INVITATION TO BID HEAVY EQUIPMENT

NOTICE OF BID OPENING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Association of County Commissions of Alabama, which administers the Alabama County Joint Bid Program on behalf of Alabama's county governing bodies, shall receive and open bids for the purchase of zero (0) or more items of heavy road equipment at its office located at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2025.** Bid specifications are available at http://www.alabamacounties.org/heavy-equipment/ for each of the following items:

Track Mount Excavators Compact Excavators Mini Track Excavators Wheeled Excavators **Highway Speed Truck Excavators Motor Graders** Wheel Loaders **Heavy Duty Dump Chassis Lowboy Tractors Lowboy Trailers** Half Round End Dump **Skid Steer Loader and Attachments Ride-on Industrial Boom Mowers** Rubber Tire Roller Vibratory Roller **One-man Pothole Patchers**

Trailer Mount Mastic Patcher/Crack Sealer Trailer Mounted Patcher – Diesel Trailer Mounted Patcher – Air Compressor/Tools Chip Spreader Asphalt Distributor Asphalt Milling Attachments Asphalt Storage Tanks Backhoes Bulldozers Dump Bodies Road Wideners Ride On Industrial Boom Mowers

Time is of the essence in submitting bids and only bids received in the Association office by 10:00 a.m. Central Time on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 will be opened and considered. Bidders and any other interested individuals are invited to attend the bid opening.

NOTICE OF BID OPENING PROCEDURES

All bids for Heavy Equipment will be opened and the name(s) of the bidders read aloud on the morning of the bid opening on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, AL. The specifics of each bid submitted will be compiled by the Association staff thereafter and will be available, upon written or emailed request, one week after the bid opening. Requests should be emailed to jointbid@alabamacounties.org.

THE INVITATION PACKAGE

The invitation package for each item to be bid includes: this invitation to bid, the written bid specifications for the particular item of heavy road equipment, and a Bid Submittal Form to be used in submitting a bid for that particular item. Bidders should verify that they have received all pages of the invitation package. If there are any omissions, the bidder should contact Kenya Howard in the Association office by mail, fax, or e-mail (jointbid@alabamacounties.org) to request missing pages. It is the responsibility of the

bidder to make this request in sufficient time to prepare and submit the bid in time for the bid opening. Bidders should carefully read and comply with all parts of the invitation package, including all attachments and/or any addendum.

PREPARING AND SUBMITTING BIDS

All bids must be typed or hand written in ink on the attached Bid Submittal Form. The completed Bid Submittal Form shall be placed in front of and separated from all other documents included in the bid packet, such that it will be the first document viewed upon opening the bid packet.

Bids submitted in pencil and bids not submitted on the Bid Submittal Form will **not** be considered. All bids shall include a current catalog or model specification document for the equipment model number being offered for consideration. Bids submitted without such documentation will **not** be considered. Only information contained on the attached Bid Submittal Form and in the model specification document will be considered in evaluating bids.

Each separate requirement in the bid specification includes a block for indicating whether or not the item bid meets the specification. The bidder shall indicate compliance with each requirement by checking "Yes" or "No" in the block to the right of each bid specification. In addition, the bidder shall indicate the page number in the supplied manufacturer's equipment literature on which compliance with the specification can be verified. Failure to complete this portion of the bid form may result in the subject bid not being considered. Additionally, all bidders are required to submit a factory build/order sheet showing all of the standard and option items for each piece of equipment bid in order to assist the bid review committee in assuring that each bid is in conformance with the required bid specifications.

Each bid for one of the heavy equipment items included in the bid package must be submitted on the Bid Submittal Form for that item and forwarded in a separate envelope with the bid item and item number clearly identified on the outside of the envelope. Envelopes containing a "no bid" shall also include the words "NO BID" on the outside of the envelope. Facsimiles and e-mails will not be accepted. Bids submitted by "Express/Overnight" services must be in a separate inner envelope or package sealed and identified as stated above. All bids must be received in the Association office prior to the bid opening. Bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened.

The County Joint Bid Program reserves the right to require a performance bond from successful bidders as permitted under Alabama law. However, **no bid bond is required for this bid offering**.

All bids should be mailed or hand-delivered to:

ATTN: Alabama County Joint Bid Program
Association of County Commissions of Alabama or ACCA
2 North Jackson Street, FL 7, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 (Physical Address)
P.O. Box 5040, Montgomery, Alabama 36103 (Mailing Address)

BID SPECIFICATIONS

Please note that each piece of heavy equipment available for bid may include several different sizes and categories of machines. You should read each set of specifications very carefully as the differences vary depending upon the piece and size of equipment.

Where applicable, each bid submission shall include the separate cost of each item listed in the "Options" section of the bid specifications. However, all bids will be awarded on the basis of the **total cost of the machine with all options included.** Therefore, the "Bid Price" stated on the Bid Submittal Form must be the total cost, including the cost of all options.

Both parties agree that the Vendor SHALL extend to ALL counties purchasing this equipment any factory discounts, incentives or rebates that become available during the Contract Period; provided that there are no alterations from the bid specifications for this item required in order to receive the discount, incentive, or rebate. FURTHER, BOTH PARTIES AGREE THAT THE VENDOR SHALL EXTEND TO ALL COUNTIES PURCHASING THIS EQUIPMENT THE SAME PURCHASE PRICE AND DISCOUNTS AS THEY ARE AWARDED ON ANY OTHER NATIONAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EXAMINERS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR USE BY ALABAMA COUNTIES.

Once the bids have been awarded, any county participant purchasing under this program may, at its discretion, deduct one or more of the options set out in the bid specifications, and in such event, the cost of the option as stated on the bid shall be deducted from the total cost of the machine. There shall be no other deductions and no additions made to the machine by the purchasing county or by the vendor.

Any use of specific names and/or model numbers in the attached specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer, but is included solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size, and quality of materials, product services, or equipment considered best adapted to the use of the counties participating in the joint bid program.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

All bidders and all program participants must be in compliance with any applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, resolutions and ordinances, including but not limited to, licensing, permitting, and taxation requirements. All bidders should be prepared to submit evidence or documentation as proof that they are properly licensed and permitted under any applicable laws upon request. Such evidence or documentation may be submitted with the bid. Additionally, all bidders shall provide proof that they are in compliance with the E-Verify requirements of Alabama's Immigration Law (Ala. Code § 31-13-1 et seq.). All bidders shall also affirm that they are in compliance with, and will comply with, Alabama's anti-boycott law (Ala. Code § 41-16-5) and anti-economic boycott law (Ala. Code § 41-16-160 et seq.).

BID AWARD

The Houston County Commission will serve as the awarding authority for all bids and will award all contracts at a regular meeting of the Houston County Commission. Any and all bids submitted in compliance with this invitation to bid shall be considered, and award will be made to the lowest responsible bidder meeting bid specifications as determined by the awarding authority in compliance with Alabama law. All bids will be reviewed and evaluated by a committee created for that purpose, which committee will make comments and recommendations to the awarding authority regarding the award. All factors contained in each invitation package will be evaluated in determining the successful bidder, and any omissions of the stated requirements may be cause for rejection of the bid submitted. The awarding authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids, and to accept in whole or in part such bid or bids solely at its discretion.

The contract period will be six (6) months with an option to renew each six (6) months not to exceed a period of three (3) years under identical price, terms, and conditions upon the mutual consent of the vendor and the awarding authority. Any renewal contract shall be approved in writing by the vendor and the awarding authority no later than **60 days** prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

CONTACT REGARDING BIDS AND INVITATION

Contact initiated by a potential bidder with any county official, county employee, or member of the Association staff shall only be as specifically set out in this Invitation to Bid. Any questions related to the bid or the County Joint Bid Program shall be directed to Association staff in writing under the procedures set out in this Invitation to Bid. Additionally, a bidder may contact the Association in writing to request an appointment to review bid specifications following the bid opening. However, there shall be no communication with any county official or county employee regarding this bid between the date of this invitation and the date of bid award. Any contact other than as set out here shall be deemed as an attempt to unduly influence the bid award, and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid submitted by the bidder initiating such other contact.

Any questions or problems related to downloading or obtaining copies of this Invitation to Bid should be directed to Kenya Howard at jointbid@alabamacounties.org or 334-263-7594.

Any other questions or requests for additional information regarding this invitation or the bid specifications shall be submitted **in writing** no later than five (5) days prior to bid opening to:

ATTN: Patrick McDougald Association of County Commissions of Alabama P.O. Box 5040 Montgomery, Alabama 36104

OR

Patrick McDougald
Email: pattymackdaddy@gmail.com

BID SUBMITTAL FORM Alabama County Joint Bidding Program BID ITEM – LOWBOY TRACTOR - OPTION E

Company Name:		
Address:		
Bid Submitted by:		
	(Name of company representative)	
Title:	E-mail address:	
Phone:	Fax:	
By submitting this bid, we agree:		Initials
That the equipment model number	er identified below meets the bid specs for this bid item	
That the bid price will be honored June 30, 2026 .	d for all counties for the period from January 1, 2026 to	
That the equipment will be delive joint bid program	ered at the bid price to all counties participating in the	
That the company representative this bid item under the joint bid p	e listed above will be the contact person for purchasing rogram	
That the bid is accompanied by a the model number identified belo	a current catalog or model specification document for w	
That the bid is accompanied by a required in the bid specifications	a copy of the manufacturer's standard warranty as	
That the bid includes the E-Verify	y documentation required by Alabama law	
1 3	the contract, we will comply with, the requirements of 41-16-160 to -166, Code of Alabama 1975.	
That, if awarded the bid, a perfor	mance bond will be provided upon request	
That an option sheet with individu	ual pricing is attached	

Total Bid Price including options: \$	
Equipment Model #:	_
Description:	
Signature of company representative submitting bid:	
Title·	

OPTION COST SHEET FOR LOW BOY TRACTOR OPTION E

<u>Options</u>	Option Price	
Automated Manual (18) speed overdrive design Transi Ratio coverage 19.73 and a minimum first gear reducti Input capacity of 1850 ft. lbs.		<u> </u>
Dual purpose wet line kit	\$	S
Aluminum cab guard	\$	5
60" Long Light bar with warning lights (strobes or rotate Stop lights, tail lights and turn signals	ors) work lights \$	
NOTE: Award will be made on the basis of the total of However, a county may, at its discretion, deduct the abin such event, the cost of the option as stated on the bir Tractor. There shall be no other deductions and no additionally or by the vendor.	ove-referenced option from the Low B d shall be deducted from the total cost	oy Tractor, and of the Low Boy
Equipment Model #:		
Description:		
Signature of company representative submitting bid: _		
Title:		

BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR HEAVY DUTY LOW BOY TRACTOR-OPTION E

GENERAL

These specifications shall be construed as the minimum acceptable standards for a heavy-duty Low Boy tractor. Should the manufacturer's current published data or specifications exceed these standards, the manufacturer's standards shall be considered minimum and shall be furnished. All integral parts not specifically mentioned in the scope of these specifications that are necessary to provide a complete working unit shall be furnished. Additionally, the machine offered for bid shall include all standard manufacturers' equipment.

The use of specific names or numbers in the specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer, but is intended solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size, and quality of equipment considered best adapted to the uses of counties participating in this joint bid.

Note all units offered for bid must be of manufacturer's current production model and must be fully compliant with EPA standards in effect at the time of manufacture.

BID SUBMITTAL FORM

Each bidder must submit his or her bid on the Bid Submittal Form included in the invitation to bid package. All written warranties to be submitted shall be attached to the Bid Submittal Form.

BID PRICE

The price bid shall include all destination charges, delivery charges, title fees, rebates and all other applicable costs and refunds.

REPLACEMENT PARTS AVAILABILITY

Parts must be available for 5 years or 500,000 miles of use for the piece of equipment bid.

ASSEMBLY AND DELIVERY

The selling Low Boy Tractor dealer shall be responsible for delivery of the completed unit to the purchasing county with all requested options.

DOT INSPECTION AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Prior to delivery each unit shall be DOT inspected and include the appropriate documentation and decal. In addition, each unit shall be equipped with the required fire extinguisher and reflective triangle kit.

WARRANTY

Bidders shall submit a copy of the manufacturer's standard warranty along with a complete explanation of the warranty with their bid. Warranty must be transferable. Warranty must include the following minimum coverage:

Basic Vehicle: 1 Year or unlimited miles Diesel Engine: 2 year or 250,000 miles. However, counties will have the option to purchase additional coverage (an extended warranty) if negotiated between the purchasing county and successful bidder within the first 9 months of truck purchase. Transmission: 3 Year or 300,000 miles Rear Carriers: 3 Year or 300,000 miles Yes___ No ___ Page # or Attachment **ENGINE AND RELATED COMPONENTS** Shall be an in line 6 design 15-liter, turbo charged diesel engine capable of Yes ___ No ___ developing 500HP @1900 RPM with a torque rating of 1,850 lb. ft., @ 950 RPM Page # Yes ___ No ___ Radiator to have a quick drain/filling option Page #____ Yes ___ No ___ Bug Screen shall be mounted between Grill and Radiator Page #_____ Yes ___ No ___ Engine cooling system to have a minimum 1,325 square inches of frontal area and extended life coolant protection to -40 degrees F. Page #_____ Fan drive to be (2) two speed type with a manual over-ride switch dash mounted. Yes ___ No ___ Page #_____ Single horizontal exhaust system, shall be frame mounted right side under cab Yes No Page #_____ with bright finish muffler/tail pipe guard, and bright finish dual vertical turnback tail pipes. Exhaust height 11' 6". Single canister Diesel Particulate Filter and SCR catalyst to be frame mounted Yes ___ No ___ Page #____ right side under cab. Yes ___ No ___ Factory installed integral Engine Compression Brake. Page #___

Engine electronics to include shutdown capabilities for critical engine functions, Full Diagnostic capability and road limiting and cruise control feature.	Yes Page #_	
Dual polished mounted stainless steel air cleaners, one mounted on each side of cowl ahead of the doors.	Yes Page #_	
STARTING AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEM 12-Volt system fuse/circuit breaker protected	Yes Page #_	. No
12V starter with soft engagement required.	Yes Page #_	. No
Minimum 160 Amp Alternator with remote voltage sensor capability to monitor battery charge and adjust alternator output accordingly.	Yes Page #_	No
Maintenance free (3) 1980 CCA batteries to be mounted in a single aluminum box with polished aluminum universal cover that covers both battery box and DEF tank.	Yes Page #_	. No
Cab & Chassis electrical and air lines shall be color coded and continually numbered So, technicians can easily identify and trouble shoot as necessary.	Yes Page #_	
Vehicle shall be equipped with manual reset circuit breakers on all circuits over 5 amps. Where possible, except headlight and wiper motor circuits which shall be protected using Continuous reset circuit breakers to allow continued operation during a momentary. Overload for trouble shooting convenience and circuit protection.	Yes Page #_	
Electrical Circuit breaker panel (no tools needed for access) shall be located inside Cab to prevent exposure to corrosive elements.	Yes Page #_	No
TRANSMISSION AND DRIVELINE An 18-speed fully automated manual with overdrive design, with a minimum first gear reduction of 14.40 to 1.	Yes Page #_	
A dash mounted transmission temperature gauge is required.	Yes Page #_	
Spicer SPL 350 main driveline with SPL 250 Interaxle shaft for durability and low maintenance.	Yes Page #_	
Clutch action shall be air assisted with hydraulic actuator to lower pedal effort, and reduce operator fatigue.	Yes Page #_	

CAB EXTERIOR

120" inch BBC double sided galvanized steel conventional day cab with long square hood.	Yes Page #_	
62° forward door opening for easy cab entry. Door design includes hinges located at the front edge of the door. Door latch system is removable as a module for easy repair.	Yes Page #_	
Cab glass to be safety tinted.	Yes Page #_	
Cab to have grab handles on both sides of the cab.	Yes Page #_	
Cab mounting shall be air suspended on dual air bags.	Yes Page #_	
Cab should feature: Dual chrome air horns with snow shields, in addition to the city horn.	Yes Page #_	
Chrome finish grill including surround and vertical accent bars with black mesh and bug screen mounted behind grill. Stainless steel bug deflector mounted on hood.	Yes Page #_	
Mirror package to include Aero pedestal bright finish heated power adjustable mirrors with 6.5" X 14" flat glass and 6.5" X 6" convex mirrors; bright finish hood mounted convex mirrors 7.5" X 7", right and left sides.	Yes Page #_	
Bright finish exterior sunshade with integral clearance / marker lights.	Yes Page #_	
Cab and hood paint color to be selected from manufacturer's standard non- metallic paint chart	Yes Page #_	
High strength double sided galvanized steel cab construction. Yes	_ No Page #_	
CAB INTERIOR Cab interior to include the following:		
Storage Pocket located on back wall of cab between seats	Yes Page #_	
Cab should have interior sun visors on both sides of cab.	Yes Page #_	No

Cab interior trim package is to be Diamond Elite.		_ No
Dash features to include: Premium level gauge cluster includes English electronic speedometer, ambient temperature gauge, engine oil temperature gauge, transmission oil temperature gauge, air application gauge, manifold pressure gauge, air cleaner restriction gauge with text message in cluster, PTO hour meter, On Board Diagnostics display of fault codes	Page #_	_ No
Fresh air filter attached to air intake cover on cowl tray in front of windshield under hood.	Yes Page #_	_ No
Full adjusting tilt and telescopic steering column	Yes Page #_	. No
Cab seats should be:		
Driver ISRI Series 400, air suspension, high back, Mordura, double chamber lumbar, heat, inboard armrest, suspension cover, fore/aft isolator, cushion extension, seat tilt, memory quick down	Yes Page #_	
Passenger National non-suspension, high back with integral headrest, Mordura, fixed back and underset storage	Yes Page #_	
Both seats to have high viability orange lap and shoulder belts.	Yes Page #_	
Factory installed air conditioning with integral heater and defroster.	Yes Page #_	. No
AM/FM/WB/Clock/Bluetooth/USB input/Auxiliary input. CB Radio accommodation Package, header mounted. Feeds from accessory side of ignition switch with power source, one antenna and base with wiring on left mirror; auxiliary CB radio speaker. Roof mounted, shark fin antenna. Two (2) 6.5" dual cone speakers mounted in doors.	Yes Page #_	
Additional power sources: Dash mounted 2-post terminal type power source; auxiliary Power outlet (APO) & USB Port, located in instrument panel.	Yes Page #_	. No
Windshield wipers to be two (2) speed electric with washer and intermittent Feature.	Yes Page #_	
Power Windows & Door locks for both Driver & Passenger side shall be provided.	Yes Page #_	No

Cab shall be equipped with overhead storage console pockets on both Driver & Passenger side with retainer nets/ or doors to secure items.	Yes Page #_	
1-piece bonded windshield with a surface area of not less than 2385 sq.in. required for improved jobsite visibility.	Yes Page #_	
Windshield wiper swept surface area shall be not less than 900 sq.in for optimum visibility during inclement weather.	Yes Page #_	No
Cab rear window shall measure not less than 52" wide for a panoramic view to the rear of the vehicle.	Yes Page #_	_ No
Cab width shall be a minimum of 69.5" at Dash between A-pillars to provide adequate room for in cab mounted equipment.	Yes Page #_	No
Cab height from Floor to roof shall be a minimum of 52.5" at edge of dash to ensure adequate head room for a variety of drivers.	Yes Page #_	No
Measurement from center of fuel pedal to back of cab wall shall be not less than 46.75", to accommodate leg room.	Yes Page #_	
AIR BRAKES		
Air Brake system to be ABS with electronic stability and traction control. with heated air dryer, Bendix AD-HF, or equal	Yes Page#_	_ No
Air compressor should have 18.7CFM capacity and increased air reservoir capacity	Yes Page #_	
Semi – trailer connection package with 14' straight air and electrical connections With an in-cab hand control valve for trailer service brakes.	Yes Page #_	_ No
FRAME/BUMPER/FUEL TANKS		
Steel 120,000 psi frame rails with tapered rear. Frame rail dimension of 12.25" x 3.38" x 0.375" with an RBM of 2.521.200.	Yes Page #	. No

258"-260" wheelbase with a 168"-170" cab to axle.	Yes No Page #
Frame tie crossmember underneath the bell housing required.	Yes No Page #
Front bumper "Texas Style" bright finish stainless clad aluminum.	Yes No Page #
Stainless Steel DEF tank cover	Yes No Page #
Dual Fuel tanks to be non-polished aluminum with a minimum of 160-gallon capacity. Located back of cab one on each side of frame.	Yes No Page #
Frame rail shall be a continuous straight structural channel to simplify frame straightening in the event of a front-end collision. A Splayed Front Frame rail shall not be acceptable.	Yes No Page #
Heavy Duty front tow pin with 150,000 lbs. total capacity	Yes No Page #
Swing type license plate holder	Yes No Page #
Frame assembly shall be huck bolted in lieu of threaded bolts where possible to minimize frame bolt re-torque service.	Yes No Page #
Frame rail(s) shall be treated with phosphate free Tectalis 1800 pretreatment followed by a two stage electrostatically applied corrosion resistant primer coating and a top powder coating to minimize corrosion.	Yes No Page #
Chassis to be equipped with frame mounted bright finish quarter fenders mounted Ahead of front drive axle and rear mud flaps mounted at end of frame on heavy Duty spring loaded brackets.	Yes No Page #
Driver's side fuel tank mounted steps and deck plate platform to access Trailer Connections.	Yes No Page #
FIFTH WHEEL Tractor to be equipped with a 24" air slide fifth wheel Fontaine or equal	Yes No Page #
FRONT AXLE 14,000 lb. design steel I beam front axle	Yes No Page #

14,000 lb. parabolic taper leaf front springs with shock absorbers.	Yes No Page #
SET FORWARD front axle position of 30" +/- 1" only.	Yes No Page #
"S" cam design 16.5" x 6" brakes with outboard mounted drums	Yes No Page #
Front wheels to be Aluminum ten (10) hole hub piloted 24.5" x 8.25".	Yes No Page #
Front tires to be 16 ply 11R24.5 radials Continental ECOPLUS HS3+ or equal.	Yes No Page #
A wide track front axle with King Pin centers greater than 71" shall be provided for improved turn angle and maneuverability.	Yes No Page #
Threaded Spring bushings in lieu of rubber for service inspection.	Yes No Page #
REAR AXLE	
46,000# capacity single reduction design tandem rear axle with Lube oil pump, and driver controlled locking differentials in both FWD-RR & RR-RR axles. Axle ratio to be determined at time of order.	Yes No Page #
46,000# on/off road rated air suspension, with shocks. Hendrickson Primaxx or equal	Yes No Page #
In cab Power divider lock out valve with warning light and buzzer.	Yes No Page #
Differential locking switches for forward and rear axle on separate switches.	Yes No Page #
"S" cam design 16.5" x 8.625" brakes with outboard drums	Yes No Page #
Rear wheels to be Alum Disc (10) hole hub piloted 24.5x 8.25 inside and out.	Yes No Page #
Rear tires to be 16 ply traction radials Continental HDL2 DL or equal.	

OPTIONS

In addition the bid must also include the cost for each of the following options, itemized separately on the bid:

Automated Manual (18) speed overdrive design Transmission with overall gear Ratio coverage 19.73 and a minimum first gear reduction of 14.4 to 1, and a torque Input capacity of 1850 ft. lbs.	Yes No Page #
Dual-purpose wet line system for use with a dump trailer or a detachable neck low boy trailer.	Yes No Page #
Aluminum Cab Guard	Yes No Page #
60" Long Light bar with warning lights (strobes or rotators) work lights Stop lights, tail lights and turn signals	Yes No Page #

NOTE: Award will be made on the basis of the total cost of the Low Boy Tractor with all options included. However, a county may, at its discretion, deduct the above-referenced option from the Low Boy Tractor, and in such event, the cost of the option as stated on the bid shall be deducted from the total cost of the Low Boy Tractor. There shall be no other deductions and no additions made to the Low Boy Tractor by the purchasing county or by the vendor.