PROJECT INFORMATION& INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FREEDOM SCHOOL WELL AND PUMP INSTALLATION PROJECT

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. <u>Preparation of Bid Form</u>. Proposals under these specifications shall be submitted on the blank forms furnished herewith at the time and place stated in the Notice Inviting Bids. All blanks in the bid form must be appropriately filled in, and all proposed prices must be stated clearly and legibly in both words and numerals. All bids must be signed by the bidder in permanent blue ink and submitted in sealed envelopes, bearing on the outside, the bidder's name, address, telephone number, and California Contractor's License number, and the name of the Project for which the bid is submitted. The District reserves the right to reject any bid if all of the above information is not furnished. It is each bidder's sole responsibility to ensure its bid is timely delivered and received at the location designated as specified above. Any bid received at the designated location after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids shall be returned to the bidder unopened.

2. <u>CUPCCAA</u>: This Project is being let in accordance with the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act ("CUPCCAA") set forth in Public Contract Code section 22000 et seq. Bidders shall comply with any requirements set forth in the CUPCCAA including all guidelines and requirements in the current California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission Cost Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual.

3. <u>Scope of Work</u>: As set forth in the Notice of Informal Bidding.

4. <u>Bid Security</u>. Each bid must be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: (1) cash; (2) a cashier's check made payable to the District; (3) a certified check made payable to the District; or (4) a bidder's bond executed by a California admitted surety as defined in Code of Civil Procedure section 995.120, made payable to the District, in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. Such bidder's security must be in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the maximum amount of such bidder's bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the Contract, if the same is awarded to such bidder, and will provide the required Payment Bond, insurance certificates and any other required documents. In the event that a bidder is awarded the Contract and such bidder fails to enter into said Contract or provide the surety bond or bonds within five (5) calendar days after award of the Contract to bidder, said security will be forfeited.

5. <u>Signature</u>. The bid form, all bonds, all designations of subcontractors, the Contractor's Certificate, the Agreement, and all Guarantees must be signed in permanent blue ink in the name of the bidder and must bear the signature in longhand of the person or persons duly authorized to sign the bid.

If bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall first be set forth, together with two signatures: one from the President and one from the Secretary or Assistant Secretary. Alternatively, the signature of other authorized officers or agents may be affixed, if a certified copy of the resolution of the corporate board of directors authorizing them to do so is provided to the District. Such documents shall include the title of such signatories below the signature and shall bear the corporate seal.

If bidder is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall first be set forth, together with the names of all persons comprising the partnership or co-partnership. The bid must be signed by all partners

comprising the partnership unless proof in the form of a certified copy of a statement of partnership acknowledging the signer to be a general partner is presented to the District, in which case the general partner may sign.

Bids submitted as joint ventures must so state and be signed by each joint venturer.

Bids submitted by individuals must be signed by the bidder unless an up to date power-of-attorney is on file in the District office, in which case, said person may sign for the individual.

The above rules also apply in the case of the use of a fictitious firm name. In addition, however, where a fictitious name is used, it must be so indicated in the signature.

6. <u>Modifications</u>. Changes in or additions to the bid form, recapitulations of the work bid upon, alternative proposals, or any other modification of the bid form which is not specifically called for in the Contract Documents may result in the District's rejection of the bid as not being responsive to the Notice Inviting Bids. **No oral or telephonic modification of any bid submitted will be considered**.

7. <u>Erasures, Inconsistent or Illegible Bids</u>. The bid submitted must not contain any erasures, interlineations, or other corrections unless each such correction creates no inconsistency and is suitably authenticated by affixing in the margin immediately opposite the correction the signature or signatures of the person or persons signing the bid. In the event of inconsistency between words and figures in the bid price, words shall control figures. In the event that the District determines that any bid is unintelligible, inconsistent, or ambiguous, the District may reject such bid as not being responsive to the Notice Inviting Bids.

8. <u>Examination of Site and Contract Documents</u>. Each bidder shall visit the site of the proposed work and become fully acquainted with the conditions relating to the construction and labor so that the facilities, difficulties, and restrictions attending the execution of the work under the Contract are fully understood. Bidders shall thoroughly examine and be familiar with the drawings and specifications and all others documents and requirements that are attached to and/or contained in the Project Manual or other documents issued to bidders. The failure or omission of any bidder to receive or examine any Contract Documents, form, instrument, addendum, or other document or to visit the site and become acquainted with conditions there existing shall not relieve any bidder from obligations with respect to the bid or to the Contract. The submission of a bid shall be taken as prima facie evidence of compliance with this Section. Bidders shall not, at any time after submission of the bid, dispute, complain, or assert that there were any misunderstandings with regard to the nature or amount of work to be done.

9. <u>Withdrawal of Bids</u>. Any bid may be withdrawn, either personally or by written request, at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids. The bid security for bids withdrawn prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids, in accordance with this paragraph, shall be returned upon demand therefor.

No bidder may withdraw any bid for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the date set for the opening of bids.

10. <u>Agreements, Insurance and Bonds</u>. The Agreement form which the successful bidder, as Contractor, will be required to execute, and the forms and amounts of surety bonds and insurance endorsements which will be required to be furnished at the time of execution of the Agreement, are included in the bid documents and should be carefully examined by the bidder. The number of executed copies of

the Agreement and the Payment Bond required is three (3). Bonds must be executed by an admitted surety insurer as defined in Code of Civil Procedure 995.120.

11. <u>Interpretation of Plans and Documents/Pre</u>-Bid Clarification. If any prospective bidder is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the Contract Documents, or finds discrepancies in, or omissions, a written request for an interpretation or correction thereof may be submitted to the District. The bidder submitting the request shall be responsible for its prompt delivery. Any interpretation or correction of the Contract Documents will only be made by Addendum duly issued, and a copy of such Addendum will be made available for each Contractor receiving a set of the Contract Documents. No person is authorized to make any oral interpretation of any provision in the Contract Documents, nor shall any oral interpretation be binding on the District. If discrepancies on Drawings, specifications or elsewhere in the Contract Documents are not covered by addenda, bidder shall include in their bid methods of construction and materials for the higher quality and complete assembly. Each request for clarification shall be submitted in writing, via email, to: Farmersville Unified School District, Chief Business Officer, Jason Kaff at jkaff@farmersville.k12.ca.us.

Each transmitted request shall contain the name of the person and/or firm filing the request, address, telephone, and fax number, Specifications and/or Drawing number. Bidder is responsible for the legibility of hand written requests. Pre-bid clarification request shall be filed a minimum of **six (6)** days prior to bid opening. Requests received less than **six (6)** days before bid opening shall not be considered or responded to. A written response to timely pre-bid clarifications requests which materially affects the bidders price will be made by Addendum issued by the Farmersville Unified School District not less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to bid opening.

12. <u>Bidders Interested in More Than One Bid</u>. No person, firm, or corporation shall be allowed to make, or file, or be interested in more than one prime bid for the same work unless alternate bids are specifically called for. A person, firm, or corporation that has submitted a proposal to a bidder, or that has quoted prices of materials to a bidder, is not thereby disqualified from submitting a proposal or quoting prices to other bidders or making a prime proposal.

13. <u>Award of Contract</u>. The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive responsible bidder by action of the governing Board. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding. In the event an award is made to bidder, and such bidder fails or refuses to execute the Contract and provide the required documents within five (5) calendar days after award of the Contract to bidder, the District may award the Contract to the next lowest responsible and responsive bidder or release all bidders. Each bid must conform and be responsive to the Contract Documents.

14. <u>Bid Protest Procedure</u>. Any bidder may file a bid protest. The protest shall be filed in writing with the District not more than five (5) business days after the date of the bid opening. An e-mail address shall be provided and by filing the protest, protesting bidder consents to receipt of e-mail notices for purposes of the protest and protest related questions and protest appeal, if applicable. The protest shall specify the reasons and facts upon which the protest is based.

a. <u>Resolution of Bid Controversy:</u> Once the bid protest is received, the apparent lowest responsible bidder will be notified of the protest and the evidence presented. If appropriate, the apparent low bidder will be given an opportunity to rebut the evidence and present evidence that the apparent low bidder should be allowed to perform the work. If deemed appropriate by the District, an informal hearing will be held. District will issue a written decision within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the protest, unless factors beyond the District's reasonable control

prevent such resolution. The decision on the bid protest will be copied to all parties involved in the protest.

b. <u>Appeal</u>: If the protesting bidder or the apparent low bidder is not satisfied with the decision, the matter may be appealed to the District Superintendent or his designee, within three (3) business days after receipt of the District's written decision on the bid protest. The appeal must be in writing and sent via overnight registered mail with all accompanying information relied upon for the appeal and an e-mail address from which questions and responses may be provided to:

Farmersville Unified School District 571 E. Citrus Farmersville, CA 93223

c. <u>Appeal Review</u>: The Superintendent or designee shall review the decision on the bid protest and issue a written response to the appeal, or if appropriate, appoint a Hearing Officer to conduct a hearing and issue a written decision. The written decision of the Superintendent/designee, or the Hearing Officer, shall be rendered within fifteen (15) calendar days and shall state the basis for the decision. The decision concerning the appeal will be final and not subject to any further Appeals.

d. <u>Reservation of Rights to Proceed with Project Pending Appeal</u>. The District reserves the right to proceed to award the Contract for the Project and commence construction pending an Appeal. If there is State Funding or a critical completion deadline, the District may choose to shorten the time limits set forth in this Section due to the urgency of proceeding with work if written notice is provided to the protesting party. E-mailed notice with a written confirmation sent by First Class Mail shall be sufficient to constitute written notice. If there is no written response to a written notice shortening time, the District may proceed with the award.

e. <u>Finality</u>. Failure to comply with this Bid Protest Procedure shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest and shall constitute a failure to exhaust the protesting bidder's administrative remedies.

15. <u>Alternates</u>. If alternate bids are called for, the Contract may be awarded at the election of the Governing Board to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder using the method and procedures outlined in the Notice Inviting Bids and as specified in the Section entitled Alternate/Deductive Bid Alternates.

a. <u>Subcontractor Listing for Alternates</u>. If alternate bids are called for and the bidder intends to use different or additional subcontractors, a separate list of subcontractors must be submitted for each such alternate.

16. <u>Evidence of Responsibility</u>. Upon the request of the District, a bidder whose bid is under consideration for the award of the Contract shall submit promptly to the District satisfactory evidence showing the bidder's financial resources, surety and insurance claims experience, construction experience, completion ability, workload, organization available for the performance of the Contract, and other factors pertinent to a Project of the scope and complexity involved.

17. <u>Listing Subcontractors</u>. Each bidder shall submit with their bid, on the form furnished with the Contract Documents, a list of the names, license numbers, scopes of work, locations of the places of business, contact information, and Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") registration numbers of each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the bidder in or about the project, or a

subcontractor who under subcontract to the bidder, specially fabricates and installs a portion of the work, in an amount in excess of one-half of 1 percent of the bidder's total bid as required by the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act (Public Contract Code section 4100, et seq.) Pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5, all subcontractors (of any tier) performing work on this Project must be properly registered with DIR.

18. <u>Workers' Compensation</u>. In accordance with the provisions of Labor Code section 3700, the successful bidder as the Contractor shall secure payment of compensation to all employees. The Contractor shall sign and file with the District the following certificate prior to performing the work under this contract: "I am aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, which requires every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this contract." The form of such certificate is included as a part of the Bid Documents.

19. <u>Contractor's License</u>. To perform the work required by this notice, the Contractor must possess the contractor's license as specified in the Notice Inviting Bids, and the Contractor must maintain the license throughout the duration of the Contract. If, at the time of award of the Contract, bidder is not licensed to perform the Project in accordance with Division 3, Chapter 9, of the Business and Professions Code for the State of California and the Notice to Contractors calling for bids, such bid will not be considered and the Contractor will forfeit its bid security to the District.

20. <u>Anti-Discrimination</u>. It is the policy of the District that in connection with all work performed under contracts, there be no discrimination against any prospective or active employee engaged in the work because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religious creed, sex, age, or marital status. The Contractor agrees to comply with applicable federal and California laws, including, but not limited to, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, beginning with Government Code section 12900 and Labor Code section 1735. In addition, the Contractor agrees to require like compliance by any subcontractors employed on the work by such Contractor.

21. <u>Preference for Materials and Substitutions</u>.

a. <u>One Product Specified</u>. As indicated in the bid documents, the District is providing the equipment.

22. <u>Disqualification of Bidders and Proposals</u>. More than one proposal for the same work from any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or association under the same or different names will not be accepted; and reasonable grounds for believing that any bidder is interested in more than one proposal for the work will be cause for rejecting all proposals in which such bidder is interested and the bidder will forfeit their bid security to the District.

23. <u>Unbalanced or Altered Bids</u>. Proposals in which the prices are obviously unbalanced, and those which are incomplete or show any alteration of form, or contain any additions or conditional or alternate bids that are not called for or otherwise permitted, may be rejected. A proposal on which the signature of the bidder has been omitted may be rejected. If, in the District's sole discretion, it determines any pricing, costs or other information submitted by a bidder may result in an unbalanced bid, the District may deem such bid non-responsive. A bid may be determined by the District to be unbalanced if the bid is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the District even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advanced payment.

24. <u>Employment of Apprentices</u>. The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall comply with the provisions of California Labor Code including, but not limited to Sections 1777.5, 1777.6, and 1777.7 concerning the employment of apprentices. The Contractor and any Subcontractor under them shall comply with the requirements of said Sections, including applicable portions of all subsequent amendments in the employment of apprentices; however, the Contractor shall have full responsibility for compliance with said Labor Code Sections, for all apprenticeable occupations, regardless of any other contractual or employment relationships alleged to exist.

25. <u>Non-Collusion Declaration</u>. Public Contract Code section 7106 requires bidders to submit declaration of non-collusion with their bids. This form is included with the bid documents and must be signed and dated by the bidder under penalty of perjury.

26. <u>Wage Rates, Travel and Subsistence</u>.

a. The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall comply with the requirements set forth in Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1 of the Labor Code. Pursuant to Labor Code section 1770 et seq., the District has obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to execute the contract. Copies are available from the District to any interested party on request and are also available from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. The Contractor shall obtain copies of the above-referenced prevailing wage sheets and post a copy of such wage rates at appropriate, conspicuous, weatherproof points at the Site.

b. Any worker employed to perform work on the Project and such work is not covered by any classification listed in the published general prevailing wage rate determinations or per diem wages determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, shall be paid not less than the minimum rate of wages specified therein for the classification which most nearly corresponds to the employment of such person in such classification.

c. Holiday and overtime work, when permitted by law, shall be paid for at the rate set forth in the prevailing wage rate determinations issued by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations or at least one and one-half $(1\frac{1}{2})$ times the specified basic rate of per diem wages, plus employer payments, unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents or authorized by law.

d. These per diem rates, including holiday and overtime work, and employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, and similar purposes, are on file at the administrative office of the District, located as noted above and are also available from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure the appropriate prevailing rates of per diem wages are paid for each classification. It shall be mandatory upon the Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded, and upon any subcontractor under such Contractor, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the Contract.

27. <u>DIR Registration of Contractor and Subcontractors</u>. A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in the Labor Code, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided

the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded.

This Project is a public works project as defined in Labor Code section 1720. Each contractor bidding on this Project and all subcontractors (of any tier) performing any portion of the Work must comply with the Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 and must be properly and currently registered with DIR and qualified to perform public works pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 throughout the duration of the Project. For more information and up to date requirements, contractors are recommended to periodically review the DIR's website at www.dir.ca.gov. Contractor shall be solely responsible for ensuring compliance with Labor Code section 1725.5 as well as any requirements implemented by DIR applicable to its services or its subcontractors throughout the term of the Agreement and in no event shall contractor be granted increased payment from the District or any time extensions to complete the Project as a result of contractor's efforts to maintain compliance with the Labor Code or any requirements implemented by DIR. Failure to comply with these requirements shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and grounds for termination for cause. The contractor and all subcontractors shall furnish certified payroll records as required pursuant Labor Code section 1776 directly to the Labor Commissioner in accordance with Labor Code section 1771.4 on at least on a monthly basis (or more frequently if required by the District or the Labor Commissioner) and in a format prescribed by the Labor Commissioner. The District reserves the right to withhold contract payments if the District is notified, or determines as the result of its own investigation, that contractor is in violation of any of the requirements set forth in Labor Code section 1720 et seq. at no penalty or cost to the District. Monitoring and enforcement of the prevailing wage laws and related requirements will be performed by the Labor Commissioner/ Department of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

28. <u>No Telephone or Facsimile Availability</u>. No telephone or facsimile machine will be available to bidders on the District premises at any time.

29. <u>Bidding Documents</u>. Bidder shall utilize a complete set of Bidding Documents in preparing a bid. The failure or omission of bidder to receive any Bidding Document, form, instrument, Addendum, or other document shall not relieve bidder from any obligations with respect to the bid and/or Contract.

30. <u>Addenda</u>. Clarification or any other notice of a change in the Bidding Documents will be issued only by the District and only in the form of a written Addendum, transmitted by fax, e-mail, or available for pick up to all who are known by the issuing office to have received a complete set of Bidding Documents. Any other purported Addenda are void and unenforceable.

Bidder is responsible for ascertaining the disposition of all Addenda issued regardless of District notification and to acknowledge all Addenda in the submitted sealed bid prior to the bid opening. Copies of Addenda will be made available for inspection wherever Bidding Documents are on file for inspection. Each Addendum will be numbered, dated, and identified with the Project number. Oral statements or any instructions in any form, other than Addendum as described above, shall be void and unenforceable. Addenda issued by the District and not noted as being acknowledged by bidder as required in the Bid Form, may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.

31. <u>Debarment</u>. Bidder may also be subject to debarment, in addition to seeking remedies for False Claims under Government Code section 12650 et seq. and Penal Code section 72, the District may debar a Contractor if the Board, or the Board may designate a hearing officer who, in his or her discretion, finds the Contractor has done any of the following:

a. Intentionally or with reckless disregard, violated any term of a contract with the District;

b. Committed an act or omission which reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform work for the District;

c. Committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or

d. Made or submitted a false claim against the District or any other public entity. (See Government Code section 12650, et seq., and Penal Code section 72)

PRE-BID CLARIFICATION FORM (For Contractor's Use)				
PROJECT NAME:	Freedom School Well and Pur	np Installation	Project	
PROJECT NUMBER:				
TO:	Pat Hunt, District M.O.T. Director	EMAIL:	&	

DATE:			
FROM:		EMAIL:	
DOCUM	ENT/DIVISION	DRAWING	
NUMBE	R:	NUMBER:	

REQUESTED CLARIFICATION:

Attach additional numbered sheets as necessary; however, only one (1) request shall be contained on each submitted form.

CHECKLIST OF MANDATORY BID FORMS

(For Contractor's use and reference only. Additional documents may be required so bidders should carefully review all Contract Documents and Bid Documents)

- **D** Bid Form
- Designation of Subcontractors Form
- Bid Bond (or Bid Guarantee Form if Security is Other Than Bid Bond)
- Contractor's Certificate Regarding Workers' Compensation
- □ Non-Collusion Declaration
- □ Substitution Request Form (If Substitution Request Form is not submitted then NO Substitutions will be allowed after the bids are opened

BID FORM

Farmersville Unified School District Freedom School Well & Pump Installation Project

CONTRACTOR NAME:					
ADDRESS:					
TELEPHONE:	()			
FAX:	()			
EMAIL					

TO: Farmersville Unified School District, acting by and through its Governing Board, herein called "District".

1. Pursuant to and in compliance with your Notice Inviting Bids and other documents relating thereto, the undersigned bidder, having familiarized himself with the terms of the Contract, the local conditions affecting the performance of the Contract, the cost of the work at the place where the work is to be done, with the Drawings and Specifications, and other Contract Documents, hereby proposes and agrees to perform within the time stipulated, the Contract, including all of its component parts, and everything required to be performed, including its acceptance by the District, and to provide and furnish any and all labor, materials, tools, expendable equipment, and utility and transportation services necessary to perform the Contract and complete all of the work in a workmanlike manner required in connection with the Project in the District described above, all in strict conformance with the drawings and other Contract Documents on file at the District Office.

2. <u>BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM:</u>

| Number |
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Acknowledge the inclusion of all Addenda issued prior to bid in the blanks provided above. Your failure to do so may render your bid non-responsive.

3. A. <u>TOTAL CASH PURCHASE PRICE IN WORDS & NUMBERS</u>:

	 DOLLARS
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4. <u>TIME FOR COMPLETION</u>: The District may give a notice to proceed within ninety (90) days of the award of the bid by the District. Once the Contractor has received the notice to proceed, the Contractor shall complete the work in the time specified in the Agreement. By submitting this bid, Contractor has thoroughly studied this Project and agrees that the Contract Time for this Project is adequate for the timely and proper completion of the Project. Further, Contractor has included in the analysis of the time required for this Project, rain days, and the requisite time to complete the punch list.

In the event that the District desires to postpone giving the notice to proceed beyond this ninety (90) day period, it is expressly understood that with reasonable notice to the Contractor, giving the notice to proceed may be postponed by the District. It is further expressly understood by the Contractor, that the Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim of additional compensation as a result of the postponement of giving the notice to proceed.

If the Contractor believes that a postponement will cause a hardship to it, the Contractor may terminate the contract with written notice to the District within ten (10) days after receipt by the Contractor of the District's notice of postponement. Should the Contractor terminate the Contract as a result of a notice of postponement, the District shall have the authority to award the Contract to the next lowest responsible bidder, if applicable.

It is understood that the District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or waive any irregularities or informalities in this bid or in the bid process. The Contractor understands that it may not withdraw this bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

5. It is understood that the District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or waive any irregularities or informalities in this bid or in the bid process. The Contractor understands that it may not withdraw this bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

6. Attached is bid security in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the bid:

Bid bond (10% of the Bid), certified check, or cashier's check (circle one)

- 7. The required List of Designated Subcontractors is attached hereto.
- 8. The required Non-Collusion Declaration is attached hereto.
- 9. The Substitution Request Form, if applicable, is attached hereto.

10. It is understood and agreed that if written notice of the acceptance of this bid is mailed, telegraphed, or delivered to the undersigned after the opening of the bid, and within the time this bid is required to remain open, or at any time thereafter before this bid is withdrawn, the undersigned will execute and deliver to the District a Contract in the form attached hereto in accordance with the bid as accepted, and that he or she will also furnish and deliver to the District the Payment Bond, all within five (5) calendar days after award of Contract, and that the work under the Contract shall be commenced by the undersigned bidder, if awarded the Contract, by the start date provided in the District's Notice to Proceed, and shall be completed by the Contractor in the time specified in the Contract Documents.

11. The names of all persons interested in the foregoing proposal as principals are as follows:

(IMPORTANT NOTICE: If bidder or other interested person is a corporation, state the legal name of such corporation, as well as the names of the president, secretary, treasurer, and manager thereof; if a co-partnership, state the true names of the firm, as well as the names of all individual co-partners comprising the firm; if bidder or other interested person is an individual, state the first and last names in full.)

12. <u>PROTEST PROCEDURES.</u> If there is a bid protest, the grounds shall be submitted as set forth in the Instructions to Bidders.

13. The undersigned bidder shall be licensed and shall provide the following California Contractor's license information:

License Number:

License Expiration Date:

Name on License:

Class of License:

DIR Registration Number:

If the bidder is a joint venture, each member of the joint venture must include the above information.

14. Time is of the essence regarding this Contract, therefore, in the event the bidder to whom the Contract is awarded fails or refuses to post the required bonds and return executed copies of the Agreement form within five (5) calendar days from the date of receiving the Notice of Award, the District may declare the bidder's bid deposit or bond forfeited as damages.

15. The bidder declares that he/she has carefully examined the location of the proposed Project, that he/she has examined the Contract Documents, including the Plans, General Conditions, Supplemental Conditions (if any), Addenda, and Specifications, all others documents and requirements that are attached to and/or contained in the Project Manual, all other documents issued to bidders and read the accompanying instructions to bidders, and hereby proposes and agrees, if this proposal is accepted, to furnish all materials and do all work required to complete the said work in accordance with the Contract Documents, in the time and manner therein prescribed for the unit cost and lump sum amounts set forth in this Bid Form.

16. <u>DEBARMENT.</u> In addition to seeking remedies for False Claims under Government Code section 12650 et seq. and Penal Code section 72, the District may debar a Contractor if the Board, or the Board may designate a hearing officer who, in his or her discretion, finds the Contractor has done any of the following:

- a. Intentionally or with reckless disregard, violated any term of a contract with the District;
- b. Committed an act or omission which reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform work for the District;

c. Committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or

d. Made or submitted a false claim against the District or any other public entity. (See Government Code section 12650, et seq., and Penal Code section 72)

17. <u>DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS</u>. In compliance with the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act (California Public Contract Code section 4100 et seq.) and any amendments thereof, each bidder shall list subcontractors on the District's form Subcontractor list. This subcontractor list shall be submitted with the bid and is a required form

I agree to receive service of notices at the e-mail address listed below.

I the below-indicated bidder, declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided and representations made in this bid are true and correct.

Proper Name of Company		
Name of Bidder Representative		
Street Address		
City, State, and Zip		
() Phone Number		
() Fax Number		
E-Mail		
By:	Date:	

Signature of Bidder Representative

<u>NOTE</u>: If bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signature of authorized officers or agents and the document shall bear the corporate seal; if bidder is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above, together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the partnership; and if bidder is an individual, his/her signature shall be placed above.

All signatures must be made in permanent blue ink.

DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

In compliance with the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act (California Public Contract Code section 4100 et seq.,) and any amendments thereof, each Bidder shall set forth below: (a) the name, license number, and location of the place of business of each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the Contractor, who will perform work or labor or work or improvement to be performed under this Contract, or a subcontractor licensed by the State of California who, under subcontract to the Contractor, specially fabricates and installs a portion of the work or improvements according to detailed Drawings contained in the Plans and Specifications in an amount in excess of one-half of one percent of the Contractor's total bid; and (b) the portion and description of the work which will be done by each subcontractor under this Act. The Contractor shall list only one subcontractor for each such portion as is defined by the Contractor in this bid. All subcontractors shall be properly licensed by the California State Licensing Board.

If a Contractor fails to specify a subcontractor, or if a Contractor specifies more than one subcontractor for the same portion of work to be performed under the Contract in excess of one-half of one percent of the Contractor's total bid, the Contractor shall be deemed to have agreed that the Contractor is fully qualified to perform that portion, and that the Contractor alone shall perform that portion of the work.

No Contractor whose bid is accepted shall (a) substitute any subcontractor, (b) permit any subcontractor to be voluntarily assigned or transferred or allow the relevant portion of the work to be performed by anyone other than the original subcontractor listed in the original bid, or (c) sublet or subcontract any portion of the work in excess of one-half of one percent of the Contractor's total bid where the original bid did not designate a subcontractor, except as authorized in the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act.

Subletting or subcontracting of any portion of the work in excess of one-half of one percent of the Contractor's total bid where no subcontractor was designated in the original bid shall only be permitted in cases of public emergency or necessity, and then only after a finding, reduced to writing as a public record, of the authority awarding this Contract setting forth the facts constituting the emergency or necessity.

All subcontractors (of any tier) performing any portion of the work must comply with the Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 and must be properly and currently registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations and qualified to perform public works pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 throughout the duration of the Project.

NOTE: If alternate bids are called for and bidder intends to use different or additional subcontractors on the alternates, a separate list of subcontractors must be provided for each such Alternate.

DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS FORM

Description & Portion of Work	Name of Subcontractor	Location & Place of Business	License Type and Number	E-Mail & Telephone*	DIR Registration Number*

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* This information must be provided at the time of submission of bid or must be provided within 24 hours after the time set for the opening of bids. Bidders who choose to provide this information within 24 hours after the time set for the opening of bids are solely responsible to ensure the District receives this information in a timely manner. The District is not responsible for any problems or delays associated with emails, faxes, delivery, etc. Absent a verified fax or email receipt date and time by the District, the District's determination of whether the information was received timely shall govern and be determinative. Bidder shall not revise or amend any other information in this form submitted at the time of bid. The information submitted at the time of bid shall govern over any conflicts, discrepancies, ambiguities or other differences in any subsequent Subcontractor Designation Forms submitted by the bidder.

Proper Name of Bidder:	
Date:	
Name:	
Signature of Bidder Representative:	
Address:	
Phone:	
-	

BID BOND FORM

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT that we, the undersigned, (hereafter called "Principal"), and _________ (hereafter called "Surety"), are hereby held and firmly bound unto the Farmersville Unified School District (hereafter called "District") in the sum of ________ (\$______) for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, successors, and assigns.

SIGNED this ______ day of ______, 20____.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the District a certain Bid, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof, to enter into a Contract in writing for the construction of ______.

NOW, THEREFORE,

- a. If said Bid is rejected, or
- b. If said Bid is accepted and the Principal executes and delivers a Contract or the attached Agreement form within five (5) calendar days after acceptance (properly completed in accordance with said Bid), and furnishes bonds for his faithful performance of said Contract and for payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing materials in connection therewith,

Then this obligation shall be void; otherwise, the same shall remain in force and effect.

Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration, or addition to the terms of the Contract, or the call for bids, or the work to be performed thereunder, or the specifications accompanying the same, shall in anyway affect its obligation under this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration, or addition to the terms of said Contract, or the call for bids, or the work, or to the specifications.

In the event suit is brought upon this bond by the District and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all costs incurred by the District in such suit, including without limitation, attorneys' fees to be fixed by the court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seals to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, on the day and year first set forth above.

Ву _____

Principal's Signature

Project Name Freedom School Well & Pump

(Corporate Seal)

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		Typed or Printed Name
		Principal's Title
	By	-
(Corporate Seal)	•	Surety's Signature
		Typed or Printed Name
		Title
(Attached Attorney in Fact Certificate)		Surety's Name
		Surety's Address

Surety's Phone Number

BID GUARANTEE FORM

(Use only when not using a Bid Bond)

Accompanying this proposal is a cashier's check payable to the order of the Farmersville Unified School District or a certified check payable to the order of the Farmersville Unified School District in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the base bid and alternates (\$_____).

The proceeds of this check shall become the property of said District, if, this proposal shall be accepted by the District through the District's Governing Board, and the undersigned fails to execute a Contract with and furnish the sureties required by the District within the required time; otherwise, said check is to be returned to the undersigned.

Bidder

367201.2

CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATE REGARDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION FORM

Labor Code section 3700 in relevant part provides:

Every employer except the State shall secure the payment of compensation in one or more of the following ways:

1. By being insured against liability to pay compensation by one or more insurers duly authorized to write compensation insurance in this State.

2. By securing from the Director of Industrial Relations a certificate of consent to self-insure, which may be given upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the Director of Industrial Relations of ability to self-insure and to pay any compensation that may become due to employees.

3. For any county, city, city and county, municipal corporation, public district, public agency, or any political subdivision of the state, including each member of a pooling arrangement under a joint exercise of powers agreement (but not the state itself), by securing from the Director of Industrial Relations a certificate of consent to self-insure against workers' compensation claims, which certificate may be given upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the director of ability to administer workers' compensation claims properly, and to pay workers' compensation claims that may become due to its employees. On or before March 31, 1979, a political subdivision of the state which, on December 31, 1978, was uninsured for its liability to pay compensation, shall file a properly completed and executed application for a certificate of consent to self-insure against workers' compensation claims. The certificate shall be issued and be subject to the provisions of Section 3702.

I am aware of the provisions of Labor Code section 3700 which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code, and I will comply with such provision before commencing the performance of the work of this Contract.

(Signature)

(Print)

(Date)

In accordance with Article 5 (commencing at Section 1860), Chapter 1, Part 7, Division 2 of the Labor Code, the above certificate must be signed and submitted with the Contractor's bid.

NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION

The undersigned declares:

I am the _____ [Title] of _____ [Name of Company], the party making the foregoing bid.

The bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation. The bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or to refrain from bidding. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder. All statements contained in the bid are true. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, to effectuate a collusive or sham bid, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for such purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration is executed on _____ [Date], at _____ [City], _____ [State].

Signed: _____

Typed Name: _____

ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY DEPOSITS IN LIEU OF RETENTION

This Escrow Agreer	nent is mad	le and entered into	by and betwee	n the Farme	rsville Unified	School
District,		, California	,	hereinafter	called "Owne	er", and
	whose	address is		,	hereinafter	called
"Contractor", and		whose add	dress is		, her	einafter
called "Escrow Agent".						

For the consideration hereinafter set forth, the Owner, Contractor and Escrow Agent agree as follows:

2. The Owner shall make progress payments to the Contractor for such funds which otherwise would be withheld from progress payments pursuant to the Contract provisions, provided that the Escrow Agent holds securities in the form and amount specified above.

3. When the Owner makes payments of Retentions earned directly to the Escrow Agent, the Escrow Agent shall hold them for the benefit of the Contractor until such time as the escrow created under this Contract is terminated. The Contractor may direct the investment of the payments into securities. All terms and conditions of this Agreement and the rights and responsibilities of the parties shall be equally applicable and binding when the Owner pays the Escrow Agent directly.

4. Contractor shall be responsible for paying all fees for the expenses incurred by Escrow Agent in administering the Escrow Account and all expenses of the Owner. These expenses and payment terms shall be determined by the Owner, Contractor, and Escrow Agent.

5. The interest earned on the securities or the money market accounts held in escrow and all interest earned on that interest shall be for the sole account of Contractor and shall be subject to withdrawal by Contractor at any time and from time to time without notice to the Owner.

6. Contractor shall have the right to withdraw all or any part of the principal in the Escrow Account only by written notice to Escrow Agent accompanied by written authorization from the Owner to the Escrow Agent that Owner consents to the withdrawal of the amount sought to be withdrawn by Contractor.

7. The Owner shall have a right to draw upon the securities in the event of default by the Contractor. Upon seven (7) days' written notice to the Escrow Agent from the Owner of the notice of default under Article 14 of the General Conditions, the Escrow Agent shall immediately convert the securities to cash and shall distribute the cash as instructed by the Owner.

8. Upon receipt of written notification from the Owner certifying that the Contract is final and complete, and that the Contractor has complied with all requirements and procedures applicable to the Contract, Escrow Agent shall release to Contractor all securities and interest on deposit less escrow fees and charges of the Escrow Account. The escrow shall be closed immediately upon disbursement of all moneys and securities on deposit and payment of fees and charges.

9. Escrow Agent shall rely on the written notifications from the Owner and the Contractor pursuant to Sections (5) to (8), inclusive, of this Agreement and the Owner and Contractor shall hold Escrow Agent harmless from Escrow Agent's release and disbursement of the securities and interest as set forth above.

10. The names of the persons who are authorized to give written notice or to receive written notice on behalf of the Owner and on behalf of Contractor in connection with the foregoing, and exemplars of their respective signatures are as follows:

On behalf of Owner:

Title

 Name

 Signature

 Address

 On behalf of Contractor:

 Title

 Name

 Signature

 Address

 On behalf of Agent:

Title

Name

Signature

Address

At the time the Escrow Account is opened, the Owner and Contractor shall deliver to the Escrow Agent a fully executed counterpart of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their proper officers on the date set forth above.

OWNER	CONTRACTOR
Title	Title
Name	Name
Signature	Signature

PAYMENT BOND (CALIFORNIA PUBLIC WORK)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, the FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (sometimes referred to hereinafter as "Obligee") has awarded to _______ (hereinafter designated as the "Principal" or "Contractor"), an agreement for the work described as follows: Freedom School Well and Pump Installation Project (hereinafter referred to as the "Public Work"); and

WHEREAS, said Contractor is required to furnish a bond in connection with said Contract, and pursuant to California Civil Code section 9550;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, ______, the undersigned Contractor, as Principal; and ______, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of ______, and duly authorized to transact business under the laws of the State of California, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT and to any and all persons, companies, or corporations entitled by law to file stop notices under California Civil Code section 9100, or any person, company, or corporation entitled to make a claim on this bond, in the sum of ______ Dollars (\$______), such sum being not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount payable by said Obligee under the terms of said Contract, for which payment will and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if said Principal, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, or subcontractor, shall fail to pay any person or persons named in Civil Code section 9100; or fail to pay for any materials, provisions, or other supplies, used in, upon, for, or about the performance of the work contracted to be done, or for any work or labor thereon of any kind, or for amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Code, with respect to work or labor thereon of any kind; or shall fail to deduct, withhold, and pay over to the Employment Development Department, any amounts required to be deducted, withheld, and paid over by Unemployment Insurance Code section 13020 with respect to work and labor thereon of any kind, then said Surety will pay for the same, in an amount not exceeding the amount herein above set forth, and in the event suit is brought upon this bond, also will pay such reasonable attorneys' fees as shall be fixed by the court, awarded and taxed as provided in California Civil Code section 9550 et seq.

This bond shall inure to the benefit of any person named in Civil Code section 9100 giving such person or his/her assigns a right of action in any suit brought upon this bond.

It is further stipulated and agreed that the Surety of this bond shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of the bond by any change, extension of time for performance, addition, alteration or modification in, to, or of any contract, plans, or specifications, or agreement pertaining or relating to any scheme or work of improvement herein above described; or pertaining or relating to the furnishing of labor, materials, or equipment therefor; nor by any change or modification of any terms of payment or extension of time for payment pertaining or relating to any scheme or work of improvement herein above described; nor by any rescission or attempted rescission of the contract, agreement or bond; nor by any conditions precedent or subsequent in the bond attempting to limit the right of recovery of claimants otherwise entitled to recover under any such contract or agreement or under the bond; nor by any fraud practiced by any person other than the claimant seeking to recover on the bond; and that this bond be construed most strongly against the Surety and in favor of all persons for whose benefit such bond is given; and under no circumstances shall the Surety be released from liability to those for whose benefit such bond has been given, by reason of any breach of contract between the Obligee and the Contractor or on the part of any obligee named in such bond; that the sole condition of recovery shall be that the claimant is a person described in California Civil Code section 9100, and who has not been paid the full amount of his or her claim; and that the Surety does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, addition, alteration or modification herein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this instrument has been duly executed by the Principal and Surety above named, on the______ day of ______, 20____.

PRINCIPAL/CONTRACTOR:

By: SURETY:

By: Attorney-in-Fact

IMPORTANT: THIS IS A REQUIRED FORM.

Surety companies executing bonds must possess a certificate of authority from the California Insurance Commissioner authorizing them to write surety insurance defined in California Insurance Code section 105, and if the work or project is financed, in whole or in part, with federal, grant or loan funds, Surety's name must also appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended).

Any claims under this bond may be addressed to:

(Name and Address of Surety) (Name and Address of agent or representative for service for service of process in California) (Telephone)

A notary public or other office completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)) ss. COUNTY OF)

On ______, before me, ______, personally appeared _______, who proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies) as the Attorney-in-Fact of ______ (Surety) and acknowledged to me that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public in and for said State

Commission expires: (SEAL)

NOTE: A copy of the power-of-attorney to local representatives of the bonding company must be attached hereto.

PERFORMANCE BOND (CALIFORNIA PUBLIC WORK)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, the FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (sometimes referred to hereinafter as "Obligee") has awarded to (hereinafter designated as the "Principal" or "Contractor"), an agreement for the work described as follows: Freedom School Well Drilling and Pump Installation Project (hereinafter referred to as the "Public Work"); and

WHEREAS, the work to be performed by the Contractor is more particularly set forth in that certain contract for said Public Work dated _______, (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract"), which Contract is incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is required by said Contract to perform the terms thereof and to provide a bond both for the performance and guaranty thereof.

	NOW	, THEREFORE,	we,					,	the
undersigned Contractor, as Principal, and							, a c	orpora	tion
organiz	zed and	d existing under the l	, and duly authorized to						
transac	t busii	ness under the laws of	of the State of	California, a	as Surety, are	held a	and firr	nly bo	ound
unto	the	FARMERSVILLE	UNIFIED	SCHOOL	DISTRICT	in	the	sum	of
Dollars (\$					_), said sum being not less than one				
hundred percent (100%) of the total amount payable by said Obligee under the terms of said									
Contract, for which amount well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors,									
administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.									

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH THAT, if the bounded Contractor, his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, shall in all things stand to and abide by, and well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions, and agreements in said Contract and any alteration thereof made as therein provided, on his or her part, to be kept and performed at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their intent and meaning; and shall faithfully fulfill guarantees of all materials and workmanship; and indemnify, defend and save harmless the Obligee, its officers and agents, as stipulated in said Contract, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and effect.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that it shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of this bond (either by total exoneration or pro tanto) by any change, extension of time, alteration in or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work to be performed there under or the specifications accompanying the same, nor by any change or modification to any terms of payment or extension of time for any payment pertaining or relating to any scheme of work of improvement under the contract. Surety also stipulates and agrees that it shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of this bond (either by total exoneration or pro tanto) by any overpayment or underpayment by the Obligee that is based upon estimates approved by the Architect. The Surety stipulates and agrees that none of the aforementioned changes, modifications, alterations, additions, extension of time or actions shall in any way affect its obligation on this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such changes, modifications, alterations, additions or extension of time to the terms of the contract, or to the work, or the specifications as well notice of any other actions that result in the foregoing.

Whenever Principal shall be, and is declared by the Obligee to be, in default under the Contract, the Surety shall promptly either remedy the default, or shall promptly take over and complete the Contract through its agents or independent contractors, subject to acceptance and approval of such agents or independent contractors by Obligee as hereinafter set forth, in accordance with its terms and conditions and to pay and perform all obligations of Principal under the Contract, including, without limitation, all obligations with respect to warranties, guarantees and the payment of liquidated damages; or, at Obligee's sole discretion and election, Surety shall obtain a bid or bids for completing the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and upon determination by Obligee of the lowest responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and the Obligee and make available as Work progresses (even though there should be a default or succession of defaults under the contract or contracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the cost of completion less the "balance of the Contract Price" (as hereinafter defined), and to pay and perform all obligations of Principal under the Contract, including, without limitation, all obligations with respect to warranties, guarantees and the payment of liquidated damages. The term "balance of the Contract price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total amount payable to Principal by the Obligee under the Contract and any modifications thereto, less the amount previously paid by the Obligee to the Principal, less any withholdings by the Obligee allowed under the Contract. Obligee shall not be required or obligated to accept a tender of a completion contractor from the Surety.

Surety expressly agrees that the Obligee may reject any agent or contractor which may be proposed by Surety in fulfillment of its obligations in the event of default by the Principal. Unless otherwise agreed by Obligee, in its sole discretion, Surety shall not utilize Principal in completing the Contract nor shall Surety accept a bid from Principal for completion of the work in the event of default by the Principal.

No final settlement between the Obligee and the Contractor shall abridge the right of any beneficiary hereunder, whose claim may be unsatisfied.

The Surety shall remain responsible and liable for all patent and latent defects that arise out of or relate to the Contractor's failure and/or inability to properly complete the Public Work as required by the Contract and the Contract Documents. The obligation of the Surety hereunder shall continue so long as any obligation of the Contractor remains.

Contractor and Surety agree that if the Obligee is required to engage the services of an attorney in connection with enforcement of the bond, Contractor and Surety shall pay Obligee's reasonable attorneys' fees incurred, with or without suit, in addition to the above sum.

In the event suit is brought upon this bond by the Obligee and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all costs incurred by the Obligee in such suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees to be fixed by the Court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this _____ day of _____, 20____.

PRINCIPAL/CONTRACTOR:

By:

SURETY:

By:

Attorney-in-Fact
The rate of premium on this bond is ______ per thousand.
The total amount of premium charged: \$______ (This must be filled in by a corporate surety).

EXHIBIT A

AGREEMENT

FOR

FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FREEDOM SCHOOL WELL DRILLING AND EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION PROJECT

FORM AGREEMENT

This Form Agreement ("Agreement") dated _____, 2023 ("Effective Date") is made by and between:

Farmersville Unified School District ("District") with its principal place of business at 571 E. Citrus, Farmersville, CA 93223

And

[CONTRACTOR NAME AND ADDRESS]

Farmersville Unified School District ("District") and [CONTRACTOR NAME] ("_____") agree as follows:

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Farmersville Unified School District has determined that there is a need for the well drilling at equipment installation at Freedom School. Therefore, the parties enter into this Agreement as to the following:

1. **SCOPE OF WORK.** CONTRACTOR shall provide District with and associated work as set forth in the contract documents, which are defined in the Instructions to Bidders, including all issued addenda, the bid of CONTRACTOR dated ______, 2023, and this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract Documents"),

CONTRACTOR is responsible, as applicable, for the design, engineering, equipment acquisition, permits, fees, approvals, project management, installation, startup, training, checkout, warranty, and insurance specifically associated with the Work to be performed. CONTRACTOR will provide submittals and engineered drawings (if required), for District's technical review and written approval, prior to initiating construction. All construction and associated cleanup shall be performed and scheduled so as to minimize any disruption with any ongoing District and School activities. CONTRACTOR agrees to keep the jobsite clean of debris arising out of its own operations.

2. **PROJECT PRICE**. CONTRACTOR shall perform all work contemplated herein to full completion for a total fixed price of ______ (\$00.00)("Contract Amount").

3. **INVOICING & PAYMENTS.** Upon the issuance of an invoice from CONTRACTOR the District agrees to process the payment of all undisputed invoice amounts. If CONTRACTOR'S invoice is not paid within thirty (30) days of issuance, CONTRACTOR may add 1% per month interest onto delinquent amounts.

4. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACT.** It is agreed between the parties that CONTRACTOR shall perform the Work as an independent contractor. In the event CONTRACTOR uses one or more subcontractors to perform work hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall remain fully responsible for (a) payment to the subcontractor(s), (b) the proper completion of this agreement and (c) supervising such subcontractor's work and for the quality of the work they produce.

5. **MATERIALS.** All materials shall be new, in compliance with all applicable laws and codes, and shall be covered by a manufacturer's warranty, if appropriate. If the materials or equipment included in this agreement become temporarily or permanently unavailable, the time for performance of the work may be extended to the extent thereof, as mutually agreed by the parties.

6. **COMPLETION.** The work specified in Section 1 shall be considered completed upon approval by the District, provided that the District's approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

7. **WARRANTY.** CONTRACTOR warrants that the equipment installed shall be free from defects in material and workmanship arising from normal usage for a period of two (2) years from the installation date. Within the warranty period, if Purchaser provides written notice to CONTRACTOR of any defects within thirty (30) days after the appearance or discovery of such defect, CONTRACTOR shall repair or replace the defective equipment and return said equipment to Purchaser. These warranties do not extend to any equipment which has been repaired by others, abused, altered or misused, or which has not been properly and reasonably maintained. These warranties are in lieu of all other warranties, expressed or implied, including, but not limited to those of merchantability and fitness for a specific purpose.

8. **TAXES.** The price of this agreement does include duties, sale, use, excise or other similar taxes required by federal, state or local laws in effect at the time of agreement execution.

9. **DELAYS.** Neither party shall be liable for any delay in the performance of the work resulting from or attributed to acts of circumstance beyond the parties' control, including but not limited to acts of God, riots, labor disputes, conditions of the premises, or other delays caused by suppliers. If the District delays completion for greater than sixty (60) days, CONTRACTOR may recover any documented cost inflation on un-billed materials that were either stored or yet to be purchased.

10. **PROJECT COMPLETION DATE.** CONTRACTOR shall complete all work contemplated herein with ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) DAYS from the date of the Notice to Proceed. Unless CONTRACTOR is prevented from performance in accordance with contract documents by circumstances beyond its control, CONTRACTOR shall be liable for liquidated damages, in accordance with law, in the amount of \$500 per day for each day beyond the completion date.

11. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.** CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. All licenses and permits required for the prosecution of the work shall be obtained and paid for by CONTRACTOR.

12. **DISPUTES.** Written notice of any Dispute must be provided to the other party, describing specific details of the dispute relating to changes in Work or claim for additional compensation, within seven (7) days of the occurrence of the condition. This notice must be provided via certified mail. For a reasonable period commencing on the day written notice of Dispute was provided, but not to exceed ten (10) days, the parties shall in good faith attempt to resolve the Dispute. If the parties are unable to resolve the Dispute during this period, the parties shall proceed to advisory arbitration. The arbitrator shall be neutral and mutually acceptable, but said arbitration shall not exceed one (1) day. In the event arbitration is unable to resolve the dispute, the parties may initiate a court action. All venues shall be in the County where the project is located.

13. **CHANGE ORDER (Mid-Performance Amendments)**. If events beyond the control of the parties reasonably require adjustments to this agreement, the parties shall make a good faith attempt to agree on all necessary particulars. Such agreements shall be put in writing, signed by the parties and added to this agreement. Failure to reach agreement shall be deemed a dispute to be resolved as agreed in section 12 of this agreement.

14. **INSURANCE.** CONTRACTOR will maintain comprehensive liability and other insurance in amounts not less than those set forth below. Such insurance shall protect CONTRACTOR and the District against any claims, losses, liabilities and expenses arising from the Work, whether performed by CONTRACTOR or any its subcontractors. The coverage shall include:

a. Workmen's Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance - \$500,000 each accident; \$500,000 each employee/disease; and \$1,000,000 policy limit.

b. Comprehensive or Commercial General Liability - Bodily injury liability of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and general aggregate liability of \$2,000,000 per occurrence.

c. Comprehensive Automobile Insurance – Combined single limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

15. **INDEMNITY.** CONTRACTOR ("Indemnifying Party") shall indemnify the District, its Governing Board, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liabilities, claims, expenses, losses or damages, including attorney's fees, which may arise in connection with the execution of the work herein specified and which are caused, in whole or in part by the intentional or negligent act or omission of the Indemnifying Party.

16. **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH.** The Parties hereto agree to notify each other immediately upon becoming aware of any alleged violation of, the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) relating in any way to the project or project site.

17. **FINGERPRINTING.** The services provided hereunder shall occur on an active school site. As such, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that its services on and around the school site comply with all applicable laws, regulations and standards including but not limited to, the fingerprinting requirements of the Education Code and any other legal requirements which may be applicable to CONTRACTOR'S activities on or about the school site. While the Farmersville Unified School District shall reasonably assist CONTRACTOR in determining the applicable requirements, it shall be CONTRACTOR'S sole responsibility for determining and complying with all applicable laws, regulations, and standards.

18. **PREVAILING WAGES.** Wage rates for this Project shall be in accordance with the general prevailing rate of holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft, classification, or type of work needed to execute the Contract as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. Copies of schedules of rates so determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations are on file at the administrative office of the Purchaser and are also available from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. Monitoring and enforcement of the prevailing wage laws and related requirements will be performed by the Labor Commissioner/ Department of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

19. The following are hereby referenced and made a part of this Agreement and CONTRACTOR stipulates to the provisions contained therein.

1. Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code (Section 1720 *et seq.*)

2. California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Chapter 8, Subchapters 3 through 6 (Section 16000 *et seq.*)

20. **CORRECTION OF WORK.** CONTRACTOR shall promptly correct work rejected by District for failing to conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents, whether observed before or after Substantial Completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed, and shall correct any Work found to be not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents within a period of one year from the date of Substantial Completion of the contract or by terms as an applicable special warranty required by the Contract Documents. The provisions of this Section 20 apply to Work done by Subcontractors as well as to Work done by direct employees of CONTRACTOR.

Nothing contained in this Section 20 shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to other obligations, which CONTRACTOR might have under the Contract Documents. Establishment of the time period of one year as described in Section 20 relates only to the specific obligation of CONTRACTOR to correct the Work, and has no relationship to the time within which the obligation to comply with the Contract Documents may be sought to be enforced, nor to the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish CONTRACTOR'S liability with respect to its obligations hereunder other than specifically to correct the Work.

21. **FAILURE TO CARRY OUT WORK.** If CONTRACTOR defaults or persistently fails or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents or fails to perform a provision of the Contract, District, after seven (7) days' written notice to it and without prejudice to any other remedy District may have, may make good such deficiencies and may deduct the cost thereof from the payment then or thereafter due to CONTRACTOR.

22. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, upon acceptance, shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior representations or understandings.

23. **CHANGES.** No change or modification of any of the terms and conditions stated herein shall be binding unless stated in a written instrument and signed by an authorized representative of each party.

24. **SEVERABILITY.** If one or more of the provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable under laws, such provision(s) shall be excluded from these terms and conditions and the remaining terms and conditions shall be interpreted as if such provision were so excluded and shall be enforced in accordance to their terms and conditions.

25. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. A signature on a copy of this agreement received by either party by facsimile or portable document format (PDF) is binding upon the other party as an original. The parties shall treat a photocopy of such facsimile as a duplicate original.

26. **ASSIGNMENT.** CONTRACTOR may assign its rights and obligations of this agreement only with written consent of the District.

27. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT.** Both CONTRACTOR and the District acknowledge having read this Agreement and all contract documents incorporated herein and have executed this Agreement on the date written above.

28. **APPROVAL.** Each party represents that the person that has executed this Agreement on its behalf is authorized to do so.

29. **CONTRACT.** This Agreement in addition to all of the Bid Documents (Instructions to Bidders *et al.*) constitute the Contract for purposes of the Project.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused their duly authorized officers to execute this Agreement effective as of the date first above written.

Farmersville Unified School District

Signature

[Name of Contractor]

Print Name

Signature

Print Name

Title

Title