36.213-2 Presolicitation notices.

(a) Unless the requirement is waived by the *head of the contracting activity* or a designee, the *contracting officer shall* issue presolicitation notices on any *construction* requirement when the proposed contract is expected to exceed the *simplified acquisition threshold*. Presolicitation notices *may* also be used when the proposed contract is not expected to exceed the *simplified acquisition threshold*. These notices *shall* be issued sufficiently in advance of the invitation for bids to stimulate the interest of the greatest number of prospective bidders.

(b) Presolicitation notices *must*-

(1) Describe the proposed work in sufficient detail to disclose the nature and volume of work (in terms of physical characteristics and estimated price range) (see 36.204);

(2) State the location of the work;

(3) Include tentative dates for issuing invitations, opening bids, and completing contract performance;

(4) State where plans will be available for *inspection* without charge;

(5) Specify a date by which requests for the invitation for bids *should* be submitted;

(6) State whether award is restricted to small businesses;

(7) Specify any amount to be charged for *solicitation* documents; and

(8) Be publicized through the *Governmentwide point of entry* in accordance with 5.204.

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