

STATE OF ALABAMA **DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

P.O. BOX 301452 64 NORTH UNION STREET MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130-1452



Kay Ivey GOVERNOR

Christopher M. Blankenship COMMISSIONER

Edward F. Poolos DEPUTY COMMISSIONER Matthew W. Capps DIRECTOR

PUBLIC NOTICE - INVITATION TO BID FOR THE OPERATION OF A CONCESSION SERVICE OF RENTING INFLATABLE WATERSLIDES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State Parks Division (DCNR) will receive bids in Montgomery, Alabama, at the time and date hereinafter specified, for the exclusive concession service of renting recreational inflatable waterslides, other related water attractions, and applicable safety equipment at Oak Mountain State Park (Park) in Shelby County, Alabama by concession contract.

The designated location of the facility within Park to be operated by the successful bidder will be specified in the concession contract. Each bidder should personally examine the facility offered. For questions regarding this Bid Notice, to obtain a copy of the concession contract or to examine the facility in advance of the deadline to receive sealed bids contact Sarah Wood, sarah.wood@dcnr.alabama.gov, 334-242-3334.

THE DEADLINE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS IS 2 PM CENTRAL STANDARD TIME (CST) ON TUESDAY, April 1, 2025. <u>BIDS MUST BE MAILED TO: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE PARKS DIVISION, ROOM 538, 64 NORTH UNION STREET, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, 36130.</u> IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BIDDER TO ENSURE THE STATE PARKS DIVISION ACTUALLY RECEIVES THE BID PRIOR TO THE ADVERTISED DEADLINE.

All bids should be submitted in sealed envelopes in the form and manner prescribed and should be marked clearly on the outside of the envelope with the words "SEALED BID-CONCESSION SERVICE OF RENTING INFLATABLE WATERSLIDES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK, TO BE OPENED AT 2 PM CST WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025" to avoid the opening of the bid as ordinary mail. BIDS MUST INCLUDE THE PERCENTAGE AMOUNT THE BIDDER PROPOSES TO PAY DCNR BASED ON TOTAL SALES AND ANY OTHER AMOUNTS REFERRED TO IN THIS BID NOTICE. BIDS MUST ALSO INCLUDE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER. NO ALTERATIONS OR EXCEPTIONS SHALL BE ALLOWED TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS INVITATION, THE BID, AND CONTRACT. Timely bids will be opened at 2 PM CST WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025, in the State Park Division's Conference Room, located at 64 North Union Street, Room 539, Montgomery, Alabama 36130.

The successful bidder will be granted a concession contract(s) pursuant to the provisions contained in Section 9-14-20 et seq., Code of Alabama (1975). All bidders <u>must submit with their bids</u> proof of at least five (5) years of actual experience in the operation of similar activities and a complete financial statement, which shall be subject to verification. The experience required hereby must be personal experience if the bid is submitted by an individual or it must be the experience of the entity itself in the case of bids submitted by firms, companies, partnerships, associations or corporations, etc.

The successful bidder will be required to provide a performance bond and insurance coverage in amounts as specified in the concession contract. All interested parties are notified that the successful bidder will generally be required to provide items and equipment.

The successful bidder shall be responsible for the full maintenance and upkeep of the facilities, all equipment used in connection therewith, and the grounds adjacent to said facilities. All rates, charges, and fees of whatever kind shall be subject to audit and adjustment by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources. The anticipated term of the concession contract shall run from the date of the Governor's signature and expire after a two-year period. The term may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

The successful bidder shall have twenty (20) days after receipt of the concession contract to execute it and furnish the performance bond, insurance policy, disclosure statement, certificate of compliance, E-Verify, W-9, immigration status form, background checks, and all additional required information and documents necessary to complete the contract process. In the event the successful bidder has not performed in the time limit presented, the Commissioner may treat the failure as a refusal and the rights of the successful bidder may be terminated.

The Commissioner of DCNR reserves the right to award to multiple Concessionaires, to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informality in any proposal. The best interests of DCNR and the public shall be considered as the key factor in selecting or not selecting a responsible bidder. All requirements of state laws governing the operation of concession facilities, activities, and the letting of a concession contract shall apply to this invitation and any concession contract made pursuant thereto whether or not stated in this notice. All interested parties agree to comply with all applicable state and federal laws whether or not stated in this notice.

All responses received will be subject to the Alabama Open Records Act, Ala. Code § 36-12-40, (1975), as amended, and may be subject to public disclosure upon request.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability, pregnancy, genetic information or veteran status in its hiring or employment practices nor in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, or activities.