

BIDDERS COMPANY NAME

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Solar Installation at Tribal Health Services Building Project

NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
RFP# 2026-THSS

DATE: August 31, 2026

The Nisqually Building Department on behalf of the Nisqually Indian Tribe is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for interested Contractors to submit proposals for the Solar Installation at Nisqually Tribal Health Services Building project. Minority and disadvantaged companies are encouraged to submit proposals.

Contact information for AJ Mullen is phone: 360-456-5221 ext 1273 OR mullen.aj@nisqually-nsn.gov

VIALE CONTRACTORS: To be awarded this project CONTRACTOR, of the winning bid, must be current will all taxes, insurances, bonding and licensing. Failure to comply will result in bid rejection.

SEALED PROPOSALS: Vendors will deliver two applications to the following address either by hand, delivery service or by US postal:

Nisqually Indian Tribe
4820 She-Nah-Num Drive SE
Olympia WA. 98513
Phone: 360-456-5221
Attn: Jill Wall
Financial Services - Contracts

CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMITAL SHALL BE Friday, October 2, 2026, 4PM

Proposals received after the above-cited time will be considered a late response and are not acceptable unless waived by the Building Director.

- Please mark the envelopes clearly with Sealed RFP # 2026 - THSS
- Questions may be directed to AJ Mullen, Building Department Project Manager 360-456-5221 Ext: 1273
- Cut-off for questions Monday, September 21st, 2026
- Questions and answers will be shared in an addendum posted September 25th, 2026, with all contractors and posted to the Nisqually website
- Bidder hereby acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda by filling out the attached Bid Form for RFP # 2026 - THSS

Thank you for your Interest

Definitions: **“Tribe” is Nisqually Indian Tribe**
 “Bidder” an individual or business submitting a bid to Nisqually Tribe
 “Contractor” One who contracts to perform services in accordance with a contract

1. PROPOSAL TERMS

- A. The Nisqually Tribe reserves the right to reject all proposals received as a result of this RFP. If a proposal is selected, it will be the most advantageous regarding price, quality of service, the Vendor’s qualifications and capabilities to provide the specified service(s), and other factors in accordance with the Tribal Bidding Procedure policy. The Tribe does not intend to award a Bid fully on the basis of any response made to the proposal; the Tribe reserves the right to consider proposals for modifications at any time before a Bid would be awarded, and negotiations would be undertaken with the provider whose proposal is deemed to best meet the Tribe’s specifications and needs.
- B. The Tribe reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive or not waive informalities or irregularities in bids or bidding procedures, and to accept or further negotiate cost, terms, or conditions of any bid determined by the Tribes to be in the best interests of the Tribe even through not the lowest bid.
- C. The price quotations stated in the bidder’s proposal will not be subject to any price increase from the date on which the proposal is opened at the Tribal headquarters to the mutually agreed-to-date Bid.
- D. In the event it becomes necessary to revise any part of the RFP, addenda will be provided. Deadlines for submission of the RFP may be adjusted to allow for revisions.
- E. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically providing a straight-forward, concise description of the vendor’s ability to meet the requirements of the RFP.
- F. Three references of similar scope and project value are required. Bidder must be in good standing with the tribe, if he has current or past projects Nisqually.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall provide all labor, materials, engineering, coordination, and professional services necessary to design, engineer, procure approvals, install, commission, and support data collection for the proposed solar photovoltaic (PV) system, as described below.

The Project site includes an existing emergency generator and Automatic Transfer Switch (ATS) system that serves sensitive building loads. **The solar PV system design shall be developed to ensure seamless integration with existing electrical infrastructure and shall not interfere with, compromise, or disrupt generator or ATS operation under any operating condition.**

The system size should be around 265kw DC.

A. Design Services

1. Develop a complete solar PV system design, including system layout, equipment selection, single-line diagrams, and structural and electrical configurations.
2. Identify and document the proposed utility point of interconnection.
3. Coordinate system design to ensure compatibility with the existing generator and ATS systems, including proper protection, controls, and isolation strategies. (Specifications of the generator and ATS at the end of the scope of work section)
4. Provide stamped drawings and documentation as required by applicable codes and authorities having jurisdiction (AHJs – NIT and Puget Sound Energy (PSE))

B. Engineering Services

1. Perform all necessary electrical and structural engineering analyses.
2. Ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, local, and utility requirements, including current National Electrical Code (NEC) standards and PSE standards.

C. Utility Interconnection – Puget Sound Energy – Distributed Renewables Schedule 152

1. Prepare and submit all required utility interconnection applications and supporting documentation.
2. Purchase any safety equipment, pay any fees or study requested by PSE.
3. Address any utility comments, revisions, or additional requirements necessary to receive permission to operate.
4. Coordinate with the serving utility provider through review, approval, and permission to operate (PTO).

D. Installation

1. Order, purchase, deliver, and install all equipment, materials, and components required for a complete and operational solar PV system.
2. Perform installation in accordance with approved drawings, manufacturer specifications, and applicable codes.
3. Coordinate installation activities to prevent disruption to building operations and ensure uninterrupted functionality of the generator and ATS systems.

E. Testing and Commissioning

1. Perform system startup, functional testing, and commissioning to ensure 100% of the system is functioning.
2. Verify proper integration with existing electrical systems, including confirmation of generator and ATS operational integrity.
3. Provide commissioning documentation.

F. Warranty and Workmanship

1. Provide warranty and workmanship information on equipment. (Items and Duration)
2. Provide as-built drawing with finalized details for the Tribe.

G. Data Collection Support

1. Assist Owner with system monitoring setup and configuration.
2. Provide guidance on performance data collection and reporting tools.
3. Support initial performance verification and baseline data acquisition following commissioning.

Site is available for inspection and for accuracy of the bid proposal please contact AJ Mullen at the Building Department to schedule a walkthrough. 360-456-5221 ext 1273

Generator/ATS Specifications: Cummins DOCC-2008842 (800kw) 3ph/480v
ATS: CUMMINS OTECC - 2004567

Please itemize Labor and material cost on Bid.

Grant funded budget = \$560,000.00

(265kw (DC) system size or close)

This project is subject to Davis Bacon, Prevailing Wage applies yes_X__ no ____

CONTRACT PROVISIONS

REPORTING OF CONTRACTOR

Section 1 – The Contractor is to report to the Project Manager and/or Director and confer with them as necessary to insure satisfactory work progress.

Section 2 – All reports, estimates, memoranda and documents submitted by the Contractor must be dated and bear the Contractors name.

Section 3 – All reports made in connection with these services are subject to review and final approval by the Building Director.

Section 4 – When Applicable, the Contractor will submit a final written report to the Building Director.

Section 5 – After reasonable notice to the Contractor, the Tribe may review any of the Contractor's internal records, reports, or insurance policies.

PERSONNEL

Section 1 – The contractor will provide the required services and will not subcontract or assign the services without prior written approval of the Building Director. Subcontractors, as well as primary contractors, are subject to the TERO ordinance and the Tribe's Native American preference policy (detailed below.) This ordinance applies to all sub tiers as well.

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

The contractor will protect, defend and indemnify the Nisqually Tribe, its officers, agents volunteers and employees from any and all liabilities, claims, liens fines, demands and costs, including legal fees, of whatsoever kind and nature which may result in injury or death to any persons, including the Contractors own employees and loss of damages to any property, including property owned or in the care, custody or control of the Nisqually Tribe in connection with or in any way incident to or arising out of the occupancy, use, service, operations, performance or non-performance of work in connection with this contract resulting in whole or in part from negligent acts or omissions of contractor, any sub-contractor, or any employee, agent or representative of the contractor or any sub-contractor.

NATIVE AMERICAN PREFERENCE/TERO

The Nisqually Tribe's Native American preference in contracting policy will be used to select the winning bid.

The owner wishes to make available any and all opportunities for employment and training for Nisqually Tribal Members, their immediate families, and all other Native Americans.

Therefore, the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) may be in effect for this project. This includes but is not limited to:

- Native preference in employment.
- Native preference in contracting.

TERO also applies to subcontractors and all sub tiers.

TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER REQUIREMENTS

- THPO requires 30-day notice prior to any ground disturbances or tree removal to ensure for review and determination of what level of survey is needed to better protect the cultural, historical, and archaeological resources of the TRIBE. A THPO representative shall be present at all dig sites, regardless of size or depth of dig, to prevent any damage to known or potential cultural resource sites. THPO laws, regulations and executive orders are in effect.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Contractor is required to provide proof of current workers Compensation Insurance with Washington State statutory limits and Employers liability Insurance.
- Contractor will provide proof of Commercial General Liability Insurance stating adequate coverage for project.
- Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned hired and non-owned vehicles with Personal Protection Insurance and Property Protection insurance.

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