Crowley**

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100% Performance & Payment Bonds may be required. Worker's Compensation Waiver of Subrogation required. Please call OCJ for assistance with bonding, insurance, necessary equipment, material and/or supplies. OCJ is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage LBE/DVBE Participation. Plans & Specs are available for viewing at our office.



# BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES

## SKANSKA

Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers  
**For Construction of Magnolia Avenue/BNSF Railway Grade Separation**  
**In the City of Riverside and Home Gardens area For the**  
**County of Riverside Transportation Department**  
**Project No.: B7-0784**  
**DBE Goal: 2.9%**  
**REVISED Bid Date: October 23, 2013 – 2:00 PM**

Plans and Specifications are available for view at our main office in Riverside or May be purchased from the Transportation Department at: 3525 14th Street, Riverside, California 92501, (951) 955-6780.

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 Email: jerome.dipadova@skanska.com

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) for the following project:

**State Highway in Solano County**  
**in and near Rio Vista from 0.1 Mile West of**  
**Currie Road to 0.3 Mile West of**  
**Summerset Road**  
**Caltrans Contract No. 04-2A6204**  
**Federal Aid Project ACNHP-P012(114)E**  
**Engineer Estimate: \$9,100,000**  
**240 Working Days**  
**Goal: DBE 11%**  
**Revised Bid Date:**  
**November 6th, 2013 @ 2:00 PM**

**Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to)** Fabric & Oils, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Cold Plane, Clear & Grub, Hydroseeding, Erosion Control, AC Dike, Pile Driving (Steel Sheet), Structural Concrete, Reinforcing Steel, Signs Roadside, Rock Slope Protection, Fencing Object Marker, MBGR, Metal Railing, Thermoplastic & Painted Traffic Stripe & Marking, Pavement Marking, SWPPP, Roadway Excavation, Aggregate Base, Asphalt Paving, Hazardous Substance Removal, Trucker & Sweeper.

**Scope of Work:** Widen shoulders and intersections and place HMA.

RGW is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE participation. Contact us for a specific item list.

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or the Caltrans website [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/). Contact **Dave Czech** 925-606-2400 david.czech@rgwconstruction.com for any questions, including bonding, lines of credit, or insurance or equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. For bonding and other assistance, please call.

### RGW Construction, Inc.

Contractors License A/B 591940  
 550 Greenville Road • Livermore, CA 94550 • Phone:  
 925-606-2400 • Fax: 925-961-1925  
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**I-805 North Improvement**  
**Design Build Project**  
**Caltrans Contract No: 11-2T2004**

Current and ongoing procurement opportunities for the I-805 North project are available through the project procurement website: [www.usa.skanska.com/I805North](http://www.usa.skanska.com/I805North)

**Bid Packages available are: CIDH, Electrical, Soil Nail and Driven Pile.**

Bid packages will be posted to the site on a continual basis. Plans, Specs and additional information are also available on the site.

If you need assistance, please contact **Dave Sharpnack** at 951-295-3140. UDBE and Non-UDBE subs are encourage to participate.

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### Looking for Subcontractors, Vendors, and Suppliers?

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## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO

### ANNOUNCEMENT TO PREQUALIFIED BIDDERS AND ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**HSIR FIRE SMOKE DAMPER REPAIR**  
Project No.: M2607A / Contract No.: SL0265  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
SAN FRANCISCO

Bidding Documents will be available beginning **October 17, 2013 at 10:00 AM** and can be purchased from UCSF Documents, Media & Mail:

Log into <http://www.cpfm.ucsf.edu/contracts/index.htm> Click on the UCSF Documents, Media & Mail button (Use the same website above to view complete Advertisement).

The following contractors have been prequalified to bid on this project and the University will **ONLY** receive bids from the following:

#### Warm-Air Heating, Ventilation & Air-Conditioning (HVAC) Contractors

ACCO Engineered Systems  
Hellwig Mechanical  
Southland Industries

Sealed bids are to be received on **November 6, 2013 at 3:00 PM** and opened at **3:05 PM** at UCSF - Minnesota St. Finance Service Center, University of California, San Francisco, 654 Minnesota Street, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94107-3027. Phone: (415) 476-5343.

Prior to the Bid Deadline and after bid opening, the University may establish a new Bid Deadline no earlier than 24 hours from the prior Bid Deadline, if no material changes are made to the bidding documents, and no earlier than 72 hours if material changes are made. In such event the University will, at a minimum, notify all persons or entities known by the University to have received a complete set of Bidding Documents and who has provided a street address and/or facsimile number for receipt of any written pre-bid communications.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

This project includes materials, products, equipment, labor, devices and incidentals necessary and required for the demolition and replacement of selected modulating Fire Smoke Dampers on the building's main supply and exhaust risers. Upon installation of new fire smoke dampers and duct systems the contractor shall confirm Fire Smoke Dampers are responding and operating correctly, including testing of each FSD in the presence of the State Fire Marshal.

Estimated construction cost: \$450,000 - \$550,000

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy.

The bidding mode will be a lump sum contract in which the lowest responsive and responsible bidder will be selected.

#### **CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE:**

**LICENSE CLASSIFICATION:** Warm-Air Heating, Ventilation & Air-Conditioning (HVAC)

**LICENSE CODE:** C-20

## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY STANISLAUS

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR  
SEWER LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT,  
PROJECT NUMBER 7916  
CSU STANISLAUS  
ONE UNIVERSITY CIRCLE  
TURLOCK, CA 95382**

The Trustees of the California State University will receive sealed bid proposals in room MSR290 at the above address, for furnishing all labor and materials for construction of the Sewer Lift Station Project Number 7916, for the CSU Stanislaus, campus.

Proposals will be received in the above-mentioned room until 2:00 p.m. on November 14, 2013 in accordance with the contract documents, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read.

In general, the work consists of the replacing a sewer lift station in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by Nexus Engineering, 1400 Lone Palm Avenue, Suite A, Modesto, CA 95351, telephone: (209) 572-7399. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the University and Plan Rooms. Engineer's construction estimate is \$625,000.

Plans and specifications will be available for review and purchase after October 14, 2013 by requesting them from ARC by going to [www.e-ARC.com/ca/modesto](http://www.e-ARC.com/ca/modesto) then clicking on "Public Planroom" or by calling the ARC Modesto location at, (209) 524-2924 asking for the PlanWell Department. Plans and specifications cost approximately \$100.00 per set plus tax and shipping payable to ARC and are non-refundable.

Each bidder offering a proposal must comply with bidding provisions of Article 2.00 et seq. of the Con-

tract General Conditions. The bidder should familiarize himself with all the provisions of the Contract General Conditions and Supplementary General Conditions, especially Article 2.02, regarding the necessity to prequalify with the Trustees ten (10) business days prior to the bid date.

Bidders must be prequalified with the Trustees. Prequalification of Prospective Bidders, Form 703.11 can be downloaded from the internet at [http://www.calstate.edu/cpdc/cm/contractor\\_prequal\\_bidders.shtml](http://www.calstate.edu/cpdc/cm/contractor_prequal_bidders.shtml), or bidders may contact the person below to request forms.

This project is a public works project and is subject to prevailing wage rate laws (see Contract General Conditions, Article 4.02-c).

A mandatory pre-bid walkthrough has been scheduled for Thursday, October 24, 2013. Interested bidders should assemble at the Mary Stuart Rogers Building, conference room MSR130 on the campus.

The Trustees require the successful bidder to achieve three percent (3%) DVBE participation in contracting construction projects as established in the bidding documents, and this must occur prior to the bid opening.

It will be the responsibility of each bidder to obtain a bid proposal package in sufficient time to fulfill requirements therein. Bid proposal packages are obtainable only by **prequalified** contractors, licensed in the State of California with an A license, and the bid packages must be requested from the Trustees, located at CSU Stanislaus, One University Circle, Turlock CA 95382; Attention: Debbie DaRosa, (209) 667-3987.

## Small Businesses May Find Insurance Relief In Exchanges

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But is not so optimistic. He is the California executive director for the National Federation of Independent Business, and represents more than 22,000 small businesses in California.

"There are a lot of uncertainties as it relates to the law," he says. "We are hopeful that they will find affordable coverage within the exchange. We are hopeful they will have the ability to pick and choose in the marketplace."

Business owners will need to closely inspect the policies offered, Kabateck says, as some participating insurance companies have announced they're keeping premiums lower by offering a smaller network of doctors and hospitals. And that means fewer choices for employees.

And whether or not a small business opts to provide workers health coverage, there's really no way for them to avoid the extra time and cost it will take to navigate the new law's reporting requirements. And that's a concern shared by Westwind's Ramani.

"Small business doesn't have scale," Ramani says. "We don't have a legal department. We don't have an HR department. We navigate through mountains of regulations, not just about health care but about everything we do here. We're just getting bombarded on all levels."

For now, Ramani says he'll sit tight and watch before deciding whether the SHOP marketplace will provide him a better way to buy affordable, quality health insurance for his employees.

Under the Affordable Care Act, small businesses are not required to provide insurance to their workers. Only those with more than 50 employees must do so, beginning in 2015.

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