

Northern Cheyenne Ecoregional Assessment Project
Request for Proposal

Chief Dull Knife College (CDKC) is looking for a contractor to provide technical assistance in support of the Northern Cheyenne Ecoregional Assessment (NCEEA) Project, a multi-disciplinary initiative to collect and digitally curate pertinent tribal resource management data within a five-state study area. The Project involves the systematic compilation of cultural and natural resource information important to Cheyenne culture and ethnohistory, and emphasizes the cooperative participation of Northern Cheyenne tribal representatives, CDKC personnel, anthropologists and archeologists, and plant and wildlife habitat specialists.

The contractor will accomplish the following tasks in conformance with the project Scope of Work:

1. Identify and recommend any additional software needed to accomplish the GIS goals of the NCEEA project, to include software required for both creating and maintaining all geospatial data in the future.
2. Identify ethnobotanical and ethnozoological GIS data resources, and determine the best way to spatially represent the resource habitats (including migratory routes) within the study area. Create GIS map layers (shapefiles) for ethnobotanical and ethnozoological data.
3. Work with the Database Developer and Technical Coordinator to determine the best way to link existing NCEEA ethnobotanical and ethnozoological database records to the GIS data.
4. Assist with integrating the shapefiles and associated GIS data with the existing NCEEA software application. Review GUI display of GIS map layers within the NCEEA software application, and advise best practices.
5. Document the data collection activities and provide citations for all GIS data sources.
6. Filter the MTSHP cultural resource database in terms of sites types of interest to the Northern Cheyenne, as established by EEA tribal advisors.

Other related tasks may be assigned in response to project contingencies. The successful candidate will have substantial prior professional experience a) working in the fields of cultural and natural resource management; b) working with regional Indian tribes; and c) developing database and GIS functionality for resource management purposes. We anticipate the successful candidate will possess a flexible and adaptive approach to effective problem-solving in a diverse, cross-disciplinary work environment.

No later than Friday, December 18, 2015, please submit a letter of interest, summary work proposal, and budget to:

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For additional project-specific information, or to request a copy of the NCEEA Scope of Work, please contact:

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