



BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Road Commissioners of Van Buren County is accepting sealed bids at the Road Commission office, 325 W. James St., P.O. Box 156, Lawrence, MI 49064 until **11:00 AM on August 25, 2026**, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read as follows:

- Ice Control Sand

All bids must be in a sealed envelope and plainly marked as to the item bid upon and the name of the bidder. All unmarked bids and/or bids received after the submitted deadline may be rejected.

Detailed specifications and bidding forms are available for download on the Van Buren County Road Commission's website at www.vbcrc.org/bidopportunities.

The Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bidding, and to award the contract in any manner deemed to be in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

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VAN BUREN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

SPECIFICATIONS

Ice Control Sand

The Van Buren County Road Commission ("Road Commission") is accepting sealed bids for Ice Control Sand. Sealed bids must be received by **11:00 AM on Tuesday, August 25, 2026** at 325 West James Street, Post Office Box 156, Lawrence, Michigan 49064 at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Sealed bids must be submitted on the form provided by the Road Commission and shall be placed in a sealed envelope plainly marked "Ice Control Sand".

Specifications

1. The average quantities of Ice Control Sand used at each Road Commission Garage are listed as follows for general information only. Actual quantity used each year could be more, or less, than the listed quantity.

Lawrence Garage , 204 S. Second St., Lawrence, MI	4,600 TONS
Bloomingtondale Garage , 325 W. Kalamazoo St., Bloomingtondale, MI	3,200 TONS
Bangor (Western) Garage , 66180 M43, Bangor, MI	2,000 TONS

2. All materials (MDOT 2NS Ice Control Sand) shall meet Michigan Standard Specifications for Construction, 2020 edition. ***Comparable suitable alternate materials will be considered.***
3. If a bid is for a comparable suitable alternate material, your Proposal must include a material test order.
4. The Van Buren County Road Commission may, at its own discretion and expense, conduct a visual review and/or verification test of the proposed material prior to the award of the proposal. All MDOT 2NS Sand proposed shall meet the Michigan Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Construction. If there is any discrepancy, the contractor shall be responsible for the cost of any and all additional testing ordered by the Road Commission (or otherwise) at a testing facility of the Road Commission's choosing. Alternates will be reviewed on case by case basis.
5. **Basis of Payment.** Each load delivered by the successful bidder(s) shall be weighed, and tickets furnished to the Road Commission upon delivery showing, at a minimum, the following information:
 - Material Type
 - Weight in Tons
 - Delivered to Yard
 - Delivered Price/Ton
6. **Fuel Surcharge/Escalator or Other Price Adjustments.** Ideally vendors should hold their bid prices in effect for the entirety of the contract. However, given the volatility of fuel prices, etc., if this is not an option for your company, please understand that the Road Commission *will consider alternative bids that are clearly set forth on the Proposal*. For example, if fuel prices go over \$X.XX per gallon, the cost per ton of ice control sand furnished and delivered will be adjusted by X%. This is just one example of an option that can be outlined on the Proposal for the Board's consideration.

7. The Designated Contact for any and all questions regarding these Specifications is **Greg Brucks, Operations Director**, 269-674-8011, Extension 227, GregBrucks@vbcrc.org.
8. Insurance Requirements: The successful bidder hereby covenants and agrees to take use, provide and make all proper, necessary and sufficient precautions, safeguards and protection against the occurrence of happenings of any accident, injuries, damages, or hurt to person or property during the course of the work herein covered as its sole responsibility.

The successful bidder further covenants and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Van Buren (a/k/a the Van Buren County Road Commission) and its agents, employees or servants from liability, including all claims and losses, and all related costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of investigation, litigation, settlement, judgments, interest and penalties), accruing or resulting to any person or entity that may be injured arising from said contracted services.

The successful bidder shall maintain, during the life of the contract, sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workers Compensation, Automobile Liability, and Professional Liability as follows:

- **Workers' Compensation** insurance with the Michigan statutory limits for all its employees assigned to perform services pursuant to the contract.
- **Automobile Liability** insurance on each vehicle owned, hired and/or non-owned while operating on the public highways during the life of this contract in the **minimum amount of \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limits**.
- **Professional Liability** insurance in the amount of not less than \$250,000 per occurrence.

The successful bidder shall be responsible for payment of all deductibles contained in any insurance required hereunder.

9. The Van Buren County Road Commission, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of gender, disability, race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.
10. The Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bidding, and to award the Proposal in any manner deemed to be in the best interest of the Road Commission.

PROPOSAL
"ICE CONTROL SAND"

Board of County Road Commissioners of Van Buren County
325 West James Street, Post Office Box 156
Lawrence, Michigan 49064

Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided in this Proposal submitted to the Van Buren County Road Commission is accurate and complete, and that I am duly authorized to submit the same. I hereby certify that I have reviewed all documents and requirements as set forth in the Specifications, and accept their terms and conditions. We propose to deliver Ice Control Sand, as per your specifications which are herewith made a part of this proposal, at the unit prices indicated below, delivered to the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Estimated Quantity</u>		
Lawrence Garage	4,600 Tons	MDOT 2NS	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton
Bloomingtondale Garage	3,200 Tons	MDOT 2NS	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton
Bangor Garage	2,000 Tons	MDOT 2NS	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton
		Alternate	\$_____/ton

Fuel Surcharge/Escalator or Other Price Adjustments (Please set forth in detail your proposal in the event of escalating fuel prices, or other factors that may cause a per ton cost increase mid-contract): _____

Sincerely,

Signature:

By: _____ (Print Name)

Company: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Date: _____