



Ktunaxa Nation Council – Lands and Resources Sector Request for Proposals: Facilitation of Ktunaxa Forest Summit

Summary

The Ktunaxa Nation Council Lands and Resources Sector (KLRS) requests proposal from individuals or firms to provide facilitation services for the 'Ktunaxa Forest Summit' being held April 23/24, 2023.

Background

The Ktunaxa Nation Council (KNC) and Ktunaxa First Nations (KFNs) are deeply engaged in the forest sector in numerous ways from having tenure, being involved in the TSR process, Forest Landscape Planning, Land Stewardship Planning, review of forestry operations and referrals etc. They are also in the process of establishing the Qat'muk IPCA where they are exploring economic opportunities overall including different opportunities that arise from forests (potentially forest harvesting but also other opportunities such as Carbon market, NTFP's, silviculture, restoration etc).

The KNC is planning to put on a 'Ktunaxa Forest Summit' to bring together some key Subject Matter Experts (SME's) along with Ktunaxa Nation Council and Ktunaxa First Nation Lands and Economic staff as well as Ktunaxa contractors engaged in the forest industry to learn, engage and discuss the future of forests in ʔamakʔis Ktunaxa. This Summit is hoped to be an exploratory discussion and result in some key recommendations as well as potential next steps identified to support Ktunaxa to move forward and prosper from the forests in their homelands.

The Key Objectives of the Summit are as follows:

- To learn about wildfire on the landscape, what to expect and how to plan for and respond to in a changing climate;
- To learn about carbon credits, offsets and policy (e.g. BC's Atmospheric Benefit Sharing Agreements) and the reality of their potential implications across ʔamakʔis Ktunaxa and potential economic implications to KFN forestry opportunities;
- To foster a collaborative and creative learning opportunity for KFN and KNC staff and external as invited;
- To engage KFN's and KNC in a more strategic, comprehensive long term forest strategy development (if desired by KFN's);

- To develop a process to continue this strategic forestry discussion amongst KFN's and KNC

Required Tasks and Deliverables

The majority of the tasks and deliverables will include:

- Co-planning the event (with relevant KNC and other staff);
- Co-designing the agenda;
- Co-designing approach to Summit and how to meaningfully engage attendees and create opportunities for smaller discussions;
- Co-facilitating the event (with KNC staff);
- Documenting the event overall and conversations that occur (written and visual);
- Working with Ktunaxa graphic recorder as necessary;
- Providing a summary report of the event including discussion and key themes, lessons learned and recommendations moving forward.

Timelines

The event will happen on April 23-24. Some initial work and planning has already begun, with draft agenda and SME's confirmed. KNC staff will be responsible for overall logistics (venue, food etc.).

Proposals

Proposals should include:

- A summary (with supporting resumes) of the proponent's background and expertise related to the services requested;
- A summary of any previous work undertaken with First Nations and knowledge; of/familiarity with the Ktunaxa Nation and Territory (i.e. upper Columbia River Basin);
- A description of the approach to be taken to carry out requested services;
- Samples of work your company or individual has completed related to the services requested;
- Budget and hourly rates.

Deadline for Proposals

Digital proposals (e-mail or CD/DVD) should be received no later than **3:00pm on April 5, 2024**. The successful candidate/firm will be notified no later than April 8, 2023.

Contact Information

For further information, or to submit proposals:

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