Request for Proposals (RFP):

Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map Consulting Services

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The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate (the "SWO") of the Lake Traverse Reservation, located in Northeast South Dakota, invites qualified professionals to submit proposals for comprehensive plan and future land use map consulting services. This project aims to develop a strategic, long-term plan, and future land use map, that supports sustainable growth, enhances economic opportunities, and guides development over the next 20-30 years.

The selected consultant will work closely with community leaders, stakeholders, and tribal members to lead an extensive, inclusive, and innovative community engagement process and must have significant community planning experience and expertise, particularly with contemporary, system-and-value based comprehensive plans that are creative and engaging in their format and presentation, and inspiring in their content. The plan should incorporate traditional knowledge and values, ensuring that the SWO's cultural and historical legacy is honored and integrated into future development.

The SWO is seeking these services for an estimated period of 12-24 months, likely starting in Fall 2024. Criteria for selection will include relevant experience, understanding of tribal communities, proposed methodology, and cost-effectiveness. A copy of the RFP, including deliverables and submittal requirements, can be requested from Mr. Vern Vallie, SWO Procurement Department, at wvallie@swo-nsn.gov or at (605) 698-3911, ext. 8302.

PROPOSALS SHALL BE DUE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 30, 2024.

The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate is a federally recognized tribe that applies Indian Preference and Tribal Preference (TERO) in employment and contracting pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 8(c) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act. The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Council is the awarding authority and reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to only award a contract if it is in the best interest of the Tribe to do so.