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poignantly explores the journey of Janie Crawford as she navigates love, independence and self-discovery. Hurston's exquisite prose and keen insight into the human

condition captured the essence of the Southern Black experience, earning her accolades and cementing her legacy.

Harlem Renaissance

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ment of the status quo had had its way, if Martin Luther King and the people who supported him had not been such champions of civil rights – we'd still be in apartheid, we'd still be in Jim Crow in the United States. It was never, ever intended for Black people to enjoy full citizenship.

The Skanner: How early were you aware of that?

Taylor: My mother just passed last week... my mother was raised by her maternal grandfather, and I got to meet him. He died the year after Martin Luther King was assassinated. He was born in 1879, and I remember every day when I came home from school, he would say "Hey son, what were your lessons today?" and he genuinely wanted to know. I came in one day and said I found out that Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves.

He chuckled and he said, well son, let me tell you how it was. He was born on the plantation where his parents were real slaves. He was born

on a plantation 14 years after the Emancipation Proclamation. And he said, and I'm paraphrasing, 'I was born a slave and I was raised a slave. Think about it this way: If you can't read, and you can't write, and you have no money and no means, and you have nowhere to go and no way to get there. If some guy off somewhere signs a piece of paper that says you're free, what does that really mean? If people have owned you and your family and your grandparents, for generations, where's everybody supposed to go? How will the culture just automatically change, just like that?' And he said it didn't.

I'm writing my mother's obituary, and I talked to a couple of the elders in my family to try to get some insight into my mother's upbringing and youth. I was talking to one great-aunt who's almost 90 years old, and she grew up with my mother.

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Hurston's literary contributions during the Harlem Renaissance, a cultural and artistic movement celebrating Black identity, were instrumental in reshaping the narrative. Her short stories, essays and plays,

infused with a deep understanding of the human spirit, challenged stereotypes and provided nuanced portrayals of Black life.

Despite her literary prowess, Hurston faced challenges, including

criticism from some contemporaries who perceived her work as too focused on rural folklore. Economic struggles further obscured her brilliance, leading to periods of obscurity and almost the loss of

her legacy. She died of a stroke in a welfare home in 1960 and a yardman who was hired to clean out her belongings started to burn her papers. A friend passing by saw it and stopped him, rescuing her work.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

CITY OF DUFUR, OREGON WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE B - 2024

City of Dufur
175 N.E. Third Street, Dufur, Oregon 97021
General Notice

The City of Dufur, Oregon (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project: **Wastewater System Improvements Schedule B - 2024**

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Project will be received by Kathy Bostick, City Recorder, at the City of Dufur City Hall, located at 175 N.E. Third Street, Oregon 97021, until March 19, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

The Work for this Contract involves the construction of a fully functional wastewater treatment system. The scope includes an influent flowmeter and screening, lift station, treatment and storage lagoons, chlorination building and system, effluent pump station, irrigation pump station, approximately 7-acre center pivot irrigation system, and all other Work required for a complete and functional wastewater treatment system as shown on the Drawings and specified in the Technical Specifications.

The Contract will be subject to the Davis-Bacon Act (40USC3141-3148) and the applicable provisions of ORS 279C.800 through ORS 279C.870 (the Oregon Prevailing Wage Law).

This Project is being funded through the Business Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority, Clean Water State Revolving Fund, USDA Rural Development, and the City of Dufur.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.andersonperry.com> under the **Bid Docs** link. The digital Bidding Documents may be downloaded for a non-refundable payment of \$30.00 by inputting QuestCDN eBidDoc Number 8968554 on the website. Assistance with free QuestCDN membership registration, document downloading, and working with the digital Project information may be obtained at QuestCDN.com, at 952-233-1632, or via e-mail at info@questcdn.com. The Bidding Documents will be available for download after **February 16, 2024**. No paper sets will be provided for bidding purposes.

Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc.

Brandon Mahon, P.E.

1901 N. Fir Street, La Grande, Oregon 97850

541-963-8309, bmahon@andersonperry.com

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at the locations listed below.

City of Dufur, 175 N.E. Third Street, Dufur, Oregon

Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., 2659 S.W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Redmond, Oregon

Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., 243 E. Main Street, Suite C, Hermiston, Oregon

Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., 214 E. Birch Street, Walla Walla, Washington

The Owner is an equal opportunity employer. Minority and women-owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Minority and women-owned businesses should indicate they are a minority on the Planholders List.

Pre-bid Conference

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on March 5, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall, 175 N.E. Third Street, Dufur, Oregon 97021. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

American Iron and Steel

Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and Construction Materials. The following waivers apply to this Contract: De Minimis, Minor Components, Pig Iron, and Direct Reduced Iron.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Dufur
By: Kathy Bostick
Title: City Recorder
Date: **February 19, 2024**



INVITATION TO BID

ITB #24-06: Fourth Plain Blvd Road Diet - F Street to Fort Vancouver Way

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City of Vancouver, Washington, for ITB #24-06: Fourth Plain Blvd Road Diet - F Street to Fort Vancouver Way bids up to the hour of 11:00 a.m., Pacific Local Time, Tuesday, March 12, 2024 and will publicly open and read aloud at that time on the same day in the Vancouver City Hall, 415 W 6th St, Vancouver, Washington and via an online platform.

This Contract provides for the improvement of NE Fourth Plain Blvd within the City of Vancouver including signing, striping, signals and other work, all in accordance with the attached Contract Plans, these Contract Provisions, and the Standard Specifications.

The Contract Work shall be Physically Complete within 120 Working Days from the Notice to Proceed.

The City of Vancouver in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The City of Vancouver is committed to providing equal opportunities to State of Washington certified Minority, Disadvantaged and Women's Business Enterprises in contracting activities. (Section 4 of Chapter 56, Laws of 1975, 1st Ex. Sess., State of Washington).

Bidding documents may be obtained from the City of Vancouver Procurement Services website at: <https://city-of-vancouver.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities>. These are available for viewing, downloading and printing on your own equipment, free of charge

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