



**INVITATION TO BID  
GS19-BOCT-XXX-005-Z-BD**

Invitation to bid on the CREATE GS19 B&OCT/CSXT 71st St. Grade Separation - Street level Improvements and Street Level Improvements at Viaducts - Western Avenue, 69th Street, 68th Street and 65th Street project in Chicago, IL. (B&OCT/CSXT Milepost DC 21.62, 23.09, 23.30, 23.42, 23.80).

Generally, the project consists of earth excavation, pavement removal, pavement reconstruction, combination curb and gutter, pavement patching, sidewalk reconstruction, drainage, street lighting, erosion control, landscaping, and traffic control and protection.

Additionally, this project will be funded in part by federal and/or state funds. Bidder is required to comply with certain State and Federal policies, such as Lobbying and Debarment Forms for both Primes and Subs, Buy America, Equal Employment Opportunity, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation (0%), IDOT Training Program On-the-Job Training Special Provision, and Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates.

Insurance requirements (subject to change) are Commercial General Liability combined single limit \$5M per occurrence and \$10M aggregate, Automobile Liability combined single limit \$1M per occurrence, Employers' Liability Insurance, Builder's Risk Insurance, and Workers' Compensation Insurance. B&OCT/CSXT requires that the railroads be named as an additional insured. Insurance coverage cannot be denied within 50 feet of a railroad.

A Health and Safety Action Plan is required. Contractor safety orientation training and employee participation in ISN ([www.isnetworld.com](http://www.isnetworld.com)) program is required. All interested bidders attending the pre-bid meeting site inspection must provide and wear railroad-approved PPE including, but not limited to, eye protection, hard hats, high visibility vests and lace-up work boots with toe protection.

DBE requirement on contracting is 0% for Phase III construction work. To encourage networking and facilitate opportunities for DBE participation, contact information for all participants who join the pre-bid meeting will be made temporarily available online via the CREATE Program website, after the meeting.

A mandatory in-person pre-bid is required for Primes and is scheduled for 10:00 AM (EST) on January 28, 2026, at the location below with a site inspection to follow:

B&OCT/CSXT Forest Hill Terminal  
2252 W 79<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chicago, IL 60620

A bid package of all contract documents may be obtained from:

Joseph Abruzzo  
([Joseph.Abruzzo@parsons.com](mailto:Joseph.Abruzzo@parsons.com))  
222 S Riverside, Suite 2450  
Chicago, IL 60606

Bids are to be submitted to [CREATEProposal@csx.com](mailto:CREATEProposal@csx.com). All bids and bidding documents are to be received prior to 10:00 AM (EST) on February 13, 2026, at which time bids will be publicly opened on a call-in number: 1-873-222-5977, Conference ID # 795 599 079#.

Mailed bids must be delivered by the time specified above to:

Mrs. Brett Guarino  
CSX Transportation, Inc.

1837 Chicago Drive SW  
Wyoming, MI 49519

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