Request for Proposals
TITLE: PLPT Network Node Operations and Maintenance

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (PLPT) is soliciting quotes from qualified companies to perform maintenance and emergency tasks related to the operation of our network nodes. PLPT has just completed a major fiber network installation. The selected company will be responsible for a variety of tasks requiring expertise in a number of areas.

Systems Description
The PLPT has completed a fiber network that currently connects 29 buildings in three towns on the Pyramid Lake Reservation 35 miles east of Reno. The system is built around three node buildings in the towns of Nixon, Wadsworth and Sutcliffe. The POP is at the Level 3 facility in Reno, NV and the datacenter node is in Nixon. The fiber electronics is Tellabs equipment, and we have a support contract for the equipment. Essential system elements include Tellabs 7100 and 7300 fiber electronics; Generac 50 and 70 KWh propane generators with Generac transfer panels; Eltek 48 volt Flatpack power systems with Telect distribution rack distribution; Marvail Compac AC units with CommStat 3 controllers; DPS Telecom NetGuardian and T/Mon alarm systems with entry security; Solarwinds and Cellular notification systems; Lorex Video Security system; Fenwall FM 200 fire suppression system with 732 controllers.

Tasks
The company will be required to augment the PLPT IT staff with various tasks and the handling of emergencies. This will include the company or associated subcontractors performing scheduled onsite service and maintenance checks and emergency repairs.
**Scope of Proposal**
Routine scheduled maintenance calls will require fixed costs for expected time, materials and travel. Repair costs will require an hourly rate for emergency support service. Include travel costs when travel is necessary for emergency repairs. Due to the wide range of expertise required, more than one company may be awarded a maintenance agreement. A company may use subcontractors for specific systems, but these subcontractors must be identified in the proposal. All work on warrantied equipment must meet warranty requirements. Key scope of the proposals must fall within one or more of the following areas: Systems as identified above with remote and onsite monitoring and maintenance, fiber splicing and conduit placement. Building access for fiber, and general cleaning of the nodes and equipment.

**Qualifications**
Company must be a registered business, qualified to work in the State of Nevada and insured in the state of Nevada for all liability and workmen’s compensation. Proposal should include qualifications of key personnel, including education, certifications, areas of expertise and years performing those tasks.

1) **Timelines**
   **Posting Date:** Monday July 7, 2014  
   **Clarifying Questions:** Friday August 1, 2014  
   Questions must be submitted via e-mail to the contact person. These questions must be asked to clarify the RFP.

   **Proposal Due Date:** Friday August 8, 2014  
   **Review Period:** August 11 – August 21, 2014  
   **Contract Award:** After August 22, 2014  
   All proposers who submit responses by the deadline above will be notified of their status on or after August 22, 2014. Do not contact any member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe prior to that date in order to gain information on the award process.

2) **Non-Collusion Statement**
   It is the intent of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe to evaluate each proposal on the merits of the written document. It is imperative that no proposer attempt to influence, persuade or collude with any member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe in order to attain a more
favorable position in the bid process. Knowledge of this activity will be grounds for disqualification.

If necessary, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe may call one or more of the proposers for a face-to-face interview. This will be done at the sole discretion of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and will be for the purpose of clarifying the responses.

3) Contact for RFP Questions
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
Steven Wadsworth
208 Capitol Hill
P.O. Box 256
Nixon, NV 89424-0256
Email address: swadsworth@plpt.nsn.us

4) Proposal Content
Your proposal should be brief, concise, and not greater than 8 pages total in length. Please submit

⇒ 3 bound copies postmarked by due date along with electronic copies
Under no circumstances shall the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe be responsible for the costs of preparing any of the firm’s responses.

5) Contract Term
This contract will become effective when signed by both parties, and will remain in effect for one year. Either party will be allowed to terminate the contract at any time.

6) Evaluation Questions
a. Describe the history and ownership of your firm. If you are a branch office of a National or Regional firm, please design the majority of your response describing the primary office that will service our account, and its structure.

b. Provide names, titles, length of tenure, license, and brief background information on each employee of your office that would be assigned to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe’s account. Phone numbers, including extension and email addresses should also be provided.
c. Provide two letters of reference that would indicate your good standing within the Information Technology field.
d. Describe in detail your firm’s level of expertise in the areas referenced in the System Description.
e. Can your company provide a performance bond for the contract amount.

Please submit to the following:

Request for Proposal will expire on 08/8/2014 at 4:00 pm. Send proposal as follows: Please mark sealed envelope with “Proposal – Network Node Ops & Maintenance”. Please submit your sealed proposals to the Tribal Secretary's Office at P.O. Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424 or deliver to 208 Capitol Hill, Tribal Secretary's Office in Nixon, NV. Please submit electronic copies as well to tribalsecretary@plpt.nsn.us

THE TRIBE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY AND ALL BIDS.

Preference in selection process is given to qualified Indian candidates in accordance with the Indian Preference Act (Title 25, U.S. Code, Section 472 and 473). However, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is an Equal Opportunity Employer and all qualified candidates will be considered in accordance with the provisions of Section 703 (I) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, amended in 1991.