



CHUKCHANSI GOLD RESORT & CASINO

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Solar Project Manager

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Introduction

Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino is a Native American casino located just off of Highway 41 in Coarsegold, California, between Fresno and Yosemite National Park. It is owned and operated by the Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians.

The 56,000-square-foot casino has 2,000 slot machines, and 40 table games. Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino features a 300-seat buffet, Vintage Steakhouse, over 400 hotel rooms and suites, a full service spa and various other amenities.

A. Background

The Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino (hereafter “CGRC”) is requesting proposals from a qualified Project Manager responsible for managing solar and energy storage projects through late-stage development, pre-construction activities, NTP and construction to commercial operation. The Project Manager will work with various project partners, engineers, lawyers, contractors, vendors and utilities. The ideal candidate is an organized and seasoned project manager with direct experience overseeing the design, permitting, procurement and construction of solar and energy storage projects. The Project Manager must be an innovative thinker, fast-learner, collaborative worker and self-starter with a passion for the renewable energy industry and track record of success thriving in a high growth environment.

B. Scope of Services

- Identify and build relationships with vendors and contractors related to the construction of solar and energy storage project.
- Run robust request for proposals (RFP’s) with select vendors and contractors for solar and energy storage project to obtain high-quality partners at favorable prices.
- Lead internal and external engineering resources in the optimization of construction layouts and the solving of technical issues as needed.
- Negotiate engineering, procurement and construction contracts with material vendors, contractors, and project partners.
- Manage contractors and vendors through the construction of the project to achieve commercial operation for the project on time and on budget.
- Assist in providing information requested by CGRC to achieving project financing and updating.

- Help establish project specific budget related to construction of project and manage budget.
- Support project development in developing construction cost estimates and in providing constructability review to preliminary designs, interconnection applications, and other project aspects.
- Travel as needed for preconstruction site visits, monitoring and construction progress.
- Manage and coordinate project and work efforts with other team members in an organized manner.

C. Requirements

- (5+) Years experience in power plant, solar or real estate development, ideally with some combination of solar project development and financing.
- Demonstrable experience successfully negotiating transactions.
- Sophisticated understanding and ability to navigate the environmental and utility regulatory environment.
- Experience managing development and construction budgets and schedules.
- Rigorous attention to detail, work ethic, personal responsibility, work product ownership and organizational skills.
- Strong business development acumen and exceptional verbal and written communication skills.
- Effective analytical and problem-solving skills and the ability to resolve time-sensitive issues with precision.
- Energy, real estate, engineering, or business related Master's degree is a plus.

D. Compensation

1. The selected Project Manager shall provide a quote for providing the services to the CGRC.

E. Selection Process

The CGRC will not use a point system to evaluate proposals. Selections will be made based upon the CGRC's assessment of the quality of the proposal and the consultants experience in conducting similar projects. The CGRC reserves the right to reject all proposals and to reopen the RFP process.

F. Limiting Conditions

The CGRC is owned and operated by a tribal sovereign government, and any and all contracts entered into as a result of this RFP shall comply with Tribal law, rules and regulations, as well as applicable federal and provincial law, rules and regulations. Project Manager shall be an independent contractor, not an employee or agent of the Tribe, and any contract shall reflect same. Project Manager agrees to treat all information received from the CGRC as confidential. Consultant shall use such information only for the specific purpose for which the CGRC furnished it to the Project Manager. **No waiver of the CGRC's sovereign immunities, defenses, rights or actions shall be implied or otherwise deemed to exist by reason of the Tribe's entry into this Agreement.**

G. Responses

Please include contact names(s), address, phone number, and email. Submission of information does not commit a responding party to submit a proposal to any subsequent solicitation. Commenters are advised that CGRC is under no obligation to acknowledge receipt or provide feedback with respect to any comments received under this announcement.

CGRC may use responses to structure future solicitations. Responses will not be considered confidential. CGRC advises commenters to avoid including any information in their responses that might be considered business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential. If, however, a commenter chooses to submit business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential information, it must be clearly and conspicuously marked as such in the response. In addition, (1) the header and footer of every page that contains confidential, proprietary, or privileged information must be marked as follows: "Contains Confidential, Proprietary, or Privileged Information Exempt from Public Disclosure" and (2) every line and paragraph containing proprietary, privileged, or trade secret information must be clearly marked with double brackets or highlighting. Failure to comply with these marking requirements may result in the disclosure of the unmarked information under the Freedom of Information Act or otherwise. The U.S. Federal Government is not liable for the disclosure or use of unmarked information and may use or disclose such information for any purpose. If a comment contains confidential, proprietary, or privileged

information, the commenter must include a cover sheet identifying the specific pages containing confidential, proprietary, or privileged information.

The requested information is for preliminary planning purposes only and does not constitute an obligation by CGRC to enter into a contractual agreement. Nor does it constitute a commitment, implied or otherwise, that the CGRC will issue an RFP in the future. The CGRC will not be responsible for any costs incurred by offerors in furnishing this information.

Due Date for Responses and Submission Method: 8/31/2024

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