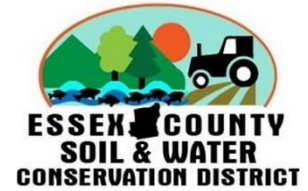


**Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District
8053 US Route 9
Elizabethtown, NY 12932
518-962-8225**



April 28, 2021

To Whom it may Concern,

The Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District would like to invite you to submit a sealed bid for the purchase price for one "12' No-Till Drill". Included with this letter is a list of minimum specifications that must be met or exceeded (Attachment 1), a bid sheet (Attachment 2), and a Non-Collusion Statement (Attachment 3). Changes or deviations may be acceptable provided they give the same result. All bids must be accompanied with detailed specifications of product. Whether specifically mentioned herein or not, all items of equipment, assemblies, subassemblies, and accessories normally furnished shall be included unless specifically deleted or otherwise specified. Please submit a complete bid sheet (Attachment 2) as a sealed bid to the above address by May 18, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Bids will be opened and read aloud, purchase decision will be made at the monthly Board Meeting of Essex County SWCD at their usually scheduled time on May 20, 2021.

Each bid must be in a sealed envelope marked "BID NO-TILL DRILL". Bid should include a completed bid sheet (Attachment 2) and information sheet(s) on the product bid. A Non-Collusion Statement must be included with each bid (Attachment 3).

The purchase and desired delivery date would be prior to June 20, 2021. Further questions may be directed to Alice Halloran, District Manager. Thank you for your time and interest in placing a bid.

Sincerely,

Daniel Berheide
Conservation Technician
Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District

Attachment 1 - Bid Specifications

The following specifications are established as a guide to emphasize the quality, efficiency, and safety of the desired product. The units must meet or exceed these expectations. The bid must be for a new and unused, latest equipment model of regular stock product. All parts or attachments must not have been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendation and standard practice.

General Requirements

Product must be a new "12' No Till Drill", model ESCH 5612 or equivalent. It must be equipped with a clevis hitch and safety chains. Working width should be 11'6" with 5.5" row spacing. It should be equipped with a digital acre meter, safety lights, and SMV sign for safe highway transportation. The drill should be easily capable of transportation on road widths less than 10 feet.

Lubrication

Suitable, readily accessible lubrication devices shall be provided at all points where lubrication is required. Complete instructions shall be furnished with the equipment.

Optional Equipment: Itemized scales – quote scales separately on attached bid sheet.

Support Information

The manufacturer shall supply at least two operating manuals. Video on operation, maintenance, and safety is preferred.

Purchase and Delivery or Pick-up

Purchase and delivery/pick-up date will be prior to June 20, 2021 as agreed upon between the seller and the District. Delivery will be to 8053 Route 9, Elizabethtown, NY. Please list delivery cost on bid sheet (Attachment 2), but do not add to total bid. If equipment cannot be delivered or picked up by then still submit a bid with earliest available date.

Warranty/ Guarantee

The equipment offered must be standard new equipment and include a minimum one (1) year warranty/ guarantee against faulty material from the date of delivery. Bidder guarantees that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendation and standard practice. If during the one (1) year time period such faults develop, the successful bidder agrees to replace the part or unit affected without cost to the Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Responsiveness of Bids

Bidders are cautioned against inserting conditions or qualifications in their bids which are not called for by this invitation for bids and against offering items which are not in conformity with these bid specifications. Bids offering such non-conforming items may be deemed to be non-responsive to the invitation and applicable bid specification and may be rejected as constituting counter proposals. Each bidder shall furnish all the information required by the bid specifications.

Terms of Bid

This solicitation is being made as required by municipal purchasing laws. Opening of the bid does not bind Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District to accept the bid nor does it guarantee purchase of the equipment from the successful low bidder by the Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District. Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District reserves the right to



contact any or all bidders by writing, telephone, e-mail, or in person to discuss and/or review and operate the equipment proposed in the bid. Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District reserves the right to reject any or all bids for reasons, including, but not limited to, lack of necessary funding, inability of equipment to meet stated purpose, inability of equipment to fit in existing storage space, and/ or excessive wear or damage to equipment. Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District reserves the right to waive any portion of this solicitation.

Optional, if not included in above bid.

If there are optional items that are available, but not necessary in meeting the minimum requirements. Please list cost on bid sheet (Attachment 2), but do not add to total bid. The Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District reserves the right to add or reject any of these options if bid is accepted. Feel free to add any optional items often purchased with the ESCH 5612 Drill or equivalent.



Attachment 2 Bid Sheet

Return fully completed bid sheet and signed Non-Collusion Statement in a sealed envelope with "BID FOR NO-TILL DRILL" written on it to:

Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District
PO Box 407
Westport, NY 12993

OR

By email with the Subject line "BID FOR NO-TILL DRILL" to lsayward@westelcom.com

****DUE May 18, 2021 BY 2:00 PM****

Price for one (1) new ESCH 5612 or equivalent NoTill Drill meeting the specifications outlined in the bid package:

Optional items (Do not include prices in total bid):

Description: _____
Description: _____
Description: _____
Description: _____
Description: _____
Description: _____
Description: _____

If not able to submit bid, please explain why:

Name of Authorized Representative: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Seal (if applicable):

Attachment 3 Non-Collusion Statement

By submission of this bid, I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- The price in this bid has been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- The price which has been quoted in this bid has not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder, and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder, prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder, to any competitor or to the District; and
- No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership, or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

Signature of competitive bidder Date