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**PUBLIC NOTICE - INVITATION FOR BIDS  
FOR THE OPERATION OF A LIVE FISHING BAIT SALES CONCESSION  
AT GULF 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 sale of **live fishing bait** located at the **Gulf State Park Pier** at Gulf State Park, Gulf Shores, Baldwin County, Alabama by concession contract.

The park facilities to be operated by the successful bidder(s) are specified in the concession contract for the park and are available upon request. Each bidder should personally examine the facilities offered. To examine the facilities, 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 THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025. BIDS MUST BE MAILED TO: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE PARKS DIVISION, ROOM 538, 64 NORTH UNION STREET, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, 36130. 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-OPERATION OF LIVE FISHING BAIT SALES CONCESSION AT GULF STATE PARK, TO BE OPENED AT 2 PM CST FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 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 AS WELL AS ALL OTHER AMOUNTS REFERRED TO IN THE CONCESSION CONTRACT. 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 on Friday, March 7, 2025, in the State Park Division’s Conference Room, located at 64 North Union Street, Room 539, Montgomery, Alabama 36130.**

The concession contract will be granted pursuant to the provisions contained in Section 9-14-20 et seq., Code of Alabama (1975). All bidders must submit with their bids proof of at least five (5) years 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(s) will be required to provide a faithful performance bond, as well as 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(s) 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 term of the concession contract shall run from the date of the Governor's signature and expire after a two-year period with an option to extend the term for an additional two (2) years 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, 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 reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in any proposal. The best interests of DCNR shall be considered as the key factor in selecting or not selecting a Concessionaire. All requirements of state laws not otherwise set out in this notice, governing the operation of these facilities and the letting of this contract, shall apply to this invitation and any concession contract made pursuant thereto.

All interested parties agree to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, including, but limited to, nondiscrimination on the basis of age, race, religion, color, sex, pregnancy, genetic information, veteran status, national origin or disability.

Questions regarding this Bid Notice should be directed to: Nicole Cabarrubia at (251) 948-7275 Ext: 62003, [nicole.cabarrubia@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:nicole.cabarrubia@dcnr.alabama.gov).

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