

**Request for Proposals
Professional Services for Pedestrian Improvements
Mayo River Rail Trail**

The County of Patrick is requesting proposals from qualified engineering firms for design and contract administration services for pedestrian improvements related to the Mayo River Rail Trail in and around the Town of Stuart.

Background

This project, funded through a VDOT Transportation Enhancement Program grant, includes pedestrian improvements for a multi-use trail spanning approximately 2 miles from the U.S. Route 58 Patrick Springs-Stuart growth corridor to downtown Stuart. This project is in conjunction with ongoing and planned trail development, which will ultimately connect Stuart to Henry County.

Scope of Services

Planned improvements will include design and contract administration services for a multi-use trail. The successful firm will provide engineering design, coordination with the Virginia Department of Transportation, grant assistance, plans and contract documents, and administration during construction.

Proposal Submittals

Interested firms shall submit six (6) copies of unmodified SF 254/255 with cover letter addressing the firm's qualifications and experience with similar projects, understanding and familiarity with the project, and experience with the Transportation Enhancement Program. Proposals must be received by 2:00 pm on Wednesday, April 8, 2009, and addressed to:

Jay Scudder
County Administrator
County of Patrick
106 Rucker Street
P.O. Box 466
Stuart, VA 24171

Selection Process

A selection process will be used by the County to screen proposals. After each proposal has been screened, they will be ranked according to qualifications and the three (3) highest ranked responders will be asked to attend interviews. The County will select one responder from the interview process to negotiate with. If an agreement cannot be successfully negotiated with the leading candidate, the County will negotiate with the second ranked candidate and so on until an agreement has been successfully negotiated. The County anticipates this to be a multi-phased project. It is the desire of the County, upon receiving additional VDOT funding in June of 2009, to begin constructing as much of phase one as possible depending on the funding award.

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