

# BAD RIVER BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

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CHIEF BLACKBIRD CENTER

P.O. Box 39 Odanah, Wisconsin 54861

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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### Exterior Pathway and Overhead Lighting

Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians is seeking proposals through solicitation for the design assistance, supply, installation, and commissioning of exterior pathway lighting and overhead site lighting for the Health and Wellness Center campus located in Odanah, Wisconsin.

The purpose of this project is to improve pedestrian safety, site visibility, accessibility, security, and energy efficiency throughout the facility grounds while maintaining a welcoming and culturally respectful environment for patients, staff, and visitors.

#### Project Objectives

The selected contractor shall provide a complete turnkey solution for exterior lighting improvements including:

- Exterior pedestrian pathway lighting
- Awning overhead lights in front entrance of clinic
- Energy-efficient LED lighting systems
- Lighting controls and photocell/timer integration
- Safe and code-compliant installation
- Minimal disruption to Health and Wellness Center operations

#### Scope of Work

The contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, supervision, permits, and related services necessary to complete the project.

#### A. Pathway Lighting

Provide and install exterior path lighting along designated walkways and pedestrian routes including:

- Main building entrances
- ADA-accessible pathways

#### Path Light Requirements

- LED fixtures with warm white lighting (3000K preferred)
- Dark-sky compliant fixtures preferred
- Corrosion-resistant construction suitable for northern Wisconsin climate
- Minimum fixture life of 50,000 hours
- Bollard-style or pole-mounted fixtures as approved by Owner
- Uniform lighting distribution to minimize shadows and glare
- Fixtures rated for snow, ice, and moisture exposure

#### Overhead Site Lighting

Provide and install overhead lighting for:

- Parking lots
- Vehicle circulation areas
- Loading/service areas
- Exterior entrances
- Building perimeter security lighting

#### Overhead Lighting Requirements

- LED hanging light fixture from awning
- Full cutoff optics preferred

- Fixture finishes coordinated with facility aesthetics

### **Electrical and Controls**

Contractor shall provide:

- Underground conduit and wiring
- Concrete bases and pole foundations
- Photocells and programmable timers
- Lighting control panels as required
- Surge protection
- System testing and commissioning
- Coordination with existing electrical infrastructure

### **Design and Performance Standards**

All work shall comply with:

- National Electrical Code (NEC)
- Wisconsin State Electrical Codes
- ADA accessibility requirements
- Applicable energy efficiency standards
- OSHA safety requirements
- Local utility coordination requirements

Lighting levels should prioritize:

- Patient and visitor safety
- Reduced glare
- Energy efficiency
- Long-term durability
- Ease of maintenance

### **Contractor Qualifications**

Respondents shall demonstrate:

- Experience with commercial or healthcare exterior lighting projects
- Licensed electrical contractor status in Wisconsin
- Ability to work in occupied healthcare environments
- References from at least three comparable projects
- Proof of insurance and bonding capacity
- Experience with LED lighting systems and controls

**Proposals shall include the following:**

#### **Company Information**

- Company name and address
- Primary contact person
- Years in business
- Relevant certifications/licenses

#### **Technical Proposal**

- Description of proposed lighting system
- Fixture specifications and cut sheets
- Pole specifications
- Lighting control approach
- Proposed installation methodology
- Preliminary project schedule

**Cost Proposal**

Provide itemized pricing including:

- Materials
- Labor
- Equipment
- Permits
- Mobilization
- Contingencies
- Warranty information

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.

Sealed bids must be labeled 'Exterior Pathway and Overhead Lighting' and submitted by June 25th, 2026 at 04:30 PM to:

Bad River Tribe  
Chief Blackbird Center  
Attn: Executive Secretary  
PO Box 39/72682 Maple St  
Odanah, WI 54861

Questions regarding this project can be directed to ANTHONY WHERLEY, Maintenance Supervisor 715-685-8568 or email [A.Wherley@badriverhwc.com](mailto:A.Wherley@badriverhwc.com).

Bid opening will be scheduled at Chief Blackbird Center 72682 Maple St. Odanah, WI 54861

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

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