CTUIR Response to Request for Clarification on Toxics Inventory RFP 4-1-2024

Toxics Inventory:

- 1) Project Scope: Task 3 indicates that the contractor will be required to coordinate sampling events with CTUIR and assist with the permitting process. Please explain what sampling is anticipated under this RFP scope and schedule? Task 2 appears to be focused on research and creating the inventory, and does not indicate any field work is needed.
 - a. We are not anticipating conducting sampling, however, if the contractor believes sampling may help then they are free to propose that. Task 2 does not require any fieldwork.
- 2) Budget: Please explain what is meant by "salaries" in bullet #3? We are assuming this is a total of the fully burdened hourly billing rates multiplied by labor hours, which is then totaled by task as opposed to providing individual salaries.
 - a. Yes, that is correct. Please include estimated hours for personnel and billing rates necessary for the completion tasks in the proposed budget.
- 3) Is this referring to laboratory analysis (assuming field work may be required for this project)? If not, please explain this bullet in the context of the project scope Task 2 in more detail?
 - a. We are looking for a contractor who has experience assessing the quality of environmental sampling data and laboratory results to develop QA protocols for the CTUIR toxics inventory and strategic plan. Typically, contractors experienced working with laboratory or environmental sampling data have established QA/QC procedures that would be valuable to evaluate the quality of existing datasets.
- 4) Can you also please explain how much coordination and interaction is anticipated between the 2 projects (i.e., Inventory and Strategic Toxics Reduction Plan) and potentially 2 different contractors?
 - a. We anticipate a good amount of interaction and coordination between subsequent contractors for the toxics inventory and strategic plan projects. For the toxics inventory, we are looking for contractors with greater toxicologyrelated experience and for the strategic plan, we are looking for experience with organizational planning, community outreach, and engagement, especially with tribal communities.
- 5) in the event a contractor has worked for CTUIR in the past, can a CTUIR employee (or past employee) be used as a reference?
 - a. Yes, please include references and list all previous experience working with CTUIR and other tribal communities.

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Is it possible to extend the Proposal Submission Deadline?

a. Yes, the new deadline will be April 26th at 4:00 PM.