

# BAD RIVER BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

CHIEF BLACKBIRD CENTER  
54861

P.O. Box 39 Odanah, Wisconsin

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

### Mashkiizibii Jr. Manoomin Committee ~ Youth Teachings and Workshops

Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians is seeking proposals through solicitation for individuals who will lead manoomin-oriented skills, crafts, or teachings for the Jr. Manoomin Committee during the growing and harvest season of 2026. Some possible examples of workshops include: processing rice, making winnowing baskets, Ojibwemowin of Manoominikewin, push pole making, machine processing, knocker making, or manoomin stewardship teachings. Depending on the number of eligible applicants and proposed costs, we will likely choose multiple applicants. All associated craft materials must be prepped and provided by presenter unless otherwise specified.

Proposals are required to contain the following information:

- Total Cost per workshop (including preparation, gathering of materials if applicable, and teardown/clean up)
- Documentation of relevant experience in the craft including photos or physical examples as applicable

The Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, U.S.C. Section 476. This entitles the Tribe to government pricing and exempts the Tribe from state sales and use taxes and from federal excise taxes. Therefore, price quotations should not include such taxes.

This Request for Proposals is open to all qualified, responsive bidders. Indian Preference will apply in the selection process in accordance with the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) or the Indian Preference Act of 1934 (Title 25, USC, Section 47), based on funding source requirements. Questions regarding TERO, and if the TERO fee applies to the RFP, may be directed to the Bad River Band's Human Resource office at 715-682-7111.

Firms or persons applying for Indian preference must provide evidence in its proposal of 51% or more Indian ownership. In addition, the firm or person must provide evidence of structure, management and financing affecting the Indian character of the firm. Documentation of and compliance with Indian Preference must accompany the proposal.

In the event of two or more proposals offering the same services, the bidders with the most years of experience will be chosen.

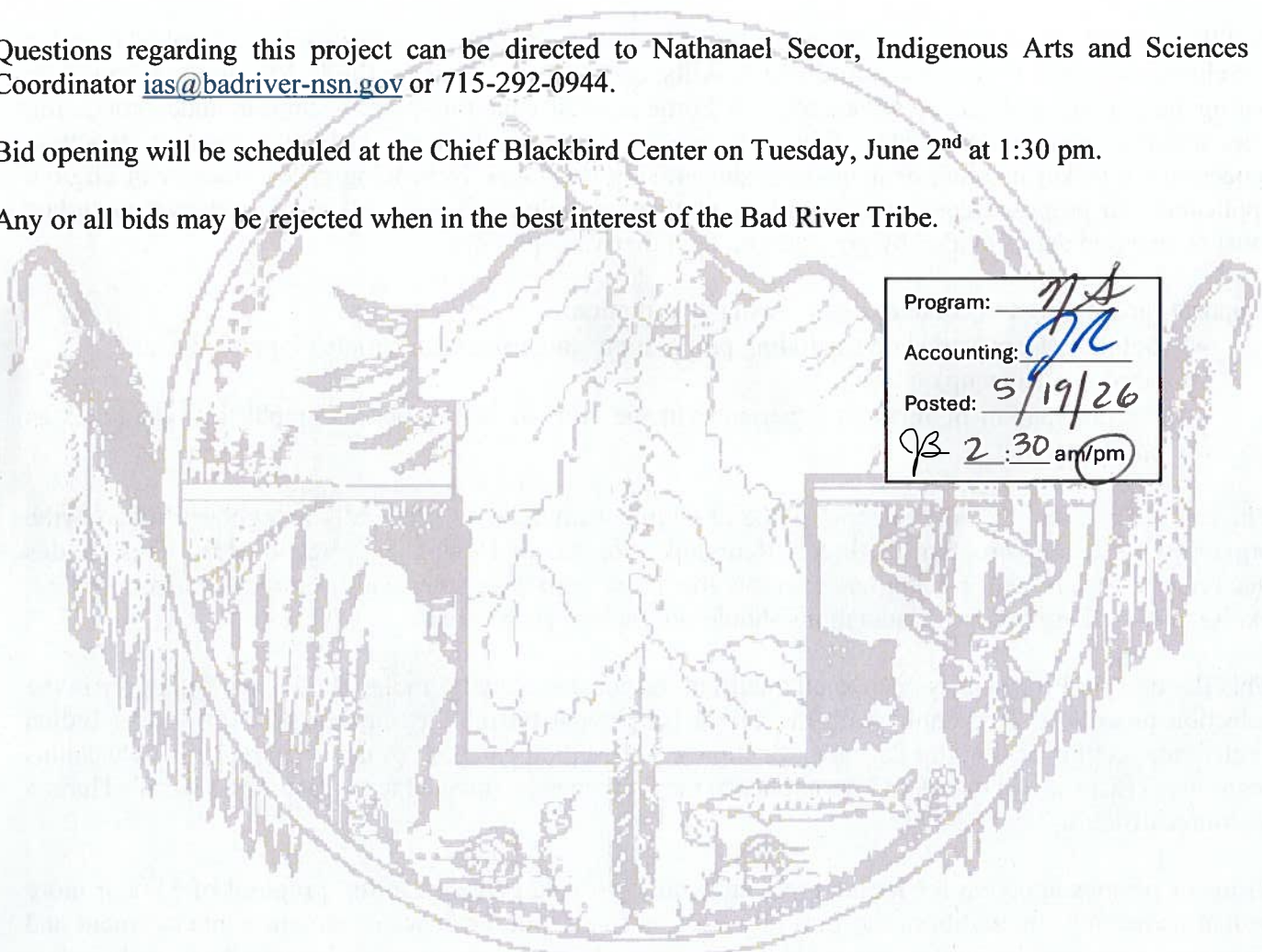
Sealed bids must be labeled "Jr. Manoomin Committee" and submitted by **Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 at 12:00 pm noon.**

Bad River Tribe  
Chief Blackbird Center  
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Questions regarding this project can be directed to Nathanael Secor, Indigenous Arts and Sciences Coordinator [ias@badriver-nsn.gov](mailto:ias@badriver-nsn.gov) or 715-292-0944.

Bid opening will be scheduled at the Chief Blackbird Center on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 pm.

Any or all bids may be rejected when in the best interest of the Bad River Tribe.



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